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## Delco COVID-19 Response Fund awards \$20G grant to support testing

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MEDIA— The Foundation for Delaware County announced this week that a \$20,000 grant was given to support two testing events in Black communities in Delaware County. This, along with two additional grants represent the tenth round of grants from the Delaware County COVID-19 Response Fund. The Response Fund has secured more than \$660,000 in donations thanks to the generosity of many individuals, businesses and foundations.

This week's grants bring the total amount distributed to \$430,000 for 56 front line organizations. The foundation is making every effort to get funds to the community as quickly as possible, distributing grants weekly since the fund launched. Grants help nonprofits to restart childcare services operations safely, provide food boxes and essential items such as diapers and basic hygiene products to low-income families, collect Personal Protective Equipment for front line workers, provide breakfast and lunch items for students and much more.

Included in this latest group of grantees is The Urban League of Philadelphia who has partnered with the Black Doctors COVID-19 Consortium to provide two testing events in Delaware County, distribute emergency hygiene kits to the community, and provide important fact-based public health information such as how to properly use PPE.

The Urban League of Philadelphia president and CEO Andrea Custis commented, "We are so thankful for the opportunity to partner with the Black Doctors COVID-19 Consortium and grateful to The Foundation for Delaware County for recognizing and supporting this critical community need."

The foundation understands that testing, care, and fact-based resources provided by two Black-led organizations is a critically important component to closing gaps in access to testing, dispelling misinformation, and supporting the black community during this unprecedented public health emergency. The first testing event is this Saturday, June 13, in Yeadon from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Chapel of Good Shephard, 654 Church Lane. An additional date will be announced soon. Pre-registration is encouraged by visiting [www.blackdoctorsconsortium.com](http://www.blackdoctorsconsortium.com).

The complete list of grantees from the Delaware County COVID-19 Response Fund is available at <https://delcofoundation.org/response-fund-grant-awards>.

The following organizations are new recipients of grants awarded from the Delaware County COVID-19 Response Fund:

The Urban League of Philadelphia: \$20,000 to support a partnership with the Black Doctors COVID-19 Consortium to respond to the immediate pandemic-related needs of Black communities in Delaware County. This partnership will provide COVID-19 Emergency Hygiene Kits and fact-based public health information. This initiative is providing support for two testing events in Black neighborhoods in Delaware County.

Bywood Community Association: \$5,000 to provide food and emergency supplies for the immigrant community in the Upper Darby area.

Wayne Senior Center: \$5,000 to purchase food and supplies for supplemental nutrition packs for at risk seniors.

The foundation extends its deepest gratitude to the community as many dig deep during these emotionally and financially stressful times including these donors each of whom gave at the \$5,000 level or more: 25th Century Foundation, Anonymous, Bank of America, Barra Foundation, Boggs Family Fund, Dietrich W. Botstiber Foundation, Crozer Keystone Health System, Chris Cullen, Carol and Daniel DuPont, DO, Ed and Ellen Hanway, Ethel Sergeant Clark Smith Memorial Fund, Franklin Mint Federal Credit

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For more information and updates, visit the foundation at [www.delcofoundation.org](http://www.delcofoundation.org) or follow on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram @delcofdn. To inquire about how to support the Delaware County COVID-19 Response Fund, contact Ellen Grill at 610-744-1015 or [egrill@delcofoundation.org](mailto:egrill@delcofoundation.org).