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CCCBSD Awarded \$750,000 Cummings Foundation Grant

Beverly nonprofit receives 10-year funding support from Cummings Foundation.

Beverly, MA, June 1, 2026 – CCCBSD has been selected as one of 150 nonprofits to receive funding through Cummings Foundation’s annual grant program, which awarded \$35 million this year. Chosen through a competitive review process that drew a record 959 applicants, the Beverly-based organization will receive \$750,000 over ten years.

CCCBSD is a nonprofit organization dedicated to enhancing lives of deaf and/or disabled individuals, their families, and communities through person-centered, specialized educational programming in a language-rich, inclusive environment.

“We are incredibly grateful for the trust Cummings Foundation has placed in us and excited about what this partnership will mean for the children and families we serve” – CCCBSD Leadership Team.

This year, the Woburn-based Cummings Foundation increased its annual grant program from \$30 million to \$35 million and shifted to fully unrestricted funding, allowing recipients to direct grant dollars where they are needed most.

Foundation executive director and trustee Joyce Vyriotes noted that the changes reflect growing concerns among Greater Boston nonprofits about rising costs, increased demand for services, and sustained uncertainty around public funding.

“Nonprofit professionals are closest to the challenges facing their communities, making them best positioned to determine where and how new funds will drive the greatest impact,” said Vyriotes. “By providing increased, flexible funding, we hope to strengthen organizations’ long-term stability and help them respond to evolving community needs.”

This year’s grant recipients represent a wide range of causes, including housing and food insecurity, education, workforce development, healthcare, mental health services, social justice, immigrant support, and youth programming.

The annual grant program supports Massachusetts nonprofits that are based in and primarily serve Middlesex, Essex, and Suffolk counties, as well as Brookline, Dedham, Milton, Needham, Quincy, and Wellesley.

Through this place-based initiative, Cummings Foundation reinvests in the areas where it owns commercial real estate. Its buildings are all managed at no cost to the Foundation by its affiliate, Cummings Properties, a Woburn-based commercial developer that leases and manages 11 million square feet of debt-free space. All rental profits support the Foundation.

Since its founding, Cummings Foundation has awarded more than \$650 million to Greater Boston nonprofits. The complete list of this year's grant recipients, along with additional information about the Foundation and its grant programs, is available at CummingsFoundation.org.

About CCCBSD

CCCBSD (The Children's Center for Communication/Beverly School for the Deaf) is a nonprofit organization based in Beverly, Massachusetts. CCCBSD provides inclusive programs and support for individuals who are deaf and or disabled with developmental disabilities, focusing on fostering independence, community engagement, and meaningful life opportunities through education, recreation, and vocational services. To learn more, visit cccbsd.org.

About Cummings Foundation

Woburn-based Cummings Foundation, Inc. was established in 1986 by Joyce and Bill Cummings of Winchester, Mass., and has grown to become one of the largest private foundations in New England. In addition to its annual grant program, the Foundation directly operates two not-for-profit retirement communities: New Horizons at Marlborough and New Horizons at Choate, in Woburn. Additional information is available at CummingsFoundation.org.

