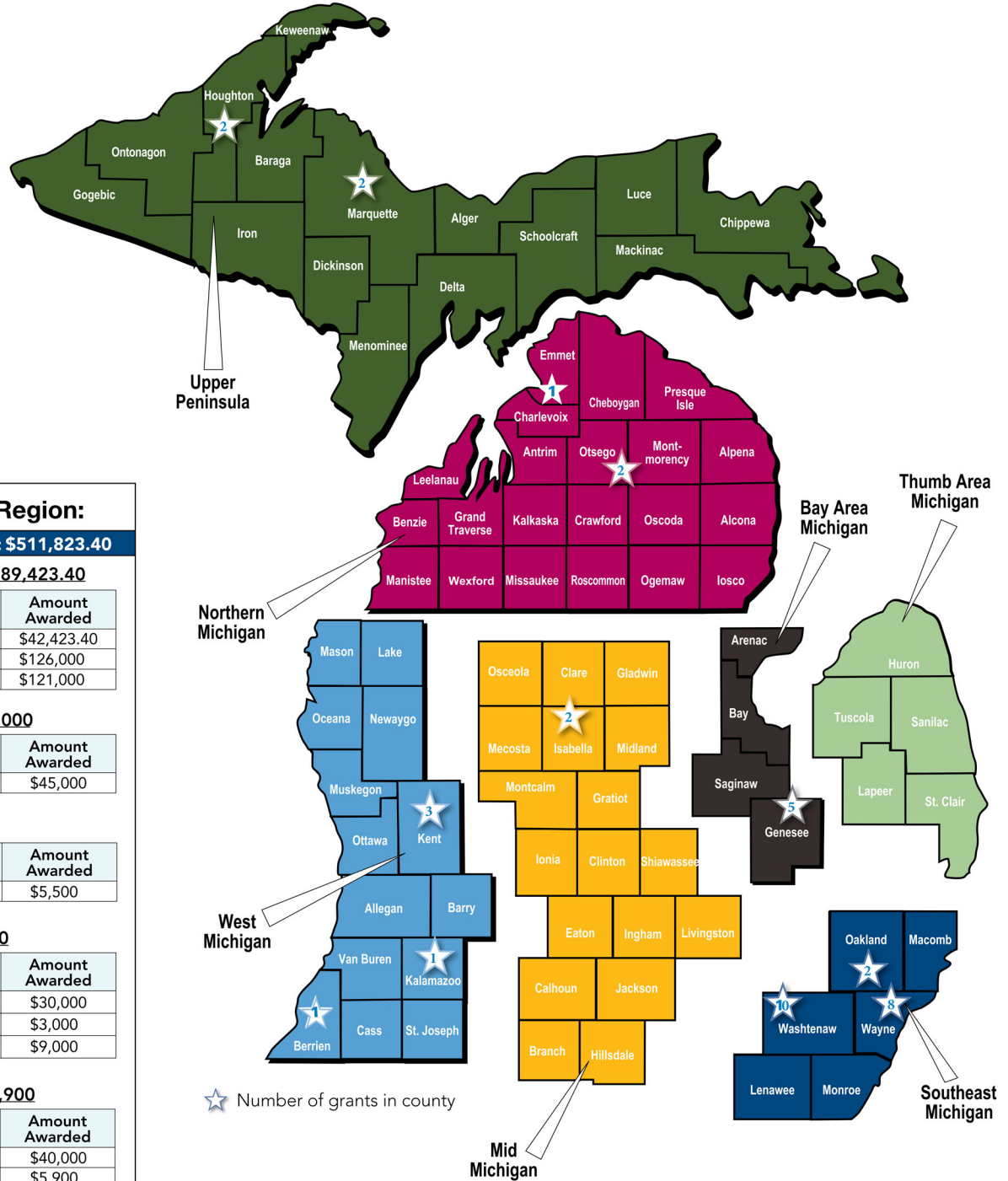


BCBSM Foundation 2024 Grant Highlights



Total Grants by Region:		
TOTAL GRANTS AWARDED: \$511,823.40		
Southeast Michigan: \$289,423.40		
County	Grants Awarded	Amount Awarded
Oakland	2	\$42,423.40
Washtenaw	10	\$126,000
Wayne	8	\$121,000
Bay Area Michigan: \$45,000		
County	Grants Awarded	Amount Awarded
Genesee	5	\$45,000
Mid-Michigan: \$5,500		
County	Grants Awarded	Amount Awarded
Isabella	5	\$5,500
West Michigan: \$42,000		
County	Grants Awarded	Amount Awarded
Berrien	1	\$30,000
Kalamazoo	1	\$3,000
Kent	3	\$9,000
Northern Michigan: \$45,900		
County	Grants Awarded	Amount Awarded
Emmet	1	\$40,000
Otsego	2	\$5,900
Upper Peninsula: \$84,000		
County	Grants Awarded	Amount Awarded
Houghton	2	\$6,000
Marquette	2	\$78,000

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SOUTHEAST MICHIGAN GRANTEES			
APRIL 2024		\$289,423.40	
Organization and Name of Project Director/Principal Investigator	Grant Summary	Amount Grant Program	County
South Oakland Shelter/Lighthouse MI Michael Centi, Med	Provides access to quality behavioral and physical healthcare for young people who are experiencing significant family and housing crisis situations.	\$39,500 Community Health	Oakland
Oakland University School of Nursing Dali Majeed	Factors influencing Chaldean adults' intention to seek mental health services.	\$2,923.40 Student Award	Oakland
University of Michigan Jaimo Ahn, MD, Ph.D.	LGBTQIA+ (Lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, intersex, asexual, and other identities) care within orthopedic surgery.	\$39,500 Community Health	Washtenaw
University of Michigan School of Public Health Laura Brotzman	Perspectives on life expectancy in cancer screening decisions.	\$3,000 Student Award	Washtenaw
University of Michigan School of Social Work Olivia Chang	Physical and psychological well being among youth in child welfare settings.	\$3,000 Student Award	Washtenaw
University of Michigan Medical School Linda Ma	Healthcare accessibility for individuals who are D/deaf or Hard of Hearing.	\$3,000 Student Award	Washtenaw
University of Michigan College of Pharmacy Amna Rizvi-Toner	Symptom management use of unplanned health care services in patients taking oral anticancer agents.	\$3,000 Student Award	Washtenaw
University of Michigan School of Public Health Koya Ferrell	Training methods for Family Medicine physicians during Graduate Medical Education.	\$3,000 Student Award	Washtenaw
University of Michigan School of Public Health Sundas Saboor	Sexual and reproductive health chatbot interest among Arab American Muslim Women in Dearborn, Michigan.	\$3,000 Student Award	Washtenaw
University of Michigan Paul Pfeiffer, MD, MS	Implementation of Collaborative Care Management to improve mental health outcomes in primary care.	\$62,500 Investigator Initiated	Washtenaw
Eastern Michigan University College of Arts and Sciences Julie Wojtaszek	Barriers to seeking and completing social anxiety disorder treatment.	\$3,000 Student Award	Washtenaw
Eastern Michigan University College of Arts and Sciences Kellsey Launius	Barriers and facilitators to family based treatment for anorexia nervosa.	\$3,000 Student Award	Washtenaw
Henry Ford Health System Jennifer Cowger, MS, MD	Quality of care for heart failure.	\$10,000 Physician Investigator	Wayne
Wayne State University College of Nursing Krista Wonderly	Black family surrogates in the intensive care unit.	\$3,000 Student Award	Wayne

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Wayne State University College of Liberal Arts and Sciences Owen Fleming	Parental divorce on the use of preventive care in childhood.	\$3,000 Student Award	Wayne
Wayne State University College of Liberal Arts and Sciences Marjorie Heule	Brain based education and stress reduction psychotherapeutic intervention.	\$3,000 Student Award	Wayne
Life Directions Annette Howard, MA	Peer Motivation program will provide an opportunity for healing trauma, reconciling differences, improving communication skills, and navigating values and beliefs.	\$20,000 Community Health	Wayne
LINC Up Nonprofit Housing Corporation/Coffective Paula Schreck, MD, IBCLC, FABM	Resource navigation for families with newborns.	\$20,000 Community Health	Wayne
Friends Of Children-Detroit Laura Blum	Mental health support among youth and their families.	\$20,000 Community Health	Wayne
Wayne State University Tolulope Sonuyi, MS, MD	Establishes a foundational base needed to critically assess, analyze, and advance the understanding of Community Violence.	\$42,000 Community Health	Wayne

BAY AREA MICHIGAN GRANTEES			
APRIL 2024		\$45,000	
Organization and Name of Project Director/Principal Investigator	Grant Summary	Amount Grant Program	County
Serenity House Of Flint Tara Moreno-Wallen	Recovery support services.	\$20,000 Community Health	Genesee
Donations With Love Foundation Inc. Lisa Fockler	Grant to provide intense but practical and compassionate training, with strategies for families of K 12 students up to senior adults, in reducing the impact of the overall opioid crisis, drug abuse and suicide on the Flint, Beecher, Grand Blanc, Swartz Creek, and Mount Morris communities.	\$5,000 Community Health	Genesee
Communication Access Center for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing Theresa Miracle	Recovery program in the state of Michigan that is conducted in American Sign Language and focuses on the healing process for the Deaf, Hard of Hearing, DeafBlind community members who experienced and are experiencing trauma and different types of addiction.	\$5,000 Community Health	Genesee

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Shelter of Flint, Inc. Linda Bielskis	Tends to the well being of its clients by ensuring that supports are in place for both children and adults to help them cope with and recover from the trauma of homelessness, with special attention to their social, emotional, and behavioral health.	\$5,000 Community Health	Genesee
Michigan Organization on Adolescent Sexual Health Taryn Gal	Strives to empower youth by providing essential education and creating safe, inclusive environments for LGBTQIA+ youth, fostering leadership, advocacy, and addressing critical issues related to racial justice, sexual health, and reproductive justice.	\$10,000 Community Health	Genesee

MID-MICHIGAN GRANTEES			
APRIL 2024		\$5,500	
Organization and Name of Project Director/Principal Investigator	Grant Summary	Amount Grant Program	County
Central Michigan University Yashi Ballal	Impact of Brief Self Compassion Training on Stress, Empathy and Emotional Intelligence of First Year Medical Students.	\$2,500 Student Award	Isabella
Central Michigan University College of Medicine Christa Deban	Prevalence of mental health disorders and their effects on pregnant patients with intellectual disabilities.	\$3,000 Student Award	Isabella

WEST MICHIGAN GRANTEES			
APRIL 2024		\$42,000	
Organization and Name of Project Director/Principal Investigator	Grant Summary	Amount Grant Program	County
Michigan State University College of Nursing Arienne Patano	Impact of social determinants of health on mental health outcomes among family caregivers providing hospice and palliative care in Michigan's rural areas.	\$3,000 Student Award	Kent
Michigan State University College of Human Medicine Pavitra Attanayake	Polypharmacy management, medication adherence, and patient education through the development of an AI assisted smartphone application.	\$3,000 Student Award	Kent

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WEST MICHIGAN GRANTEES			
APRIL 2024		\$42,000	
Michigan State University College of Human Medicine Keerat Bains	Lived experiences of birth doulas of color.	\$3,000 Student Award	Kent
Western Michigan University College of Education and Human Development Winifred Wilson	African American adolescents biopsychosocial reactions to racial trauma.	\$3,000 Student Award	Kalamazoo
The Avenue Family Network Barbara Payne	Nursing advocacy for persons with disabilities.	\$30,000 Community Health	Berrien

NORTHERN MICHIGAN GRANTEES			
APRIL 2024		\$45,900	
Organization and Name of Project Director/Principal Investigator	Grant Summary	Amount Grant Program	County
WOMENS RESOURCE CENTER OF NORTHERN MICHIGAN	Health Equity for Child Survivors of Abuse, Neglect, and Human Trafficking in the Michigan Northwest Michigan.	\$40,000 Community Health	Emmet
Otsego County Commission on Aging Gail Kloss	Improve the quality of life, physical functioning and physical fitness among seniors.	\$4,500 Community Health	Otsego
Otsego Ski Patrol Inc. Jon Ragnone	Enhance the emergency response and effectiveness of quick access to functional equipment and efficient care by providing effective patient treatment.	\$1,400 Community Health	Otsego

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UPPER PENINSULA GRANTEES			
APRIL 2024		\$84,000	
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Michigan Tech University College of Sciences and Arts Meiling Zhou	Integrating continuous and ordinal phenotypes with genotypic information.	\$3,000 Student Award	Houghton
Michigan Tech University College of Computing Abel Reyes-Angulo	AI based tools to mitigate the disparities in access to healthcare resources in rural areas.	\$3,000 Student Award	Houghton
Superior Child Advocacy Center/ Northern Lights Child Advocacy Center Sarah Zyburt	Health Equity for Child Survivors of Abuse, Neglect, and Human Trafficking in the Michigan Upper Peninsula.	\$40,000 Community Health	Marquette
Partridge Creek Farm Inc. May Tsupros	Decreases food insecurity and reduces health disparities through increased access to healthy food, health literacy, and positive social connections for vulnerable Ishpeming community members.	\$38,000 Community Health	Marquette



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