



CONSTELLATION FUND

Constellation Fund Outcomes Report

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SUMMARY

The May 2024 grant round increased Constellation’s lifetime funding from **\$16,207,730** to **\$18,067,730**. With nearly 2 million dollars in grants this round, Constellation’s contributions are expected to create a total of **\$6,811,100** of impact and positively affect **14,308** people (table 1).

Table 1. Constellation Fund's Impact - May 2024

Grant Round	Total Grant \$	Total Impact \$	Unique Individuals Impacted
May 2024	\$1,860,000	\$6,811,100	14,308

IMPACT

Constellation’s total impact (calculated by multiplying BCRs by grant size) in May 2024 is lower than the last several rounds (table 2). This is due to ongoing changes within Constellation’s portfolio as well as organizational restructure. Impact is expected to increase as the new changes take place. This grant cycle, the highest returns are from education organizations accounting for nearly 50% of the impact.

Table 2. Constellation's Impact by Grant Round and Issue Area

Grant Round	Education	Employment	Health	Housing	Multi-service	Total Impact
May 2024	\$3,332,100	\$2,256,000	\$213,750	\$380,250	\$629,000	\$6,811,100
Nov 2023	\$211,200	\$2,368,000	\$9,150,500	\$2,397,500	\$723,000	\$14,850,200
May 2023	\$6,127,050	\$4,158,750	\$900,600	\$576,000	\$0	\$11,762,400
Nov 2022	\$211,200	\$2,854,000	\$5,712,000	\$983,000	\$1,679,250	\$11,439,450
May 2022	\$4,380,650	\$3,590,600	\$906,100	\$1,038,000	\$0	\$9,915,350

Grant Round	Education	Employment	Health	Housing	Multi-service	Total Impact
Nov 2021	\$0	\$1,135,500	\$3,306,450	\$694,000	\$1,579,000	\$6,714,950
May 2021	\$3,186,950	\$3,040,250	\$856,250	\$1,055,180	\$241,000	\$8,379,630
Nov 2020	\$374,000	\$1,543,000	\$1,232,150	\$237,750	\$1,721,750	\$5,108,650
May 2020	\$2,633,850	\$1,536,850	\$735,000	\$1,126,000	\$106,400	\$6,138,100
Nov 2019	\$0	\$0	\$1,183,600	\$0	\$361,500	\$1,545,100
May 2019	\$0	\$269,205	\$0	\$428,858	\$78,400	\$776,463

Constellation’s May 2024 Grantees are each expected to produce, on average, \$7.4 million of benefits over the next year (table 3). Constellation’s \$1.86 million in grants will fund approximately 6% of the benefits produced by each grantee in this round.

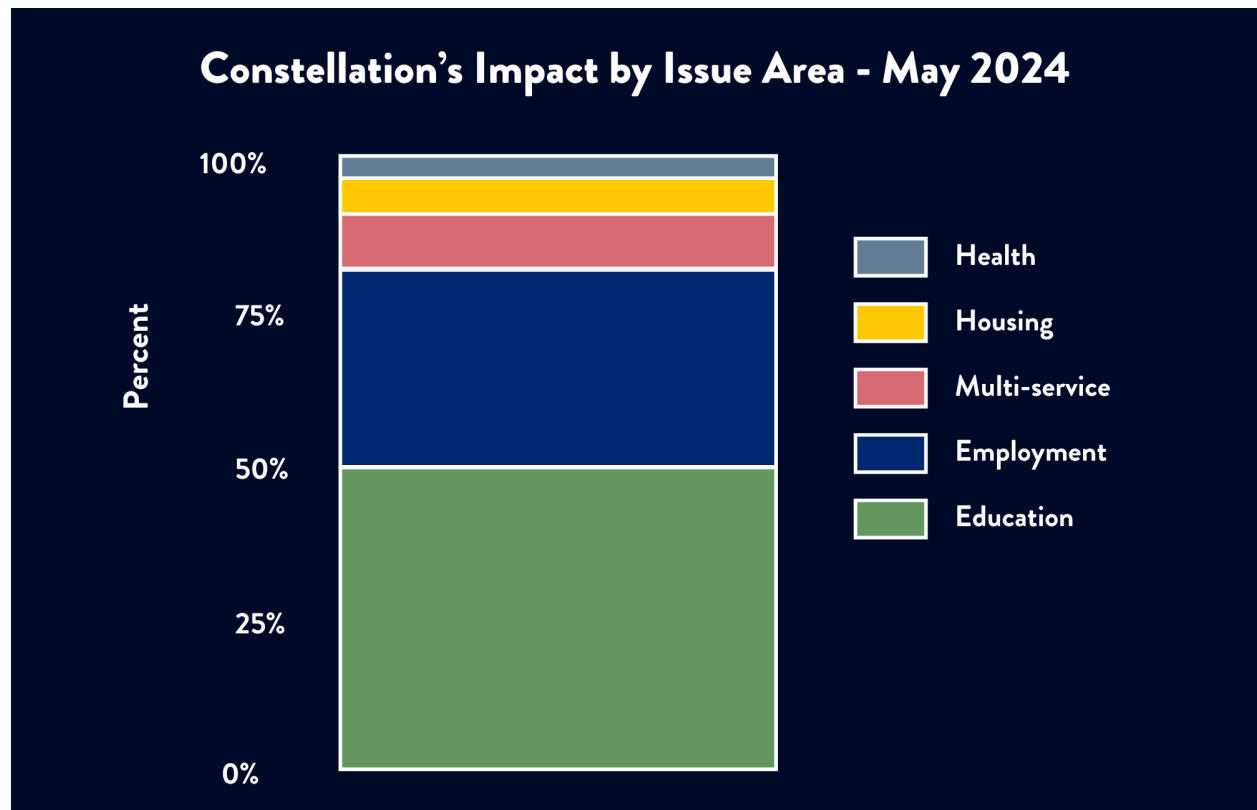


Table 3. The Average Portion of Benefits That are Funded Through Constellation's Grants

Grant Round	Average Impact Per Grantee	Average Impact Due to CF Funding (Per Grantee)	Average % of Grantee Impact Due to CF Funding
May 2024	\$7,403,651	\$454,073	6%

Constellation’s May 2024 grantees produce a variety of beneficial services and outcomes for people living in poverty in the Twin Cities. These benefits include improved health, reduced recidivism, educational attainment, and much more. The outcome with the highest dollar benefit from the May 2024 grantees is “Increased Academic Achievement” providing over \$15 million of benefit to the community.

Table 4. May 2024 Dollar Impact by Outcomes

Outcome	Total Impact from Organizations in Constellation's Portfolio
Increased academic achievement	\$15,804,717
Improved health	\$14,708,276
Associate degree	\$10,915,073
Increased employable skills	\$8,927,262
Bachelor's degree	\$4,407,051
Reduced food insecurity	\$4,265,536
Increased earnings and improved health	\$4,105,852
Reduced depression	\$3,566,596
Increased academic achievement (children)	\$2,819,541
Material support	\$2,720,350
Reduced symptoms or full treatment of STIs	\$2,081,082
Pregnancy prevention	\$1,367,300
Increased employment	\$1,268,848
Hypertension prevention or reduced symptoms	\$1,169,738
Disease prevention	\$1,142,500



Outcome	Total Impact from Organizations in Constellation's Portfolio
Reduced child abuse and neglect	\$998,634
Increased test scores	\$984,445
Drug overdose prevention	\$897,525
Reduced anxiety	\$859,801
Cancer prevention or treatment	\$731,847
Increased health and earnings	\$708,940
Reduced asthma symptoms	\$485,265
Improved mental health	\$464,237
Reduced diabetes symptoms	\$419,058
Increased reading proficiency	\$339,234
Reduced opioid use	\$315,515
Lowered cholesterol	\$309,100
Reduced symptoms of chronic disease	\$306,250
COVID-19 prevention or reduced symptoms	\$258,683
Improved parenting skills	\$241,425
Reduced alcohol use	\$235,879
Higher birth weight	\$218,724
Obtained high school diploma	\$146,417
Reduced Bipolar symptoms	\$106,600
Reduced ADHD symptoms	\$99,000
Hepatitis A prevention	\$91,350
Reduced homelessness	\$72,110
Reduced Schizophrenia symptoms	\$55,385
Improve Hepatitis B/C symptoms	\$50,100
Improved birth outcomes	\$46,640
Reduced substance use	\$46,640



Outcome	Total Impact from Organizations in Constellation's Portfolio
Safer sex practices and pregnancy prevention	\$34,388
Reduced HIV symptoms	\$33,585
Increased academic achievement and high school graduation	\$27,022
High school graduation	\$20,766
Reduced Tuberculosis symptoms	\$18,400
Reduced cigarette use	\$15,228
Prevent Hepatitis B/A	\$12,045
Reduced Fentanyl overdose	\$9,085
Increased access to healthcare	\$8,295
Reduced cavities	\$7,610
Increased contraceptive use	\$1,731
Better food choices	\$1,562
Safer living environment	\$1,200
Reduced death	\$416
College internship	\$15
Reduced HIV infection	\$1
Reduced hepatitis C infections	\$1

PARTICIPANTS

There are two types of benefits calculated by the Metrics and Evaluation team: the **final benefits** and the **direct benefits**. The **direct benefits** can be thought of as the immediate impact of the **intervention**. The **final benefit** is the final outcome of the intervention and is monetized. For example, an organization may provide health services such as an antidepressant medication, reducing depression and allowing an individual to continue working which prevents the loss of earnings. The **direct benefit** is reduced depression due to medication, while the **final benefit** is avoided loss of earnings. So while the organization is directly providing health services, the **final outcome** and the dollar amount the evaluation calculates is the avoided loss of earnings. Therefore, most individuals received



both a direct outcome and a final outcome per each service provided by a Constellation funded organization and are represented multiple times in the counts in table 5.

Table 5. Approximate Number of People Positively Impacted by May 2023 Grants (by Direct and Final Outcome)

Outcomes	Direct Outcome	Final Outcome
Improved health	-	8293
Increased health and earnings	-	650
Decreased homelessness	-	5
Increased earnings	-	4445
Increased earnings and improved health	-	297
Material support	209	209
Other	150	198
Avoided death	-	1257
Improved birth outcomes	-	1
Reduced death	-	1
Associate degree	190	-
Bachelor's degree	216	-
College internship	0	-
Higher birth weight	58	-
Improved mental health	9	-
Improved parenting skills	200	-
Increased academic achievement	1252	-
Increased academic achievement (children)	304	-
Increased access to healthcare	23	-
Increased contraceptive use	5	-



Outcomes	Direct Outcome	Final Outcome
Increased employable skills	254	-
Increased employment	110	-
Increased reading proficiency	60	-
Increased test scores	650	-
Reduced child abuse and neglect	822	-
Reduced food insecurity	224	-
Reduced homelessness	10	-

Since we know approximately 14,000 unique people were served this past year by the May 2024 grantees, totals in Table 6 double count (or more) the same individuals. Duplications in participant numbers are due to the fact that participants may have received multiple services from an organization or used the same service several times. The total in Table 6 can be better understood as the count of times someone was served.

Table 6. Approximate Number of People Positively Impacted in FY 2023-2024 (by Issue Area)

Education	Employment	Health	Housing	Multi-service	Total
4,242	3,111	74,583	3,426	2,500	87,862

