

2017 Grant Awards

AACF awarded a total of \$15,000 this year to the following recipients:

- **\$3,000** to **Charlotte Area Fund** for their Healthy Choices Program. This will assist low-income citizens, who have chronic illnesses/conditions, with a variety of health and nutrition activities/services to manage their condition and improve their well-being.
- **\$2,500** to **EmpowHERment, Inc.** for their Annual EmpowHERment Summit. The summit connects over 400 girls and women leaders in the Charlotte community for a high energy and impact day to build the girls' social capital through access to networks, resources and talent development.
- **\$3,000** to **Profound Gentlemen** to fund a 10 month pilot to increase 0 young men of color in Mecklenburg high schools access to college and career opportunities in Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Mathematics (STEAM) and the Humanities.
- **\$3,000** to **S.T.A.R.S. Math and English Academy** to expand the number of 3rd-8th graders served by End of Grade (EOG) Boot Camp which enables students to increase their performance on state EOG tests in reading and math.
- **\$3,500** to **The Learning Collaborative** to support the Family School Readiness Program. This program requires their parents to serve/volunteer and to attend weekly parenting meetings where they focus self-sufficiency, connecting to community resources and parenting skills.