

Grant-a-Wish

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Appalachian Trail Conservancy

\$250 would pay for transportation expenses to allow local, urban-based youth groups to participate in a “gateway wilderness day” as part of “Roanoke’s Weekend for Wilderness.”

Andrew Downs, Regional Director

Bethany Hall

\$500 would provide a bus pass monthly to benefit the residents to look for employment opportunities in the valley.

Denise Yopp, Executive Director

Bookbag Santa

\$500 would be used to offset expenses (i.e. insurance, licensing) of the new van recently won from Toyota and will double the ability to pick up school supplies and make deliveries.

Gary Hunt, President

Boys & Girls Clubs of SW VA

\$500 would implement a program called BirdSleuth, a nationally accredited program for school-age children, into the STEM 2014 summer enrichment camp.

Hanna Kinder, Development Associate

Boys Home of Virginia

\$500 would purchase new basketball uniforms, which are currently about 20 years old, for the Hilltopper basketball team at Boys Home.

Janet Lemmer, Development Director

Carilion Clinic Children’s Hospital

\$500 would provide scholarship assistance for a low-income, physically disabled child to receive 12 weeks of Hippotherapy.

Linda Hodges, Development Officer

Carilion Clinic Hospice

\$500 would cover the costs of special books and journals for campers participating in Camp Treehouse – a bereavement camp for children who have suffered the death of someone close to them.

Sue Huntington, Volunteer Coordinator

Can \$250 Help Local Nonprofits?
How about \$500?

Absolutely! Here’s how...

Small grants can make a huge difference to local nonprofit organizations and the individuals they serve. If you would like to grant some of these wishes, please include them on the enclosed Donor Advised Recommendation Form.

Community Outreach Program

\$500 would send 15 inner-city Roanoke children to a sleepover at Lynchburg's Amazement Square museum.

Jan Keister, Office Manager

DePaul Community Resources

\$500 would cover one month of activities for 30 individuals in the day support program.

Annie Harvey, Director of Development

Fairview Elementary School

\$500 would allow the purchase of a classroom laminator and laptop to assist to be used in the special education first grade classroom.

Teresa Sutherland, Teacher

Fallon Park Elementary School

\$500 would support the Preschool Learning Cooperative, buying picture books for use in our special needs classrooms.

Kimberly Miller, Early Childhood Special Education Teacher

Family Service of Roanoke Valley

\$500 would purchase four rocking chairs with cushions to be used during play therapy for children and while counseling adults who may be in an agitated state.

Jenny Lee, Chief Development Officer

Friends of Smith Mountain Lake State Park

\$250 would purchase Outdoor Water Source test kits suitable for elementary students to perform testing of the lake water during field trips introducing the children to ecological concerns on water quality and conservation.

Donna Gearhart, Friends Group Member

Girl Scouts of VA Skyline Council

\$250 would provide a scholarship to participate in Vet Science Day Camp at Virginia Tech's School of Vet Science.

Melissa Hildebrand, Outreach & Grants Manager

Good Samaritan Hospice

\$500 would purchase nine massage or music therapy sessions for patients.

Sue Ranson, President/CEO

Goodwill Industries of the Valleys

\$500 would purchase a Microsoft Surface tablet and keyboard for Project SEARCH, an intensive program that teaches job readiness and life skills to students with disabilities in their last year of high school.

Sacil Armstrong, Grant/Proposal Writer

Greenvale School

\$500 would replace the current playhouse on the playground which is slated for demolition due to safety concerns from rotting wood and is currently roped off from the more than 160 students who play on the playground.

Shelley Lyons, Development Coordinator

Health Focus of SW Virginia

\$500 would provide 15 students with physical limitations 20 weeks of 1 ½ hr. classes of Adaptive Chair Yoga.

Judy Hagadorn, President

Henry Fork Service Center

\$250 would provide a 20 fourth and fifth grade students or middle school students an opportunity to participate in the Henry Fork Service Center summer program.

William Jackson, Board Member

LEAP for Local Food

\$250 would assist with repairs or replacements of tents and tables used by vendors at the LEAP community markets.

Maureen McNamara Best, Executive Director

Manna Ministries

\$250 would purchase 1,315 lbs. of food from Feeding America which will provide 164 families with a box of food.

Janice Gregory, Assistance Director

Old Southwest, Inc.

\$500 would help a local Boy Scout recognize veterans by fixing up the damaged WWI Memorial at Argonne Circle in the Old Southwest neighborhood with benches, plantings, and landscaping.

Jan Keister, Treasurer

Parkway Wesleyan Church

\$250 will purchase approximately 2500 pocket folders for the Back 2 School Blast which provides low income children in Roanoke with new book bags, school supplies, shoes, haircuts, and school physicals.

Janice Gregory, Missions & Outreach Director

Presbyterian Community Center

\$500 would allow two 4th grade girls enrolled in the after-school program for high-need families to attend the Roanoke Gymnastics Academy (at a special rate) at least once per week for six weeks. One girl is a special ed student & the other has anxiety when being tested. They are both athletically gifted, but need to experience success to encourage them academically.

Karen McNally, Executive Director

Project Access

\$500 would be used to purchase a tablet/iPad for the new coordination of care “Emergency Department to Primary Care Pilot Program” staffer who will be assisting anyone in the E.R. in need of a primary care provider regardless of insurance or employment status.

Brendle Wolfe, Resource Development & Communications Coordinator

Rebuilding Together

\$500 would enable summer youth volunteers from the REACH program to serve an elderly, low-income homeowner in our community by purchasing materials for critically needed home repairs.

Kendall Cloeter, Program Administrator

Rescue Mission

\$250 would purchase 166 bus passes for Mission guests to use to get to appointments such as the DMV, doctors, and job interviews.

Leslie Littlefield, Volunteer Coordinator/Grant Manager

Roanoke Symphony Orchestra

\$500 would purchase an iPad to run the audio component of The Green Room experience which holds a series of programs that are free to the public.

C. W. Markham, III, Development Director

Roanoke Valley S.P.C.A.

\$500 would send four staff members to the Learning Dog Conference in Raleigh, NC designed for vets and shelter staff to hone their behavior evaluation skills and improve their training knowledge.

Nina Zanella, Development & Marketing Director

Science Museum of Western Virginia

\$500 would help offset the cost of a Volunteer Appreciation Dinner.

Michael Hemphill, Director of Development & Marketing

Taubman Museum of Art

\$250 would purchase art supplies for children and families participating in the free Art Venture for three Saturdays.

Jenna Nelson, Support Services & Grants Coordinator

The Community Youth Program at St. John's Episcopal Church

\$500 could provide 40 t-shirts for the students and staff at CYP to wear as they volunteer to complete the many service projects that benefit the community.

LeeAnn Reich, Executive Director

Virginia Museum of Transportation

\$500 would enable 79 underserved children from HeadStart Centers, the Boys & Girls Club, Rescue Mission, West End Center, Big Brothers Big Sisters, and other groups with educational activities and tours of the museum.

Fran Ferguson, Director of Development