Dear Beth:

Please accept this Letter of Request for COVID-19 Rapid Response Funding from the Coatesville Center for Community Health (CCCH) for the purpose of upgrading sanitation protocols to meet the COVID mandates for frequent handwashing.

Area Served - CCCH serves low-income, at-risk residents in the City of Coatesville and surrounding areas annually by providing access to health and social services ‘under one roof’ at a convenient location in Coatesville near public transportation.

Population Served & Covid Response - Most CCCH clients have family incomes 200% or below the federal poverty level and receive multiple services by CCCH’s five tenant agencies. Services have had to be adapted to COVID restrictions of social distancing, handwashing, and sheltering in place. CCCH also provides outreach programs to educate vulnerable Coatesville residents about healthy living issues (i.e. healthy eating, stress management, etc.) and financial survival skills. Many of these programs/workshops have been or will be adapted for virtual presentations with drive through access to supplies. The impact of COVID-19 has been devastating to these already beleaguered low-income residents, while also creating a whole new segment of unemployed, uninsured and food insecure families, who need our health/social and outreach services.

Funding Needed - While CCCH has responded to COVID-19 by adapting traditional service delivery to virtual methods wherever possible, we are also having to adapt our physical plant to make it safe for our staff and those who come to our Center for assistance. One need is to replace all manually-operated bathroom faucets with faucets operated by electronic eyes so no touching is needed to run water, or turn it off with clean hands. COVID mandates require frequent handwashing and this method minimizes the transmission of virus and germs for users. Therefore, CCCH plans to install seven touchless faucets @ $800 per faucet in Center restrooms. The project cost of $5,600 includes faucet purchase and installation. Work on this project is slated to begin within thirty days of acquiring funding.

CCCH is seeking $5,000 (2.7% of the annual operating budget of $178,704) in funding to help underwrite this critical renovation necessary to meet the current COVID-19 mandates and to help insure the health and safety of the individuals whom we serve, as well as our staff.

Sincerely yours,

Kathryn Spurlock
CCCH Executive Director

Please email grants@chescocf.org

X This Brief COVID-19 Rapid Response Mini-Grant Letter of Request
X Copy of annual operating budget or most recent audit
X 501c3 determination letter

Request letters will be posted on the Community Foundation’s website, in order to share with fund advisors, donors, grant panelists, and other funding sources. Grants will be processed a few times monthly. We estimate mini-grants will range from $500 to $5000. Please direct general questions & inquiries about the Rapid Response Mini-Grants to grants@chescocf.org. Beth, Steph, Cierra or Kevin will answer you.