

Applicant/Location	Program Type	Tax Credit Amount	Project Description
Sisters of Mercy of the Americas, New York, PA, Pacific Northwest Community - Erie, Erie County	SPP	\$60,000	<p>The area served by the Eastside Grassroots Coalition is described as at-risk in Erie's Comprehensive Plan, Erie Refocused. The plan warns that without significant and immediate intervention in the neighborhood, it could fall under the 'distressed' category as more properties become distressed. Currently, 39% of properties experience moderate or severe distress, with only 21% in good or excellent condition. In order to tackle this issue, this proposed project will take several steps to prevent further decay of the neighborhood. The main focus of the project is on granting homeowners micro grants to complete façade repairs and tear down blighted property. Additionally, this project will install 3 bus shelters, turn vacant lots into greenspaces, and install public art within the neighborhood. All of these actions will contribute to beautifying and stabilizing the neighborhood as well as building a sense of community through placemaking. This project will help stabilize the neighborhood in a number of measurable ways. The first way is through completing a minimum of 5 home façade renovations with a maximum award of \$10,000 each, or 10 renovations with a maximum of \$5,000 each. The next output of this project will be the demolition of at least one officially listed blighted property in collaboration with the Erie Redevelopment Authority. Additionally, a minimum of 1 vacant lot will be cleared and landscaped by this project with a common theme tying it together to other lots along Buffalo Rd and this project's target area, and may include the installation of public art. This project will also install 3 bus shelters to protect waiting residents from the elements and away from the street. These four actions all contribute to an outcome of reducing blight and signs of distress while improving the overall appearance of and strengthening the neighborhood.</p>

<p>Second Harvest Food Bank of Northwest PA - Cameron County, Clarion County, Clearfield County, Crawford County, Elk County, Erie County, Forest County, Jefferson County, McKean County, Venango County, Warren County</p>	<p>CFP</p>	<p>\$420,563</p>	<p>The issues of food insecurity and alleviating hunger require a comprehensive approach and a wide-range of stakeholders including, but not limited to, farmers, agriculture associations, food banks, emergency food providers, advocacy groups and government entities. The Second Harvest Food Bank of Northwest Pennsylvania seeks to play a central role alleviate hunger its 11-county service area by providing supplemental food to people in need. By providing food to those in northwest Pennsylvania, Second Harvest can help address problems associated with inadequate nutrition such as poor health, the need to choose between paying for food and paying other necessities of life (e.g. rent, health care, utilities), children’s difficulties with school performance and their overall physical and cognitive development. Second Harvest has alleviated hunger by providing food to people in need for over 37 years. Second Harvest provides more meals to children, families and senior than any other hunger-relief organization in northwest Pennsylvania. The process of getting food to those that are hungry requires a dynamic infrastructure and a sophisticated system. Second Harvest cultivates partnerships with and secures donations from food and grocery manufacturers, retailers, foodservice locations, restaurants, packers and growers, government agencies, individuals and other organizations. Second Harvest then coordinates and facilitates the movement of donated food to member agencies including food pantries, soup kitchens, homeless shelters, Backpack Programs, School Pantries, Produce Express Mobile Distributions, Military Share – a Produce Express Program and the Senior Box Program.</p>
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