

## 2022 Grantees

**These organizations were selected by the Brotherhood of Elders Network and 18 additional Black led organizations involved in the Bese Saka initiative.**

1. **Acta Non Verba**- Youth Urban Farm Project (ANV) elevates life in Oakland and beyond by challenging oppressive dynamics and environments through urban farming. Founded and led mainly by women of color from the surrounding neighborhood and larger community, ANV creates a safe and creative outdoor space for children, youth, and families in East Oakland, CA. (East Oakland)
2. **Adamika Village**- is Deep East Oakland's advocate for change. Since 2016 we've returned children to their families; interrupted violence; assisted in repasts and funerals; hosted healing circles; engaged other non-profits to stand shoulder to shoulder to rebuild our Black community;; end community violence; and stop killing our kids. (East Oakland)
3. **Cinnamongirl Inc.**- is a leadership development organization, creating lifelong bonds between professionals and girls of color through programs that provide access, experiences and a global mindset, empowering girls to be the visionaries our world needs. (Oakland)
4. **EAT Sports Foundation** - Focused on providing resources, opportunities, and relief to At-Risk athletes and underprivileged families in underserved parts of our communities. (Martinez)
5. **Grown Women Dance Collective** – Mission is to create cross-cultural, intergenerational, and cross-class connections by encouraging dialogue, empowering thought and action, and building cross-racial alliances through concert dance and wellness programs. We celebrate resistance, resilience, self-empowerment & joy through programs that uplift, empower, and inspire community members to impact social change.
6. **Healthy Black Families, Inc.**- Advancing social equity and justice, with a focus on Black individuals and families. This organization has been tangibly improving the health of

black families in Berkeley by reducing disparities in birth weight between black and white families in Berkeley. (Berkeley)

7. **Oakland Natives Give Back**- is an educational organization that addresses the most pressing social ills of the day by funding, creating, and incubating innovative programs, experiences and partnerships that empower the next generation of high-achieving citizens, locally and globally. (Oakland)
8. **Spearitwurx Inc.**- is an Oakland-based organization that inspires inter-generational wellness. They create experiences to transform lives through cultural events, community convenings, professional consulting and wellness coaching. (Oakland)
9. **The Association of Black Psychologists, Inc.** (Bay Area Chapter)- The Association of Black Psychologists sees its mission and destiny as the liberation of the African mind, empowerment of the African character, and enlivenment and illumination of the African spirit. (Bay area)
10. **Oakland Private Industry Council**- The mission of the Oakland Private Industry Council, Inc. to provide accessible, high- quality training and employment services to local residents and employers. (Oakland)
11. **Healthy Hearts Institute**- Healthy Hearts Institute helps to eradicate food deserts and empowers individual and community transformation through health and wellness (Pittsburgh)
12. **DREAM Financial Academy**- Our mission is to enlighten youth ages 6-19 within San Francisco Bay Area counties, targeting low-income communities to educate them to become financially literate. We seek to create positive change and equip the youth with the knowledge and skills to manage money effectively, make sound financial decisions and establish a solid foundation for success. ( San Francisco) (This grant was for \$20k)