2020 Grant Awards

AACF awarded a total of $17,500 this year to the following recipients:

**ActionNC ($2,500 in honor of CLTGrafitti)** confronts and reduces the root causes of poverty, underdevelopment, and social and economic inequality through grassroots education, training, organization and mobilization.

**Alluvium ($2,500)** utilizes education mentoring and life skills training to repurpose the less-than-perfect characteristics and qualities of imperiled youth by highlighting and developing attributes, habits and talents that will help them craft fertile and productive lives.

**Black Leadership Social Capital Initiative ($2,500)** provides complementary mentoring/coaching workshop with CEOs/Executive Directors for minority “Junior and Senior”-level managers in the not-for-profit space, with a desire to LEAD.

**Charlotte Mecklenburg Schools Foundation ($2,500)** works to generate financial investment to support Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools and develop a communitywide culture of “schoolanthropy” – the support of public education.

**GardHouse ($2,500)** increases post-graduation employment opportunities for college students of color by maximizing work-based programs. The first of its kind, GardHouse developed a pipeline to employment for college students of color through local minority-owned businesses.

**Home4me ($2,500)** is "A Voice for Teens in Foster Care" taking the concerns of homelessness from teens "in" and "aging out" of foster care.

**Hope Vibes ($1,000)** exists to bring awareness, hope and real solutions to the homeless epidemic in the Charlotte-Metrolina region by providing dignity through personal hygiene products, mobile laundry/shower vehicles and conversation.

**The Vogue Room Foundation ($1,500)** provides first-generation college students with a successful transition into university living.