

THE FOUNDATION FOR DELAWARE COUNTY

## BUCK 2023

SUPPORTING A THRIVING DELAWARE COUNTY

e are delighted to present The Foundation for Delaware County's inaugural Give Book. As the largest charitable organization in Delaware County, we've been privileged to witness the benevolence and goodwill that exists in our area. It is with this spirit that we have developed the Give Book to facilitate a more direct connection between those who wish to give and the needs in the community.

This go-to guide for philanthropists offers insights into and the opportunity to contribute to vital organizations making an impact in our community. In the book, you'll find an array of projects, initiatives, and necessities of nonprofit organizations and programs. Each organization has its 501(c)(3) status or has a 501(c)(3) fiscal sponsor and was selected based on its mission, operational integrity, impact, and trust within the community it serves.

The organizations included support children's education, public health, preserving our natural environment, stable housing, arts and culture, and so much more.

We encourage you to explore these pages, connect with the stories they tell, and learn how your contribution can help. While these organizations may highlight specific needs, our intention is to encourage support for their overarching missions. By giving unrestricted donations, you invest trust in their expertise and enable them to respond to their most pressing needs.

The Give Book is a celebration of what can be achieved through shared effort — a testament to the power of community action. Our collective aspirations translate into tangible outcomes that enrich the lives of the people of Delaware County.

At the heart of every request, there's a story waiting to unfold. And each story is an opportunity to create a lasting impact for a brighter future for Delaware County.

### **HOW TO GIVE:**

EACH NONPROFIT HAS PROVIDED INFORMATION ON HOW TO MAKE A DONATION. THE FOUNDATION TEAM IS ALSO HAPPY TO CONNECT YOU TO THE ORGANIZATION OR FACILITATE YOUR GIFT.

The list of nonprofits included in the Give Book is by no means exhaustive of all the groups doing good in our community. For nonprofits who would like to be included in next year's book, the Give Book 2024 application period will open in spring 2024.



### ADVOCACY, CIVIL RIGHTS & CIVIC ENGAGEMENT

**CASA YOUTH ADVOCATES** 

CHILDREN FIRST PA

**EDUCATION LAW CENTER - PA** 

LIBRARY FOUNDATION OF DELAWARE COUNTY, PA





CASA's mission is to empower community volunteers to connect with and champion children and youth involved in the child welfare system, advocating for equity, resources, stability and permanency.

Impact: CASA Youth Advocates supports community volunteers to advocate for children and youth who have experienced abuse and neglect, focusing on three areas of impact: 1) Providing children and youth with consistency and stability through a caring adult who supports them during their journeys through the child welfare system; 2) Advocating for children's rights to safety and permanency; 3) Closing the gaps in the system to ensure that children have the resources necessary to meet their needs.

Need: We currently serve 43% of eligible children in our community, and no other organizations provide similar services. To serve more children, we need additional funding to hire staff to recruit, train, and supervise more volunteers.

Number Served Annually: 268





Children First improves the lives and life chances of our region's children by advocating for the building blocks of opportunity — equitable access to high-quality early education, proper health care, effective public schools, and dependency and delinquency systems that heal children. We work with and organize parents, youth, and concerned citizens to advance these fundamental requirements of a more just society and a better future.

Impact: The lives of children in Delaware County are better off this year because we pushed forward advocacy efforts that caused the state to add \$39 million for public schools and additional funding to make it possible for 461 more children to get access to high-quality Pre-K. Fewer children are at risk of lead poisoning because of our efforts to enact new housing codes in East Lansdowne and Chester, where we secured \$150,000 in state funds to get lead paint out of homes where children are growing up.

Need: Funding for a full-time Delaware County Child Advocacy Specialist.

Number Served Annually: 127,000



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The Education Law Center - PA (ELC)'s mission is to ensure access to a quality public education for all children in Pennsylvania by focusing on the most underserved students, including children living in poverty, children of color, children with disabilities, children in foster care and juvenile justice systems, children experiencing homelessness, multilingual learners, LGBTQ and gender expansive youth, and pregnant and parenting students.

Impact: ELC addresses education justice issues in the public school system, from early childhood to high school. ELC is the only legal advocacy organization in Pennsylvania, one of just a few nationwide, exclusively devoted to helping students and families overcome educational barriers.

Need: Support for ELC's Education Helpline so staff attorneys may address real-time educational barriers and systemic concerns impacting the educational experiences of underserved students.

Number Served Annually: 1,500



### LIBRARY FOUNDATION OF DELAWARE COUNTY, PA



The Library Foundation of Delaware County, PA secures resources and funding that enhance library services provided by the 28 member libraries of the Delaware County Library System. The Library Foundation helps expand quality library services within Delaware County by providing financial and programming support that closes the gap between community needs and available government funding.

Impact: The Library Foundation has distributed funding to local libraries for innovative programming, the Museum Pass program, and the purchase of e-materials. The Library Foundation supports a library network that has gone beyond traditional library services to engage deeply in their diverse communities, providing much-needed community resources. For example, Delaware County libraries were pivotal in outreach efforts for the 2020 Census and the county's COVID-19 education and vaccine efforts.

Need: Support provides funding for programs and services of the 28 public libraries that serve the residents of Delaware County.

Number Served Annually: 28 libraries with 221,754 cardholders

### ANIMALS & ENVIRONMENT

9TH STREET YOUTH AND COMMUNITY CENTER

CHESTER RIDLEY CRUM WATERSHEDS ASSOCIATION

**CLEAN AIR COUNCIL** 

DARBY CREEK VALLEY ASSOCIATION

FRIENDS OF THE HEINZ WILDLIFE REFUGE

**JOHN J. TYLER ARBORETUM** 

**NATURAL LANDS** 

PENNSYLVANIA RESOURCES COUNCIL

**PROVIDENCE ANIMAL CENTER** 

**WILLISTOWN CONSERVATION TRUST** 



### 9TH STREET YOUTH AND COMMUNITY CENTER



9th Street Youth and Community Center exists to serve the youth of Chester, Pennsylvania, empowering them to reach their potential academically and socially in a safe environment.

Impact: Since 2014, the organization has worked with Chester City youth (ages 11-15) to run after-school and community activities that educate them in life skills and promote safety in an area with high crime and gang rates. Since 2021, the organization's leaders have engaged youth with the Environmental Youth Corps and other watershed organizations to plant and tend trees, support the riverfront, and maintain the trail systems as safe and cleared areas for people to enjoy.

Need: Stipends for the student-counselors and supervisors. Tools and trees to improve the community parks and trails.

Number Served Annually: 175



### CHESTER RIDLEY CRUM WATERSHEDS ASSOCIATION



The Chester Ridley Crum (CRC) Watersheds Association's mission is to support, encourage, and promote the enjoyment, restoration, conservation, protection, and prudent management of the natural resources of the Chester, Ridley, and Crum Creek Watersheds.

Impact: Many of our area's streams are deemed impaired by the State of Pennsylvania; these same streams feed into our drinking water supply, offer areas for enjoyment, and support local biodiversity. CRC addresses the challenges facing the Chester, Ridley, and Crum Creek Watersheds through native tree planting and care, robust stream cleanup, and diverse environmental education. Each year, CRC engages hundreds of volunteers to carry out our mission and promote awareness of local conservation needs.

Need: General operating support.

Number Served Annually: 250,000





Clean Air Council is a member-supported environmental health organization serving the Mid-Atlantic Region. The Council is dedicated to protecting and defending everyone's right to a healthy environment.

Impact: Clean Air Council works with communities in environmental justice areas to reduce air, soil, and water pollution from existing and proposed industrial sources and to advance new policies to protect public health and the environment. Our air monitoring, watershed protection, environmental health, and climate resilience programs educate people throughout the I-95 corridor and ensure that they have the data and tools to advocate for environmental health and justice in their communities.

Need: The Council needs financial support to continue to meet the needs of environmental justice communities along the I-95 corridor in Delaware County. Securing funding to further community-driven advocacy work to protect environmental health is critical.

Number Served Annually: 573,849





The Darby Creek Valley Association (DCVA) is dedicated to protecting and enhancing the watershed and its resources, including water, wildlife, historical sites, floodplains, wetlands, and riparian zones. A major goal of DCVA is the immediate prevention of all forms of pollution in Darby Creek and its tributaries, including a prohibition against all forms of dumping and construction within floodplain zones and maintenance of a debris-free stream through clean-ups and public education programs.

Impact: The Darby Creek Valley Association is primarily a volunteer-driven organization that engages and connects local community members with their natural environment through environmental stewardship and educational opportunities.

Need: General operating support.

Number Served Annually: 500,000



## FRIENDS OF THE HEINZ WILDLIFE REFUGE DONATE: fohrefuge.org

Friends of the Heinz Wildlife Refuge at Tinicum (FOHR) works in partnership with John Heinz National Wildlife Refuge at Tinicum to connect people with nature and promote a culture of environmental stewardship through education, outreach, service, and nature-based recreation for the conservation of wildlife and habitat.

Impact: FOHR works with the Refuge to protect Pennsylvania's largest remaining freshwater tidal marsh. Wetlands, like Tinicum Marsh, support a broad diversity of plant and bird species while acting as a natural sponge and filter to prevent flooding and remove pollutants. More than 300,000 people visit the refuge annually for environmental education programs and outdoor activities that educate youth and engage neighboring communities.

Need: Funding provided by FOHR helps maintain environmental education programs, wildlife-oriented recreation programs, and habitat restoration projects at the John Heinz NWR.

Number Served Annually: 300,000



Tyler Arboretum's mission is to conserve our historic landscapes and connect people with the natural world.

Impact: Tyler Arboretum, founded in 1944, protects 650 acres of natural and historic resources for public benefit. Visitors learn about the environment and the importance of preserving plant and animal diversity. The Arboretum's natural areas help protect the watershed for Ridley Creek, while all 650 acres are a buffer for threatened wildlife. The Pollinator Preserve highlights pollinators, while Lucille's Garden shows how to grow fruits and vegetables, which we donate to community members.

Need: Funding addresses climate change by protecting the trees, landscapes, and the wildlife habitats they provide. Internships at Tyler introduce young people to public garden careers and inspire a new generation who will know and care for diverse ecosystems.

Number Served Annually: 60,000



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Land for life. Nature for all. It's the heart of our mission and a promise we pursue by focusing on three core areas: Saving open space, caring for nature, and connecting people to the outdoors ... and each other.

Impact: Preserved natural areas are essential to the health of our planet and the well-being of humans. Every acre we save cools and cleans the air we breathe, soaks up floodwaters, provides wildlife with habitat, filters the water we drink, and brings humans improved health and joy. As our region's oldest and largest conservation organization, we have protected 125,000 acres — including 42 nature preserves and one public garden with free public access throughout the year.

Need: A changing climate. Loss of species diversity. A new wave of sprawl. Inequitable access to open space. More than ever, forever depends on the choices we make now. Philanthropy strengthens and accelerates our mission delivery.

Number Served Annually: 300,000





Vision: A Pennsylvania where nothing is wasted. Mission: We steward resources to prevent waste and conserve the environment.

Impact: Pennsylvania Resources Council (PRC) fosters a closed-loop economy by building awareness, enabling action, and supporting systems change. Every year, we teach thousands of K-12 students and adults to be environmental stewards. We reuse, recycle, compost, and safely manage millions of pounds of potential waste. We teach businesses, nonprofits, and government entities to waste less. We build green stormwater infrastructure to protect watersheds. We advocate at the local and state level for a more circular economy.

Need: \$10,000 dollars would fund two additional electronics waste collections in Delaware County, a desperately needed service with increasing demand.

Number Served Annually: 8,000





At Providence Animal Center, formerly known as Delaware County SPCA, we offer life-affirming rescue, medical care, treatment, protection and placement of companion animals. We have an unwavering commitment to this mission and will always strive to deliver the most optimal, advanced care to our animal friends — and their owners

Impact: We offer many low cost, medical resources to our community in an effort to make medical care for pets accessible and affordable to pet owners. Last year, our esteemed veterinarians performed 10,605 surgeries, including spay/neuter surgeries and lifesaving specialty surgeries, and treated public Wellness Clinic patients. PAC held accessible vaccine clinics both onsite and offsite and performed mobile spay and neuter surgeries on our mobile surgical unit.

Need: PAC rescues thousands of pets from high-kill shelters across the country where they are at risk for euthanasia. They are transported to the Adoption Center, where they receive the highest quality care, preparing them to be adopted into forever homes.

WILLISTOWN CONSERVATION TRUST

DONATE: wctrust.org/donate

The mission of the Willistown Conservation Trust (WCT) is to preserve and manage the open land, rural character, scenic, recreational, historic, agricultural and natural resources of the Willistown area and nearby communities, and to share these unique resources with people of all ages and backgrounds to inspire, educate and develop a lifelong commitment to the land and the natural world.

Impact: WCT focuses on 28,000 acres within the watersheds of Ridley, Crum, and Darby Creeks of Chester and Delaware Counties. Since 1996, WCT helped to permanently conserve over 7,500 acres, including three nature preserves: Ashbridge, Kirkwood, and Rushton Woods Preserve. WCT offers six renowned programs: Community Farm, Bird Conservation, Education and Outreach, Land Protection, Stewardship, and Watershed Protection.

Need: Technology and computer infrastructure, including website redesign.

General operating funds to help support increased staffing
and community engagement opportunities.

Number Served Annually: 4,000



No matter where you go, you'll find beauty in every corner of our community and in the people working to make it better.

## ARTS & CULTURE

**COMMUNITY ARTS CENTER** 

**DARLINGTON ARTS CENTER** 

MAIN LINE SCHOOL NIGHT

MEDIA ARTS COUNCIL

**MUSICWORKS** 

PHILADELPHIA YOUTH ORCHESTRA

UPPER DARBY ARTS AND EDUCATION FOUNDATION

**WAYNE ART CENTER** 





The arts are essential to human development and the well-being of society. The Community Arts Center (CAC) is dedicated to providing a nurturing environment for artists at all levels of their creative journey, encouraging participation in the arts through advocacy, education, and outreach, and serving as a vital creative resource for the community.

Impact: CAC offers more than 18,000 people opportunities to create and explore the arts, enrolling students of all ages in classes and workshops each year. Our spacious gallery hosts exhibits, concerts, special events, and workshops. Programs for children include Summer Spree art camp and afterschool classes. Our free outreach serves many with limited arts access. We also offer special events, concerts, fine art sales, and family activities, fulfilling our mission to encourage broad participation in the arts.

Need: Capital improvements to preserve and adapt our historic facility. Funds to support innovative programming to expand and diversify our audience. Programming support to increase arts access on-site and through community partners.

Number Served Annually: 18,000



Darlington Arts Center builds community by providing Every Art for Everyone.

Impact: Through instruction, outreach programs, performances, and events, Darlington connects the community to creativity, confidence, and compassion with programs in Music, Art, Dance, and Drama. Community connection is vital to our mission, and we continually seek ways to create a more artistic and inclusive world.

Need: Currently, we are seeking funds for a capital campaign to build and maintain a sensory arts play space for the community. We also have the continued need for general operations funds.

Number Served Annually: 5,200



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Main Line School Night's mission is to offer adults of all ages affordable educational experiences to promote personal enrichment and to enhance the quality of our community.

Impact: Main Line School Night energizes the community with educational and engaging programs. We build interconnectedness among seniors who may live alone or lack a social support system. We are a resource for lifelong learners. We support local businesses, providing employment for artists and artisans, fitness instructors, teachers and authors, and others with specialized knowledge. We are the stewards of a 19th-century historical mansion owned by Radnor Township.

Need: Tuition does not cover all our operating expenses, and we rely upon charitable contributions to keep tuition affordable. Demand for remote learning has risen due to the pandemic, so we are seeking funding to upgrade our technology.

Number Served Annually: 5,000





The Media Arts Council (MAC) actively supports local artists and integrates a wide variety of arts into the life of the entire community. MAC achieves this mission by providing professional artists with opportunities to exhibit, sell, and/or perform, infusing Media with public art installations, providing arts education classes, and producing community arts events.

Impact: MAC has been a leader in the Delaware County arts scene since 2006 - programming everything from a fine art gallery to an annual international film festival and many live performances that include professional musicians, community poetry readings, theater performances, craft-making, and protest art. Our youth arts education programs are training the next generation of artists and performers. MAC makes a cultured life for those who live, work, and play in this region.

Need: Though notoriously underfunded, the arts make a community thrive. General operating funds help MAC to continue to be a leader in the arts, enabling fair wages to artists and scholarships to art education students.

Number Served Annually: 10,000



MusicWorks provides music therapy services to restore, improve, and maintain the quality of life of all individuals throughout the Delaware Valley who are challenged by autism, special needs, illness, or aging. MusicWorks has been dedicated to individuals with challenges and strives to see each client learn, grow, love, make friends, and develop their own individual talents.

Impact: MusicWorks is a music therapy service provider that improves the behavioral health of individuals with challenges ages 1 to 99. We are credentialed to provide Medicaid-funded sessions for children and young adults in our treatment centers. Our music therapists travel to group homes, adult day programs, special needs schools, and summer camps to provide music therapy on location.

Need: Continual need for funding to add music therapy to the DCIU Early Intervention Preschool special education classrooms for children with autism, developmental delays, intellectual disabilities, and genetic abnormalities.

Number Served Annually: 817



The Philadelphia Youth Orchestra (PYO) Music Institute uses extraordinary music education through the pursuit of musical excellence to inspire a strong sense of character, discipline, commitment, and community in our diverse student population.

Impact: The PYO Music Institute trains tomorrow's leaders through access to excellent music education. Over 500 students ages 5-22 from the Delaware Valley Region (including 20% from Delaware County) grow as individuals and musicians through rigorous ensemble-based rehearsals and performances. Through music, our students learn the value of personal excellence, the reward of persistence and overcoming challenges, and the beauty of a community working towards a common goal.

Need: The pursuit of musical excellence is costly and even prohibitive for many families. Donors play a vital role by contributing scholarship funds so no child is turned away from transformative music education.

Number Served Annually: 500



### UPPER DARBY ARTS AND EDUCATION FOUNDATION



The Upper Darby Arts and Education Foundation (UDAEF) builds partnerships with the community and the Upper Darby School District to support innovative projects that enrich the educational experience of each child in the district. In addition to supporting educational initiatives in the school district, UDAEF operates two notable community arts programs: Upper Darby Summer Stage and the Schoener MusicMan Academy.

Impact: UDAEF provides accessible programs that best meet the community's needs and fulfill our mission of bringing enriching arts and educational opportunities to students that would not otherwise be available. With the addition of Summer Stage and MusicMan programs, UDAEF now reaches 30,000 individuals a year.

Need: UDAEF's greatest need is general operating support. We have experienced rapid growth due to the addition of Summer Stage and have experienced dramatically increased costs for space rentals (UDAEF does not own its facilities).

Number Served Annually: 30,000



Wayne Art Center provides studio instruction and builds an appreciation of the visual and performing arts through exhibits, lectures, and programs for artists and the community of the greater Main Line area and Delaware Valley. The Center affords artists an interdisciplinary venue to share, learn, exhibit, and perform. It provides instruction in all phases of fine arts, contemporary crafts, music, culinary arts, and drama and offers outreach programs to children and adults who demonstrate need.

Impact: Wayne Art Center has enriched the community through art since its founding in 1930. One of the most vibrant art centers in the region, reaching more than 35,000 visitors and program participants per year, WAC hosts 20+ free exhibitions and enrolls more than 5,000 children and adults in nearly 500 classes and workshops annually.

Need: Exhibition support, facility and art-making equipment needs, and outreach support.

Number Served Annually: 35,000



### BASIC NEEDS

**CENTRO DE APOYO COMUNITARIO** 

**CITYTEAM** 

**CRADLES TO CRAYONS** 

**MITZVAH CIRCLE** 

MULTICULTURAL COMMUNITY FAMILY SERVICES

**MURPHY'S GIVING MARKET** 

**PANTRY STAPLES PROGRAM** 

**SHARE FOOD PROGRAM** 

THE SALVATION ARMY - CHESTER





Centro de Apoyo Comunitario, founded by local Latina immigrant women, nurtures a strong sense of community within Delaware County's immigrant population and empowers mutual support. The community-driven programming promotes the well-being of immigrants by providing assistance and developing leadership within the community to integrate, progress and develop individuals and families culturally, economically, and socially.

Impact: Centro works with the Latino community through community leaders who assist newly arrived and struggling immigrant families, helping them to adapt and thrive. An average of 500 families seek our help annually, with more utilizing our emergency assistance programs. Centro is immigrant-led, so we are a trusted source of information for the community. Our programs and advocacy have informed our community partners' policies and practices to bolster inclusivity in the community.

Need: General operating support.

Number Served Annually: 500





CityTeam's mission is to share Christ's unconditional and redemptive love by caring for immediate needs and enabling lasting solutions.

Impact: CityTeam helps to restore lives and rebuild communities through innovative programs that provide food, shelter, clothing, education and career training, and spiritual transformation. We compassionately serve our neighbors experiencing homelessness, poverty, hunger, and substance use disorders in a way that is dignified and welcoming to individuals and families of all backgrounds.

Need: Support for the operation and resources of our men's residential program, women's residential program, and outreach programs that distribute food, clothing, and baby essentials.

Number Served Annually: 45,794



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Cradles to Crayons (C2C) provides children from 0-12 living without stable homes or in low-income situations with essential items: clothing, shoes, books, school supplies, and hygiene items - all free of charge. Unlike food or housing, there is no government funding for these needs.

Impact: C2C provides all the items to fulfill a child's material needs apart from food. C2C provides human service agencies supporting families living in poverty in Delaware County with the essential items the children in their care require. In the past 12 months, C2C has provided eight Delaware County agencies with items for over 19.105 kids.

Need: It costs us between \$28 and \$33 to provide everything a child needs, depending on the items they receive, so even modest funding enables us to help more children. This year our goal is to serve 22,000 children in Delaware County at a cost of \$726,000.

Number Served Annually: 275,000





Mitzvah Circle provides material support to individuals and families dealing with crises, poverty, homelessness, and severe illness. Through careful assessment and building personal relationships, we promptly determine needs and deliver individualized assistance.

Impact: Mitzvah Circle serves the entire family, from infants to seniors, in southeastern Pennsylvania. Over 98% of our recipients live below the poverty line, and our services allow people to get back on their feet, attend school, and participate in their communities. With over 200 partner agencies, including 21 in Delaware County alone, we ensure our deliveries of basic necessities, e.g., diapers, clothing, period supplies, etc., reach the individuals who need them.

Need: Funding would enable us to provide more services to our current clients and allow us to expand the number of individuals we serve.

Number Served Annually: 128,536



### MULTICULTURAL COMMUNITY FAMILY SERVICES



Our mission is to empower diverse individuals, children, youth and families to gain a greater capacity to succeed in their communities.

Impact: Multicultural Community Family Services (MCFS) impacts the community by recognizing value, providing services, standing against injustice, ensuring equitable access, educating, listening to the needs of a multicultural community and staff, and remaining committed to its mission. The impact is evidenced through students becoming English literate and empowered to work, study, and contribute; immigrants who achieve citizenship; families that rest easy knowing their elder loved one is well cared for; and seniors that enjoy camaraderie and activities.

Need: MCFS is in need of funds to support capacity due to programmatic growth and for renovations to meet the accessibility needs of clients.

Number Served Annually: 10,000





Murphy's Giving Market is a largely volunteer organization that provides food and mobilizes resources to end food insecurity and reduce poverty in our diverse community.

Impact: We do our best to prevent any community member from being hungry and strive to provide many resources to end poverty and food insecurities. We serve people with dignity and respect, thus allowing them to shop at the free market with a choice and a voice. We offer free food for all cultural backgrounds and also provide clothing and pet food. Additionally, we help connect individuals to healthcare resources, GED courses, job readiness and employment training classes, ESL classes, substance-use counseling, and mental and behavioral health supports and services.

Need: Since the elimination of Covid-19 relief, we have seen our numbers increase by over 20%, with many new families. This has caused an increase in utilities, rent, taxes, food costs, and more.

Number Served Annually: 2,400





The mission of the Pantry Staples Program (PSP) is to provide a reliable supply of basic, nutritious food to families living on low incomes in Chester, PA. PSP buys and donates more than \$1,000 of shelf-stable groceries to the St. Katharine Drexel Food Pantry in Chester each month.

Impact: PSP provides not just calories but healthy food. PSP ensures that the St. Katharine Drexel Food Pantry can provide healthy food for the more than 200 families to whom it distributes food monthly. PSP was founded in 2020, at the beginning of the pandemic, when the St. Katharine Drexel Food Pantry was in danger of closing because food donations had dropped dramatically. PSP's initial success in collecting donated groceries played an essential role in helping the Pantry continue to serve the community. However, while generous, the donated food was inconsistent in quantity and variety and there was a need for more consistent, healthy food.

Need: To keep up with demand, Pantry Staples needs to provide the Food Pantry with an additional \$300 worth of groceries each month.



Number Served Annually: 665



Share Food Program leads the fight against food insecurity in the Philadelphia region by serving an expansive, quality partner network of community-based organizations and school districts engaged in food distribution, education, and advocacy.

Impact: As the lead agency for State and Federal food distribution in Delaware County, Share Food Program delivers over 90,000 pounds of food each month to our 17 Delco partner food pantries. In 2022, we saw a 70% increase in people turning to our Delco pantries for support, now serving over 17,000 individuals monthly. Share also delivers boxes of food directly to seniors' doorsteps and provides food for the county's students through our partnership with the National School Lunch Program.

Need: Donations allow Share to purchase fresh food, facilitate daily food deliveries, and expand home deliveries for seniors. We are committed to ensuring families, seniors, children, and people with disabilities have equitable access to nourishing food.

Number Served Annually: 17,000



The Salvation Army, an international movement, is an evangelical part of the universal Christian Church. Its message is based on the Bible. Its ministry is motivated by the love of God. Its mission is to preach the gospel of Jesus Christ and to meet human needs in His name without discrimination.

Impact: At The Salvation Army - Chester, our doors are always open to those who seek our assistance. Our programs include emergency food and clothing, permanent supportive housing program/utility support, emergency shelter, enrichment and recreational programs for youth, holiday support, senior citizen programs, food assistance programs, and more.

Need: \$17,750 would fund summer overnight camp experience in the Poconos for 35 local children and 20 local seniors. \$15,000 would supplement the salary for the part-time supervising staff of the Recreation & Mentoring program, serving 200 local youth ages 6-14.

We're connecting the dots locally between the complex needs of our community and the donors and nonprofits working to make a difference.



# ECONOMIC & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

CHESTER COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY OF MONTGOMERY AND DELAWARE COUNTIES

MEDIA FELLOWSHIP HOUSE

NEIGHBOR TO NEIGHBOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

**REGIONAL HOUSING LEGAL SERVICES** 

RIVERFRONT ALLIANCE OF DELAWARE COUNTY



### CHESTER COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT



Our mission is to help "revitalize the city of Chester by building the base of homeownership." We accomplish our mission through public-private partnerships that focus on targeted housing acquisition, rehabilitation, and new construction and are supported by homebuyer's education and comprehensive pre- and post-purchase homeownership counseling programs.

Impact: CCIP works to increase homeownership opportunities for Delaware County families with low/moderate-incomes that desire to own a home by helping families stabilize their finances, rebuild credit, and gain access to affordable homes. Additionally, CCIP eliminates blight by acquiring-rehabbing vacant homes and building new modern homes.

Need: The funds will support the salaries, benefits, and program expenses related to providing housing and financial counseling services. CCIP's projected goal is to offer 75 families counseling services with an actual outcome of 50 families receiving services.

Number Served Annually: 100

### HABITAT FOR HUMANITY OF MONTGOMERY AND DELAWARE COUNTIES



The mission of Habitat for Humanity of Montgomery and Delaware Counties is to bring people together to build homes, communities, and hope.

Impact: Habitat for Humanity of Montgomery and Delaware Counties sells newly constructed or renovated homes to qualified individuals living or working in Montgomery or Delaware Counties. We provide low-cost home repairs across both counties to address needs in a home that threaten health, safety, security, and accessibility. We also work with communities to increase and maintain physical infrastructures, decrease vacant and blighted properties, and create resident-led neighborhood associations.

Need: Your gift will help to build four new homes in Lansdowne, repair and address the health and safety needs of homes across both counties, and organize neighborhood revitalization projects.

Number Served Annually: 3,000





For nearly 80 years, Media Fellowship House (MFH) has continued the work of its founders by creating programs, organizing coalitions, and facilitating conversations that promote diversity and understanding. Our efforts focus on fair housing, education, and racial justice advocacy work.

Impact: MFH promotes economic empowerment, seeks to close the racial wealth gap, and supports families to build generational wealth through homeownership. Households with low-to-moderate incomes receive prepurchase education and credit/budget counseling at no cost, and eligible program participants can receive up to \$14,000 in closing cost assistance. Through our youth scholarship and community programs, MFH facilitates conversation and advocates for social justice to build a stronger, more equitable community.

Need: Grow our team and expand services. Gifts will sustain and increase financial scholarships for high school youth to pursue post-secondary goals.

Number Served Annually: 350





The Neighbor to Neighbor Community Development Corporation (CDC) strives to bring together the community, businesses, elected officials, and religious institutions to stimulate economic and social development, and foster personal and family growth.

Impact: Summer day camp expands the opportunity for youth ages 5 to 12 to have summer camp experiences and includes an academic component that helps to address the summer learning loss. The emergency food cupboard distributed over 107,370 pounds of food to 2,522 households. These households include 3,811 children, 3,819 adults, and 1,550 seniors. From 2014 to date, we have prepared over 4,000 federal, state, and local tax and property/rent rebates for people living on low incomes throughout the state.

Need: Neighbor to Neighbor CDC needs general operating funds to help support our programs.

Number Served Annually: 10,000





Regional Housing Legal Services (RHLS) creates housing and economic opportunity in under-served communities in Pennsylvania and affects systemic change for the benefit of households with lower incomes statewide.

Impact: RHLS has helped to create or preserve over 10,000 affordable homes across Pennsylvania. Since 2012, our attorneys have provided over 89,000 hours of legal work to nonprofit clients across the Commonwealth, and we have provided training or education to thousands of advocates.

Need: Every donation RHLS receives helps us ensure communities have the tools to meet affordable housing and community development needs.

Number Served Annually: 5,000



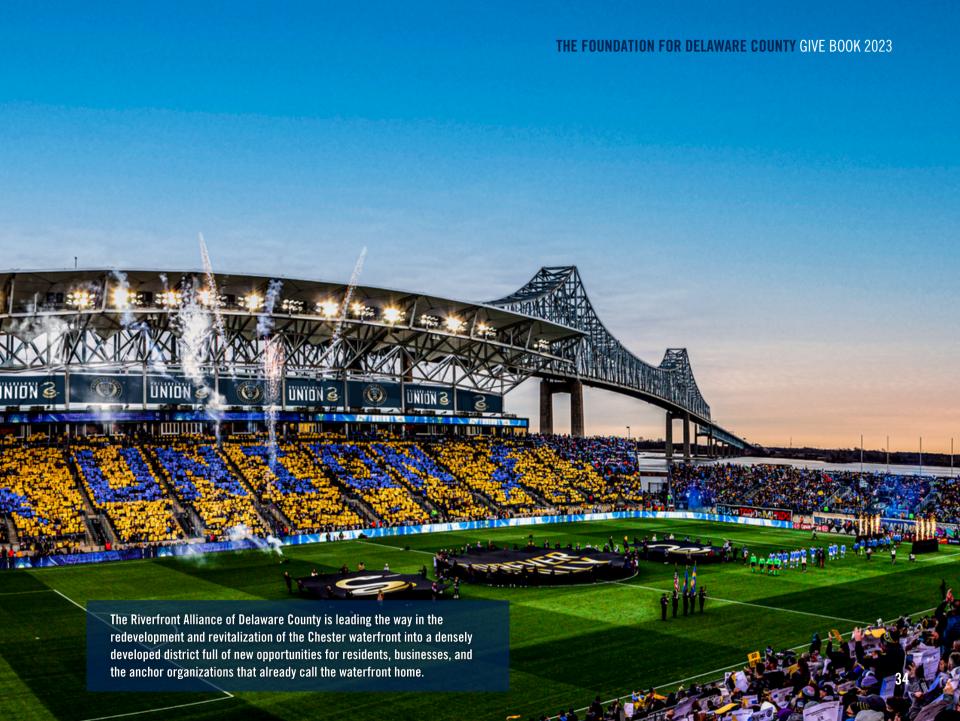


The Riverfront Alliance of Delaware County (RADC) is a consortium of private sector corporations and nonprofit institutions that have come together to develop and implement programs and activities that serve as the catalyst for the physical, economic, and social development of all Delaware County waterfront communities.

Impact: RADC focuses on housing and neighborhood revitalization, public safety, and economic development in Chester City and along the Delaware County waterfront. RADC is partnering with the Chester Community Improvement Project (CCIP) on a new affordable homeownership project, beautifying key neighborhoods in Chester, working on a public safety camera initiative, and completing streetscape, trail, park projects, and community activities and programming along the Chester waterfront.

Need: Funding for the development of affordable housing in Chester, construction of the East Coast Greenway trail system, and funds to complete public art projects along the Chester waterfront.

Number Served Annually: 33,000



### **EDUCATION**

CHESTER CHARTER SCHOLARS ACADEMY

CHESTER EDUCATION FOUNDATION

**COLLEGE POSSIBLE PHILADELPHIA** 

COMMUNITY YMCA OF EASTERN DELAWARE COUNTY

DELAWARE COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE

DREXEL NEUMANN ACADEMY

**ELWYN FOUNDATION** 

**TEACHERS' TEAMMATES** 





Chester Charter Scholars Academy (CCSA) is an arts-integrated, K-12 non-profit public charter school serving 694 children, 95% of whom are Black, in the City of Chester, Pennsylvania. CCSA was founded in 2012 with 320 students in grades K-6, and over time has added additional cohorts of students. 98% of our students have graduated and are equipped with the skills to succeed.

Impact: Chester's schools have been plagued for decades by political infighting, inadequate funding, and high teacher and leadership turnover, failing to provide quality education to students. The need to provide an outstanding educational option in Chester is compelling. All CCSA graduates work with their teachers and school leadership to develop a post-high school plan, and our alums are excelling.

Need: Arts Programming, Early Literacy, Health Science Elective Program, and Math Intervention.

Number Served Annually: 694





The mission of the Chester Education Foundation (CEF) is to support educational excellence and to promote revitalization in the Chester Upland community where pervasive and longstanding academic and economic disparities, seeded by systemic racism, disproportionately impact youth, resulting in high rates of academic failure, dropout, unemployment and poverty and other social issues. Our Vision: Chester youth graduate from high school college-ready and/or career-ready.

Impact: Participants in CEF's programs have higher rates of on-time graduation and postsecondary acceptance. 100% of CEF's summer '22 and school-year '21-'22 participants passed to the next grade in September 2022. 100% of participants passed the Career Strategies Post-Test, indicating increased job readiness.

Need: There is a critical need for funds to expand our afterschool academic support and postsecondary preparation to more of Chester's middle and high school students.



College Possible is making college admission and success possible for students from low-income backgrounds through an intensive curriculum of coaching and support. At College Possible Philadelphia, we're working to remove barriers to the college dream and close the degree divide.

Impact: In Delaware County, College Possible serves students in the Upper Darby and William Penn School Districts who are interested in attending a four-year college but who need help making their college dreams a reality. Nearly all our participants qualify for free and reduced lunch, and approximately 90% are students of color. Unlike similar organizations, College Possible prioritizes students in the academic middle with an average GPA of 2.0 or above by providing near-peer coaching starting junior year of high school and continuing through college completion.

Need: The cost to serve a cohort of 40 students exceeds \$100,000 annually and we are looking to sustain and enhance services to our school partners as well as scale our services to reach more students.

Number Served Annually: 800

#### COMMUNITY YMCA OF FASTERN DELAWARE COUNTY



The YMCA of Eastern Delaware County is a charitable association founded on Christian principles, dedicated to building a healthy spirit, mind, and body. We are committed to being a positive part of family life by promoting the values of caring, honesty, respect, and responsibility. We promise that we will always be dedicated to building healthy, confident, connected, and secure children, adults, families, and communities.

Impact: The YMCA of Eastern Delaware County provides programs and services to over 29,000 individuals annually. We provide free food to community members, free Pathway programs, safe, affordable childcare for working families, health and well-being programs for seniors, teen leadership and development programs, swim lessons, and physical activities.

Need: Funding is needed to help us address current community issues like food disparities, affordable childcare, veterans' health, addiction recovery, and serving our aging population and those with intellectual and developmental disabilities.



Delaware County Community College facilitates learning by providing quality educational programs and services that are student-focused, accessible, comprehensive, and flexible to meet the educational needs of the diverse communities it serves. The Student Resource Center provides outreach, advocacy, and holistic support to meet the unmet needs of DCCC students.

Impact: The Student Resource Center enhances student wellness by supporting students from enrollment to degree completion. The Center Food Pantry provides access to healthy food in a judgment-free space for the 27% of DCCC students experiencing food insecurity. With food security, students have better attendance and increased focus on their studies.

Need: Support for our Student Resource Center, which serves approximately 94 students facing food insecurity each week.

Number Served Annually: 2,670





Empowered by the witness and lives of St. Katharine Drexel and St. John Neumann, we are committed to providing a Catholic elementary school education in a multicultural environment to the children of Chester. Franciscan spirituality and diversified instruction promote an environment that recognizes the giftedness of each child.

Impact: Drexel Neumann Academy (DNA) provides a safe, quality Catholic education to the children of Chester. At DNA, no child is turned away for financial reasons. 100% of graduates are pursuing high school educations, and most are pursuing college. In Chester, the public school district has a 60% graduation rate. Over \$1,500,000 in Catholic high school scholarships has been provided to DNA students through the Terryglass Foundation. Our students are succeeding in high school, college, and the workforce.

Need: Our greatest financial need is sustaining and further developing our counseling services to our students. Meeting the social and emotional needs of our students is critical to their academic growth.

#### THE FOUNDATION FOR DELAWARE COUNTY GIVE BOOK 2023



Elwyn makes life better for people with developmental and behavioral health challenges.

Impact: Elwyn is the longest-running human services nonprofit of its kind in the nation. We lead education, treatment, early intervention, and support services for children and adults with autism, intellectual and developmental disabilities, and related behavioral health challenges.

Need: As Elwyn approaches its 175th anniversary, we have embarked upon an ambitious but necessary strategic plan and Media campus master plan to rethink and revamp our nearly 300-acre campus in Media to better serve the individuals in our care.

Number Served Annually: 20,000





Our mission is to ensure all K-12 teachers and students in Delaware County, PA have the tools they need to succeed in the classroom. We provide an easy avenue for businesses and the community to donate goods that can be repurposed by teachers and students. Donations reduce waste and demonstrate good stewardship of resources and investment in children.

Impact: Teachers' Teammates has distributed supplies valued at more than \$1.5 million to students and teachers in 58 schools. Teachers' Teammates provides mentoring and hands-on experience to Logistics and Inventory Management students at Delco Tech. H.S. and placement for adults with disabilities who need to develop life and work readiness skills.

Need: Teachers' Teammates has quadrupled the number of students and teachers we serve since July 2020. We must build infrastructure to sustain this growth, such as improving our physical plant operations and hiring key part-time staff.



# HEALTH & WELLNESS

CENTER FOR THE BLIND AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED

**CHESPENN HEALTH SERVICES** 

CHILD GUIDANCE RESOURCE CENTERS

DOMESTIC ABUSE PROJECT OF DELAWARE COUNTY

FAMILY AND COMMUNITY SERVICE OF DELAWARE COUNTY

**FAMILY SUPPORT LINE OF DELAWARE COUNTY** 

**HEADSTRONG FOUNDATION** 

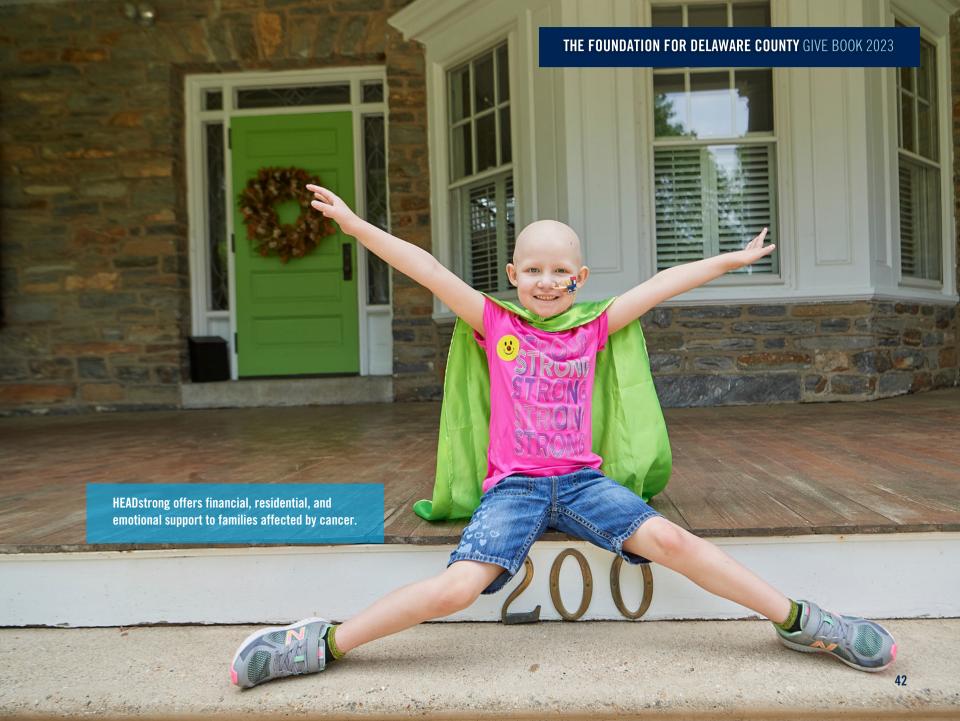
**OPEN DOOR ABUSE AWARENESS PREVENTION** 

**PETER'S PLACE** 

**SENIOR COMMUNITY SERVICES** 

**SURREY SERVICES** 

**WOMEN'S RESOURCE CENTER** 



#### CENTER FOR THE BLIND AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED



The Center for the Blind and Visually Impaired's mission is to help people in the greater Delaware Valley prevent, prepare for, and adapt to vision loss in order to achieve independence.

Impact: Center for the Blind and Visually Impaired provides services for blind and visually impaired individuals in the Delaware County area. These services include transportation with a sighted guide, support groups, mail reading and filling out forms, prevention of blindness vision screenings, Access Technology services, and life skills classes. We provide clients with thousands of hours of service per year, helping them remain independent in their homes and communities.

Need: Funds will help meet the increasing need for services in our area and to replace aging equipment and facility amenities.

Number Served Annually: 1,700





ChesPenn Health Services' mission is to provide comprehensive primary and preventive health care and social services to medically underserved families and individuals regardless of their income, insurance status or ability to pay.

Impact: Children and adults with limited income and who are un- or underinsured too often find quality primary medical, dental, and behavioral healthcare out of their reach. Lack of access to healthcare has devastating consequences for both children and adults, threatening their ability to thrive. ChesPenn's integrated medical, dental, and behavioral health services, complemented by health education and social services, meet this need for over 10,000 people in Delaware County annually.

Need: While direct reimbursement from Medicaid and other insurance provides approximately half of ChesPenn's income each year, we must raise more than \$5 million dollars in the coming year to ensure quality care and support services for all who need them.



Child Guidance Resource Centers' (CGRC) mission is to inspire hope, to empower and to contribute to the well-being of children, families, and adults throughout the five county Philadelphia region by delivering evidence-informed behavioral health services and community-wide wellness programs.

Impact: CGRC provides behavioral healthcare assessment and treatment services to children, adolescents, and families across Southeastern PA who struggle with multi-generational poverty, lack of safe housing, food, and medical care, and other challenges. These children suffer from the impacts of trauma from experiencing physical or sexual abuse or violence. CGRC's programs treat intense mental health conditions that result in maladaptive behaviors in school, at home, and in the community.

Need: Funding provides advanced clinical training for therapists, foreign language translation for client families, therapeutic equipment for children with autism, and services provided that are not reimbursable under the state's managed Medicaid program.

Number Served Annually: 9,600

#### DOMESTIC ABUSE PROJECT OF DELAWARE COUNTY



The Domestic Abuse Project of Delaware County (DAP) works to prevent domestic violence and empower victims to move toward self-sufficiency.

Impact: For the 49 municipalities in Delaware County, DAP is the sole provider of services exclusively for victims of domestic violence. DAP operates the county's only 24/7 domestic violence crisis hotline. It offers direct services to victims and their children using a trauma-informed, survivor-centered model: safe shelter, victim advocacy, crisis counseling, and legal representation. DAP also provides training for law enforcement and community education programs in schools and healthcare facilities.

Need: Post-pandemic, DAP faces higher demand for services, increased staffing costs, inflationary pressure, and cutbacks to client social support. Donations will fund safe house upkeep, emergency housing, a new data system, and law enforcement training.





The mission of Family and Community Service of Delaware County (FCSDC) is to provide services to build stronger communities through healthy, empowered individuals.

Impact: FCSDC's programs address food security, housing, and physical and mental health challenges faced by members of our community. Our Mobile Food Pantry delivers food to over 1,500 people who cannot access traditional food pantries. Our housing programs provide affordable transitional and permanent housing for up to 50 households. Our counseling program - one of only a few in the county that accepts Medicaid - provides access to quality mental health care for 275 people.

Need: Our primary need is funding to support our Mobile Food Pantry. The program delivers food boxes to individuals with limited mobility outside their homes or who have been displaced and temporarily housed in area motels.

Number Served Annually: 2,000



#### FAMILY SUPPORT LINE OF DELAWARE COUNTY



Family Support Line's core mission is to advance the prevention and treatment of child sexual abuse. Our continuum of services helps children and families get the help they need to be safe, heal, break the cycle of abuse, and thrive by: coordinating child sexual abuse investigations; reducing risks of re-traumatizing victims; helping families navigate confusing systems; making sure children and families get the services they need; and helping children heal from the trauma of sexual abuse.

Impact: Family Support Line's biggest impact is providing a safe place for children to disclose the abuse without fear of repercussions and to receive the care they need to heal from the trauma. We break the cycle of abuse, and, by coordinating efforts in Delaware County, we have increased guilty verdicts for offenders.

Need: Requests for services have increased by 46% in the past year; funding to help us meet this demand is our greatest need.





The HEADstrong Foundation seeks to improve the quality of life for cancer patients and their families by providing essential services that lessen the burden caused by cancer and ensure dignity to patients and families as they receive treatment. Because a cancer diagnosis affects the entire family, especially when a child has received the diagnosis, we work with the whole family to provide services.

Impact: A cancer diagnosis is not only a life-threatening event but also a psychological and financial journey for the patient and family. We seek to help lessen the burdens of this journey by providing financial and social support so that families may live with dignity and normalcy while receiving specialized care. By removing financial and social barriers for families, we are ultimately providing access to services and specialized care. Cumulatively, we have served over 27,012 patients.

Need: Requests for services have doubled in the past year; funding to help us meet this demand is our greatest need.

Number Served Annually: 5,500





Our mission is to educate youth in violence prevention in its many forms through the medium of sports and other after-school programs.

Impact: We are concentrating on the retention of the youth that participate in our program, sometimes working with the same kids for years. We have taken pre and post-surveys that show 73% of Open Door Abuse Awareness Prevention's (ODAAP) young men developed their capacity for positive identity, which is a young person's internal sense of who they are and the multiple facets of their identity. 93% of ODAAP participants are highly satisfied with the ODAAP experience, as indicated by their response that they would recommend the program to a friend.

Need: We are in great need of funds for our annual trauma-informed football camp. We have five teams seeking to participate at a cost of \$6,000 per team, which includes an overnight stay, food, and staff.





The mission of Peter's Place is to provide safe and supportive environments for grieving children and families, and to foster understanding of the effects of death and grief.

Impact: Peter's Place was founded in 2001 after the sudden and tragic death of Peter Morsbach at age ten and founded on the premise that no child should ever grieve alone. With this vision as our guiding principle, our mission is to provide safe and supportive environments for grieving children and families and to act as a community resource to foster understanding of the effects of death and grief. Grief is one of the true common strings that weave us all together as human beings.

Need: General operating support.

Number Served Annually: 1,500





Our mission is to provide independent and meaningful living for older adults through direct services and programs in the home and community.

Impact: Senior Community Services delivers programs and services for Delaware County seniors that promote nutrition and healthy eating, socialization, exercise for the body, and education for the mind. Participants at SCS' senior centers find a renewed sense of purpose, form more positive relationships, improve their strength and endurance, and learn new concepts and skills — all of which have a positive impact on their health-related quality of life.

Need: Senior Community Services plans to expand and upgrade Schoolhouse Center - the largest senior center in Delaware County. The renovation project will add 4,000 sq. feet, and an elevator to the historic building.





Founded in 1981 and currently serving more than 3,000 seniors, Surrey inspires and enables all of us, as we age, to live with independence and dignity and as engaged members of the community. Surrey holds as its vision to create a dynamic community for older adults in Delaware and Chester Counties by developing programs, services, and activities that meet the critical needs of seniors who are disabled, medically frail, and/or living on low incomes, and encourage and support all older adults to live well longer.

Impact: With centers in Broomall, Media, and Devon, Surrey's approach to aging well and safely in place includes services provided by experienced staff, nurses, social workers, caregivers, and a corps of volunteers. Surrey offers transportation, a food-security program, center-based and virtual programs and activities, friendly check-in calls, and CHORE Services (yardwork and small home repairs). When additional support is needed, Surrey provides RN Care Management, Live-in Care, and Social Companions.

Need: General operating support.

Number Served Annually: 3,500





Our mission is to help women and girls successfully navigate life's transitions. By providing resources, tools, and support for today, we create hope for tomorrow.

Impact: We aim to help women gain financial stability and well-being that is not dependent upon marriage, supporting them in becoming their own advocates and increasing their understanding of how systemic barriers such as gender discrimination and racism impact their everyday lives. Today, WRC directly assists about 1,000 women and girls in navigating difficult life transitions, despite continued systemic barriers.

Need: WRC's programs and services routinely experience waiting lists. The need for counseling and resource coordination greatly outweighs our current resources and staffing.



## **YOUTH SERVING**

**BE PROUD FOUNDATION** 

**BOYS & GIRLS CLUB OF CHESTER** 

**CHESTER COMMUNITY COALITION** 

CHESTER CULTURAL ARTS AND TECHNOLOGY CENTER

**CHESTER UPLAND YOUTH SOCCER** 

**GREENER PARTNERS** 

**KEEP MUSIC ALIVE** 

**MAKING A CHANGE GROUP** 

YOUNG ENTREPRENEURS ACADEMY

YOUNG MEN AND WOMEN IN CHARGE FOUNDATION





Our mission is to help youth increase their chances for a successful life. We provide community-based programs and services to youth living in under-resourced communities. We intervene to prevent neglect, abuse, and the exploitation of children. We promote, support, and encourage their physical, mental, and overall well-being. We help youth set goals, overcome problems, and guide them in career exploration/planning to enter the labor force and pursue enrollment in post-secondary education.

Impact: We have helped thousands of children reach their goals of graduating from high school, obtaining a job, and earning a post-secondary degree. We operate workforce development programs that provide training and work experience opportunities for young people, including an internship program encouraging diversity, equity, and inclusion in participating organizations and county government.

Need: Purchase and replace old laptops for client use.

Number Served Annually: 110





Our mission is to nurture the development of our young people and guide them along the path to future success by providing an environment that supports excellence in education, good character and citizenship, and a healthy lifestyle.

Impact: Since 1930, the Boys & Girls Club of Chester (BGCC) has been at the forefront of youth development, working with young people living in a community facing significant economic and social challenges. BGCC offers daily access to programs in five core program areas: Character & Leadership Development; Education & Career Development; Health & Life Skills; The Arts; and Sports, Fitness, and Recreation.

Need: Funding to expand our security system, make repairs to our facility, and replace program furniture.





Chester Community Coalition (CCC) works to reduce retaliatory violence in the City of Chester and Delaware County by providing trauma-informed psychotherapy and case management to families where a loved one has been attacked or killed. We also work with Crozer-Chester Medical Center (CCMC), providing psycho-social services to patients entering the emergency department with gunshot or stab wounds, thereby reducing recidivism and reiniury.

Impact: CCC provides trauma-informed psychotherapy and case management to victims of violence who would otherwise be unable to access services. Many of CCC's staff have experienced the murder of loved ones and the absence of clinical services for grieving families. CCC is the backbone of the Chester Violence Prevention Coalition, which fosters collaboration among nonprofits. The 2022 gun homicide rate for Chester was down 68% from 2020, and CCC's services contributed to that decline.

Need: Funds for staffing to meet continuing need.

Number Served Annually: 317





The Chester Cultural Arts and Technology (CAAT) Center's mission is to empower and equip residents of Chester, PA and surrounding areas by providing cultural arts and technological resources to eradicate poverty.

Impact: The CAAT Center offers the community a wide range of educational and training programs, from theater and dance to home-buying workshops and computer literacy. These programs help equip people with practical skills and knowledge that can benefit them today and in the future. Additionally, the center serves as a hub for other non-profits, cultural exchange, and community building, bringing people from diverse backgrounds together and promoting education, cultural diversity, and happiness.

Need: CAAT must seek additional funding sources to cover the expansion of programs and needed staff, rent, and utilities. This requires the capacity to support grant applications, the formation of new partnerships, and the expansion of sponsorship requests.



Chester Upland Youth Soccer and (DBA) Youth Development United promote healthy living in communities where most children qualify for free or reduced school lunches. We provide opportunities for children and families that increase their access to wellness, the arts, and personal development. Programs include soccer, nature/art adventures, career discovery, cycling, bowling, dance, martial arts, etc.

Impact: We provide after-school "Soccer for Success" training and weekend opportunities for families to enjoy time together, participating in fun, healthy experiences that may otherwise have been prohibitively expensive and seemingly inaccessible. We offer free transportation and well-rounded meals. After our fall season, 96% of participants worked better on a team, 88% felt better about their futures, and 92% tried harder in school.

Need: As we have increased programming, our staffing costs have increased. We employ teachers and community members who are excellent role models, and we strive to pay them fairly for their time.

Number Served Annually: 2,400



Greener Partners' (GP) mission is to strengthen community health through urban farming, equitable fresh food access, and discovery-based learning. We partner with schools, hospitals, and community organizations to develop urban gardens that provide fresh food for communities experiencing food insecurity. Our farm-to-school programs provide food education to children with the result that they eat more fruits and vegetables.

Impact: Since our founding in 2008, we have supported 48 urban gardens, distributed 250,000 pounds of food, and served 90,000 children through farm-to-school education programs.

Need: GP seeks to expand its school-based and hospital-based food education and urban-farming work to meet demand. We would be deeply grateful for contributions to our capacity-building campaign, which has been dedicated to supporting our team's growth.



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Our mission is to help more children reap the educational, therapeutic and social benefits of playing music. Each year, we partner with 1,000+ music schools, stores, and organizations to hold special events and offer free lessons to new students. Year-round, we host Musical Instrument Petting Zoo (MIPZ) events throughout the region (75+ events planned for 2023).

Impact: Keep Music Alive programs (Teach Music Week, Kids Music Day, Musical Instrument Petting Zoo) inspire children to begin their music-making journey. In addition to free lessons for new students and special events, kids have opportunities for hands-on experiences with various instruments at schools, libraries, and community festivals.

Need: We are a small organization seeking funds to build our fundraising infrastructure for proper stewardship of current and future donors. Our 2024 goal is to host 100-125 local instrument petting zoo events and begin coordinating/promoting events in other markets.

Number Served Annually: 12,500





The Making a Change Group (MACG) supports individuals and families in Chester and surrounding municipalities striving to achieve positive change for themselves, their families, and their communities. We accomplish this through programs focused on 1) youth mentoring, 2) violence prevention, and 3) multi-level support for families as they work to achieve financial, educational, vocational, and personal goals.

Impact: Systemic racism, inequity, and injustice are real in our communities. Using a trauma-informed approach, our services focus on enabling families to improve their well-being so they can thrive, providing youth with adult mentors and opportunities to develop their social-emotional skills, and providing prevention and intervention services to youth ages 10-21 to reduce youth gun violence.

Need: MACG needs unrestricted dollars to support infrastructure, including funds to increase staff salaries and add benefits, as well as resources to support development, marketing, and office management.



The Young Entrepreneurs Academy (YEA!) is a life-changing program transforming local middle and high school students into real, confident entrepreneurs. Through the year-long after-school program, students in grades 6-12 generate business ideas, conduct market research, write business plans, pitch to a panel of investors that donates start-up funds, and launch their very own companies.

Impact: We want our children to grow up to be happy and successful and have the skills and attitude to spot opportunities that are right for them. By exposing young people to entrepreneurship at a young age, we are giving them the tools they need to succeed in whatever they choose to do in life. Key entrepreneurial traits like creative thinking, perseverance, risk-taking, strong work ethics, understanding money, and goal-setting give them the tools for success.

Need: General operating support.

Number Served Annually: 15



#### YOUNG MEN AND WOMEN IN CHARGE FOUNDATION



Our mission is to empower and prepare economically disadvantaged and historically underrepresented youth to excel and become leaders in STEM careers through academic tutoring, mentoring and financial assistance, leveraging alliances with K-12 school districts, universities, corporations, and the Foundation's committed partners. We provide individual services in leadership development, public speaking, scientific research projects, college readiness, and industry experiences in STEM-related careers.

Impact: Our primary goal is to prepare scholars for college and careers with a key focus on academics. From 2018-2022 we documented that 95% of the Young Men and Women in Charge Foundation (YMWIC) After School Program participants in grades 5-12 increased their GPA by 10% or maintained a GPA of 85% or above.

Need: We started with a few students and our Executive Director's vision. We now have nine chapters, seven summer camps, 180 students in afterschool programs, and 300 in summer camps. Funding will support this program's growth and provide scholarships.



### THE FOUNDATION FOR DELAWARE COUNTY

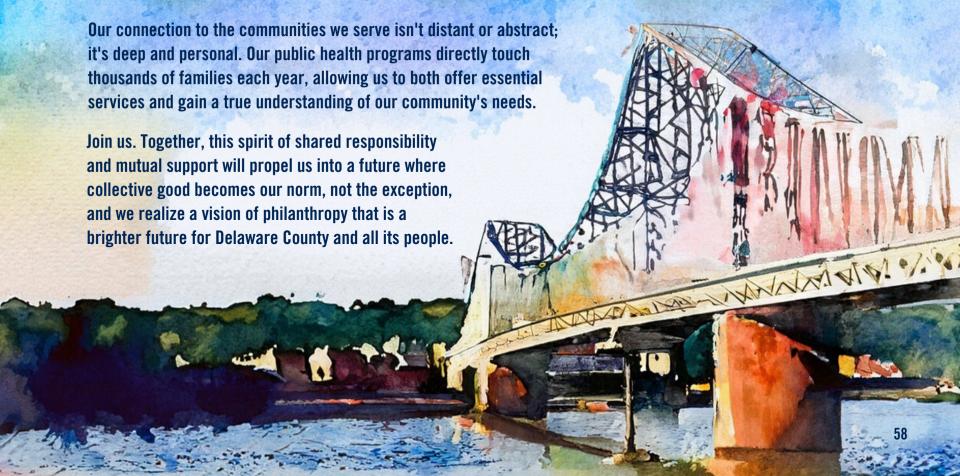
We facilitate and promote philanthropy, providing a path for individuals and organizations to funnel their generosity toward meaningful causes through donor-advised funds, scholarships, and endowment funds. We help donors take their lifetime of effort, hard work, and passion and turn it into a lasting legacy through our charitable fund services. Giving plans range from addressing current community needs to establishing legacy estate funds.

The Foundation is at the heart of a network of diverse donors united in purpose and committed to the betterment of our shared community, where compassion ignites change, collective generosity magnifies impact, and our unified efforts concretely improve lives.

WE ARE MORE THAN JUST A PLATFORM FOR CHARITABLE FUNDS; WE'RE AT THE CENTER OF A COMMUNITY MOVEMENT.

Thanks to the exponential power of our collective giving, we have transformed into one of the largest philanthropic engines in the region. Each year, we distribute approximately \$2 million in grants to dozens of vital nonprofit and community groups that provide critical services and resources for our neighborhoods.

Our work stretches beyond financial assistance. We support local nonprofit organizations by providing skill-building events, training, and resources for staff through our Center for Nonprofit Excellence. We provide forums for funders, government officials, and nonprofit leaders to converge, learn, and foster a dynamic, interconnected community that works together.



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