

# 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 of Greater Philadelphia's Common Grant Application is used, the Community Foundation's

**Summary Sheet MUST accompany application.**

To obtain an electronic version of this application, visit [www.chescocf.org](http://www.chescocf.org)

Date

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

## Field/s of Interest:

\_\_\_ Arts, Culture & Humanities      \_\_\_ Environment/Animal Welfare      \_\_\_ Education  
x Health      \_\_\_ Human Services      \_\_\_ Religion

## Organization Information:

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

Our patients come from Chester, Montgomery, Delaware, Bucks and Philadelphia County and beyond.

## **Describe Population Served and Annual Number of People Served:**

Age groups served: Infant through 18 years of age

16% Infant/Toddler (0-3 years), 29% Child (4-8 years), 29% Youth (9-12 years), 25% Adolescent (13-18 years), 1% Young Adult (19-21 years), 0% Adult (21+years)

Ethnicities served: All

52% Caucasian, 22% African American, 18% Hispanic-American, 3% Asian-American/Pacific Islander, 2% Bi-or Multi-racial, 2% International patients, 1% Native-American,

## **Mission:**

Shriners Hospitals for Children has a mission to:

- Provide the highest quality care to children with neuromusculoskeletal conditions, burn injuries and other special healthcare needs within a compassionate, family-centered and collaborative care environment.
- Provide for the education of physicians and other healthcare professionals.
- Conduct research to discover new knowledge that improves the quality of care and quality of life of children and families.

This mission is carried out without regard to race, color, creed, sex or sect, disability, national origin, or ability of a patient or family to pay.

## **Proposal Summary:**

Grant funds will be used to provide care and support of disabled children from birth to 18 years of age that reside

in Chester County and surrounding counties in the Philadelphia area, regardless of their financial ability. Some of the most common conditions we treat are scoliosis, spinal disorders, club foot, foot deformities, hip deformities, upper extremity conditions (arm, hand, shoulder and elbow), limb deficiencies, spinal cord injuries, orthopaedic conditions associated with Cerebral Palsy, Spina Bifida, Osteogenesis Imperfecta (brittle bone disease) and other pediatric neuromuscular conditions and rehabilitation.

Shriners Hospitals for Children adheres to a holistic approach to pediatric medical care. In addition to using funds for children's medical care and rehabilitation, we treat the child's emotional well-being, social interactions and recreational opportunities. Our clinicians and nurses collaborate with staff psychologists, social workers, physical and occupational therapists and Child Life specialists to ensure that the daily needs of each infant, child, youth and teen are met.

**If Capacity Building Proposal, the focus is:**

Mission, Vision & Strategy     Governance & Leadership     Strategic Relationships  
 Fundraising & Development     Technology    Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**Annual Budget** \$43,406,045

<input type="checkbox"/> 83 <input type="checkbox"/> % of budget for program expenses	<input type="checkbox"/> 225 <input type="checkbox"/> # of Full-Time Equivalent Paid Staff
<input type="checkbox"/> 9 <input type="checkbox"/> % of budget for administrative expenses	<input type="checkbox"/> 18 <input type="checkbox"/> # of Board Volunteers
<input type="checkbox"/> 8 <input type="checkbox"/> % of budget for fundraising expenses	<input type="checkbox"/> 300+ <input type="checkbox"/> # of Active Non-Board Volunteers
<small>100 % total</small>	<input type="checkbox"/> 10,000+ <input type="checkbox"/> # of Volunteer Hours

**Top 3-5 funding sources:**

- Ivy Hill Cemetery
- Still Unbroken
- Chris and Tracy Ritchey
- Bruce and Madelyn Snyder Foundation

**Grant Amount Requested from the Community Foundation:** \$2,500

## II. CHESTER COUNTY COMMUNITY FOUNDATION GRANT PROPOSAL NARRATIVE

*Provide clear, concise information. 3 pages maximum.*

### 1. Nonprofit's history, goals, key achievements and distinctiveness

Established in 1926, Shriners Hospitals for Children is devoted to helping the health and wellness of disabled children up to the age of eighteen, in Philadelphia and surrounding counties particularly Chester, Bucks, Delaware and Montgomery counties with the most complex orthopaedic conditions, sports and spinal cord injuries, *regardless of the family's ability to pay*. In addition, we provide family support, education and counseling for all patient families. We believe in family-centered care. The child and family are at the heart of our medical team. Shriners Hospitals for Children provides complimentary transportation to these patients and families as well. Many people are not aware that we have offered this door-to-door service to the benefit of our local and extended communities for *over 90 years*.

We are proud to report that Shriners Hospitals has a four-star rating with Charity Navigator, the highest rating attainable.

*We take in the children other doctors and hospitals say cannot be helped, are too complex, or are too expensive to pursue.*

Shriners Hospital is the last hope for many families with children who have the severest of orthopaedic problems. Many are told by physicians that their children will never walk. Yet, after coming to our hospital, we have many success stories of disabled children thriving, becoming independent, employed leading fulfilling lives of their own.

### 2. Funding request

Grant funds will be used to provide care and support of disabled children from birth to 18 years of age. Shriners Hospitals for Children is a regional facility and treats children that reside in Chester, Bucks, Montgomery, Delaware and Philadelphia counties, regardless of their financial ability. Some of the most common conditions we treat are scoliosis, spinal disorders, club foot, foot deformities, hip deformities, upper extremity conditions (arm, hand, shoulder and elbow), limb deficiencies, spinal cord injuries, orthopaedic conditions associated with Cerebral Palsy, Spina Bifida, Osteogenesis Imperfecta (brittle bone disease) and other pediatric neuromuscular conditions and rehabilitation.

**Description of key initiatives.** We take a holistic approach to pediatric medical care. In addition to using funds for children's medical care and rehabilitation, we treat the child's emotional well-being, social interactions and recreational opportunities. Our clinicians and nurses collaborate with staff psychologists, social workers, physical and occupational therapists and Child Life specialists to ensure that the daily needs of each infant, child, youth and teen are met.

**Specific needs and issues to be addressed.** Our objective is to help disabled children have the most function possible. An interdisciplinary approach is used to ensure comprehensive care for each child. Our staff includes medical specialists, nurses, physical therapists, social workers and more. Our hospital is ready to provide care for virtually all children's orthopaedic problems with expertise in spinal cord injuries, orthopaedic conditions due to cerebral palsy, scoliosis, limb deficiencies, spina bifida, hand disorders and leg-length discrepancies, just to name a few.

The family plays a vital role in the child's ability to overcome an illness or injury. Using a team-centered approach together with a family-centered philosophy, we encourage and support the family's participation in all aspects of the child's care and recovery. We also provide comprehensive physical and psychosocial services to children and their families to help them learn to accept and cope with each unique challenge a child may face.

**Why it is important to fund this now.** It is important to fund this program now, so that Shriners Hospitals for Children can continue to provide quality medical care to the pediatric population that comes to the hospital for treatment. Shriners Hospitals has a vision to become the best at transforming children's lives by providing exceptional healthcare through innovative research, in a patient and family-centered environment.

**How impact and results will be demonstrated.** Shriners Hospitals for Children has an on staff Director of Performance Improvement. Outcome scales are utilized to focus on performance criteria and benefits, this allows the hospital to adjust and improve its patient services. Surveys are monitored and changed as new programs begin, new services offered and equipment installed. Key measurements are:

- \*Patient and Family Satisfaction surveys
- \*Survey of pediatric patient comfort/discomfort to adjust procedures to patient needs
- \*Accuracy of medical services planning based on clinical parameters
- \*Frequency of resource utilization costs
- \*Duration of examination assessment times

Our hospital has been providing quality care to disabled children from the Delaware Valley and surrounding counties, since its inception in 1926. In addition, to medical care, we address Child Development as each disabled child progresses from dependency to increasing autonomy. We offer Child Welfare Support through in-house social work services to ensure that each child has a smooth transition back home, and that the family has the necessary support to care for them. We also provide in-house social, educational and recreation services through our Child Life Department so that "kids can still be kids" while undergoing difficult medical and rehabilitative treatment. We help approximately 16,000 children each year.

We welcome site visits or tours and offer complimentary parking if interested.