Ashland Community Association -- $5,000
ACA is a group dedicated to improving their economic and living conditions by working with engaged citizens to develop the skills, power, and organization that will help them take ownership of their community and hold government accountable. CCHD will fund leadership training for the formation committee, a membership recruitment campaign and development of projects that benefit the residents of Ashland in unincorporated Alameda County.

East Bay Sanctuary Covenant -- $5,000
Founded in 1982, Berkeley-based EBSC provides legal advocacy and support to 20,000 low-income immigrants yearly from 60 countries. CCHD will support a project aimed at preventing over 400,000 immigrants holding Temporary Protective Status (TPS) from deportation. The project will include training immigrants in leadership skills with a focus on advocacy to create permanent residency for TPS holders and to increase state funding for legal and support services.

Monument Impact -- $10,000
MI was started 17 years ago to ensure that immigrants and low-income residents of the Concord area are equipped with the means necessary to share equitably in the social and economic wealth of the region. CCHD will support mental health and leadership development in MI’s Day Labor Program. MI leaders will mobilize their community to advocate with the City of Concord for housing and immigrant rights, including rent control and ending no-cause evictions.

Planting Justice -- $10,000
PJ is constructing a local, sustainable food system by building 450 edible gardens in the Bay Area since 2009, empowering hundreds to grow their own food. It creates fair wage, green jobs for those who are formerly incarcerated and low-income, and educates the community about food justice and healthy eating. The Planting Justice Nursery, in East Oakland, will receive CCHD funds to continue providing training and jobs in sustainable agriculture for local residents.

St. Mary’s Center -- $5,000
SMC has served poverty-level seniors and children in the heart of Oakland since 1973 with outreach and direct support services such as counseling, food, shelter, pre-school and advocacy. The CCHD grant will help the Seniors for Hope and Justice advocacy program to mentor and give opportunities to seniors to advocate for themselves and others in various government settings on issues like increasing affordable senior housing and raising the state’s portion of Social Security.

United Seniors of Oakland and Alameda County (USOAC) -- $10,000
Since 1986, USOAC has provided training and support for seniors to collectively participate in the public arena, enabling them to change the conditions that impact their lives. With CCHD monies, the Community Organizing Senior Nutrition Project, created to address food injustice experienced by low-income, homebound seniors, will educate and advocate with city and county officials, to increase support for the underfunded Meals on Wheels program that has a waitlist.
Vietnamese American Community Center of the East Bay (VACCEB)-- $5,000
In Oakland, VACCEB provides various support services to refugee and immigrant Southeast Asian communities, in a way that addresses their limited English proficiencies and adheres to their cultural sensibilities. CCHD will again fund their organizing and advocacy project which trains leaders to affect public policy. This year’s plan is to advocate against a federal proposal to deny naturalization and citizenship to any who receive public benefits as well as implement a Get Out the Vote campaign.

Youth Spirit Artworks-- $5,000
Targeting homeless and at-risk youth, YSA offers jobs’ training and jobs in the areas of commercial studio arts, art sales and entrepreneurship, and community art to provide them with vocational skills, experience, self-confidence and income to be successful. CCHD funds will support a youth organizing team that receives training to move forward the Tiny House Village Project in Berkeley. This village will house a portion of the YSA participants.

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Congregations Organizing for Renewal – $25,000
COR is a faith-based, grassroots organization of congregations and community members, representing low- and moderate-income families in South Alameda County which utilizes community organizing to mobilize its members to address the root causes of the problems they face. CCHD monies will be used to train leaders for campaigns to pass rent control and just cause for eviction policies in Fremont and Union City as well as to engage in voter registration and education activities.

Genesis Interfaith Community Organizing, Inc. -- $50,000
Genesis is a regional faith/value-based community organization located in the Bay Area. An affiliate of the Gamaliel Network, its members are congregations, community organizations and unions. CCHD will support membership expansion and development of new leaders, especially with youth, to continue to call for expansion of the Free Bus Pass Program in Alameda County, to protect funding for school transit lines and educate county lawmakers about restorative justice alternatives for youth.

Northern California Land Trust (NCLT) -- $75,000
NCLT creates permanently affordable housing for low- and moderate-income residents in the East Bay. The land trust assists residents in creating shared housing, including cooperatives and condominiums, where community members become owners, while NCLT stewards the land and provides technical assistance. CCHD funding will be used by NCLT, partnering with the People of Color Sustainable Housing Network, to implement live and online workshops that include instructing groups, interested in cooperative living, how to purchase and manage a property, and learn to get along together.

Oakland Community Organizations -- $35,000
OCO is a multi-faith, multi-issue organization that is in relationship with over 60 congregations, schools, and allies throughout Oakland. Its mission is to develop leaders who seek social, economic, and racial justice in disenfranchised communities. The CCHD grant will fund rapid response services for immigrants in Alameda and Contra Costa Counties, as well as campaigns against dumping trash in neighborhoods, and in favor of bail reform and ending homeowner and tenant displacement.