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**Selby Foundation Awards 2nd Quarter “Small and Mighty” Grants  
 to Four Area Nonprofits**

**SARASOTA**, Florida - The William G. and Marie Selby Foundation has awarded its 2nd Quarter 2022 “Small and Mighty” (SAM) grants totalling \$24,155 to four area nonprofits. These awards will be used for capital purchases and technology upgrades that allow the organizations to more effectively expand on delivering their mission to the community. The benefitting organizations are:

Organization	Counties Served	Program Area	Project Funded	Grant Awarded	Impact
Creative Arts Academy	Manatee, Sarasota	Arts and Culture	Purchase of audio equipment and vibraphone for recording studio.	\$12,830	Allows students to record their own compositions as they learn to use industry-standard music software
Making an Impact, Inc.	Manatee, Sarasota	Community and Civic	Assist with technology upgrades.	\$ 5,075	Improves ability to link disadvantaged community members to affordable local resources
The Fine Arts Society of Sarasota, Inc.	Sarasota, Manatee	Arts and Culture	Assist with purchase of furniture for the new gallery.	\$ 4,500	Improves gallery and educational experience for the public
We Care Manatee	Manatee	Health and Human Services	Assist with technology upgrades.	\$ 1,750	Improves access to free healthcare for uninsured residents of Manatee County

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“With the SAM grants, each of these organizations has the opportunity to upgrade their connection to the community and make a lasting impact. We’re pleased to make the grant process more accessible for smaller organizations who oftentimes do not have the resources to make improvements that will significantly improve their reach and ability to serve,” said Carol Butera, Selby Foundation President and CEO .

The 3rd Quarter SAM grants cycle is now open and will close at 3:59 p.m. on August 1. Organizations wishing to complete a SAM grant application should visit <https://selbyfdn.org/sam-grant-application/>. Grantees will be notified by September 30.

The Selby Foundation is a private foundation founded by William G. and Marie Selby in 1955. The Foundation supports Sarasota, Manatee, Charlotte and DeSoto counties through capital grants and scholarships. Since its establishment, the Selby Foundation has provided more than \$120 million to the community. For more information on the Foundation’s grant and scholarship application process, including its Small and Mighty Grants program, visit [www.selbyfdn.org](http://www.selbyfdn.org).

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