zilber strategic plan summary
family foundation

grantmaking programs: 2019-2024

zilber neighborhood initiative

Since 2008, the Foundation has invested $50 million to improve the quality of life in three Milwaukee neighborhoods - Lindsay Heights, Clarke Square, and Layton Boulevard West.

We will continue to work in partnership with local organizations and leaders to plan and implement improvement strategies in the same ZNI neighborhoods. Grants will focus on increasing economic growth and the income and net worth of residents; and improving access to quality, affordable, and stable housing.

Current issues we support:

- Community Economic Development
- Commercial Corridors
- Financial Literacy
- Small Business Development
- Housing
- Homeownership
- Property Conditions
- Affordable Rental

Grants will support:

- Capital improvements
- Convening
- Cross-community initiatives
- General operating support
- Intermediaries
- Organizational development

legacy

The Foundation honors Joe and Vera Zilber's interests and lifetime of philanthropy by supporting a limited number of organizations dedicated to issues of special importance to our founders and our board of directors. Legacy grants support a selection of long-time grantees working in Milwaukee.

Current issues we support:

- Basic human needs
- Youth development
- Higher education

Grants will support:

- Capital improvements
- General operating support
- Organizational development

other grants

The Foundation also makes a limited number of grants each year to benefit people in Hawaii and in regions where Zilber Ltd. operates.

mission

We work to enhance the well-being of individuals, families, and neighborhoods by resourcing nonprofits and communities to address basic needs and ensure personal safety, increase access to social and economic opportunity, and improve the quality of life in neighborhoods.

vision

All people have the resources and opportunities to prosper.

approach

- We invest in nonprofits
- We build capacity
- We collaborate across sectors
- We adapt to improve