The following organizations received 2024 Healthy Greenville Grants:

Communities in Schools of South Carolina - Awarded $300,000, for Leveraging Community Resources to Improve Student Outcomes and Mental Health.

Whole child support and mental health indicators for young people have been an area of increased need over the past three years, with more reported cases of anxiety, depression, and suicidal thoughts. In partnership with Greenville County School District, CISSC will embed student support staff at four Greenville elementary schools serving low-income students to implement accessible and consistent basic needs and whole child support to improve mental wellness and address social determinants of health that can influence well-being; this builds a foundation of wellness at the elementary level that is continued with OnTrack programming in middle and high schools throughout the region.

Fostering Great Ideas – Awarded $250,000, for Guiding Youth and Young Adults who have Experienced Foster Care.

Former foster youth are the most human trafficked group of any. In national homeless surveys, 29% of people who are homeless have lived in foster care. 54% of aged-out foster youth have a mental health disorder. Aspire program is a purpose-focused approach to improve health and lower further trauma by providing a network of caring people to respond under our coach's guidance.

Greenville Free Medical Clinic – Awarded $975,000, for Expanding Access to Quality Healthcare for the Low-Income Uninsured Population.

Greenville Free Medical Clinic proposes to expand healthcare access for low-income uninsured individuals throughout the County, and to improve upon clinical quality measures that participation in the national research project 'Roadmap to Health Equity' initiative has produced to date. The two major components of this proposal include: expanding the capacity for comprehensive health services in outlying community service centers and enhancing efforts to address the many social barriers patients face that impact their ability to manage chronic disease or access to preventive care and screenings (transportation, language, food insecurity, lack of health education, unstable living conditions/housing, etc.).

Momentum Bike Clubs – Awarded $90,000, for Fueling Middle School Bike Clubs.

Momentum Bike Clubs currently offers 21 after-school bike clubs in middle schools in Greenville and Pickens Counties, SC, serving over 275 low-income youth ages 11-14. With funding support from Healthy Greenville over three years, MBC will expand Middle School Clubs and riding opportunities in Greenville County through high school, creating access to physical activity and positively affecting mental health in vulnerable youth.

Servants For Sight – Awarded $300,000, for Expanding Eye Care and Vision Rehabilitation.

Community partners: Servants for Sight (SFS), Lions Vision Services (LVS), and the Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired SC (ABVI) will expand the continuum of services for low-income, uninsured or underinsured patients with vision loss by: offering new preventive appointments for diabetic patients to preserve their vision; increasing the scope and frequency of eye-saving surgeries; and providing vision rehabilitation services for patients with permanent vision loss.

Soteria Community Development Corporation – Awarded $240,000, for the Healthy Minds, Healthy Communities Initiative to Reduce Recidivism.

Soteria seeks to initiate a mental health program for previously incarcerated individuals of our Residential Reentry Program by providing assessments, case management, and individual and group therapy sessions. Affordable services through Greenville Mental Health and Vocational Rehab are perpetually booked out for up to 3 months. Timely access to mental health services and accurate medication will assist our residents in improving communication and self-esteem; managing stress and negative behaviors and habits; and navigating anxiety/depression, etc.

The Salvation Army– Awarded $500,000, for the Center of Hope Social Services Campus Renovation.

The mental anguish and stress endured by adults and children facing homelessness is high. It takes a physical toll and is often compounded by health issues that have been overlooked. The Salvation Army has been caring for Greenville County's neediest community members since 1904 but facilities have deteriated. The new 45,000 square-foot facility, "The Center of Hope," will provide case management, diversion

services, shelter, transitional housing, basic needs and access to healthcare. Once an individual is stabilized, upward mobility and re-engagement with society is achievable.

Urban League of the Upstate – Awarded $500,000, for Health Education – Empowered by Unity Project.

The project will implement educational initiatives targeting critical health issues for minorities and underserved citizens such as diabetes prevention and hypertension management. It also aims to provide comprehensive health screenings and enhance access to primary care services.