

2025 GRANTS REPORT

Committee: Linda Kelly, Chair, Kathleen Poole, President, Susan Rein, Treasurer, Sarah Ann Miller, past Chair, Grants Committee, Anna Casperson, Member at large, Marianna Brewster, First Vice-President (absent, but submitted comments via email)

Budget \$25,000

We did not pay for advertising. We had a write up on Daybreak Nantucket. 10 Applications were received by July 15th, 2025. All were shared with the committee.

We met on August 1, 2025 to review the applications. Our decisions were presented at the August 11, 2025 Board Meeting, and will be announced at the Annual Meeting on August 20, 2025. A press release, as in the past, will be released announcing the grant recipients.

The following grants were approved:

Nantucket S.T.A.R - \$2000 - to pay the administrative fee for preparing and planning their gardening program.

Maria Mitchell - \$2500 – to purchase 200 trees for the 5th Grade Tree Planting Program.

Nantucket Center for Elder Affairs - \$1000 – to purchase flowers for flower arranging classes.

Nantucket Conservation Foundation - \$10,000 – to help purchase equipment for the storing and propagation of seeds.

The Lighthouse School - \$5000 – to support and expand the school's horticulture program

Nantucket High School Environmental Club - \$1250 – to plant a pollinator garden.

Fairwinds Behavioral Center - \$1250 – for window boxes

Nantucket Performing Arts Center - \$2000 – for window boxes and help to spruce up the outside reception area.

All grant recipients were notified by August 8, 2025