

CLIPPER SHIP FOUNDATION ANNOUNCES 2017-18 GRANT RECIPIENTS AND OPENS 2018-19 GRANT MAKING PROGRAM WITH FOCUS ON HOUSING AND SHELTER, FOSTER CARE AND OPPORTUNITY YOUTH.

Boston, MA (October, 2018) – The Clipper Ship Foundation, a \$25 million Boston-based private foundation, announces the opening of its second annual grant award cycle under its new strategy and re-configured grant process, focusing on three distinct areas: housing and shelter, foster care, and opportunity youth. Having redefined its strategy in 2017 to focus on achieving impact within each of these three areas, the Foundation anticipates awarding substantially larger grants (\$25,000 to \$100,000).

The Foundation will continue its proud tradition of concentrating its support on innovative, smaller charities (budgets less than \$5MM) where its strategic grants are expected to leverage greater impact. The Foundation will also continue to offer support to charities dedicated to serving clients in the Greater Boston, Lawrence, and Brockton areas.

Guided by its new strategy, the Foundation selected 23 organizations to receive grants in 2018, ranging from \$25,000 to \$100,000. Each of the following organizations were chosen to receive grants in 2018.

Housing and Shelter Bridge Over Troubled; EMH Recovery, Inc.; The Haven; Hearth, Inc.; Housing Solutions for Southeastern; Massachusetts Housing and Shelter Alliance

Foster Care Boston CASA; Cambridge Family and Children's Service; Family Services of the Merrimack Valley; Justice Resource Institute; Massachusetts Adoption Resource Exchange; Mass Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children; Rise Above Foundation; Silver Lining Mentoring; and The Wily Network

Opportunity Youth East Boston Ecumenical Community Council; Ecumenical Social Action Committee, Inc.; Inquilinos Boricuas en Acción, Inc.; Lawrence Family Development, Inc.; More Than Words; Rennie Center for Education Research & Policy, Inc.; Roxbury Youthworks, Inc.; and YouthBuild Boston

“The Clipper Ship Foundation remains committed to investing critical grant capital, advice and time in the promise of enterprising, smaller nonprofits achieving great things on behalf of their clients,” explains Clipper Ship Chairman and President Don Greene. “Our new, strategic focus has enabled the Foundation to develop true partnerships with our grant recipients and to drive lasting impact in each of our three focus areas - Housing and Shelter, Foster Care and Opportunity Youth.”

The Foundation now employs a single annual funding cycle beginning with eligible applicants submitting a summary Concept Paper in lieu of a full application. Concept Papers can be submitted beginning November 2nd with submissions due by December 2nd.

A select group of Concept Paper applicants will be invited to submit a full proposal in early 2019, and a subset of these organizations will be invited to host a site visit, with grant awards expected to be announced by the end of June, 2019.

Organizations interested in applying for grant funding should visit www.clipper-ship-foundation.org to review the Foundation's grant guidelines and to submit eligible Concept Papers. In addition the Foundation will host a Question & Answer Conference call for interested parties on Friday, November 9th at 9:30 AM EST. Attendees should dial 1-866-747-5167 and use code 888-484-21# to take part in the call.

The Foundation would like to thank applicant organizations who took part in last year's process, providing critical insights which we have relied upon to continue to improve upon our process. Among these improvements are the development of a new, online grant application platform designed to specifically meet the needs of our applicant organizations. Applicants can access this new platform thru links which will be available thru our website at www.clipper-ship-foundation.org beginning on November 2nd.

About the Clipper Ship Foundation

The Clipper Ship Foundation was founded in 1979 by David Parmely Weatherhead. The Foundation makes \$1.5 million in grants annually to federally tax-qualified nonprofit organizations offering critical services to individuals living in Greater Boston (cities and towns lying on or within Route 128) and the cities of Lawrence and Brockton.

The Foundation focuses its grantmaking activities in the areas of Housing and Shelter, Foster Care, and Opportunity Youth. For more information, please review the Foundation's Grants Process and Grant Guidelines at www.clipper-ship-foundation.org.