American Water Newsroom

West Virginia American Water Proudly Recognizes American Water Charitable Foundation 2024 Workforce Readiness and STEM Grantees

CHARLESTON, W.Va. (Oct. 22, 2024) – The American Water Charitable Foundation, a 501(c)(3) organization established by American Water, the largest regulated water and wastewater utility company in the U.S., recently announced three organizations that were awarded STEM and Workforce Readiness grants, supporting communities served by West Virginia American Water.

“I am always so appreciative of the American Water Charitable Foundation’s investment in West Virginia and our local communities,” said Rob Burton, President, West Virginia American Water. “Funding in workforce development and STEM initiatives in West Virgnina helps us bolster economic growth, create diversity of thought and ultimately create a better tomorrow for those impacted by these grants.”

The Workforce Readiness grant is part of the American Water Charitable Foundation’s Keep Communities Flowing Grant Program, focusing on three pillars of giving: Water, People and Communities. This opportunity focuses on general career readiness, financial and business literacy, positive youth development and life skills training. Below is a list of grantees in West Virginia:

- Golden Girl Group Home ($25,000 Workforce Readiness Grant) – Supporting “Working Girls Succeed,” an initiative that provides workforce development programs for diverse, at-risk young women.
- Clay Center for the Arts and Sciences ($25,000 STEM Grant) – Supporting two traveling exhibits coming in Fall 2025 to focus on water education: Water’s Extreme Journey and Ocean Adventure!
- Putnam County Chamber of Commerce Foundation ($25,000 Workforce Readiness Grant) – Supporting “The Comeback Club,” an initiative to assist women reentering the workforce following a career hiatus.

"We are incredibly grateful to American Water Charitable Foundation for their generous support of The Comeback Club,” said Ashley Alford Glance, President, Putnam County Chamber of Commerce Foundation. “Their commitment to empowering women returning to the workforce strengthens our mission to provide resources, opportunities, and a supportive community for women seeking to reignite their professional journeys. Together, we are making a lasting impact."

“The American Water Charitable Foundation is delighted to partner with eligible nonprofit organizations across West Virginia,” said Carrie Williams, President, American Water Charitable Foundation. We are proud to support initiatives that provide access to high-quality training and skills development for future leaders in the workplace.”

Learn more about Werst Virginia American Water’s community impact, here.

About American Water

American Water (NYSE: AWK) is the largest regulated water and wastewater utility company in the United States. With a history dating back to 1886, We Keep Life Flowing® by providing safe, clean, reliable and affordable drinking water and wastewater services to more than 14 million people with regulated operations in 14 states and on 18 military installations. American Water’s 6,500 talented professionals leverage their significant expertise and

the company's national size and scale to achieve excellent outcomes for the benefit of customers, employees, investors and other stakeholders.

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About West Virginia American Water

West Virginia American Water, a subsidiary of American Water, is the largest regulated water utility in the state, providing high-quality and reliable water services to approximately 600,000 people.

About American Water Charitable Foundation

The American Water Charitable Foundation is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that provides a formal way to demonstrate the company's ongoing commitment to be a good neighbor, citizen, and contributor to the communities where American Water and its employees live, work and operate. For more information, visit amwater.com/awcf.

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