



T. Merrell Shipherd Fund 2019-2020 Awardees

Date	Organization	Project/Program Summary	Amount
March 2020	Community Arts Partnership	<p><u><i>Black Girl Alchemy Public Art Mosaic</i></u>- The project will welcome any interested parties, however it aims to enroll a group of 12-15 local youth, primarily Black Girls, who reside in the city of Ithaca to participate in regular programming. The core group of participants will be recruited from agencies & neighborhoods throughout Ithaca. Recognizing that an overwhelming number of negative images and stereotypical perceptions of Black girls and women plague today's society, the BGA philosophy recognizes that when the community prioritizes the voices and creative works of Black girls & women, everybody benefits. The empowerment experience and artwork will contribute to a curriculum of liberation designed to combat historical and current social conditions negatively impacting school-aged Black Girls.</p>	\$1,250