Established by generous individuals more than 50 years ago, The Greater Cincinnati Foundation (GCF) has helped people achieve their charitable goals and support their passions in the community.

The African American Fund was established in 1993 to support projects that improve the quality of life in the African American community in Greater Cincinnati. It was also started to encourage greater philanthropy in the African American community. That investment, through this endowment, is remarkable and profoundly appreciated.

Your tax-deductible gifts to The African American Fund generate earnings that are given back to the community in the form of grants. With its extensive grantmaking experience and dedication to philanthropic stewardship, GCF ensures the grants are directed to the organizations serving the greatest needs. In addition, grant dollars from The African American Fund are combined with financial resources from GCF’s Community Fund pool to make an even greater impact.
Through the generous contributions of donors like you, grants of nearly $10,000 have been awarded since 2000 to nonprofits working with the African American community. Recipients include:

**The African American Chamber Education and Resource Foundation** provides its members with learning and networking opportunities aimed at improving the economic status of African Americans in the region. A grant to its Business Velocity Initiative supported the small business makeover program to provide professional level business education to advance a strong economic climate.

**The Amos Project** is a multi-congregation, social justice community organization. It organizes congregations around community issues that impact the poor and working families. A grant allowed it to develop grassroots community engagement and support for the Preschool Promise.

**Chatfield College** aims to provide a quality, liberal arts education. Its Learning to Live program received a grant. The program addresses barriers low-income African Americans in Greater Cincinnati face when earning an education.

**How to Contribute**

Individuals, companies, and foundations may make current and planned gifts of any size to The African American Fund. These gifts support the critical work that helps our community thrive. The fund offers you:

- The certainty that your gifts will benefit the Greater Cincinnati African American community forever
- Simplicity and flexibility in your charitable giving
- Maximum tax advantages

You may also establish your own fund and align it with The African American to support specific charitable organizations, broad fields of interest, or generally to address the most pressing needs.

For more information, ideas, and details on how to make a difference, visit www.gcfdn.org or contact us at 513-241-2880.