

Empowerment Grant Program Report

Empowerment Grant Powered by The Energy Equity Fund Annual Report –

The Empowerment Grant has launched our 2022 Annual Report. It highlights accomplishments as we close out and have allocated all the funds from the Delmarva Power and Exelon merger, the grants we’ve awarded through the Energy Equity Fund, community outreach, and grant opportunities for 2023.



Grants Awarded –

The Grant Review Committee has awarded eight grants to begin the new year.

What is Your Voice, a trained a skilled domestic voice peer support organization, has been awarded \$40,000 for an electric vehicle to transport victims to the safe-house, goods to and from the pantry, and food waste rescue.

St. Michael’s School and Nursery has been awarded \$75,000 to purchase and install new LED lighting that will significantly improve the facility’s energy efficiency, health, and impact on the climate for families they serve in Wilmington.

The Empowerment Grant has awarded St. Andrew’s Evangelical Lutheran Church \$75,000 to replace their boiler system.

The Newark Housing Authority will receive \$75,000 for energy capital improvements for 4 subsidized housing properties in underserved communities. Improvements include insulation, proper ventilation, and the installation of energy efficiency appliances.

Odyssey Charter School has been awarded \$25,201 for additional courses for students to envision the future of food and learn about the principles of plant science. The school will expand the hydroponic learning lab with a harvest wall and donate at least 4,000 pounds of produce to communities in need.

The Church of the Holy City will convert from a gas boiler system to an energy efficient HVAC system. We have approved their request for \$58,700.

Elevated Community Development Corporation has been awarded \$75,000 for a Capital Needs Assessment for the Milford Armory. The building is used as a community center for activities, workshops, seminars, and more.

Another \$75,000 has been awarded to United Way to improve energy efficiency measures and renewable energy technologies for the Linden Building in Wilmington.

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Activity Table

January - February 2023						
Grant Category	Applications	Approved	In Review	Completed	Data Evaluation	Funding to Date
Ecosystem and Neighborhood	5	0	5	0	0	*\$1,950,000
Efficiency and Planning	0	8	0	1	1	\$573,641
Roofs from the Heart	3	0	4	1	0	\$25,000
Empowerment-Delmarva	0	0	0	8	4	*\$3,312,995

*Three Year Grant Commitment to three organization-Energy Resilient and Healthy Homes

* 12 Grants funded through December 2023