# FCPONEWS

FOUNDATIONS COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP | Winter 2020

### FALL 2019 GRANTS

FCP's Board of Directors approved \$135,000 for 18 grants at its December 2019 Board Meeting.

## BUCKS INNOVATION AND IMPROVEMENT GRANTS (BIIG)

- 9-11 Memorial Garden of Reflection
- Bucks County Children's Museum
- Centennial School District
- Family Service Association
- Grand View Health Foundation
- Hands Holding Hearts
- Lily's Hope Foundation
- Maternity Care Coalition
- NOVA
- Roxy Therapy Dogs
- Snipes Farm & Education Center
- Transformation Yoga Project

#### **CAPITAL GRANTS**

- The Coalition to Shelter and Support the Homeless
- The Conservatory
- Grand View Health Foundation
- Mercer Museum
- Operation Pathways
- Penndel Mental Health Center



In January, our thoughts turn to ... summer? Here at FCP, we've started interviewing potential interns for the 2020 Summer Youth Corps. Details about the program can be found on our web site. (Pictured: 2019 SYC Interns)

### SPRING AND SUMMER 2020 GRANT CYCLE DATES & DEADLINES!

**Bucks Innovation & Improvement (BIIG)** – (grant award range: \$10,000–\$25,000) LOIs are due no later than **April 1st, 2020**. Following an LOI meeting with FCP, full applications are due no later than **April 15th, 2020**.

**Capital Improvement** – (grant award range: \$10,000–\$25,000) LOIs are due no later than **April 1st, 2020**. Following an LOI meeting with FCP, full applications are due no later than **April 15th, 2020**.

**Partnership in Youth Services** – (grant award range: \$3,000–\$5,000) Application opens **July 1st, 2020**, and closes **September 1st, 2020**. *Note: PYS applications do not require an LOI before starting a full application.* 

For full information on FCP grant programs and application requirements, go to www.fcpartnership.org/grants.

#### **ABOUT FCP**

Foundations Community Partnership was formed in July 2007, as a result of the sale of Foundations Behavioral Health. Foundations Community Partnership is a philanthropic grant-making foundation supporting the behavioral health and human service needs of children and young adults in **Bucks County. Foundations** Community Partnership provides grants and technical assistance to non-profit organizations, awards scholarships to Bucks County high school seniors, subsidizes service learning internships for college students, underwrites community education programs and supports behavioral health education and research.

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### FCP LAUNCHES GENERAL OPERATING SUPPORT PILOT PROGRAM

In December, FCP announced a new grant program opportunity – Target Funding – General Operating Support (TF-GOS). TF–GOS grants are intended to give grantees flexibility to pursue their goals as they see fit to build strong and sustainable infrastructure, and to provide programs and services that will have the greatest impact on their constituents. The pilot grant cycle opened in December 2019, and after completing LOI requirements, prospective grantees will submit applications by February 1st, 2020. Announcement of grant awards will be made at the end of March. To learn more, visit the Grants section of the FCP website.

### REGISTRATION NOW OPEN! SPRING 2020 PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION WORKSHOPS

All Workshops are located at the Doylestown Health & Wellness Center Auditorium

847 Easton Rd./Rt. 611, Warrington, PA 18976

Wednesday, March 4, 2020 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Non-Social Features of Autism: Identifying Neural Mechanisms and Treatments for Improving Outcomes

This presentation will cover the non-social features of autism, including a review of the neural mechanisms that are currently known to influence the severity of repetitive behaviors in ASD, as well as common co-occurring psychiatric conditions (ADHD, anxiety).



Benjamin E. Yerys, Ph.D.

Wednesday, April 4, 2020 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Breaking the Cycle of Stress-Powerful, Practical Strategies to Help Children and Teens Overcome Worry, Pressure, and Anxiety

Worry and stress management is not a luxury, it's a crucial skill all children and teens need to master to manage the challenges of life. With these skills in hand, kids can overcome obstacles, break the cycle of toxic stress, take charge of their lives and thrive—but they need our help.



Dr. Tamar Chansky

Wednesday, April 4, 2020 1 p.m. – 4 p.m.

Mandated Reporting of Child Abuse–What You Need to Know Mandated reporters are of critical importance in the child abuse prevention effort. This training identifies the role and responsibility mandated reporters play in the prevention, protection, and intervention of child abuse.



Don't Miss Our In-House Workshop with Dr. Dan Weldon!

Writing Behavioral Health Grants: Fundamentals and Trends

FEBRUARY 27, 2020 - 10 A.M.-12 NOON

Go to www.fcpartnership.org and view "What's New" to sign up!

### FCP FOUNDER RON BERNSTEIN TO RETIRE AFTER A FORTY-YEAR CAREER OF LEADERSHIP AND DEVELOPMENT

Ron Bernstein, Executive Director of Foundations Community Partnership (FCP), has announced his retirement effective June 30, 2020.

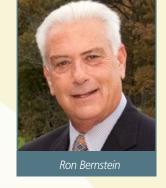
Following the sale of Foundations Behavioral Health in 2007, Ron established FCP to improve the lives of special needs youth and their families in Bucks County. In his 13 years at the helm of FCP, Ron has overseen the distribution of more than \$5 million in grants and scholarships that support Bucks County nonprofit organizations and residents.

FCP's grant programs provide funding to a wide variety of organizations serving children, youth, and families – from museums, schools, and nature preserves, to facilities for medically fragile children and victims of domestic violence, among countless others. Ron has sought to strengthen the County's nonprofit community with FCP's unique programs, in addition to sharing wisdom and invaluable encouragement.

In collaboration with Doylestown psychologist Dr. Dan Weldon, Ron developed a "service learning" program for Bucks County college students that would allow them to gain practical experience while serving the community. Since the inaugural year in 2008, the Summer Youth Corps has provided funding and placed over 150 college students into local non-profits, where students learn

to solve community problems and achieve real objectives while earning college credits and a salary.

FCP has also provided professional development opportunities to psychologists, social workers, counselors, and educators who serve area youth and families, by offering educational workshops each year.



Ron has been honored for his pioneering work in Bucks

County. He was the recipient of the Central Bucks Chamber of Commerce Lifetime Achievement Award in the humanitarian category (2019), Calkins Media's Good-Doer Award (2017), Rotary Club's Four-Way Test Award (2015), and the Family Builder of the Year award from the Family Service Association of Bucks County (2013). His visionary work was also featured in Social Innovations Journal (2017).

Ron and his wife are looking forward to spending more time with their family and grandchildren in New England and Northern California.

### FCP SELECTS TOBIAS BRUHN AS NEW EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

BCCC Executive Brings Strategic Leadership to Foundations Community Partnership



FCP Board of Directors has announced that Tobi Bruhn, Ed.D., CFRE will take on the role of Executive Director in April 2020, upon the retirement of Ron Bernstein, who founded the organization 13 years ago. Dr. Bruhn brings two decades of management and development experience to his new role as Executive Director at Foundations Community Partnership.

Dr. Bruhn comes to FCP from Bucks County Community
College (BCCC) where he served as Vice President of
Advancement and Executive Director of Foundation and Alumni
Relations and as an Adjunct Professor. Dr. Bruhn began his
career at BCCC 16 years ago as Coordinator of Development
Projects and subsequently was appointed the Executive Director
of the College's Foundation and Alumni Association.

"We are very pleased to welcome Tobi to our team and value

his experience in strategic leadership and community outreach," says Karen Lasorda, Chair, Foundations Community Partnership Board of Directors." His expertise managing volunteers, board committees, and financial resources will benefit not only our organization but the greater Bucks County community as well."

"I'm honored to join the FCP team as the organization prepares to write the next chapter of its remarkable history," says Dr. Bruhn. "It's an exciting opportunity knowing how embedded FCP is in Bucks County's non-profit community, and how committed the Board and staff are to invest in innovative approaches and solutions that impact so many people in our community."

Dr. Bruhn earned his Ed.D. in Educational Leadership from Rowan University and is a Certified Fundraising Executive (CFRE). He is a national presenter on development and strategic planning topics, is President of the Bucks County Opportunity Council and serves on the Board of Directors for the Pennsylvania Association of Nonprofit Organizations and the Bucks County Historical Society. He is a resident of Flemington, NJ.

### PARTNERSHIP IN YOUTH SERVICES LUNCHEON WELCOMED DR. JEANETTE BETANCOURT, SESAME WORKSHOP

Standing (left to right): Deepti Tantry, U Penn student; Maura Roberts, Woods Services; Kristin Chapin, YWCA; Rachel Kurtz, Big Brothers/Big Sisters Bucks County; Jessica Schwartz, Family Promise of Lower Bucks; Jacqui Makowski, Autism Cares Foundation; Trish Feinthel, YMCA of Bucks County; Jen King, The Council of Southeastern Pa.; Cherylayne Walker, The Links, Bucks County; Ron Bernstein, FCP; Dr. Jeanette Betancourt, Sesame Workshop



Seated (left to right): Nikki Farrior, Advocates for the Homeless and Those in Need; Matthew Fischer, Conwell-Egan Catholic High School; Theodore Manko, Hammerheads Sled Hockey Association; Bonnie Meister, Shriner's Hospital for Children

### Judith Stern Goldstein Appointed to Foundations Community Partnership Board of Directors. Tom Hanna Named Board Chair.

FCP is delighted to announce the appointment of Judith Stern Goldstein to its Board of Directors for a three-year term. Tom Hanna, P.E., LEED\* AP, Capital Projects Manager, Central Bucks School District, who joined the FCP Board in 2014, has been named Board Chair.

Goldstein is a registered landscape architect and Managing Director at Boucher & James. In addition, Goldstein represents several municipalities as their principal planner, where she oversees municipal planning and reviews community and municipal goals and objectives. She also offers expert witness testimony for conditional use hearings and zoning hearing board proceedings.

In addition to her professional career, Goldstein is an avid volunteer in Bucks County. She is currently serving on the board for Habitat for Humanity of Bucks County, served two terms as president of the Kiwanis Club of Doylestown, and has served as a volunteer and on various committees for the

Heritage Conservancy, Temple Judea of Bucks County, and Doylestown Township. Goldstein has also been a Troop Leader for the Girl Scouts of Freedom Valley Council and a Coach for the Doylestown Athletic Association.

Goldstein earned a Bachelor of Arts in Design of the Environment and a Master of Landscape Architecture degree from University of Pennsylvania.

"It's an honor to be selected to join the Foundations Community Partnership Board," says Goldstein. "I am eager to serve and help advance the mission of the foundation, which is to help children and their families in Bucks County."

"We are excited to have Judith join us," says Tom Hanna, FCP Chairman of the Board. "Her professional expertise and passion will be of great service as we address the urgent behavioral health and human service needs throughout the county."



Judith Stern Goldstein



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