



## 2019 Knight Foundation Fund Grant Recipients

- **Blueprint Intergovernmental Agency – Capital Cascades Trail Social Spaces – Year 2 of 2**
- **City of Tallahassee – City Farm Tallahassee – year 1 of 2**
- **Goodwood Museum & Gardens**
- **KCCI – The Village Square’s Community Visioning Process – Year 1 of 2**
- **Leon County Government – Library Services**
- **South City Foundation – Year 1 of 2**

**Blueprint Intergovernmental Agency – Capital Cascades Trail Social Spaces** is created to inform the development of social spaces as a critical component of the Capital Cascades Trail expansion. This project supports the revitalization of downtown, the attraction and retention of Tallahassee’s large population of neighboring young talent at FSU and FAMU, and the investment of private and nonprofit enterprises supporting the arts and entrepreneurship. This funding is for year two of a two-year project grant.

**City of Tallahassee – City Farm Tallahassee** is an innovative community project that will transform blighted properties in the heart of Tallahassee’s food desert into economically viable and accessible sources of locally grown food. This project will promote environmental and social health through underutilized, vacant site redevelopment and will provide entrepreneurship training and new economic opportunities through a certification program. This funding is for year one of a two-year project grant.

**Goodwood Museum & Gardens** builds on community visioning to revitalize underutilized space into a destination featuring fun and interesting programming that engages the mind and body. This project will pilot programming including activating a historic roller skating rink and expanded hours of operation which will enable Goodwood Museum & Gardens the opportunity to experiment with place and process to develop a sustainable model based upon community engagement, investment and partnerships.

**KCCI – The Village Square’s Community Visioning Process** will create a solid strategic plan to improve community connectivity and placemaking. The process will build a road map to guide Tallahassee/Leon County in utilizing the most innovative approaches and partnerships, thus enriching our local economy and residents. Engagement includes a stakeholder workshop, a speaker event and smaller community-energizing and engagement sessions hosted in homes, churches, book clubs, the Longest Table and other community spaces. This funding is for year one of a two-year project grant.

**Leon County Government – Library Services** is proposing a multi-city/state tour to examine best practices of public library systems and will explore how other communities have strategized to maintain and increase the relevancy of libraries.

**South City Foundation** will help shape the transformation of Tallahassee’s South Side by educating and building a coalition of neighborhood students and providing the opportunity for them to engage in conversations about the decades-long lack of investment in the neighborhood in addition to addressing the current sentiments of fear of gentrification and displacement as well as building trust. Key activities

include creating a Neighborhood Leadership Council, hosting a series of focus group stakeholder meetings for the purpose of gathering information from local residents regarding their hopes and dreams for the community and hold public meetings to share the design vision. This funding is for year one of a two-year project grant.