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The Rev. Willie Barrow Emerging Leaders Award

Girls Like Me Project		Award: \$25,000
<p>Project Name: General Operating Support</p> <p>Organization Description and Proposed Use of Funds:</p> <p>Girls Like Project Me organizational mission is to critically examine social, cultural, and political ideologies in media, so that young black adolescent girls will be able to overcome stigmas and negative stereotypes placed onto them. They equip the girls with tools and strategies to become influential, independent digital storytellers who transform their communities and foster global sisterhood. They have three Flagship programs; D.I.V.A.S in the City Storytelling, Saturday Session/Sister Circles and Global Connections. D.I.V.A.S in the City Storytelling is a 9-week program that uses research and a solutions-based curriculum to train girls in media literacy and production. They regularly host Saturday Session/Sister Circles where girls are exposed to sisterhood, social-emotional development strategies, and fun digital storytelling methodologies that they can employ on their journey to be digital storytellers. Lastly, Global Connections is a program sponsors international experiences for girls and leverages technology to foster global sisterhood. There last Global Connections trip was to Ghana of 2019 – Due to ongoing pandemic. They are currently working on a GLMP mobile APP, where youth will be able to receive virtual check-ins and counseling sessions, share and post digital content “HERSTORIES” and find upcoming scheduling for programmatic events.</p>		