# CHEERFULLY SEEKING...ways to deploy \$400k of bequest money

# Outreach Personnel for First Day School/Young Adult Friends \$41.3k for one year

Hire an Outreach Person to rebuild a sense of community among First-Day School families and Young Adult Friends for one year. *Sponsor: Patricia Wild* 

### Quaker Bus \$275,910 over three years

Buy an electric minibus and hire a driver to provide transportation to community members, possibly serve people beyond the FMC community, and make FMC more visible. \$275,910 *Sponsor: Katy Cullinan* 

# Material Aid And Advocacy \$70k over two years

Express our Quaker testimonies by supporting MAAP's critical work and bolster their ability to offer assistance and advocacy to our unhoused neighbors by funding a QVS Fellow or part-time community organizer for two years at \$35,000 a year for a total of \$70,000 Sponsors: John Bach, Sara Sue Pennell, Jennifer Hogue

#### Nonviolence International Ukraine \$18k

Unrestricted gift to support Nonviolence International/Ukraine in training members of Russian diaspora to communicate with friends and family still in Russia to erode support for the war. Sponsor: Lynne Weiss

### **Urban Farming Institute \$40k (or 10% of total distributed)**

Reparations/reparative justice in the form of an unrestricted gift to the Urban Farming Institute, an organization founded and run by African Americans who are turning vacant land owned by the Boston Farms Community Land Trust (BFCLT) in Dorchester, Roxbury and Mattapan into urban farms supporting neighborhood farmers and providing healthy food to the community. Sponsor: Wendy Sanford for Reparations/ Reparative Justice Group

#### Native Land Conservancy \$40k (or 10% of total distributed)

Reparations/reparative justice in the form of an unrestricted donation to the Native Land Conservancy, a charitable organization founded and run by members of the Aquinnah, Herring Pond, Mashpee Wampanoag and Nipmuc tribes in Mashpee, Massachusetts with a mission "to preserve healthy landscapes for all living things and help restore land back to its original state wherever possible." *Sponsor: Polly Attwood for Reparations/ Reparative Justice Group* 

# Masters Djembe Workshop Series \$44k over two years

Funding to develop a self-sustaining Masters Djembe Workshop Series following the success of Toussaint Liberator's weekly drumming series to grow and enhance the exposure of West African music as a tool for healing and building a healthy multi-racial community and making it accessible to black and brown and underserved communities *Sponsor: Toussaint the Liberator* 

### Volunteer Coordinator for FMC \$130k over two years

Hire a Volunteer Coordinator to collaborate with others in organizing activities, such as the annual breakfast, the Easter Fair, the New Year's contra dance, visits to museums, and other special events and create and implement a system for tracking volunteers for Sunday tasks, including Care of Door, after-worship refreshments, lunch, tech+ spiritual hosts on Zoom. *Sponsor: Daria Casinelli* 

### Sun Moon Farm donation \$60k over three years

Donation to Sun Moon Farm, located on the grounds of the former Meeting School, to fund a transformational investment in climate change preparedness and support the farm's prophetic witness about climate change, community, and how much Friends' testimonies have to say about our current moment. *Sponsor: Jennifer Hoque* 

### Cambridge Friends School Capital campaign support \$200k

Kickstart Cambridge Friends School Capital Campaign by hiring professional assistance in developing + implementing a campaign and address pressing needs to repair the building. Sponsors: Jan Nisenbaum and Rick Talkov

#### Coffee House at FMC\$2.5k one-time

Purchase equipment and launch a monthly coffee house (First Day Cafe) featuring acoustic music to bring the FMC community together and provide public outreach. *Sponsor: Jonathan Vogel-Borne* 

### Fund Youth activities at FDS \$10k over two years

Establish a Youth Activities Fund at FMC for the use of groups of parents and/or youth for projects they propose. *Sponsor: FDS* 

### Fund Young Adult Friends activities \$10k over two years

Establish a Young Adults activities fund to be used for activities proposed by FMC Young Adult Friends. *Sponsor: Walker Bristol* 

### Fund free public concerts, cello and more \$4.5k to fund 10 concerts in one year

Support for free public concerts featuring cello and sometimes other instruments to advance spiritual and emotional growth and healing and to support local artists living in Cambridge. *Sponsor: Miranda Henne* 

### Retain all of bequest money to strengthen FMC finances \$400k

FMC retains the entire bequest to be used for necessary building upkeep costs not covered by the budget and for unavoidable future budget deficits at FMC. Sponsor: Tom Sander