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EPIC for Girls Awards \$271,899 in grant funding to 22 Local Sports Organizations dedicated to empowering girls of color through sports, education, and mentorship

(OMAHA, NE) – EPIC for Girls, an Omaha-based nonprofit dedicated to empowering girls of color through sports, education, and mentorship, has awarded grants to 22 local sports organizations. This funding aims to increase sports participation among underrepresented populations and provide vital resources to help girls thrive.

Since 2019, EPIC for Girls has issued 86 grants totaling \$1,249,579 to nonprofits and OPS high schools. This includes \$1,114,324 to nonprofit sports organizations, \$98,675 to OPS schools, and \$36,589 in supplemental funding.

"We are thrilled to support these outstanding organizations that are making a real difference in our community," said Kiimberly Thomas, Chief Executive Officer of EPIC for Girls. "Our goal is to level the playing field and ensure that all girls have the opportunity to benefit from the life skills and confidence that sports can provide."

The 22 grant recipients for this round include:

- B & B Academy
- BPOA
- EgoFree Golf
- Football for the World
- Girls Inc.
- I Heartbeat Dance
- Ivy League Sports Academy

- JSSA
- The Keys Foundation
- Lady Express United - TNE
- Nebraska Interscholastic Cycling - GRiT
- Nebraska Hoops Elite
- Pear Tree Performing Arts
- Retro Hoops
- Omaha Starlings Volleyball
- The Rose
- The Simple Foundation
- Omaha North High School Girls Basketball
- Omaha South High School Girls Basketball
- Omaha Benson High School Girls Basketball
- Omaha Northwest High School Volleyball
- Omaha Bryan High School Volleyball

EPIC for Girls was established in 2017 to support organizations or programs dedicated to increasing sports participation among underrepresented populations. The program is financially supported by industry partners, federal and local grants, committed to making sports more welcoming and inclusive for all.

For more information on the grant recipients and their programs, visit their respective websites or social media platforms or email office@lozafina.com. To learn more about EPIC for Girls, visit epicforgirls.org

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