Delaware County COVID-19 Response Fund Crosses $673K Mark in Grants to Nonprofits

The Foundation for Delaware County announced its 18th round of grants from the Delaware County COVID-19 Response Fund.

This round of funding included four grants, totaling $36,820.

Among these, the foundation awarded a $15,000 grant to the Media Food Bank to purchase food and acquire equipment to continue serving food to clients outside in the cold weather.

In addition, a $5,000 grant was distributed to the Philadelphia Freedom Valley YMCA to purchase additional cleaning supplies and continue to sanitize their childcare facility in Delaware County.

The Response Fund has secured more than $765,000 in donations thanks to the generosity of many individuals, businesses and foundations.

“Every donation has been critical to addressing the immediate needs of our neighbors who are struggling due to the pandemic. We have received donations from more than 500 individuals and businesses, and are most grateful for the support from our community. It is not too late to donate. We are still receiving requests for funding to address immediate needs in the community,” said Frances Sheehan, president.
In the last eight months, 77 grants have helped nonprofits serving Delaware County to re-open childcare service operations safely, provide food boxes and essential items such as diapers and basic hygiene products to low-income families, purchase personal protective equipment (PPE) for frontline workers, fund the technology needed to serve clients experiencing abuse or who need behavioral health support, supply breakfast and lunch items for students, provide support for remote learning and more.

The complete list of grantees from the Delaware County COVID-19 Response Fund is available by clicking here.

New grants awarded on Nov. 9, 2020:

**Family and Community Services**: $10,820 to provide home delivery of food boxes to low-income households quarantined due to COVID-19 exposure, symptoms, or infection.

**Media Food Bank**: $15,000 to purchase food and acquire the equipment necessary to serve food to clients outside in the cold weather.

**Pettaway Pursuit Foundation**: $6,000 to provide baby formula to help offset the needs of the families in the community and to purchase PPE for staff and clients.

**Phila. Freedom Valley YMCA**: $5,000 for cleaning and sanitizing their childcare facility in Delaware County.

**About The Foundation for Delaware County**

A public charity founded in 2016, The Foundation for Delaware County is the largest philanthropy serving Delaware County. One of 780 community foundations across the U.S., the foundation focuses on encouraging philanthropy, addressing challenging community issues, and making grants to strengthen Delaware County’s nonprofit community.

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