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**Community Health Endowment Awards Nearly \$370,000 in Grants**

Grants awarded recently by the [Community Health Endowment](#) (CHE) will help increase healthy opportunities for at-risk youth, break down barriers to health care access for non-English speakers, build leadership capacity in Native American youth and people from diverse backgrounds, and complete park amenities in southwest Lincoln. The CHE Board of Trustees approved grants totaling up to \$184,981 for year one and \$369,981 over three years. All grants listed begin on July 1, 2019.

New grants will:

- **Through peer-led programming, increase exposure to protective factors that contribute to wellness and healthy family functioning for Native American youth.** (Santee Sioux National Society of Care, \$165,000 over three years)
- **Increase physical activity, access to healthy meals, and engagement for low-income and at-risk youth through the All-Access Pass Program.** (The Bay, \$75,000 over three years)
- **Expand programming for the Advocates cohort which equips individuals from diverse backgrounds and underrepresented groups with leadership skills and connects them to community leadership opportunities.** (Leadership Lincoln, \$45,000 over three years)
- **Support renovations to Schroder Park as part of the Schroder Park Wellness Campus.** (Lincoln Parks & Recreation, up to \$45,120 over one year)
- **Engage members of Lincoln's Yezidi community in developing communication and program strategies that break down identified barriers to health care access.** (University of Nebraska - Lincoln, \$28,861 over one year)
- **Support technology updates and completion of a strategic plan that includes a focus on increasing participation among low-income and minority populations.** (Nebraska Sports Council, \$10,000 over one year)
- **Provide financial literacy education to 10 Title 1 elementary school classrooms in Lincoln.** (Junior Achievement of Lincoln, \$1,000 over one year)

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*The Community Health Endowment of Lincoln (CHE) is a municipal endowment dedicated to making Lincoln the healthiest community in the nation. To achieve this vision, CHE invests in health-related projects and programs and convenes the community around important health issues. Since its inception in 1998, CHE has returned more than \$31 million to the community.*