

FCP NEWS

FOUNDATIONS COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP | SUMMER/FALL 2022



SPRING 2022 GRANTS

Bucks Innovation & Improvement Grants totaling \$100,000 were awarded to the following non-profit organizations:

- Aark Wildlife Rehabilitation and Education Center
- Bucks County Opportunity Council
- Family Service Association of Bucks County
- Girl Scouts of Eastern Pennsylvania
- Hammerheads Sled Hockey Association
- Network of Victims Assistance
- Pearl S. Buck International
- R.J. Leonard Foundation
- Rolling Harvest Food Rescue
- The Council of Southeastern Pennsylvania
- Worthwhile Wear
- Youth Orchestra of Bucks County

Capital Improvement Grants totaling \$52,500 were awarded to the following non-profit organizations:

- Acting Naturally
- ATG Learning Academy
- BARC Developmental Services
- Bucks County Children's Museum
- Peace Valley Holistic Center
- Potential Inc.

FCP WELCOMED NINE 2022 SUMMER YOUTH CORPS INTERNS



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SUMMER AND FALL GRANT CYCLE DATES AND DEADLINES!

Partnership in Youth Services (Grant award: \$3,000)

Application opened June 15, 2022, and closes August 15, 2022

Note: PYS applications do not require a Letter of Inquiry (LOI) before starting a full application.

Bucks Innovation & Improvement (BIIG) (Grant awards up to \$15,000)

LOIs are due no later than October 1, 2022. Following an LOI meeting with FCP, full applications are due no later than October 15, 2022.

Capital Improvement (Grant awards up to \$10,000)

LOIs are due no later than October 1, 2022. Following an LOI meeting with FCP, full applications are due no later than October 15, 2022.

For more information about FCP's grant programs and application requirements, visit www.fcpartnership.org/grants.

About FCP

Foundations Community Partnership (FCP) was formed in July 2007, as a result of the sale of Foundations Behavioral Health. FCP is a philanthropic grant-making foundation supporting the behavioral health and human service needs of children, young adults, and families in Bucks County, Pa. FCP 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.

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United Way Knocks Out Hunger in Bucks County with Support from FCP

When FCP's Board of Directors learned that the United Way of Bucks County was still short of its \$110,000 fundraising goal for Bucks Knocks Out Hunger, they donated \$10,813 to help reach this goal of the annual hunger-fighting initiative.

"We are proud to join so many in helping the United Way bring its community-driven BKO Hunger campaign to a successful conclusion," said Abigail Halloran, Chair of FCP's Board of Directors. "This collective generosity comes at a crucial time to help our most vulnerable neighbors with their most basic needs."

"We're incredibly grateful for the support of Foundations Community Partnership," said Tim Philpot, Director of Health at United Way of Bucks County. "Getting things done in Bucks County is a team effort. Lately, we've seen an increased need in our community. Now that we've met our goal, we can ensure that our neighbors are both fed today and healthy tomorrow."

Funds raised for BKO Hunger provide nutritious options like fresh produce, eggs, and dairy to local pantries, senior centers, and Fresh Connect.



The FCP team also participated in the BKO Hunger meal-packing event, which took place on June 17 at Neshaminy Mall. Volunteers packed roughly 100,000 shelf-stable meals for food pantries county-wide, including United Way's HELP Center.

Tobi Bruhn, Graduate Field Supervisor Amanosi Agbugui, and Caroline O'Connell Sinton at the United Way's Bucks Knocks Out Hunger food-packaging event in June.

NONPROFIT GROWTH GRANTS LAUNCHED

FCP continues to invest in the organizational and professional development needs of Bucks County nonprofits through its newly launched Nonprofit Growth Grants (NGG). NGG are offered in two tracks: Organizational Development, for organization-level training and planning, and Professional Development, designed to support nonprofit professionals in their career growth.

Organizational development opportunities include board training, executive and custom coaching, financial planning, and strategic and succession planning.

Professional development opportunities include Master of Science in Nonprofit Leadership tuition assistance, Certificate in Nonprofit Management tuition assistance, Diversity, Equity & Inclusion training tuition assistance, and workshop and conference scholarships

This grant program is made possible through effective partnerships and collaborations, including The Nonprofit Center at La Salle University, Catalyst Center for Nonprofit Management, and Pennsylvania Association of Nonprofit Organizations (PANO). More information at www.fcpartnership.org/grants/nonprofit-growth-grants.



Masters in Nonprofit Leadership graduates Kristin Chapin (YWCA), Mandy Mundy (Bucks County Foundation), and Michelle Evans (Family Service Association).

FCP's Professional Education Workshop series continues this fall! Visit <https://fcpartnership.org/workshops> for updates and to view past recordings of excellent presentations from Dr. Jeffrey Bernstein on Practical Counseling Strategies and Interventions for Children and Teens Struggling with Pandemic Related Stressors and Dr. Matthew Wintersteen presenting Clinical Approaches to Youth Suicide Screening and Brief Intervention.

BUCKS COLLEGE STUDENTS SPEND THE SUMMER SERVING THEIR COMMUNITIES

Nine college students from Bucks County participated in FCP's 2022 Summer Youth Corps (SYC) program, which offers paid internships at local non-profit human service agencies serving children, youth, and families. The students gain meaningful, practical experience while community nonprofits benefit from motivated, bright college students bringing helping hands to their organization.

Since its inception in 2007, the SYC program has placed 191 interns in 38 non-profit agencies in the County over 15 summers. Collectively, these interns contributed more than 52,000 service hours.

Field Supervisor Amanosi Agbugui leads this year's SYC, visiting each intern in their placement location to provide support and coaching. A Langhorne resident, Amanosi is currently a Psy.D. candidate at William Paterson University.

Students in this year's program are serving in the following locations:



The SYC interns visiting the Travis Manion Foundation. Picture left to right, back row: Katie Probst, Matthew Nieves-Hoblin, Demetrius Green, Lukas Coombs; front row: Jillian Sinton, Sarah Mayer, Emma Myers, Alison Freund, Julia Bunch



SYC interns potting basil at Snipes Farm and Education Center

1. Doylestown resident **Emma Myers** (Central Bucks High School West) is working at **Special Equestrians**. She is studying social work at Elizabethtown College.
2. Warrington resident **Alison Freund** (Central Bucks High School South) is assisting **Habitat for Humanity**. She is a physical therapy major at Temple University.
3. Doylestown resident **Matthew Nieves-Hoblin** (Central Bucks High School West) is working at the **James A. Michener Art Museum**. He is an anthropology major at Ursinus College.
4. Yardley resident **Katie Probst** (Council Rock High School North) is interning at the **Bucks County Opportunity Council**. Katie is studying psychology at Temple University.
5. Furlong resident **Sarah Mayer** (George School) is working for **Potential Inc.** She is a pre-med major at Bryn Mawr College.
6. Doylestown resident **Jillian Sinton** (Central Bucks High School East) is interning at **Snipes Farm & Education Center**. She is studying music at the University of Aberdeen.
7. Levittown resident **Demetrius Green** is assisting the **YWCA of Bucks County**. He is studying psychology at Bucks County Community College.
8. Perkasi resident **Julia Bunch** (Central Bucks High School West) is interning at the **Travis Manion Foundation**. She is a business major at Temple University.
9. Doylestown resident **Lukas Coombs** (Central Bucks High School East) is assisting the **Boy Scouts of America**. He is a business major at Temple University.



Intern Alison Freund gives YWCA camper a lift.

FCP will accept applications for next year's SYC program this fall. For more information, visit www.fcpartnership.org/summer-youth-corps.

FORMER SYC INTERN COMES FULL CIRCLE



Amanosi Agbugui grabs a selfie with a few interns.

My name is Amanosi Agbugui, and I'm this year's Graduate Field Supervisor for the Summer Youth Corps program (SYC). Spending this summer with the SYC has brought me full circle, as I served as an intern in 2018 at the YWCA of Bucks County. That was an enriching experience for me, and I am thrilled to offer this year's interns support and supervision as they navigate through their internships.

Since my SYC summer in 2018, I earned my bachelor's degree in psychology from West Chester University, and I recently completed my first year in the Doctor of Psychology in Clinical Psychology program at William Paterson University of NJ.

As the Field Supervisor, I oversee and provide individual supervision with the interns and their supervisors at their respective agencies every week to ensure they are achieving their personal and agency goals. When individual supervision is not taking place, I assist FCP with program related marketing on the social media platforms.

During the weekly in-house day for interns, I co-facilitate group supervision with Dr. Dan Weldon as the interns reflect and share their experiences at their host agencies that week. The time is spent in discussion about their accomplishments and encountered challenges, providing problem solving strategies, as well as exploring thematic topics to stimulate discussion among the interns.

I also provide support for the academic component of the program, led by Deborah Sedik, associate professor at Bucks County Community College. This aspect of the summer engages the interns to read various articles regarding professionalism, ethics, human development, personality assessments, and much more. Every week, the interns are prepared to exchange viewpoints on the academic readings and its application to their work at their agencies.

During the 10-week period, each agency hosts all the interns to highlight the work they do. These "field trips" afford the interns the opportunity to learn more about how other non-profit organizations operate and serve the Bucks County community.

I thoroughly enjoyed my experience when I was an intern and now have a greater appreciation for FCP and the various host agencies since serving as the graduate supervisor. This is truly a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity that cultivates professional development, understanding of non-profit organizations, service learning, and personal growth. From the perspective of the graduate supervisor, it has been a lovely full-circle moment to support the interns and bear witness to the impact the agencies are having on them, as well as the impact they are contributing to the community. The success of the summer is attributable to the intentional efforts of the interns, FCP and host agencies, and I am proud to be a part of this amazing program.

FCP AWARDS COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS TO BUCKS HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS CLASS OF 2022

School administrators and guidance counselors from every public high school in Bucks County nominated students to FCP's Partnership in Education Scholarship program who best demonstrate a commitment to community service, academic performance, and quality of character. Further, the following organizations and individual proudly co-sponsored select scholarships signaling their commitment to the community and FCP's mission: Doylestown Health, Eastburn & Gray, P.C., First Bank, Connie Furman, Grand View Health, and Penn Community Bank.

"The commitment to community service and academic excellence of our local high school students is evident within our scholarship program," said Abigail Halloran, Board Chair. "Recognizing these outstanding student leaders serves as encouragement to all to work toward positive change in our communities."

FCP awarded \$1,000 to each of these Bucks County high school student leaders:

- Bensalem resident **Luke Sargent** at Bensalem High School (Attending Temple University)
Co-sponsored by Eastburn & Gray, P.C.
- Bristol resident **Delaney Slate** at Bristol Borough High School (Attending Kutztown University)
Co-sponsored by FirstBank
- **Meryn Bellacima** at Bucks County Technical High School (Attending Alvernia University)
Co-sponsored by Penn Community Bank
- Furlong resident **Pierson Stallings** at Central Bucks High School East (Attending Penn State University)
Co-sponsored by Doylestown Health
- Warrington resident **Tiahna Mickle** at Central Bucks High School South (Attending Spelman College)
Co-sponsored by Doylestown Health
- Chalfont resident **Quin Whalen** at Central Bucks High School West (Attending Villanova University)
Co-sponsored by Doylestown Health
- Newtown resident **Arushi Singh** at Council Rock High School North (Attending Penn State University)
- Holland resident **Julia Levin** at Council Rock High School South (Attending Penn State University)
- Levittown resident **Ilayda Akbayrak** at Harry S. Truman High School (Attending Drexel University)
- Buckingham resident **Corey Brillman** at Middle Bucks Institute of Technology (Attending Daemen University)
Co-sponsored by Penn Community Bank
- Morrisville resident **Elizabeth McCaskey** at Morrisville Sr. High School (Attending West Virginia University)
- Feasterville resident **Kylie Marozsan** at Neshaminy High School (Attending University of Miami)
Co-sponsored by Neshaminy HS alumna Connie Furman
- New Hope resident **Kathryn Thistlewaite** at New Hope – Solebury High School (Attending Franklin & Marshall College)
- Ottsville resident **Katherine Kelly** at Palisades High School (Attending Boston College)
- Perkasio resident **Sarah Mutchnik** at Pennridge High School (Attending Thomas Jefferson University)
Co-sponsored by Grand View Health
- Newtown resident **Anika Koul** at Pennsbury High School (Attending University of Pennsylvania)
- Quakertown resident **Madelyn LeBonge** at Quakertown Community High School (Attending Notre Dame University)
Co-sponsored by Grand View Health
- Hatfield resident **Anna James** at Upper Bucks County Technical School (Attending: Johnson College of Technology)
Co-sponsored by Penn Community Bank
- Warminster resident **Matthew McDevitt** at William Tennent High School (Attending York College of Pennsylvania)



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