

**The Brotherhood/Sister Sol, Inc.**

(New York, NY)

*The Lyrical Circle, The Community Museum  
and Curriculum Development*

**Total Award: \$200,000 over 2 years**

To support *The Lyrical Circle*, a writing program that engages youth in social issues; *The Community Museum*, a visual arts and social justice program as well as the development of curriculum based on these programs that will be broadly disseminated. Brotherhood/Sister Sol (BSS) provides youth with an opportunity to explore their ideas, identities and their futures with support from their peers and caring adults. Students have learned skills that have enabled them to become advocates for social change in their families, schools, communities as well as in partnership with students in other countries. BSS will continue publication of its newsletter, *Reality Check* and place it on their website so that they extend its reach; continue the development of *Lyrical Circle*, a collective of award-winning young poets; participate in the development of youth chapters in other communities; develop curriculum that will facilitate the dissemination of the organization's practices and programs; and implement a planned community museum that will create public exhibits about local issues by partnering with local community organizations.

***Program Contribution Breakdown:***

**\$200,000** Arts and Culture Program: *Objective I, Strategy 1*