## Background

By Youth for Youth (BYFY) is a volunteer youth allocation committee that distributes funds to other youth initiatives based on priorities established by the youth themselves. This year the committee is composed of 25 students from Dane County area high schools. This year marks the 25th cycle of BYFY funding.

Four sponsors make \$30,500 in funding available. These include:

- City of Madison, Office of Community Services (\$5,500)
- City of Madison Peace Project (\$4,000)
- United Way of Dane County Growing Up Getting Ready CST (\$10,500)
- Dane County Youth Commission (\$10,500)

Thirty-Three projects applied for financial support; with the requests totaling \$85,756. Most of the applicants were from within Madison, but groups in other communities also submitted requests, notably McFarland, Verona, Cambridge, and Sun Prairie. Schools, community centers, non-profit organizations and groups of individuals were among the applicants.

## **Priorities**

This year's BYFY committee was especially interested in funding projects that address:

- Youth Transitions from HS & Employment
- Education and Before & After-School Programs
- Violence/Abuse Prevention
- Racial Equity
- Food Security & Homelessness
- LGBTQ Support and Awareness, and Gender Issues
- Mental Health & Addiction

The attached list of 20 recommended projects align within these priorities and will impact over 2,000 youth and their families in our community.

## Action

Approve \$30,500 to projects as recommended by the By Youth For Youth Committee.

## 2018 Summary of Partial Funding Reasons:

Briarpatch Youth Services – Teens Like Us: (\$2,600) Cambridge 4-H Foster Care Backpack Project (\$3,000) Food for Thought – Food for Thought Snack Program: (\$2,542) Goodman Community Center Activity backpack for homeless Youth (\$3,000) Latinos Unidos – Sonano Bajo La Mismo Luna: (\$1,090) Lussier Community Center Youth Action Summer Internship (\$3,000) Madison East HS Black Student Union – MMSD BSU HBCU Tour: (\$1,000) Madison East High School Club Kiwi – Orgullo Kiwi: (\$350) Madison Kappa League: (\$500) Madison La Follette Black Student Union – MMSD BSU HBCU Tour: (\$1,000) Madison West HS Get It Done Food Pantry (\$2,300) Memorial HS Black Student Union – MMSD BSU HBCU Tour: (\$1,000) Memorial HSI Spartans for All Team – Diversity Celebration Campaign: (\$500) Men Developing Young Minds: (\$400) Padres E Hijos en Accion – Empowering Latino/Hispanic Youth: (\$678) [Re]Generacion – In Lak'ech Conference: Movimiento Jaranero: (\$1,750) Sunshine Place – C.A.R.D.S. Closet: (\$1,000) VAHSaid – Verona Area High School Food Pantry: (\$2,542) Verona Area High School Black Student Union: (\$1,248) Xicanx Institute for Education and Self-Determination: (\$1,000)