

Celebrating 10 Years of WNY Nonprofit Partnerships 2015-2025



IN THIS MONTH'S NEWSLETTER

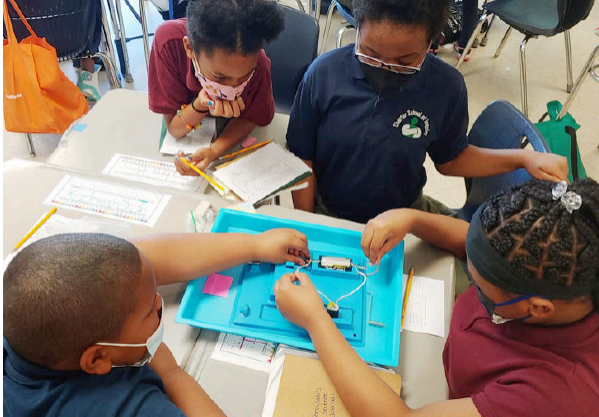
2025 marks 10 years of the Cullen Foundation operating as a fully staffed private foundation with formal grant guidelines, active cycles, and consistent grant awards. We're proud of the deep relationships we've built with our grantee partners in the Prek-12 education and performing arts sectors. The daily work of these high impact organizations enables us to advance our mission and vision. The programs and activities of our grantees are felt throughout WNY in our neighborhoods, schools, community centers, and arts venues.

The Cullen Foundation of Western New York, Inc. is an independent, private foundation created by John "Jack" S. Cullen II in 2003. His estate provided the funding for the foundation. Our mission is to significantly enhance the education of students in grades pre-K to 12 and to advance theatre and the performing arts in Erie County.

Our focus areas of education and performing arts enable us to touch the lives of countless Buffalonians. Our emphasis the past 10 years has been supporting local nonprofit partners with funding, capacity-building activities, thought partnership, and other means of assistance.

\$48 MILLION TO 187 NONPROFITS PLUS AN ADDITIONAL \$3.4M PLEDGED

Between January 1, 2015 and April 1, 2025 we provided **\$48 million** in cash grant payments to **187 nonprofit organizations** working in Western New York communities. As of April 1, 2025, **an additional \$3.4 million** in cash grants is firmly committed toward future grant payments with much more to follow.



PERFORMING ARTS GRANTEES (2015 to YTD 2025)

**\$12
MILLION**

EDUCATION GRANTEES (2015 to YTD 2025)

**\$36
MILLION**

**THEATRE
\$4.8 MILLION**

**HUMAN CAPITAL
\$9.2 MILLION**

**MUSIC
\$4.3 MILLION**

**SUPPLEMENTAL PROGRAMS
\$11.7 MILLION**

**SINGERS
\$260 THOUSAND**

**CHARTER SCHOOLS
\$11.5 MILLION**

**DANCE
\$300 THOUSAND**

**SCHOLARSHIPS
\$3 MILLION**

**MULTI-ARTS
\$754 THOUSAND**

**OTHER EDUCATION
\$659 THOUSAND**

\$48M

**IN CASH GRANTS
TO 187
NONPROFITS**

716 SQUASH • ALLEYWAY THEATRE • ARTPARK • ARTS SERVICES INITIATIVE OF WNY • ASSEMBLY HOUSE 150 • BRICK • BIG BROTHERS BIG SISTERS • BESTSELF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH • BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS OF BUFFALO • BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS OF THE NORTH TOWNS • BUFFALO ACADEMY OF SCIENCE • BUFFALO CENTER FOR ARTS AND TECHNOLOGY • BUFFALO CHAMBER PLAYERS • BUFFALO CITY SWIM RACERS • BUFFALO GAY MEN'S CHORUS • BUFFALO HEARING & SPEECH CENTER • BUFFALO INNER CITY BALLET • BUFFALO MARITIME CENTER • BUFFALO NIAGARA WATERKEEPER • BUFFALO OPERA • BUFFALO ORCHES' • BUFFALO STRING • BUFFALO TNEY AR • BUFFALO CLUB • BUFFALO VILLAGE • BUFFALO WOOD • BUFFALO WORK-SC • BUFFALO ONAL • BUFFALO COMMUNI' • BUFFALO SOCIETY • BUFFALO MUSIC HAI • BUFFALO F WNY • BUFFALO R YOUTH • BUFFALO WORK • BUFFALO OF THE • BUFFALO LEAGUE

Located in Buffalo, New York, our professional staff of four and six Board of Director members center our work on being approachable and accessible funding partners. We strive to be a resource to applicants and grantees, meeting nonprofits groups where they are now with a goal of moving forward together to effectively serve Western New York residents.

The Directors and staff of The Cullen Foundation of Western New York, Inc. are grateful for the opportunity to partner with so many extraordinary organizations that help us reach and impact tens of thousands of WNY's residents each year. Let's continue the work ahead with the same robust spirit of cooperation that's brought us this far.

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