

United Way of Washtenaw County Power of the Purse Grantees FY 21

United Way of Washtenaw County awards Power of the Purse grants annually as part of its Financial Stability Initiative. These grants provide support for programs, projects or initiatives that prioritize the financial wellbeing of people who identify as women, individuals and families with low incomes, communities of color, and historically and/or systematically marginalized groups.

This year's investments were made to women of color led organizations who are helping women and families maintain their financial stability and meet their basic needs during the COVID-19 pandemic. Food security, K-12 education supports, and wraparound supports are the types of services prioritized for funding.

Quick Facts

- **\$35,000:** Total of grants awarded
- **6:** # of grants awarded
- **100%:** Grants to agencies led by women of color
- **100%:** Funding to Ypsilanti zip codes 48197/98
- **100%:** Funding explicitly serving communities and people of color
- **33%:** Funding explicitly serving Latinx communities
- **100%:** Funding to organizations with annual budgets under 500k

We're pleased to invest in the following agencies and programs:

Organization	Description	Award Amount
Buenos Vecinos	Provide direct emergency financial assistance for immigrant families with low incomes to assist with expenses for housing, utilities, transportation, childcare, healthcare services, and food assistance.	\$5,800
Destiny and Purpose Community Outreach	Provides new mothers with low incomes baby supplies and support.	\$5,800
Joyful Treats	Delivers emergency food to residents of 48797/98 with underlying health issues.	\$5,800
Kekere Freedom School**	A homeschool co-op community and that seeks to decolonize childhood and liberate learners of all ages.	\$6,000
Mexiquenses en Michigan	Provides financial assistance to Latinx families with low incomes living in 48197- 48198 neighborhoods to partially meet housing, food, healthcare needs.	\$5,800
Power of Predestiny Ministries	Provides basic need supports to families living in 48197/98.	\$5,800
Total		\$35,000

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