



Bernardine Franciscan Sisters
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Making a Difference Where Nonprofits Are Concerned

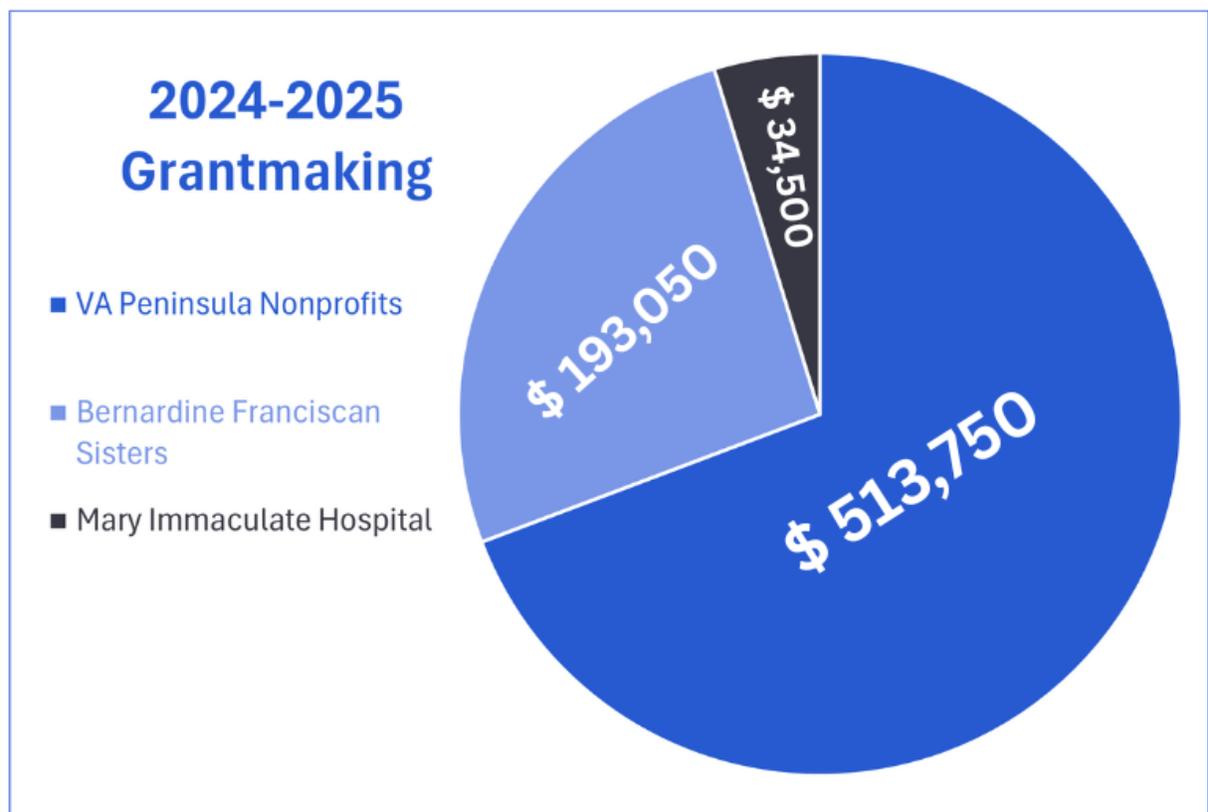
Mission

To further the work of the Bernardine Sisters of the Third Order of St. Francis by financially supporting and promoting their charitable works as well as works related to the healthcare, education, and human service needs of the Virginia Peninsula.

Vision

To improve human conditions on the Virginia Peninsula by funding and assisting nonprofit organizations that address the needs in our community, especially as they relate to the poor and the disadvantaged.

2024 - 2025 ANNUAL REPORT



In FY 2024-25, the **Bernardine Franciscan Sisters Foundation** awarded **\$513,750 to 17 nonprofits*** that provide services for vulnerable children and/or vulnerable elderly on the Virginia Peninsula.

The Foundation also awarded **\$193,050** to the *Bernardine Franciscan Sisters* for the continuation of their charitable works in the USA, Brazil, the Dominican Republic, Liberia West Africa, and Mozambique Southeast Africa. An additional **\$34,500** was granted to *Mary Immaculate Hospital* which was founded by the *Bernardine Franciscan Sisters*.

In addition to grant funding, the Foundation makes the following funds available to local nonprofits:

Ongoing Education Funds

The Foundation has allotted funds for nonprofit staff to take advantage of continuing education and professional development opportunities.

A nonprofit can apply for a maximum of \$1,500 per year.

In 2024-2025, a total of **\$25,832** was provided to **20** nonprofits.

Set-Aside Funds

The Foundation has set aside funds to help nonprofits with emergency requests.

Requests have included emergency HVAC repair, replacing a dental compressor, and purchasing a commercial dishwasher.

In 2024-2025, a total of **\$26,937** was provided to **five** nonprofits.

Catchafire Impact FY 2024-2025

Catchafire is an online platform that connects nonprofits with skills-based volunteers from around the country. Since 2019, the Foundation has partnered with **Catchafire** to provide this valuable service to nonprofits serving the Peninsula. In 2024 - 2025, our nonprofits benefitted greatly from this service.

Total dollars saved

\$117,178

Total hours donated

733

Total projects completed

309

*Nonprofits Awarded Funding in 2024-2025



Peake
Childhood
Center



Peninsula
Agency on Aging



DID YOU KNOW?

Since 1998, the **Bernardine Franciscan Sisters Foundation** has awarded **\$14,517,997** to more than **90 nonprofits** serving Newport News, Hampton, Poquoson, York County, and Gloucester County; as well as to *Mary Immaculate Hospital* and the *Bernardine Franciscan Sisters* to continue their ministries.

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