



IKEA Life Improvement Challenge 2016

List of Charitable Project Winners, Second and Third Runners-Up.

ARIZONA

Tempe



Chrysalis

Chrysalis is working to stop terror in the home. We serve the abused, the children who watch and experience the abuse unfold, and even the offenders through prevention treatment. The makeover would update the casitas on the property with paint, furniture, lightning, and accessories to show we value our families and believe they deserve a new safe start! **WINNER!**

Child Crisis Arizona

Child Crisis Arizona operates the only two emergency children's shelters in the Valley. The shelters are able to address developmental delays, medical needs, and provide counseling and therapy. The makeover will renovate rooms for children ages 3-8 that are used for developmental evaluations, play therapy, and for parental visits.

International Rescue Committee

The International Rescue Committee responds to the world's worst humanitarian crises, helping to restore health, safety, education, economic wellbeing, and power to people devastated by conflict and disaster. The makeover would transform a training room into a multipurpose room which would include a safe space for kids to play while their parents are in training for job skills and learning English.

CALIFORNIA

Burbank



John Muir Middle School Burbank Unified School District

The Burbank Unified School District is committed to equal opportunity for all individuals in education. The makeover would be performed on the entrance to the administrative office, a counseling conference room and a Special Education conference room.

WINNER!

Burbank Community Y! Children's Development Center

The Burbank Community Y provides people of all ages with opportunities to become stronger in spirit, mind, and body. The makeover would transform a room used for silent reading for the third, fourth and fifth graders to make it more comfortable and age-appropriate.

Horace Mann Elementary School

Horace Mann Elementary School educates children and provides life-changing experiences to give them the needed skills for the future. The makeover would remodel a classroom to make it a more inviting space where children can work towards their academic and personal goals.

Carson



Children Today

Children Today's mission is to provide high-quality early care and educational services for children experiencing homelessness and those suffering from abuse and neglect and their families. The makeover would help furnish a new preschool classroom. **WINNER!**

Heal the Bay

Heal the Bay is an environmental non-profit making the coastal waters and watersheds of greater L.A. safe, healthy, and clean. The makeover would be performed in the volunteer lounge so that it can more efficiently store supplies, and to make it more comfortable for the volunteers.

Dream Catcher of LA

Dream Catcher of Los Angeles Therapeutic Riding Centers improves the lives of children, adults, and veterans with cognitive, physical, and emotional disabilities through the benefits of therapeutic horseback riding and other equine-assisted activities and therapies. The makeover would help transform a classroom to help teach children with cognitive, physical, and emotional disabilities.

Costa Mesa



Illumination Foundation

Illumination Foundation's mission is to provide targeted, interdisciplinary services for the most vulnerable homeless clients to break or prevent the cycle of homelessness. The makeover would redesign the Stanton Children's Recourse Center to ensure that the children are grouped according to their skill level in order to receive assistance tailored to their specific needs. **WINNER!**

Boys Republic

Boys Republic seeks to give adolescent youth with behavioral, educational, and emotional difficulties an opportunity to achieve their maximum potential for a responsible, self-directed life within the community. The makeover would redesign the TV room, the office, multipurpose room, and each bedroom to ensure that these student feel like they are in a home and not in an institution.

Covina



David & Margaret Youth and Family Services

David & Margaret Youth and Family Services empowers children, youth, and families through culturally-diverse services that foster emotional, educational, spiritual, and identity development. The makeover would furnish a residential cottage, Tarr Cottage, to make it feel more like a home. **WINNER!**

Together We Rise

Together We Rise is a non-profit organization dedicated to transforming the way youth navigate through the foster care system in America. The makeover would furnish the break room to make it more friendly, welcoming, and accommodating to the needs of those who volunteer here.

Free Arts

Free Arts programs inspire hope in the lives of children who have experienced abuse, neglect, poverty, and homelessness through innovative creative arts programs and positive interactions with caring adult volunteers. The makeover would furnish a space that is currently outdated, unorganized, and has very worn furniture to make it more welcoming and comforting for the children.

East Palo Alto

Ecumenical Hunger Program

Ecumenical Hunger Program provides food, clothing, household essentials, support, and advocacy to our neighbors to sustain them through immediate crises and to help them regain stability and independence. The makeover would organize the donation storage area to make it less cluttered for volunteers to work and easier for the clients to shop.

WINNER!

Family Supportive Housing

Family Supportive Housing provides shelter and supportive services to homeless families in Santa Clara County, to empower them to move from homelessness to self-sufficiency in our community. The makeover would furnish the main lobby in a way that conveys FSH's mission of providing children with hope for a better future.

Bill Wilson Center

Bill Wilson Center supports and strengthens the community by serving youth and families through counseling, housing, education, and advocacy. The makeover would furnish the kitchen and common area in a warm, welcoming way to encourage more homeless teens to join in the program and to trust that the facility has their best intentions in mind.

Emeryville

East Oakland Youth Development Center

East Oakland Youth Development Center develops the social and leadership capacities of youth and young adults (ages 6 to 24) so that they are prepared for employment, higher education, and leadership opportunities. The makeover would furnish the learning center with more functional furniture that meets the needs of our classes and students.

WINNER!



San Francisco Child Abuse Prevention Center

San Francisco Child Abuse Prevention Center prevents child abuse and reduces its devastating impact. The makeover would renovate the therapeutic playroom for kid's ages 0-12, where children play and develop their social and emotional skills.

Homeless Prenatal Program

The Homeless Prenatal Program (HPP) is an award-winning San Francisco Family Resource Center. For 25 years, HPP has provided poor and homeless families the ability to end childhood poverty. The makeover would renovate the daycare center to create a warm, inviting, fun environment where children can grow, learn, and develop in a healthy way.

San Diego



San Diego Youth Services TAY Academy

TAY Academy is dedicated to serving at-risk youth in a manner which is knowledgeable of, and sensitive to, the trauma occurring in their lives. The makeover would furnish the computer lab to make it a more modern and streamlined room where the youth would be able to engage in productive activities, like homework. **WINNER!**

Toussaint Academy of San Diego

At Toussaint, we provide a safe haven for homeless teens unable to reunite with their families because of unstable and unhealthy situations in their home. The makeover would furnish the community and recreation rooms to make them more functional and welcoming for the teens.

Albert Einstein Academy Elementary School

Albert Einstein Academy is the first authorized public charter school with a K-8 International Baccalaureate continuum in San Diego, and educates children to thrive and contribute as active thinkers in the world. The makeover would remodel the Learning Center to create an environment in which children and adults can learn in a more inspirational, inviting and comfortable setting.

West Sacramento



Red Rover and Golden Empire Elementary

The Red Rover Readers program is a social and emotional learning program that promotes empathy and critical thinking. They believe in preparing students to be active and involved citizens who work to improve themselves and their community. The makeover would renovate the training and education rooms to help boost morale and promote excitement in learning and reading. **WINNER!**

COLORADO

Centennial



Mount Saint Vincent Home

Mount Saint Vincent Home provides clinical treatment and nurturing, loving care to children facing severe emotional and behavioral challenges due to trauma, mental illness, abuse or neglect. The funds will be used to refresh our aging residential cottages.

WINNER!

University Park Elementary

University Park Elementary is committed to nurturing the whole child. The makeover would update and refresh the "literacy areas" to create inviting spaces that would entice students to explore a book in a safe place where they can sit, relax and enjoy reading.

Edison Elementary

Edison Elementary School is committed to being a collaborative learning community where rigorous academics and character education ensure the development of the whole child. The makeover would furnish the classrooms with storage for art supplies, stable tables, a new rug for class discussions, more versatile lighting solutions for projects, and frames for a gallery wall.

CONNECTICUT



New Haven

Read to Grow

Read to Grow promotes language skills and literacy for children, beginning at birth, and supports parents as their baby's first teachers. The makeover would provide shelving units and storage containers to pregnant women who are receiving care at community health centers so that they can store the children's books that are given to them.

WINNER!

Beacon Light Alternative Services, Inc.

Beacon Light Alternative Services provides quality service for the well-being of each youth and the entire family to stimulate positive, universal growth and prosperity. The makeover would furnish the Teen Center to make it more functional and comfortable for the youths who spend time there.

North Branford Public Schools

North Branford Public School's goal is to be the single point of entry for all North Branford and Northford families who need early childhood education, school-age childcare, and family support services. The makeover would create a functional and beautiful space for the Crafty Kids program.

FLORIDA

Miami



Pridelines Youth Services

Pridelines Youth Services is dedicated to supporting, educating, and empowering South Florida's lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and questioning youth in a safe and diverse environment. The makeover would provide new furniture for the community center's gathering spaces, conference and program rooms, youth lounge, cyber centers, health center, and lending library. **WINNER!**

Children's Home Society of Florida

Children's Home Society of Florida protects and heals children, strengthens families, rescues and embraces teens struggling to survive on their own, and prepares youth for bright futures. A makeover of the family room would create a sense of pride in the boys who live there.

Boys & Girls Club of Miami Dade

Boys & Girls Clubs of Miami-Dade enable all young people, especially those who need us most, to reach their full potential by administering safe and structured programming to help our youth members become productive, caring, and responsible citizens. A makeover of the music room would allow the club to add a music program to their offerings, and provide an enhanced space for the teens of the club.

Orlando



The Russell Home for Atypical Children

The Russell Home for Atypical Children provides around-the-clock specialized care with love and a home-like atmosphere so vital to the special needs of these very special children. The makeover would provide new bedroom furniture, allowing the children to each have their own storage for their clothes and personal belongings. Additionally, organizing their things would maximize the living space! **WINNER!**

The Howard Phillips Center for Children - Children's Advocacy Center

The Howard Phillips Center for Children works to lessen a child's trauma by reducing the number of times a child has to be interviewed regarding allegations of abuse, and also links the families to supportive services. The makeover would refresh the outdated seating in the lobby and create a cheerful play area for the children.

The Coalition for the Homeless

The mission of the Coalition for the Homeless of Central Florida is to transform the lives of homeless men, women, and children by providing crucial services to end their crisis of homelessness. The makeover would remodel the dining room to make it more efficient, cheerful, and accommodating for the residents.

Sunrise



Kids in Distress

The mission of Kids in Distress is to prevent child abuse, preserve families, and provide services for abused and neglected children. They also have four on-site foster residences. The makeover would renovate the visitation and therapy rooms to make visits and counseling sessions more pleasant for kids and their families. **WINNER!**

Women in Distress of Broward County

Women in Distress provides support group counseling to victims of domestic violence so that participants can address the trauma they have experienced in a supportive group setting. The makeover would renovate the group counseling and therapy rooms to help participants feel more at ease and facilitate positive counseling experiences.

Lighthouse of Broward

Lighthouse of Broward provides specialized rehabilitation and collaborative health care solutions that enhance the independence, productivity, and dignity of children and adults who are blind or visually impaired. The makeover would renovate the training kitchen where blind/visually-impaired children and adults learn to be independent in various personal and home management skills.

Tampa



Warriors for Autism Inc.

Warriors for Autism's mission is to enlighten, enrich, and empower the lives of families on the autism spectrum by offering inclusive programs and services that fit the ever growing needs of the community. The makeover would furnish the new facility opening in spring of 2016, which will be an adaptive fitness and sensory center for children and young adults on the autism spectrum. **WINNER!**

Everyday Blessings, Inc.

The mission of Everyday Blessings, Inc. is to provide high-quality care for sibling groups through a live-in caregiver model. They partner with community agencies and the children's families to transition each child into a safe, stable and permanent home. The makeover would renovate the Caregiver's room, where caregivers prepare meals and eat with the children.

Alpha House of Tampa

Alpha House of Tampa offers homeless pregnant women and mothers with young children safe housing and the tools they need to become self-sufficient and effective, responsible parents. The makeover will renovate the maternity residence and will directly benefit the 23 mothers and their children who live there.

GEORGIA

Atlanta



Lost-n-Found

Lost-n-Found is Atlanta's only non-profit agency actively working to take homeless LGBTQ youth off the street. The makeover would help furnish a newly-renovated space that will bring comfort and ease to the homeless youth Lost-n-Found helps to educate and protect. **WINNER!**

International Rescue Committee in Atlanta

The IRC in Atlanta is a non-profit, non-sectarian resettlement agency dedicated to helping individuals and families from around the world who have escaped from war or persecution. The makeover would remodel the Resettlement Shop, helping us better assist our clients as they go through the critical phase of transition to their new communities.

Community Aid and Development/Kilombo Academic & Cultural Institution

Kilombo is an accredited K-8 program that fosters an academically excellent and culturally relevant education that produces students who are equipped to succeed globally and are committed to social justice. The makeover would help remodel classrooms where children explore their creativity and celebrate their unique talents through Create-A-Puppet Workshops, summer camp, and other programs.

ILLINOIS

Bolingbrook



SCARCE (School & Community Assistance for Recycling and Composting Education)

The mission of SCARCE is to inspire people, through education, to preserve and care for the Earth's natural resources, while working to build sustainable communities. The makeover would redesign a multipurpose room to make it more organized and efficient for the volunteers that work here. **WINNER!**

CASA of DuPage

CASA of DuPage County, Inc. is a non-profit organization that recruits, trains, and supports volunteer citizen advocates to effectively speak to the best interests of abused, neglected, and dependent children in DuPage County's juvenile court system. The makeover would help transform the waiting room to a safe and warm environment at a stressful time.

Schaumburg



The Bridge Youth and Family Services

The Bridge Youth and Family Services helps troubled kids and kids in trouble live happier, more productive lives regardless of their ability to pay for services. The makeover would furnish the Team Room to better utilize the space so we can grow our program without the expense of renting additional space. **WINNER!**

KANSAS

Merriam



Sunflower House

Sunflower House protects children in our community from physical and sexual abuse through education, advocacy, and forensic and medical services. The makeover would renovate the great room, which is the waiting room, the donation center for families and caregivers to pick up any needed items, and a resource center for caregivers. **WINNER!**

Children's Place

Children's Place promotes the healthy development of young children who have survived abuse, neglect, and trauma by providing specialized services and family support within a safe and caring environment. The makeover would organize a multi-use hallway in the Day Treatment area to make it more efficient, clutter-free, and safe for the children.

First Step

First Step believes women should not be without their children while they participate in substance-abuse treatment. Their childcare facility provides the children with a safe learning environment while also assisting mothers with parenting skills within their recovery. The makeover would furnish a preschool room to create a quality learning environment for the children.

MARYLAND

Baltimore



Youth Empowered Society

The Youth Empowered Society (YES) prevents and eliminates youth homelessness through the synergy of youth and ally partnerships. The makeover would be performed in the Drop-in Center to make it less institutional and homier. **WINNER!**

Living Classrooms

Living Classrooms strengthens communities and inspires young people to achieve their potential through hands-on education and job training, using urban, natural, and maritime resources as "living classrooms." The makeover would outfit the original building with new furniture and equipment to help make this space feel more congruent with our new state-of-the-art addition.

Creative Alliance at The Patterson

The Creative Alliance builds communities by bringing together artists and audiences from diverse backgrounds to experience spectacular arts and education programs and engage in the creative process. The makeover would redesign the Media Room, giving youth access to computers and software and fine arts training.

College Park



Latin American Youth Center

Latin American Youth Center empowers a diverse population of youth to achieve a successful transition to adulthood through multi-cultural, comprehensive, and innovative programs that address youths' social, academic, and career needs. The makeover would furnish the Youth Drop-In Center that provides emergency services to homeless youth to make it a more functional and welcoming space. **WINNER!**

RhizomeDC

RhizomeDC offers classes and workshops for kids in a wide range of topics, including modular electronics, computer coding for visual art, experimental and creative writing, and healthy cooking for kids. The makeover would furnish the lounge area to make it a more comfortable space where parents can wait for their kids and small groups to gather for discussions.

Contact Center



Eastside Family Emergency Shelter (Community Assistance Network)

CAN's purpose is to provide a safe, clean, supportive community to help stabilize individuals experiencing homelessness in Baltimore County. The makeover would furnish the mobile class rooms and living areas to make them more inspiring, motivating, and uplifting. **WINNER!**

GLCCB-The Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgender Community Center of Baltimore and Central Maryland

The mission of GLCCB is to provide quality support services, appropriate facilities, and professional resources for the development and well-being of individuals and groups of the greater Baltimore LGBTQ community. The makeover would furnish the Youth Leadership Room to make a comfortable seating area for our group discussions and social hours.

The SEED School of Maryland

The SEED School of Maryland is a state wide, college-preparatory, public boarding school. Our mission is to present students from across the state with an extraordinary opportunity to receive a tuition-free education that prepares them for success in college and beyond. The makeover would furnish the atrium to make it more welcoming and functional.

MASSACHUSETTS

Stoughton



Taunton Area Community Table

Taunton Area Community Table strives to help eliminate hunger in the greater Taunton area. The makeover would furnish the dining space with new tables and chairs, dinnerware, and storage in the pantry, providing patrons with an enjoyable night out. **WINNER!**

MSPCC

MSPCC is a private, non-profit society dedicated to leadership in protecting and promoting the rights and well-being of children and families. The makeover would provide furnishings for the education and reading areas to create safe, structured, and warm environments where children would thrive and flourish.

Massasoit Community College Child Care Center

The focus of Massasoit Community College Child Care Center is to help children reach their full developmental potential in every day learning. This makeover would help transform the child care center, which would make a significant difference in the process of helping each and every child learn and develop both their fine and gross motor skills.

MICHIGAN

Canton



Foster Closet of Michigan

Foster Closet of Michigan provides clothing, underclothing, toys, shoes, baby equipment, and in some cases furniture to children placed in the foster care system. The makeover would provide smart and beautiful storage solutions to Foster Closet so they can maintain the closets and supplies for children in need. **WINNER!**

Humble Design

Humble Design is a Detroit based non-profit organization that helps families transition out of homeless shelters by providing furnishings and design services. The makeover would provide home furnishings to families transitioning out of homelessness to make their new homes clean, dignified, and welcoming.

MINNESOTA

Twin Cities



Sojourner Project

Sojourner Project, Inc. is one of the first battered women's shelters in Minnesota. Their programs serve more than 1,000 battered women and children each year through their shelter and community-based services. The makeover would help remodel several living areas to make them more functional and welcoming. **WINNER!**

Dakota Woodlands

Dakota Woodlands is a pathway to sustainable and independent housing for homeless women and families through a continuum of supportive services. The makeover would redesign the bedrooms and communal family areas to make the most efficient use of the limited space available.

Southside Family Nurturing Center

SSFNC has worked to create an environment of support and caring, where families at risk of abuse and neglect can come to build on the strength of their love for one another. The makeover would create a reading area and storage room for books.

MISSOURI

St. Louis



Epworth Children & Family Services

Epworth Children & Family Services helps youth and families find strength, break through obstacles, and build brighter futures. The makeover would remodel two living rooms in the emergency shelter to make them more comfortable and inviting for the boys and girls who stay there. **WINNER!**

St. Martin's Child Center

St. Martin's Child Center focuses on enlightening and developing every child's skills to their maximum potential. The makeover would remodel the classrooms with new, more functional furniture, giving a great boost for the children as well as the faculty.

St. Vincent Home for Children

St. Vincent Home for Children provides love, security, and professional treatment for troubled children and their families through a fully integrated program of services. The makeover will redesign a living space for 10 boys called The Robin Residential Apartment to make it a more positive, clean, and fresh space that would allow the youth to have hope.

NEW JERSEY

Elizabeth



Intensive Therapeutics

Intensive Therapeutics creates and provides affordable, effective, and practical occupational therapy services to children with special needs. The makeover would furnish the waiting room that families use while their children are in therapy and also areas of the house that families stay in for up to a month. **WINNER!**

Elizabeth Coalition to House the Homeless

Elizabeth Coalition to House the Homeless gives children living in shelters or temporary housing a safe, fun, and supportive environment where they can socialize with other children and in many cases, build long-lasting bonds. The makeover would renovate the space where the children congregate to give them a warm, welcoming space that gives them relief from the difficult situations that they deal with daily.

Jefferson Park Preschool

Jefferson Park Preschool believes that the future of our community depends on the healthy physical, mental, social, and emotional growth of our children. The makeover

would transform a currently unusable kitchen into a space to have parent/teacher conferences, and a testing room for children.

Paramus



Family Promise of Bergen County

Family Promise of Bergen County provides shelter and services to working families who have become homeless. The makeover would furnish the Family Center—which is "home base" for families and their children who are in our sheltering program—to make it more functional and welcoming. **WINNER!**

Children's Aid & Family Services

Motivated by compassion for vulnerable children, young adults, frail elderly and their families, Children's Aid & Family Services' provides high-quality and innovative services that meet their social, educational and emotional needs. A makeover of the home's main living space would be an ideal way to make their house a "home" for the special children they serve.

Memorial School - Special Needs Class

Memorial Elementary School is a public school that also has special education students. The special education program and teachers focus on the special-needs students with great care and attention to their personal needs. The makeover would help redesign the special-education classroom to enrich the environment in which the children learn.

NEW YORK

Brooklyn



Summit Academy Charter School

Summit Academy Charter School bridges the gap between aspirations and realities by preparing sixth through twelfth-grade scholars to graduate from college. The makeover would help remodel the College & Career Readiness Room to make ample work space for scholars and parents to research colleges and financial aid. **WINNER!**

The League Center

The League Center is a non-profit agency serving children with psychiatric and developmental disabilities. Our vision is to discover and nurture each person's strengths and abilities. The makeover would remodel a "comfort" room—where children go to sit when they are upset or need a moment—to make it more comfortable and child-friendly.

Cora Dance

Through its company, school and studio, Cora Dance creates exceptional dance experiences while addressing the impediments that restrict individuals from accessing the art form. The makeover would provide lighting and window treatments as well as permanent shelving and storage for their class and rehearsal space.

Long Island



YES Community Center

Yes Community Center increases awareness about personal and community issues, prevents and treats substance abuse, and promotes healthy families and a safe community. The makeover would renovate the kitchen to make it more functional and efficient, allowing us to better serve the students that participate in the programs.

WINNER!

Hicksville Boys and Girls Club

The mission of the Hicksville Boys & Girls Club is to be a source of support for adolescents, parents, and the entire community by promoting self-esteem, positive values and morals, and dignity. The makeover would renovate the children's play area to provide an engaging environment for the children to play in.

John Theissen Children's Foundation

John Theissen Children's Foundation provides hospitals and child-care facilities with therapeutic and recreational equipment. The makeover would provide storage for the arts and crafts area and the office and would help the JTCF Fun Center give a great experience to the children that use this facility.

NORTH CAROLINA

Charlotte



Friendship Trays

Friendship Trays' mission is to deliver daily—in a caring and friendly manner—balanced meals to individuals in the community who are unable to obtain or prepare their own meals because of age or infirmity. The makeover would reorganize the receiving area and improve the flow of the fresh produce to help ensure that the receivers are getting fresh and healthy food. **WINNER!**

Lebanon Road Elementary

The mission of CMS is to maximize academic achievement by every student in every school. The makeover would furnish the reception area to make it a more welcoming environment where students, teachers, staff, and families can get support for their emotional and social wellbeing.

Bright Blessings

Bright Blessings brings joy, care and hope to homeless and impoverished children by mobilizing community volunteers of all ages. The makeover would furnish the program workstation areas, so our leadership team would be able to more openly interact with volunteer teams, effectively organize and distribute supplies, and therefore increase overall efficiency of our program services.

OHIO

West Chester



CISV Building Global Friendships/ Miami County Chapter

CISV educates and inspires action for a more just and peaceful world. We provide a range of unique, educational group activities, which develop cross-cultural understanding in children, youth, and adults from around the world. The makeover would transform four classrooms in a junior high school to provide dorm-like sleeping facilities for the 80 global attendees. **WINNER!**

Abuse and Rape Shelter of Warren County

ARCS is dedicated to the safety, healing, and empowerment of domestic violence and sexual assault victims. The makeover would create a Creation Station where the kids can color, paint, or craft, and a reading nook for children and parents. These spaces would provide a safe and fun place for the children.

Artworks/ Hero Design Company

ArtWorks Hero Design Company's mission is to show the world that every child possesses an amazing and unique array of strengths and real world superpowers. We empower children facing emotional, physical, or medical hardship through the creation of custom superhero capes. A makeover would provide a better organized and decorated space that would allow the team to work more efficiently, and create better capes.

OREGON

Portland



Human Solutions

Human Solutions helps low-income and homeless families and individuals gain self-sufficiency by providing affordable housing, family support services, job readiness training and economic development opportunities. The makeover would remodel indoor and outdoor children's play areas at the emergency shelter for families experiencing homelessness and provide family-friendly furniture and storage solutions at the shelter.

WINNER!

Girls on the Run of Portland Metro

Girls on the Run of Portland Metro inspires girls to be joyful, healthy, and confident using a fun, experience-based curriculum which creatively integrates running. The makeover would furnish the office space to make it more functional and efficient, allowing the staff to work more efficiently which would directly impact the growth of the organization.

Big Brothers Big Sisters Columbia Northwest

Big Brothers Big Sisters Columbia Northwest provides children experiencing adversity with strong and enduring, professionally-supported one-to-one relationships that change their lives for the better. The makeover would remodel the BIG room, a communal room for families and staff, to make it reflect the positivity and fun of BBBS's mission.

PENNSYLVANIA

Conshohocken



Covenant House PA

Covenant House PA serves runaway, homeless, and trafficked youth through our short-term Crisis Center housing program, where our kids stay for 30-60 days while they find stable housing. The makeover would transform the lounge into a welcoming, functional, and beautiful space to help our young people see and feel a sense of family so they can begin to transform their lives. **WINNER!**

Daily Bread Community Food Pantry

Daily Bread's mission is to eliminate hunger in the Montgomery County area by providing residents in need with programs that provide food, promote the value of nutrition, increase self-sufficiency, and instill hope. The makeover would furnish the waiting room to make it more comfortable and furnish the storage area to make it more functional.

South Philadelphia



Philadelphia Furniture Bank/Pathways to Housing PA

Philadelphia Furniture Bank (PFB) turns empty houses into welcoming homes by providing no-cost furnishings to those in need. The makeover would transform the volunteer area into a more welcoming space, creating a positive, aesthetically-pleasing atmosphere for the staff and volunteers. **WINNER!**

Valley Youth House

Valley Youth House's mission is to empower and strengthen the lives of children, youth, and families through inclusive programming that builds resilience and fosters growth and independence. The makeover would redesign the pantry to make it an efficient work space that is easily navigated by youth who are seeking household and food items.

The Attic Youth Center

The Attic Youth Center creates opportunities for LGBTQ youth to develop into healthy, independent, civic-minded adults within a safe and supportive community. A makeover of the multi-purpose room would allow The Attic to better organize program supplies and accommodate additional furniture in an effort to provide youth with a comfortable and welcoming environment when they come to the center.

Pittsburgh



Pittsburgh Pioneer Center

Pittsburgh Pioneer Center's mission is to enable each student to discover, recognize, and develop cognitively, physically, socially, and communicatively, in order to reach his or her greatest possible level of independence. A makeover of the Activities of Daily Living classroom would provide our students who have disabilities with the opportunity to explore their greatest level of independence in a handicap accessible ADL environment. **WINNER!**

Beverly's Birthdays

Beverly's Birthdays, a Pittsburgh non-profit organization, provides birthday cheer for children experiencing homelessness and families in need. The makeover would increase storage capacity in a space that is currently used to host volunteer groups and for programming storage and preparation. This would directly affect the number of families we would be able to serve.

412 Food Rescue/Repair the World

412 Food Rescue works to fight hunger and deliver fresh, healthy food to those who are most in need. The makeover would transform the community kitchen into a gathering space to hold events that engage the community and educate on child hunger and other food justice issues.

US Service Office (Conshohocken, PA)

North Light Community Center

North Light Community Center provides our community with many programs for children and teens, as well as emergency assistance for families in need. The makeover would create a more functional kitchen and storage pantry, so we can more efficiently provide cooked meals with good nutritional value to hungry patrons. **WINNER!**

Carson Valley Children's Aid

Carson Valley Children's Aid is dedicated to delivering services to children, youth, and families that ensure their safety, build on their strengths, honor their differences, and empower them to achieve their goals for success in life. The makeover would create a space that can be easily converted from a staff meeting room to a family meeting space with a safe and comfortable zone for young children.

Families Forward

Family Forward is the largest family shelter in Philadelphia, serving an average of 500 individuals in emergency shelters, with 63% of them being children under 18. The makeover would help refresh and update housing rooms to create a safe, friendly environment for the families staying there.

TEXAS

Dallas

The Samaritan Inn

The Samaritan Inn is a comprehensive homeless program that helps willing people regain dignity and independence. The makeover would renovate the entry area to make it a more welcoming space for the people who enter our center who are dealing with difficult life circumstances. **WINNER!**

Allen Community Outreach

Allen Community Outreach is the sole local provider of free human services for the cities of Allen, Fairview and Lucas in Collin County, Texas. The makeover would furnish the lobby, administration area, and food pantry to make them more organized, modern, and functional spaces.



Color Me Empowered

Color Me Empowered is a charitable organization dedicated to empowering at-risk children while improving neglected communities through public art. The makeover would provide storage for the studio space to make it more organized, so the children can focus on creative ways to improve their community through art without the stress of finding and storing supplies.

Houston



Center for Hearing and Speech

The Center for Hearing and Speech is the only full-service resource in Houston to teach deaf children to listen and speak without the use of sign language. The makeover will renovate the activity area where children learn auditory skills to make it a more functional and enjoyable space for the children. **WINNER!**

Art Bridge Houston

Art Bridge Houston provides therapeutic and expressive arts programs to homeless and at-risk children within a supportive and creative environment. The makeover would furnish the office and volunteer training spaces to assist the organization in providing the space needed to create additional revenue.

Project Row Houses

Project Row Houses "Young Mothers Program" provides housing and counseling on personal growth and parenting skills, allowing young mothers to raise their children in a creative, nurturing community. The makeover would help furnish the houses where the mothers and their children stay.

Round Rock



Williamson County Crisis Center dba Hope Alliance

Williamson County Crisis Center dba Hope Alliance assists children and others affected by family and sexual violence by providing services that renew hope, highlight possibilities, and change futures, while working to prevent these crimes from occurring. The makeover would remodel the living room for adult and child residents of the shelter to maximize the space and make it more home-like. **WINNER!**

Candlelight Ranch

Candlelight Ranch provides unique outdoor experiences for special needs and at-risk youth to learn, play, and embrace the wonders of nature. The makeover would update the original homestead to meet the functional and safety needs of the staff and children, incorporating natural materials as much as possible to highlight our link to the outdoors.

The Georgetown Project

The Georgetown Project identifies needs and develops resources, relationships, and services so that our youth become caring, capable, and resilient individuals. The

makeover will help repaint and carpet the downstairs floor and renovate the upstairs to provide additional support services to youth who are at-risk, homeless and living in transition in Georgetown ISD graduate from high school with a plan for the future.

UTAH

Draper



Kostopulos Dream Foundation

Kostopulos Dream Foundation is dedicated to improving the lives of children and adults with disabilities through education, recreation, and growth opportunities. The makeover would furnish the office space and communal meeting areas so that they are as unique and special as the clients the Camp K strives to embrace. **WINNER!**

The Wonderment

The Wonderment is a free online platform where kids, schools, and organizations can explore, create, and start projects with kids around the world and get support from a community of donors to help turn them into reality. The makeover would provide storage in the main office and furniture for mobile libraries and learning labs.

The Sharing Place

The Sharing Place provides a safe and caring environment for grieving children, teens, and their families to share their feelings while healing themselves. The makeover would furnish the soft room where kids go to play to make it more child friendly and fun for the children.

Virginia

Woodbridge



Transitional Housing BARN Inc.

Transitional Housing BARN, Inc. is committed to providing families with transitional housing and access to supportive services to promote healing, growth, and self-sufficiency. The makeover would renovate bedrooms to give families more storage to store clothes, and desks to provide a space for homework and job searching. **WINNER!**

Feed it Forward D.C.

Feed it Forward is a non-profit organization that primarily focuses on serving the local community and providing bagged lunches to those that are less fortunate in the DC metropolitan area.

Capital Area Food Bank - Lorton Branch

Capital Area Food Bank-Lorton Branch's vision is for a community in which everyone has access to sufficient, nutritious food. The makeover would furnish the conference and training rooms to provide enough tables and chairs for conferences and training classes.

WASHINGTON

Seattle



Amara

Amara works to ensure that every child in foster care has the love and support of a committed family-as quickly as possible, and for as long as each child needs. The makeover would transform two rooms into safe, comfortable, and family-friendly environments for kids and their families to have visits. **WINNER!**

Vision House

Vision House provides transitional housing and services for homeless children and their families, and separately for homeless men recovering from substance abuse. The makeover would redesign the community center to make it more appropriate for several different uses: teen space, community space for the moms when they have dinner together, and a place for staff to meet.

GRuB Garden-Raised Bounty

The mission of GruB is to inspire positive personal and community change by bringing people together around food and agriculture. We partner with youth and people with low-incomes to create empowering individual and community food solutions. The makeover would furnish the space where teens engage in service-learning projects to make it more functional and efficient.