



## Union Pacific Awards \$5.5 Million in Grants Supporting Local Communities and Underserved Populations

**OMAHA, Neb., Nov. 9, 2021** – Union Pacific Railroad’s Community Ties Giving Program awarded \$5.5 million in local grants to 576 nonprofit organizations, with 81% going to local organizations that align with Union Pacific’s Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DE&I) values.

Sixteen million people in underserved and underrepresented communities across Union Pacific’s 23-state rail network will benefit from the grants awarded based on three of the company’s top philanthropic priorities: safety, workforce development and community spaces.

“Union Pacific is proud to partner with local-based organizations that are often doing the unsung, behind-the-scenes work needed to keep our communities safe and economically vibrant,” said Scott Moore, senior vice president and chief administrative officer for Union Pacific. “These organizations improve the quality of life for millions day-in and day-out, including veterans, disabled individuals and people in underrepresented communities.”

Earlier this year, Union Pacific announced that organizations receiving local grants or participating in its key partnerships through the Community Ties Giving Program must demonstrate a commitment to DE&I principles by 2023. This commitment should be demonstrated in at least one of the following ways:

- Grant mission: The purpose of the grant is to advance the interests of an underrepresented or underserved population, or the grant will be used to advance the organization’s own capacity around DE&I.
- Target population: The grant will primarily serve an underrepresented population.
- Grantee organizational structure and culture: The organization is taking actions to instill DE&I internally and/or within its programs.

The company views its goal of reaching 100% of DE&I-aligned grants as a multi-year journey, and Union Pacific is ready to help its partners create their own programs with capacity-building grants or DE&I training.

Union Pacific’s grants typically range between \$2,500 to \$25,000 and are given to local organizations across Union Pacific’s rail system. Recipients are selected through an open, competitive applications process. To learn more about Union Pacific’s Community Ties Giving Program or apply for local grants, visit [up.com/communityties](https://up.com/communityties).

### ABOUT UNION PACIFIC

Union Pacific (NYSE: UNP) delivers the goods families and businesses use every day with safe, reliable and efficient service. Operating in 23 western states, the company connects its customers and communities to the global economy. Trains are the most environmentally responsible way to move freight, helping Union Pacific protect future generations. More information about Union Pacific is available at [www.up.com](https://www.up.com).

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## 2021 Grants

Illinois: \$480,000

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| Bloomington       | IAA Foundation   |
| Chicago           | Annes Haven LLC  |
| Chicago           | Big Shoulders Fund   |
| Chicago           | Black Ensemble Theater Corp.   |
| Chicago           | Cara Program   |
| Chicago           | Centro Romero  |
| Chicago           | Chicago Cares Inc.   |
| Chicago           | Chicago Center for Arts and Technology Inc.                          |
| Chicago           | Chicago Public Library Foundation                                    |
| Chicago           | Greater Chicago Food Depository                                      |
| Chicago           | HIRE360  |
| Chicago           | Historic Pullman Foundation Inc.                                     |
| Chicago           | Jane Addams Resource Corp.   |
| Chicago           | La Casa Norte  |
| Chicago           | Lawrence Hall Youth Services   |
| Chicago           | Poder Learning Center  |
| Chicago           | Reflections Foundation   |
| Chicago           | The Chicago Lighthouse For People Who Are Blind or Visually Impaired |
| Chicago           | Urban Initiatives Inc.   |
| Chicago           | Women Entrepreneurs Grow Global                                      |
| Chicago           | Youth Guidance   |
| Des Plaines       | Maryville Academy  |
| East St. Louis    | National Council of the United States Society of St. Vincent de Paul |
| East Peoria       | Junior Achievement of Central Illinois                               |
| Elgin             | Nuts, Bolts & Thingamjigs  |
| Geneva            | Marklund Children's Home   |
| Geneva            | Northern Illinois Food Bank  |
| Glen Carbon       | Southwestern Illinois Development Foundation                         |
| Glen Ellyn        | Glen Ellyn Community Resource Center                                 |
| State of Illinois | College Mentors for Kids Inc.  |
| Maywood           | Maywood Fine Arts Association  |
| Normal            | YBMC   |
| Oak Forest        | PCs For People   |
| Oak Park          | Oak Park Area Arts Council   |
| Park Ridge        | Have Dreams  |
| Skokie            | Holocaust Memorial Foundation of Illinois Inc.                       |
| Springfield       | Looking for Lincoln Heritage Coalition                               |
| Warrenville       | Ray Graham Association for People With Disabilities                  |
| Waukegan          | Cristo Rey St. Martin College Prep                                   |
| Wheaton           | Dupage Pads Inc  |
| Wheeling          | MABAS Foundation   |

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