

**1889 Foundation
 Pennsylvania Rural Arts Alliance
 Creative Health Impact Grant Awards
 2022-2023 Year**

Organization Name	County of Project	Grant Award Amount	Project Title and Description
Bottleworks Ethnic Arts Center	Cambria	\$5,076	"Mindfulness & Art Club & Exhibition at Conemaugh Valley Elementary School": The Bottle Works Ethnic Arts Center's project supports the Conemaugh Valley Elementary School's M.I.N.D Works After-school Art Club, a 4-week Art Classroom Residency, and a School-wide Mindfulness & Art Exhibit at the Bottle Works. The programs are extension of the existing M.I.N.D Works Initiative, which has been integrated in CVES' curriculum for the past 6 years.
Cambria County Library	Cambria	\$4,591	"Senior Crafternoon & Mobile Revolving Library for area Retirement Homes": The Cambria County Library includes a monthly senior crafternoon for any member of the community aged 60+. A variety of arts mediums will be explored. In addition, the library will expand its mobile revolving library service of delivery and pick-up to area retirement homes. Items provided include a selection of large print books, audio books, musical CDs, jigsaw puzzles, and movies. Through grant funding, "memory kits" and "reminiscence kits" will be added.
Community Arts Center of Cambria County	Cambria, Somerset	\$4,861	"Insightful Art": This project provides art and craft workshops to the Blind & Visually Impaired community. Four art workshop experiences will be held each month for adults, for a full twelve-month period. The goal of the workshops is to enhance communication, self-expression, and emotional release to bridge the social gap between B&VI and the public.
Creative Craft	Cambria	\$4,644	"The Voices from the Margins: Learning Poetry and Printmaking as a form of Expression for LGBTQ+ Youth": This project creates an opportunity for teen youth in the LGBTQ+ community to manage stress and mental health issues they face by expressing themselves through poetry and screen printing. Youth will work with the Poet Laureate of Johnstown, Joyce Robley, to learn how to write poetry about mindfulness and mental health challenges. Screen printing will be used to add lines of the poems on apparel, totes, and posters as a way to express to the public the challenges one faces being in the LGBTQI+ community. An exhibition of the work and a presentation of the poetry will conclude the project.

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Laurel View Village - Arts	Cambria, Somerset	\$5,022	"Connecting, Inspiring and Thriving Through Art": This project builds on the success of previously funded Opening Minds Through Art activities. The goal this year is to pursue certification in the OMA program for two life enrichment staff members, and implement the program on campus for those residents affected by dementia. Guidance and mentorship will be provided by Professor Don Talbot. The final phase of the project is an OMA exhibit on campus featuring the art work created by residents.
Laurel View Village - Music	Cambria, Somerset	\$5,401	"Music and Memory for All": The goal of the Music & Memory for All project is to sustain and grow Laurel View Village's current programming. Their programs provide emotional and behavioral benefits for people with Alzheimer's and other types of dementia. The program will build on previous years' grant-supported efforts.
Lilly-Washington Library	Cambria	\$4,861	"Art in the Park": Art in The Park will benefit the community of Lilly and Washington Township by bringing arts and cultural activities to the town that lacks arts experiences. Each month artists, musicians, theatrical performers, yogis, culinary artists and presenters will visit the Library to enrich the community. In conjunction with the arts activities, there will also be medical related persons and organizations that will be present to answer health related questions of the community and perform simple tests.

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The Learning Lamp	Cambria	\$5,131	"Improving Problem Behaviors Through Therapeutic Arts": The Learning Lamp will provide therapeutic arts to work with students who have been placed in Ignite's elementary behavior intervention classrooms for extended periods of time. The instructors will create large and small group and individual SEL-focused arts activities that can help more children meet their behavior improvement goals, learn and practice coping skills in and out of the classroom, and return to their home schools more capable of interacting positively with others and more assured of their own value and strengths.
Small Town Hope, Inc.	Cambria	\$5,022	"Small Town Hope Jean Jacket Design Project": Through eight 2-hour artist-led interactive classes, kids will design & create a wearable jean jacket. While learning about fashion design & health benefits of jacket-wearing, they will deconstruct old jean jackets to see how they're made for inspiration of their jean jacket designs. Combining the deconstructed parts with new materials, children will create their functional work of art! The creations will be displayed at The Treehouse in a Jean Jacket Design Project Exhibition.
Veteran Community Initiatives, Inc	Cambria, Somerset	\$4,591	"Veterans Art & History Program II": VCI's project is a continuation of the work done in year one of this project. They will combine the Veterans History piece with a Veterans Art Therapy piece, encouraging and engaging mind, body and spirit to receive positive wellness and emotional healing. Stories from veterans will be collected and preserved for the U. S. Library of Congress. The Art Therapy piece includes work with a Certified Art Therapist to create artwork based on the theme "Healing and Hope". Due to COVID restrictions, some aspects of the year one project were unable to be carried out as planned.
Total Grant Dollars		\$49,200	