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CCB FOUNDATION, INC. AWARDED \$180,000 CUMPLINGS GRANT Rockport nonprofit receives 3 years of funding from Cummings Foundation

[Rockport, Massachusetts, June 2026] – CCB Foundation, Inc. has been selected as one of 150 nonprofits to receive funding through Cummings Foundation’s annual grant program, which awarded \$35 million this year. Chosen through a competitive review process that drew a record 959 applicants, the Rockport-based organization will receive grants totaling \$180,000 over three years.

CCB Foundation’s mission is to support people in achieving and maintaining long-term recovery by funding, providing, and expanding the availability of transitional support services and programs. This funding will help to further support the CORE Peer Recovery & Resource Center in Gloucester to continue serving the recovery community throughout Cape Ann.



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“CCB Foundation is so pleased to receive this grant and plans to use it towards continued operations and expansion of the CORE Peer Recovery & Resource Center.” said Colleen Bullard, President of CCB Foundation Inc. *“The CORE provides a wide range of free programs and services to not only support those working on their recovery from Substance Use Disorder, but also to support their families and loved ones that are also often impacted by the disease. CORE is a stigma and judgement free peer-to-peer recovery space that offers long-term support to adults 18 years old and up that are recovering from problematic substance use. CORE provides fellowship and the opportunity to belong to a community of peers that are interested in supporting each other in their recovery journey. We are very excited to be able to continue growing CORE for the people of Cape Ann, and beyond. Funding provided by organizations like Cummings, as well as individuals help to fulfill this mission.”*

This year, the Woburn-based Cummings Foundation increased its annual grant program from \$30 million to \$35 million and shifted to fully unrestricted funding, allowing recipients to direct grant dollars where they are needed most.

Foundation executive director and trustee Joyce Vyriotes noted that the changes reflect growing concerns among Greater Boston nonprofits about rising costs, increased demand for services, and sustained uncertainty around public funding.

“Nonprofit professionals are closest to the challenges facing their communities, making them best positioned to determine where and how new funds will drive the greatest impact,” said Vyriotes. *“By providing increased, flexible funding, we hope to strengthen organizations’ long-term stability and help them respond to evolving community needs.”*

This year’s grant recipients represent a wide range of causes, including housing and food insecurity, education, workforce development, healthcare, mental health services, social justice, immigrant support, and youth programming.

The annual grant program supports Massachusetts nonprofits that are based in and primarily serve Middlesex,

Essex, and Suffolk counties, as well as Brookline, Dedham, Milton, Needham, Quincy, and Wellesley.

Through this place-based initiative, Cummings Foundation reinvests in the areas where it owns commercial real estate. Its buildings are all managed at no cost to the Foundation by its affiliate, Cummings Properties, a Woburn-based commercial developer that leases and manages 11 million square feet of debt-free space. All rental profits support the Foundation.

Since its founding, Cummings Foundation has awarded more than \$650 million to Greater Boston nonprofits. The complete list of this year's grant recipients, along with additional information about the Foundation and its grant programs, is available at CummingsFoundation.org.

About CCB Foundation, Inc.

Founded in 2018 as a 501(c)(3) non-profit charitable organization, CCB Foundation's mission has been to support people in achieving and maintaining long-term recovery by funding, providing, and expanding the availability of transitional support services and programs. More information about the work that CCB Foundation does can be found on our website at <https://ccbfoundation.com/>. More information about the CORE Peer Recovery & Resource Center can be found at <https://corerecovery.org/>.

