

I. CHESTER COUNTY COMMUNITY FOUNDATION GRANT PROPOSAL SUMMARY SHEET

One page only. This page will be shared electronically with Grant Committee Members & Fund Advisors.

Note: If Philanthropy Network Greater Philadelphia's Common Grant Application is used, the CCCF's Summary Sheet MUST accompany application. To obtain an electronic version of this application, visit www.chescocf.org

Date: 12/22/2015

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Year Incorporated: 2013

Has your nonprofit ever applied to the Community Foundation? Yes ___ No Not Sure ___
Has your nonprofit ever received funding from the Community Foundation? Yes ___ No Not Sure ___
 Donor Advised Fund(s) ___ Fund for Chester County ___ Don't know/Not sure

Field/s of Interest:

___ Arts, Culture & Humanities ___ Environment/Animal Welfare
 Health ___ Human Services
___ Education Religion

Organization Information:

Geographic Area Served (If not all of Chester County, specify primary Chester County regions served):

Central America & the Islands of the Caribbean

Describe Population Served and Annual Number of People Served:

Each year we serve over 2,000 people living in impoverished areas of third world countries such as Panama, Honduras, Grenada and Costa Rica.

Mission:

Our Mission is to conduct medical/evangelistic mission trips with an on-board medical clinic to impoverished areas of the world.

Proposal Summary:

We have purchased a ship to house our medical clinic and serve as transportation and dorms for our mission teams. We are currently seeking funds to aid in refitting our ship 'Mercy's Vessel'.

If Capacity Building Proposal:

Mission, Vision & Strategy ___ Governance & Leadership ___ Strategic Relationships
___ Fundraising & Development ___ Operations ___ Other: _____

2014 Annual Budget \$231,921.45

___ 82 % of budget for program expenses

___ 14 % of budget for administrative expenses

___ 4 % of budget for fundraising expenses

100 % total

___ 1 ___ # of Full-Time Equivalent Paid Staff

___ 4 ___ # of Board Volunteers

approx. 20 ___ # of Active Non-Board Volunteers

approx. 25 ___ # of Volunteer Hours

Top 3-5 funding sources: Fundraisers, Churches, and Individuals/Businesses

Grant Amount Requested from CCCF: \$10,000.00

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1. **ORGANIZATIONS HISTORY:** GPA Mobilization Ministries was born of a burden to reach out to those in greatest need both physically and spiritually. Our Director, Dr. Gary Moore, has a burden for missions and reaching those who feel at their lowest. Dr. Moore served as a missionary for 17 years with the Gospel Preacher Association. When he returned from the mission field, he accepted a pastorate position at Nottingham Missionary Baptist Church. He has served there for the past 21 years, and he has continued to serve the mission board, being appointed Vice-President in 1998. He founded GPA Mobilization Ministries under the umbrella of the Gospel Preacher Association. Over the last 8 years we have made at least two short-term mission trips each year to Central America and the Islands of the Caribbean. We provide free medical clinics for missionary churches and communities and we also hold Vacation Bible school and Evangelistic meetings. During one of our trips in the mountains of Honduras, Dr. Moore was concerned about the working conditions of our medical staff. They are often working with no running water or electric while trying to provide proper medical care. Dr. Moore realized that everywhere we are working is not that far from the sea. A clinic on a small ship would be able to provide a clean and relatively comfortable place to have a clinic and house a fully stocked pharmacy. It would also be helpful during our disaster relief trips when plane tickets and hotel rooms are difficult to come by. Two years ago we launched the Mercy Project and began the process of raising money to purchase a ship where we could house our pharmacy and mission teams. In March 2014, we made an initial payment of \$50,000.00 toward the \$180,000.00 purchase price of 110ft by 25ft fishing boat. On March 21, 2015 we made the final payment.

MISSION AND GOALS:

- Provide Evangelistic teams: Evangelistic teams will conduct Vacation Bible Schools, evangelistic evening meetings, and distribute Bibles and Bible tracts.
- Provide Medical teams: Doctors and Nurses will offer their time and skills to provide medical care to impoverished parts of the world. People will have the opportunity to receive medical care for the very first time.

- Provide Disaster Relief teams: With our Ship (Mercy's Vessel) we will be able to provide a way into disaster areas immediately. We will be able to provide food, clothing, medical care, and construction efforts.
- Team up with other ministries to aid in our community: Every year we team up with Unsheltered International, and we conduct a resource clinic in Coatesville, Pa. We provide reading glasses, haircuts, clothes, Bibles, and a home cooked meal.

KEY Achievements and Distinctiveness:

- GPA Mobilization Ministries has been reaching lives with medical aid and the Gospel of Christ for eight years.
- Through our missions trips we are able to see at least 2,000 patients each year. We see an average of 600 professions of faith, and are able to minister to 1,500 children during our Vacation Bible Schools.

4. FUNDING REQUEST AND DESCRIPTION:

Key initiatives

GPA Mobilization Ministries is dedicated to providing aid to people in impoverished areas of the World. We are currently in the process of refitting our ship (Mercy's Vessel). We are asking for a grant in the amount of \$10,000.00 from the Chester County Community Foundation. We are requesting a grant to help support our ministry and aid us in completing the refitting of Mercy's Vessel.

Specific needs and issues to be addressed:

Our specific needs at this time include completing the refitting of Mercy's Vessel. The total cost of the hull work is \$75,000.00. We have a pledge from Harvest Baptist Church for \$25,000.00. We are working on completing the work on the inside and outside hull of the ship, installing dorms for our ministry teams to bunk in during trips, and installing our medical clinic. Once the vessel is completely refitted we will have a fully equipped medical clinic and Pharmacy for our medical teams. This will increase the number of patients we will be able to see, enabling us to see as many as 15,000 patients each year. Our goal is to have the refitting process completed by the end of 2016.

Activities to implement the initiative:

We will be staffed by three full time missionary couples to live and work on the ship for up to thirty weeks each year. To support our evangelistic teams we have secured two Christian Colleges who will allow their students to do a seven to ten week internship with us so that we will have up to sixteen students for each voyage. Our professional medical staff will fly into each port of call to spend ten to fourteen days providing clinic in one location. Each location will have different medical professionals leading the team, allowing many doctors and nurses to use their skills.

Our impact and results

Our goal is to impact people with the love of Christ, and to provide medical care to people who might never be able to receive it. We desire to reach people who struggle and lift them up physically and spiritually.