Fringe Benefits Theater received a grant to support youth leadership of four of their five CT4CT programs. These include Videos for Social Justice Workshops, serving approximately 720 people, a 5-week Internship Training Program, serving approximately 20 people, the Arts for Civic Engagement Showcase, serving approximately 250 people and the Think Outside the Box Symposium, serving approximately 1000 people. Fringe Benefits collaborates with schools and community groups using theatre to promote constructive dialogue and action about diversity and discrimination issues.

Lori, a participant in a residency they led at Davidson College in North Carolina came and did an internship with Fringe Benefits Theatre. She came to learn how to facilitate theatre for social justice work herself. She went on to use that experience to create Voices Unbarred in Washington DC. The accomplishments and love of Fringe Benefits Theatre is shared far and wide.
Street Poets, Inc.

Street Poets, Inc. received a grant to support their weekly Seeking Peace and Meditation Workshops. The majority of the funds will be used to directly support the salaries of their staff teaching artists with the rest for supplies, documentation and ongoing assessment of their program. These workshops reach roughly 250 people annually. The mission of Street Poets is to harness the healing power of poetry to build community and inspire the next generation to write, rap and dream a new world into being for us all. They seek to break the cycle of violence in the lives of at risk and incarcerated youth, build creative community by bringing youth and adults into deep transformational relationships and collaborate with other organizations and communities to inspire both individual and systemic change.

They invite their alumni to serve as peer mentors and later as full adult mentors and organizers of their annual boys and girls initiation retreats with Youth Mentoring Connection. Over the years they have had at least 12 former Street Poets youth serve as volunteers in this capacity.

Click here to learn more about Street Poets, Inc.

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