North Lawndale Fresh 2022 Grant Summaries

**Chicago Horticultural Society - $50,000**
This grant will support the Chicago Botanic Garden’s Windy City Harvest (WCH) requests for critical upgrades to the point-of-sale system at its North Lawndale headquarters, the Farm on Ogden (FOO). These upgrades respond to growing demand at FOO, alleviating wait times and improving overall customer experience. This investment and additional efforts by the Farm on Ogden team will steadily enhance and increase North Lawndale customer participation.

**North Lawndale Community Coordinating Council NLCCC (New Covenant Community Development Corp as fiscal sponsor) - $672,000**
The NLCCC Food Collaborative will expand healthy food options for community residents and build the North Lawndale economy through food-related enterprises by expanding a successful food distribution initiative (with Top Box Foods) and supporting Black-owned, local grocery businesses. The North Lawndale Community Coordinating Council (NLCCC) is a group of North Lawndale stakeholders, including community-based organizations, business owners, elected officials, and individuals that have come together to guide comprehensive planning and implementation in North Lawndale (Chicago's Community Area 29). NLCCC member organizations include Boxing Out Negativity, Firehouse Community Arts Center, Foundation for Homan Square, Lawndale Christian Development Corporation, Lawndale Christian Legal Center, New Covenant Community Development Corporation, North Lawndale Employment Network and Sweet Beginnings LLC, Sinai Chicago, and Sinai Community Institute, among others.

**YMEN - $500,000**
This grant will support the North Lawndale Garden to Table Pipeline, which creates a sustainable food system that connects proven community organizations to combine locally grown, nutrient rich food with available food. Prepared meals and food packages will be distributed in community settings and delivered to elderly and isolated. This cooperative project involves YMEN, Stone Temple Church, Firehouse Community Arts Center, and the North Lawndale Greening Committee.