



Bridge - The Game That Gives Back

ACBL Charity Foundation 2025 Awards - District 25

Maine Children's Home

The grant from the ACBL Charity Foundation will be used in the Journey Program providing education and support for very young parents, and the Christmas Winter Essentials Program.

Glen Quintal, Bangor Dirigo Bridge Club,
Candace Mariner, Executive Director
and Van Raymond, Unit 189 President



The Bike Connector



The Bike Connector provides refurbished bicycles and bicycle repair to lower income people in Lowell, MA. It grew out of the initial 'Earn a Bike' program for high school students to provide them transportation to participate in school events.

Pictured holding the check are Patty Grasso, The Bike Connector Board Member, Sue Geer, EMBA Board Member and Wade Rubinstein, Founder and President of The Bike Connector. The other people are volunteers with The Bike Connector.

Central Berkshire Habitat for Humanity

For over 33 years, we have worked to ensure that everyone in Central and Southern Berkshire County has a decent, safe, and affordable place to call home. What began with the construction of a single home per year has grown into a multifaceted movement that transforms lives - one family, one neighborhood, and one community at a time. The ACBL Charity Foundation grant will allow us to expand access to our Community Navigation services, ensuring that more families, especially those isolated by poverty, language, or disability can receive personalized support in accessing life-changing resources. With rising costs and economic uncertainty, this safety net has never been more essential.



Carolyn Valli, CEO of Central
Berkshire Habitat for Humanity and
Peter Samsuel, D25

Harbor Care



Harbor Care's purpose is to break the cycle of homelessness in our communities. With the generous support from the ACBL Charity Foundation we will provide stable housing and critical support for nearly 1,000 vulnerable individuals and families in New Hampshire over the next year.

Bill Kennedy, D25, Brian Tagliaferro,
Harbor Care and Sarah Widhu, D25

Common Roots

The ACBL Charity Foundation grant will be used to feed and educate our food-insecure community by offering seedlings to grow at home in the summer, teaching recipients how to prepare seasonal food, providing recipes that complement these foods, and sharing how seasonal foods offer our bodies vitality.



Carol McQuiller, Common Roots
and Stuart Showalter, D25