Parentis Foundation

Parentis Foundation received a grant to help expand their virtual tutoring services to two additional program sites and to train additional volunteers to provide reading support in the coming year. Training will include over 100 senior volunteers to tutor and mentor 250 at-risk students. The mission of the Parentis Foundation is to address a major contributor to poverty – the inability of children to read proficiently by the end of third grade. They provide both older adult volunteer mentors and young children with opportunities to enrich their lives, build self-confidence and share a sense of purpose through literacy.

The Intergenerational Literacy Intervention Program has a profound impact on the challenges facing both young and old—bringing them together to create better and brighter futures. It’s a win-win for both generations. The spirit of volunteering and giving back is the centerpiece of the Experience Corps OC Intergenerational Literacy Intervention Program, which is 100% dependent on volunteer support. Seniors recruited from the American Association of Retired
Persons network and are provided training and support and go on to help at-risk children, struggling to read, with their time and mentorship, thus providing both generations an opportunity to connect, learn, and feel fulfilled.

**Walk With Sally**

Walk With Sally received a grant to support training for 60 new volunteers during 2021. Funds will underwrite the training sessions including materials, lunch and snacks and a portion of the salaries of Walk With Sally’s Program Manager and Volunteer Coordinator. Walk With Sally’s mission is to provide hope through individualized mentoring and community support services to empower children experiencing trauma through a parent, guardian or sibling’s cancer journey.

Walk With Sally pivoted quickly to provide uninterrupted continuity of services for their mentees when they need them most during COVID19. They realized the similarities in COVID and cancer, the lack of control, financial insecurities, and fear of inadequate or inaccessible treatment. In addition, they recognized the immediate need for additional support through their Temporary Family Support program.

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