Weaver Awards: Baltimore
Application Eligibility Requirements

To apply for a Weaver Award, you have to be at least 18, live in Baltimore City and have never received grants from or worked for the Aspen Institute or M&T Bank. You and your project can be part of a business, collective or nonprofit, as long as your organization’s budget is no greater than $250,000. You have to fill out our application fully, have at least one person in your Baltimore community support you using our Community Recommendation form, and make sure everything is submitted to us by June 6, 2022.

No additional credit will be given to applicants who have more than one community recommendation. Those completing a Community Recommendation form on your behalf must (a) be a current resident of Baltimore, Maryland, (b) they cannot be a relative or a family member, and (c) they cannot be someone who works for or helps to fund your proposed project.

To be chosen for a Weaver Award, you have to be doing or proposing work that builds trust and connection between people living in Baltimore. While many folks in the city serve their neighbors in many ways, the Weaver Awards are meant for people whose main aim is to help people create lasting relationships with others and build trust so Baltimoreans feel they belong and will work together to make our city stronger. If you win an award, you will share updates on your work with the Weave team, take part in the online Weave Community, attend Awardee events like our celebration of the Awards, and help us tell your story in the press and social media.

Quick Checklist
You are eligible if...
- You are at least 18 years old
- You live in the City of Baltimore
- You have never worked for M&T Bank or the Aspen Institute.*
- You have never received a grant from M&T Bank or the Aspen Institute
- You are not applying to do work as part of an organization with a budget over $250,000

Your current or proposed project is eligible if...
- It directly impacts residents of the City of Baltimore
- It is designed to create or deepen relationships and build social trust in your neighborhood or across neighborhoods
- It does not support or advocate for a political party or policy
- You can explain how the money would further the project’s goals or your ability to work on it
- You will use the money by August 1, 2023

You must commit to...
- Show you are trusted by having one person in your neighborhood fill out a Community Recommendation endorsing you.
- Participate, if you receive an Award, in regular Weaver Awards check-ins, gatherings, the online Weave Community, and Weaver Awardee events.

*Employees, officers, directors, agents, contractors and representatives of M&T Bank and the Aspen Institute are ineligible to participate in the Weaver Awards. Void where prohibited by law.