North Star Fund’s unique activist-led grantmaking allows us to move resources where and when they are most needed in the struggle for justice. In 2017, we piloted our responsive, partnership-based model in New York’s Hudson Valley. We learned from grassroots leaders about the particular challenges to community organizing in the Hudson Valley, including the sheer distance, the lack of access to basic resources and protections, and the need for more social justice funding. And we met the community organizations working to counter the worsening conditions and deepening economic, racial, and gender injustice under the current administration.

We are proud to support community-led efforts for a new vision of change through $250,000 in Hudson Valley Momentum Grants as decided by our Hudson Valley Community Funding Committee (CFC).

We invite you to join us as we support a broader more inclusive movement for justice for New York.

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**2017 MOMENTUM GRANTEES**

**#100Sistas** A collective of women of color fighting food scarcity in low-income communities through political education and service in Southwest Yonkers.

**ADELANTE Student Voices** A network of undocumented high school students in upstate New York creating leadership opportunities for each other across the Hudson Valley.

**Apple Pond Farm and Community Center** A social justice hub in Sullivan County empowering and training local community members in low-cost, high-production organic farming.

**Black Lives Matter Hudson Valley** Local affiliate organizing for safe and affordable housing, environmental justice, food access, integrity in education, and gender justice with a focus on Black transgender women.
Columbia County Sanctuary Movement $15,000
An immigrant rights and deportation defense movement in the city of Hudson that provides leadership opportunities and political education for local residents.

Community Governance and Development Council $15,000
A Black and Latina/o-led grassroots organization fighting gentrification in Southwest Yonkers and developing economic resources, including an incubator space for local entrepreneurs and community initiatives.

Don Bosco Workers Organizing Project $15,000
Port Chester’s leading worker center organizing low-wage immigrant workers against wage theft through their countywide “No Pay No Way” campaign.

Grace Latino Outreach $15,000
The leading resource for Latina/o immigrants in Dutchess County, empowering the community through Know Your Rights workshops and deportation preparedness workshops.

Hudson Valley Community Coalition $15,000
A grassroots group of immigrant families organizing themselves and other Lower Hudson Valley residents in response to ICE raids and deportation.

In Our Own Voices $15,000
Albany’s people-of-color-led LGBTQ+ service and advocacy organization, focusing on health, healing, community education and political empowerment.

Kingston Midtown Rising $15,000
A coalition of Kingston residents and community organizations that is simultaneously coordinating neighborhood beautification projects and Get Out the Vote projects.

Newburgh LGBTQ+ Center $15,000
A community hub for LGBTQ+ organizing, education, and advocacy, fighting a recently passed law that punishes low-income tenants for landlord negligence.

Nobody Leaves Mid-Hudson $15,000
Community group organizing Poughkeepsie residents for fair treatment by their local utility companies and demanding education justice.

SBK Social Justice Center $15,000
A black-led grassroots organization in the city of Hudson organizing for social and racial justice by providing youth with leadership opportunities to affect local policy.

Sister’s Keeper $15,000
A community space in Spring Valley for women from all walks of life to work against domestic violence, political corruption, racism and gender injustice.

Strong East Ramapo $15,000
An all-volunteer organization training parents, educators, and faith-based communities about their rights and how to lobby local lawmakers to retain public school funding.

Workers Justice Center of New York $15,000
The premier legal services and grassroots advocacy organization for farmworkers and other low-wage workers in upstate New York.

Yonkers Sanctuary Movement $10,000
A group led by immigrant women that educates and mobilizes immigrants and allies in Yonkers to keep immigrant families safe from detention and deportation.