

FCP NEWS

FOUNDATIONS COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP | WINTER 2021



FALL 2020 GRANTS

FCP's Board of Directors approved 18 grant applications totaling \$150,000 at its December meeting:

BUCKS INNOVATION AND IMPROVEMENT GRANTS

- Ann Silverman Community Health Clinic
- Christ's Home
- Heritage Conservancy
- Maternity Care Coalition
- National Giving Alliance
- One House at a Time
- Pegasus Therapeutic Riding Academy
- Potential Inc.
- Special Equestrians
- The Council of Southeastern Pa.
- The Peace Center
- Worthwhile Wear
- YWCA of Bucks County

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT GRANTS

- Autism Cares Foundation
- BARC Developmental Services
- Family Service Association
- Potential Inc.
- Snipes Farm & Education Center



Tobi Bruhn, Ed.D., CFRE, and Caroline O'Connell Sinton of Foundations Community Partnership provide a \$10,000 emergency grant to Murielle Kelly, Director of Housing Services, and Julie Dees, CEO of Family Service Association of Bucks County.

Spring and Summer 2021 Grant Cycle Dates and Deadlines!

Bucks Innovation & Improvement – (grant awards up to \$15,000) LOIs are due no later than **April 1, 2021**. Following an LOI meeting with FCP, full applications are due no later than **April 15, 2021**.

Capital Improvement – (grant awards up to \$10,000) LOIs are due no later than April 1, 2021. Following an LOI meeting with FCP, full applications are due no later than April 15, 2021.

Partnership in Youth Services – (grant award: \$3,000) Application opens July 1, 2021, and closes September 1, 2021 *Note: PYS applications do not require an LOI before starting a full application.*

For detailed information on FCP grant programs and application requirements, visit 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 nonprofit 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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Pandemic Response

A Message of Gratitude – and Support – for Bucks County's Nonprofits

Since the start of the COVID-19 pandemic, we have all experienced plenty of personal and professional ups and downs. As this rollercoaster ride continues, we've enjoyed the jubilation witnessing the first vaccinations across the world, and then learned that several new strains of the virus are emerging. Throughout this long ride, Bucks County's nonprofit organizations have kept a watchful eye on our most vulnerable neighbors while navigating the complexities of federal relief bills, assembling Plexiglass partitions around offices, and keeping their staff and volunteers safe and motivated in a virtual wonderland.

Throughout this ongoing crisis, our community remains strong thanks to the unwavering support, innovative solutions, and superhero-like dedication of our nonprofit community. I, along with so many others, admire their dedication and express gratitude for fulfilling their missions in the face of adversity. Despite the ongoing impact of the COVID-19 pandemic, charitable giving grew by 7.6% nationwide during the first nine months of 2020 compared with the same period in 2019, according to the Association of Fundraising Professionals. This support, combined with public funding, came just in time to help feed the hungry, shelter the homeless, prevent evictions, make life-saving virtual connections, and create learning environments for school-aged children.

The impact of the health and economic crisis caused by the pandemic falls disproportionately on marginalized populations. Heightened risk of exposure to COVID-19, job and business loss, foreclosures, and less access to health care are just some of the hazards they encounter. And since government cannot solve all these problems, we need Bucks County's nonprofits now more than ever to lend a helping hand to our neighbors. Likewise, grant makers like us must realize the need for immediate relief to address basic needs and the existential threat many nonprofits face. Finding the right balance is critical, and the choices we now make have consequences for our grantees and the communities we serve.

Bucks County's nonprofits need support more than ever. While philanthropic giving increased during the pandemic, dollars flowed to hunger relief, religious organizations, and health and medical organizations. This trend creates gaps along the nonprofit sector and leaves many organizations worried about the future. Some nonprofits will close their doors or merge with another organization, thereby sacrificing part of their mission so their clients can still receive critical services. According to the Chronicle of Philanthropy, early estimates suggest that 10-40% of nonprofits nationwide could close due to the pandemic and recession. This frightening estimate is an important signal for the nonprofit sector to continue to work on their contingency plans and for Bucks Countians to give generously so that we can come out of this pandemic stronger and without widening already existing inequities.



Tobi Bruhn, Ed.D., CFRE

Volunteer Leadership Key to FCP's Success

At its December meeting, the Board of Directors appointed its slate of officers for 2021. Tom Hanna continues in his role as Chair of the Board and its Executive Committee for a second year. Abigail Halloran serves as the Board's Vice Chair while Terence McGlinchey serves as Treasurer and Finance Committee Chair. Tracy Pasternak Willis assumes the new role of Chair of FCP's Program Development & Education Committee.

At the same meeting, the Board recognized Peggy Hanselman and Dr. Nancy Miller for their years of service on the Board.



Tom Hanna, Chair Board of Directors;
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Tracy Pasternak Willis, Chair, Program
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Registration Now Open!

Spring 2021 Professional Education Webinars

MARCH 3, 2021

8:45 A.M. TO 12 P.M.

Common Ethical Challenges for Psychotherapists: Applying Decision-Making Models to Case Examples

Charles J. Jacob, M.S.Ed., Ph.D.



The goal of this workshop is to demonstrate examples of common ethical concerns faced by practicing clinicians and the use of ethical decision-making models in providing resolution. Case examples will be provided that are relatable and accessible, followed by responses to these cases that meet the careful scrutiny required by the American Psychological Association's code of ethics.

APRIL 7, 2021

8:45 A.M. TO 12 P.M.

The Specifics of Exposures: Tips, Strategies, and Practicalities for Effective Exposures in CBT for Youth with Anxiety Disorders

Katherine Dalhsgaard, Ph.D., ABPP



Exposure has emerged in the anxiety literature as the most active and empirically supported component of CBT for anxiety disorders in youth and adults, yet research also documents that many clinicians have concerns about using it, especially in their work with children. Via multiple case examples, Dr. Dahlsgaard will describe the what, where, why, and how of planning and deploying clinically sensitive, developmentally appropriate, and effective exposures for youth presenting to treatment for a variety of anxiety disorders.

Visit www.fcpartnership.org to learn more about these workshops and to register.

Inspiring Community Stories on GreatNonprofits!

FCP was proud to earn the GreatNonprofits 2020 designation and grateful to our community partners who shared their experiences!

Visit us on GreatNonprofits.org and read more inspiring stories from our grantees. Please take a moment to share your own story to help inspire others to partner with FCP.

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YWCA is proud to be a long-standing partner of Foundations Community Partnership (FCP). Not only are they an important grantmaker that provides financial support to nonprofit organizations, but they also connect local agencies with one another to leverage resources, invest in nonprofit professionals through their MTA program, and create connections with college students and NPOs through the Summer Youth Corps program. The YWCA has been fortunate to work with such a wonderful organization committed to improving the of Bucks County youth and families.

Annual Partnership in Youth Services Luncheon Goes Virtual But Still Recognizes 12 Bucks County Nonprofits

FCP celebrated the 22nd annual Partnership in Youth Services Awards ceremony last October in an online event.

During the awards program, FCP recognized the following 12 nonprofit community programs in Bucks County that are making a difference in the lives of local children and their families with a \$3,000 grant:

- Aark Wildlife Rehabilitation and Education Center
- Bucks County Children's Museum
- Community Conservatory of Music
- iRun4Life, Inc.
- Kamp for Kids
- Lenape Valley Foundation
- No Longer Bound
- Open Door Abuse Awareness Prevention
- PennDel Mental Health Center
- Tend to Hope, Inc.
- Travis Manion Foundation
- Youth Orchestra of Bucks County



Melanie Lockwood Herman

Finally, attendees enjoyed "Strategies to Resume and Thrive", a presentation by inspiring speaker Melanie Lockwood Herman, Executive Director of the Nonprofit Risk Management Center.

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