

**PUBLIC HEALTH MADISON & DANE COUNTY
VIOLENCE PREVENTION GRANT AWARD RECOMMENDATIONS –
2026 GRANTEE SCORING**

APPLICANT	PROGRAM AREA	PROGRAM TITLE	PROGRAM	SCORE	AWARD AMOUNT
Girls on the Run of South Central Wisconsin	Child	Free Girls on the Run Positive Youth Development Programming	Girls on the Run (GOTR) is a girl-centered afterschool empowerment program for 3rd-8th grade youth that uses movement and dynamic discussions to build social, emotional, and physical skills inspiring healthy habits for life. A 9-week/30-hour wellness programming directly addresses the social and community context social determinant of health by building sustainable social and community support.	87.5	\$9,500.00
Dane County Library Service, Department of Dane County	Child	Mobile Literacy Engagement Project	Dane County Library Service aims to use Violence Prevention Grant funding to engage youth in neighborhoods visited by the Dream Bus in literacy and library activities. The grant will fund literacy mentors to work directly with children in the Park Cedar, Madison Estates, Kennedy Heights and Harmony neighborhoods.	79.5	\$46,780.00
Operation Fresh Start	Child	Operation Fresh Start Outreach and Engagement	Operation Fresh Start (OFS) will launch a year-long, community-centered outreach initiative connecting residents of Kennedy Heights, Parks-Cedar, Harmony, and Madison Estates to OFS's nine wraparound programs in education, employment, and supportive services.	79.5	\$35,000.00
Kennedy Heights Neighborhood Association	Teen	Violence Prevention Grant Program	The Building Resilient & Peaceful Communities initiative is a late-night teen engagement program designed to reduce youth violence, build conflict resolution skills, and strengthen community belonging on Madison's North Side.	97	\$36,000.00
Wisconsin Regional Training Partnership (WRTP) Building Industry Group Skilled Trades Employment Program (BIG STEP)	Adult	Community Career Connection (C3)	WRTP BIG STEP's Community Career Connection (C3) program will provide individualized career guidance to Kennedy Heights, Parks Cedar, Harmony, and Madison Estates residents with the goal of connecting people to skilled trades careers. C3 services include outreach and orientation at residents' community centers to introduce the apprenticeship pathway, hands-on skill-building activities, testing required for entry into apprenticeships, application assistance, resume workshops, interview practice, and job coaching.	82.5	35,000.00
Sondercove Foundation	Mental	SAFE Neighborhood Wellness Initiative (Supporting Awareness, Family, and Emotional Wellness)	The SAFE Neighborhood Wellness Initiative is a resident-guided, peer-led mental health program serving Kennedy Heights, Parks Cedar, Harmony Grandview, and Madison Estates. Led by Certified Peer Specialists and Parent Peer Specialists, SAFE provides Community Care Circles, one-on-one peer support, and monthly neighborhood wellness activities shaped directly by resident input.	95	48,500.00
			TOTAL AMOUNT:		\$210,780.00