

One D.C.-area nonprofit receive grant from Sun Life U.S. for diabetes programs

WASHINGTON, D.C., October 23, 2023 – One D.C.-area organizations, **CompuRecycling Center**, has been awarded grant from Sun Life’s [Team Up Against Diabetes](#) grant program, which supports diabetes fitness, nutrition, and diabetes management programs and services to at-risk and underserved communities around the country. The grant program is part of Sun Life’s ongoing commitment to improving access to healthcare.

The [CompuRecycling Center](#) received \$100,000 for its D.C.-based Medical Ascension Program, which provides high school youth with the opportunity to become Youth Diabetes Management Coaches (YDMCs) for their families and communities. Sun Life’s grant will support a variety of program expenses, including staffing support, physical education instructors, registered dietitians, produce boxes for participants and training manuals for YDMCs. The Team Up grant will be part of the program’s goal to create 300 new YDMCs.

“We are excited to enhance our community programs with diabetes awareness and prevention education for the most vulnerable communities in Washington, D.C.,” said Erin Fisher, CEO of Bright Beginnings. “So many families in this part of the city face food insecurity and lack access to health services, and we are grateful for Sun Life’s support so more people can access our Health & Wellness program.”

“We see inherent value in enabling young adults to become ambassadors of health to their communities,” said Gene Finley, director of CompuRecycling Center. We are thrilled to receive a grant from Sun Life this year and begin training more teens to become YDMCs to help more people better manage their diabetes and overall health.”

“Sun Life’s goal is to help people get the care and benefits they need, and we are committed to supporting local organizations that deliver impactful programming to communities in need,” said Dan Fishbein, M.D., president of Sun Life U.S. “Many of these communities do not have access to diabetes support or nutritious food and rely on local grassroots programs like the ones we support. We are pleased to award this grant to CompuRecycling Center as they help more people access health and wellness services.”

Sun Life’s Team Up Against Diabetes grant program was launched in 2016 and has awarded more than \$2 million to community organizations in the U.S. The local groups selected for grants provide health and wellness services for diabetes prevention, awareness, education, management and care to communities most vulnerable to diabetes.

For more information about CompuRecycling Center, visit <https://www.compurecyclingcenter.org/>.

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