

Quotes from Some of the Grantees

Elimu

What impact do you hope to achieve with the grant funding?

Our community is developing young Black entrepreneurs, who will thrive as leaders in any career and develop the skills to preserve their personal and financial wellbeing. We are providing young Black people with unlimited access to role models and opportunities, so that they can thrive in their personal and professional lives by learning the lessons that we wish we knew earlier.

What are your hopes for your organisation in the future?

We hope to provide a virtual and physical community, where Black people will develop their social capital, learn from one another, access and provide opportunities, and celebrate one other. Our entrepreneurship and employability programmes are being evaluated at doctoral level by our Founder, to develop a model which policymakers and institutions can adopt to improve access to entrepreneurship education for young Black people.

Smile-ing Boys

What impact do you hope to achieve with the grant funding? I hope to improve the mental wellbeing of 60 Black boys as well as deliver 1 major exhibition.

What are your hopes for your organisation in the future? I hope to secure long-term funding to facilitate capacity-building for the increased demand of the project. To scale up the reach of the project from 10 to 32 boroughs of London.

BayTree Centre

What impact do you hope to achieve with the grant funding?

We want to improve the life chances of Black young women and girls by giving them access to networks, opportunities and skills training that will contribute to equip them, empower them and increase their confidence to dream and achieve their dreams.

What are your hopes for your organisation in the future?

This funding has helped us to strengthen our employability provision for girls in South London. The grant funding received has been a catalyst for us to develop a strong employability programme and attracted more money and partnerships to ensure that this type of service is part of our core provision at Baytree. We are extremely grateful to NIKE for this opportunity, and we hope it is the beginning of a joint project to support young women and girls achieve their goals.

Caramel Rock

What impact do you hope to achieve with the grant funding? We hope to not only give opportunities, support and develop young people through training in fashion but give the access to an industry that is so vibrant in Britain where they would not have had access before, learning sustainable and circular design practices for the future.

What are your hopes for your organisation in the future?

We hope to continue to build on innovation and community development to impact more young people as we hope to build on our capacity to reach more young black creatives each year.

Theatre Peckham

What impact do you hope to achieve with the grant funding?

With the support of Nike, Theatre Peckham will grow a new generation of Black creatives.

What are your hopes for your organisation in the future?

Our future hope for Theatre Peckham is to elevate the reach of our work so that more underrepresented young people can platform their artistic excellence.