

# News Release

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## Local Community Organizations to Benefit from \$80,000 in Grants

Local emergency services, community, educational and environmental initiatives are benefiting from more than \$80,000 in grants distributed to community organizations that reside in, and /or provide services to the area surrounding Rockaway, N.Y.

Williams – a major operator of natural gas infrastructure in New York – today announced the latest recipients of the Rockaway Community Grant Program, awarding grants to 25 local organizations.

One of the 25 recipients is the Brooklyn Public Library, which will use a \$5,000 grant to help fund its Today's Teens, Tomorrow's Techies (T4) program.

"This much-needed grant will allow us to continue our highly successful T4 program, which has provided more than 1,400 Brooklyn teens with hands-on technology training, meaningful volunteer experiences and internship opportunities," said Samantha Dodds with Brooklyn Public Library.

The Brooklyn Public Library's T4 program provides students with an introduction to the Information Technology field while enhancing public services through technical assistance and teen-led programming. After completing an intensive summer training program, teens are assigned to volunteer at local branches where they are paired with IT staff members who act as on-site mentors.

The Rockaway Community Grant program was designed to benefit the environment and local communities in which Williams operates its Transco natural gas pipeline near Rockaway, N.Y. The company has awarded nearly \$900,000 since the grant program was first initiated in 2014.

Grants up to \$15,000 per organization were awarded to organizations promoting initiatives that support environmental enhancement, education, economic development, emergency services, youth and senior programs.

Williams provides natural gas to the New York City area through its Transco pipeline, a 10,200-mile pipeline system which transports natural gas to markets throughout the northeastern and southeastern United States.

**Fall 2017 Grant Recipients**

- \$5,800.00 to the Gerritsen Beach Fire Department, Inc., Brooklyn, NY, for Hose Replacement
- \$5,800.00 to the Greater Jamaica Development Corporation, New York City, NY, for Public Space Enhancement
- \$5,000.00 to the Brooklyn Public Library, Brooklyn, NY, for Today's Teens, Tomorrow's Techies (T4)
- \$5,000.00 to the PFC. John G. McLaughlin Post 8540 Veterans of Foreign Wars, Breezy Point, NY, for Hope 4 Heroes
- \$5,000.00 to the Rockaway Development & Revitalization Corporation, Far Rockaway, NY, for the Beach 20th Street Plaza Youth Connect Initiative
- \$5,000.00 to the Swim Strong Foundation, East Elmhurst, NY, for Swim Strong @Rockaway: Water Safety and Job Readiness for Youth
- \$5,000.00 to the Rockaway Beach Volleyball League, Rockaway Park, NY, for the Community Adult Volleyball League
- \$4,000.00 to the Brooklyn Bridge Park Conservancy, Inc., Brooklyn, NY, for Environmental Education Program
- \$3,700.00 to the Natural Areas Conservancy, New York, NY, for Rockaway Beach Clean Up
- \$3,500.00 to the Rockaway Waterfront Alliance, Far Rockaway, NY, for Stewardship Saturdays
- \$3,000.00 to 14 Sculptors Inc., Rockaway Park, NY, for On the Rock 2017: An Exhibition of Sculpture
- \$3,000.00 to the Greater Jamaica Development Corporation, New York City, NY, for Small Business Enhancement
- \$3,000.00 to the Resurf Project, Long Beach, NY, for Resurf's "Rockaway Youth on Board" Project
- \$3,000.00 to the Rockaway Youth Task Force, Inc., Far Rockaway, NY, for the Urban Farm Improvement Project
- \$2,500.00 to the Giving Alternative Learners UpLifting Opportunities, Inc., Brooklyn, NY, for Drainage solutions to Therapeutic Riding facility in Howard Beach, Queens
- \$2,500.00 to the New York City Audubon Society, Inc., New York, NY, for Tidal Connections
- \$2,500.00 to the Queens Borough Public Library, Jamaica, NY, for Young Bosses of Queens
- \$2,000.00 to the Brooklyn Hurricanes, Inc., Brooklyn, NY, for Fall Season 2017 Support
- \$2,000.00 to the Rockaway Little League, Belle Harbor, NY, for Decking Project
- \$2,000.00 to the Rockaway Rockies, Belle Harbor, NY, for the Youth Hockey Program
- \$2,000.00 to the Rockaway Rugby Club, Rockaway Park, NY, for Rugby Field Renovation - Year 3
- \$2,000.00 to the Rockaway Rugby Club, Rockaway Park, NY, for Youth Rugby Development/Safety
- \$1,000.00 to the CVH: Center for Veterans Health, Arverne, NY, for Rockaway Veterans Health Outreach Project
- \$1,000.00 to the Ocean Bay Community Development Corporation, Arverne, NY, for Health & Wellbeing for Rockaway Seniors
- \$1,000.00 to PS/MS 114 Q, Rockaway Park, NY, in support of the Belle Harbor School After-School Drama Program

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