

## GRANT PROPOSAL GUIDELINES

*The Chester County Community Foundation connects people who care with causes that matter, so their philanthropy makes a difference now and forever.*

- The Community Foundation is a collection of Funds: Field of Interest Funds & Donor Advised Funds.
- 99% of the grants issued by the Community Foundation are made possible through the generosity of the Fund Advisors who grant through their Donor Advised Funds.
- \$2.5+ million is granted annually to nonprofits in Chester County and beyond.
- All Community Foundation Funds accept this grant application form.

**Proposals submitted by nonprofits are considered for 2 types of grants:**

### FIELD OF INTEREST & DONOR ADVISED FUNDS (No Deadline)

- ◇ Proposals received **any time throughout the year** are eligible for funding consideration from the Foundation's Field of Interest Funds & Donor Advised Funds.
- ◇ Grant **awards** typically range from **\$500 - \$7,500**.
- ◇ Grant decisions are made **intermittently** throughout the year, as Fund Advisors desire.
- ◇ Proposals are **electronically shared** with Fund Advisors to assist them in making grant decisions.
- ◇ **General operating** grants are encouraged. Nonprofits should be specific about their mission, goals, and measurable outcomes.
- ◇ Grants **focus on Chester County** causes and issues, but **are not limited** to Chester County.
- ◇ Grants may be made to charitable nonprofits working in **all fields of interest** including arts, culture and humanities; education; community improvement; environment; religion; health; and human services.

### FUND FOR CHESTER COUNTY CAPACITY BUILDING GRANTS (Due 9/15)

- ◇ The goal of the Community Foundation's capacity building grantmaking is to **strengthen the effectiveness of nonprofit organizations serving the Chester County region**.
- ◇ Capacity building proposals received annually by **September 15** are eligible for this grant program.
- ◇ Capacity building projects should strengthen a nonprofit, in areas including:
  - Mission, Vision & Strategy
  - Governance & Leadership
  - Strategic Relationships
  - Operations and Technology
  - Fundraising & Development
- ◇ Grant **awards** typically range from **\$500-\$5,000**.
- ◇ NPO's with budgets \$ 750,000 or less preferred
- ◇ Grant monies are distributed by **February**.
- ◇ Nonprofits must be **located in and serve Chester County** to receive a grant from this grant program.

- A proposal is considered "complete" when the Chester County Community Foundation has confirmed receipt of the **Grant Proposal Summary Sheet, Narrative** and **Attachments**.
- Proposals are shared electronically online with Fund Advisors, Donors, and the Grants Committee.
- The electronic form is available at [www.chescocf.org](http://www.chescocf.org).
- Per IRS regulations, applicants must be charitable, tax exempt organizations with 501(c)(3) certification and cannot be individuals
- **E-mail proposals to [grants@chescocf.org](mailto:grants@chescocf.org)**. Receipt will be confirmed by e-mail.
- Please contact Grants Administrator Kevin Baffa at (610) 696-8211 [grants@chescocf.org](mailto:grants@chescocf.org) with questions.

## 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 8-31-2019**

### **Contact Information**

Organization Name: David's Drive 831 (DD831)  
Turner

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Board of Directors Chair Name: David Turner

Website: [www.dd831.org](http://www.dd831.org)

Primary Contact Name: David Turner

Year Incorporated: 9

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FEIN: 27-2919635

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

Education

Health

Human Services

Religion

### **Organization Information:**

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

**Describe Population Served and Annual Number of People Served:** David's Drive 831 is committed to improving the lives of people in need in the community, we serve homeless and hospitalized veterans as well as programs designed to promote children's health. Serving more than 1500 annually.

**Mission:** David's Drive 831, founded in 2010 is a 501(c) (3) nonprofit charitable organization dedicated to fulfilling the needs of our veterans and the underprivileged in order to perpetuate the memory of David Brian Turner Jr. by impacting people's lives positively in his name.

**Proposal Summary:** The Housing and Urban Development- Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing (HUD-VASH) implemented a program at the Coatesville VA Medical Center. This program provides housing vouchers to aid homeless veterans by giving them an opportunity to live independently in the community. The HUD-VASH Program holds vouchers for homeless veterans and when these veterans successfully complete the program and their social workers are able to locate suitable housing, David's Drive 831 supplies these veterans with a new bed and essentials for the bedroom, bathroom and kitchen as they begin a new chapter in their life. DD831 is proud to have assisted 481 homeless veterans off the street. The cost of each delivered bed is \$308.00. A \$5,000.00 grant that we request would offer comfort to the next 16 veteran requests over the next 2 to 6 months.

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

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

**Annual Budget** \$90,919

90 % of budget for program expenses  
3 % of budget for administrative expenses  
7 % of budget for fundraising expenses  
*100 % total*

0 # of Full-Time Equivalent Paid Staff  
5 # of Board Volunteers  
25 # of Active Non-Board Volunteers  
1000+ # of Volunteer Hours

**Top 3-5 funding sources:**

- MOD USA LLC - \$20,000
- Pennsylvania Veterans Foundation - \$15,000.00
- PA Military and Veterans Affairs - \$15,000
- Knights of Columbus (golf outing) - \$5,683
- Fox & Roach Charities - \$4,685

**Grant Amount Requested from the Community Foundation:** \$5,000.00

## II. CHESTER COUNTY COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

David was a patriot and a former AFJROTC Cadet at Coatesville High School. David was contemplating serving his country by enlisting in the armed forces. In the interim, David found employment at the Coatesville VA Medical Center (CVAMC) where he was proud to serve Veterans working as a clerk in the VA retail store. David learned that many of the Veterans he served were homeless and living without items he considered essential, like underwear, socks and t-shirts. David wanted more for the men and women who protected our freedom and he once said that if he had enough money, he would buy every Veteran at the VA a new pair of underwear.

On December 16, 2009, David died suddenly of a suspected heart arrhythmia; he was only 20 years old. On the day we should have been celebrating his 21st birthday, David's family and friends gathered together and, in an effort to honor his wishes, held a drive to collect underwear, socks and t-shirts. Enough underwear was collected for every Veteran at the Coatesville VA. Although the clothing drive ended, the donations continued. David's legacy of respect and gratitude towards Veterans had sparked the community's generosity and inspired the creation of a charity to help people in need. David's Drive 831 (DD831) was created in 2010 in memory of David Turner Jr. Since its inception, DD831 has donated more than \$100,000.00 worth of underwear to Chester County Veterans, reminding them that they are not forgotten.

As a result of community support, DD831 has had the opportunity to sponsor programs and assist with funding for events designed to benefit not only Veterans but others in our community.

The Housing and Urban Development- Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing (HUD-VASH) program at the Coatesville VA Medical Center supports Veterans, who have successfully completed recovery programs, locate housing and return to community living. DD831 is able to supply these Veterans with a new bed and other essentials to facilitate their success as they begin this new journey. DD831 is proud to have assisted over 480 Veterans who have completed the requirements of the program.

DD831 provides funding to honor hospitalized Veterans with parades and concerts, hosts picnics, fishing trips and furnishes tickets to sporting events throughout the year to remind the Veterans that they are not forgotten. Every Christmas, DD831 volunteers pack 1,000 boxes full of personal care products, puzzle books, gloves, snacks and candies, gift wrap and hand decorate the boxes for distribution to patients receiving care at the Coatesville, Lebanon, and Southeastern Veterans Centers.

DD831 has been fortunate to be able to respond to the various needs of a diverse population. This year DD831 purchased 2 AEDs to be placed in locations in Chester County to improve response time in the event of a cardiac arrest. DD831 purchased basketball nets for several parks in Coatesville, including a new basketball post, backboard, rim, and net for the Patton Park Basketball Project in Coatesville. DD831 is a proud sponsor of East Fallowfield Park Day, providing families an opportunity to attend a free carnival including rides and crafts that may not otherwise be afforded. DD831 recently purchased a playset to be installed on campus at the CVAMC; children visiting Veterans at the medical center will be able to enjoy the playset, enhancing the experience for both visitors and Veteran.

David's Drive 831 is a 100% volunteer-based charity, holding fund raising events throughout the year, relying solely on the generous and caring contributions from the people and businesses in the community. DD831 will continue to fund and support projects that will help the people of Chester County most efficiently and effectively. Because we should.