



Contact Information

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EIN: 20-309 4617	Grant \$ Amount Requested: \$10,000.00
Year Founded: 2001	

In filing this application, the nonprofit certifies that it complies with all federal, state & local laws, including taxation; complies with current public health guidelines; and complies with coronavirus pandemic phased reopening restrictions.

Agreed by: Peter Giangiulio 	Date: 10/115/20
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Nonprofit Field/s of Interest

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Arts, Culture & Historic Preservation	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Education	<input type="checkbox"/> Health
<input type="checkbox"/> Community Development	<input type="checkbox"/> Environment & Animal Welfare	<input type="checkbox"/> Human Services

Figures	Current	PRE-COVID (as of 1/1/20)
Annual Operating Budget	\$15,000	\$30,000
Full-Time Equivalent Paid Staff	0	# 0
# Board Volunteers	7	# 7
# Committee Volunteers	5	# 20
# Active Direct Service Volunteers		#
Annual Volunteer Hours	30	# 300

Funding: Please indicate if your nonprofit has received funding from any of these regional sources over the past few years. We will invite them to review this funding request.

<input type="checkbox"/> ChesCo Comm Fdn	<input type="checkbox"/> Brandywine Health Fdtn	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> United Way ChesCo	<input type="checkbox"/> ChesCo Dept Comm Devel
<input type="checkbox"/> ChesCo Fund/W&Girls	<input type="checkbox"/> Phoenixville Comm Health Fdtn	<input type="checkbox"/> United Way S ChesCo	<input type="checkbox"/> ChesCo Dept Health
Other significant funders:			<input type="checkbox"/> ChesCo Dept Human Svcs

Narrative: In a few concise paragraphs, please explain:

1. **Mission**
2. **What geographic area is served?** (If not all of Chester County, specify primary Chester County regions served)
3. **What population is served? How have your service numbers been impacted by COVID?**
4. **What has been the impact of COVID-19, and how has your nonprofit responded?**
5. **What would this funding be used for? How does this demonstrate innovation and resiliency in dealing with COVID impacts? What would be the community impact of this anticipated funding? Why is it important to fund this now?**

Please e-mail all materials as a word.doc and/or pdf to grants@chescocf.org:

This Innovation & Resiliency Fund Grant Request cover sheet & brief narrative
Current annual operating budget & most recent audit
501c3 determination letter
Current strategic plan. If none, explain why your nonprofit doesn't have a plan.
Support materials that strengthen the urgency of this funding request + indicate that your nonprofit is innovative and resilient (ie: COVID best practice research findings, consultant proposal/s, bids for COVID-related materials & equipment, etc.)

- Proposals will only be accepted by e-mail, on this grant form available at <https://chescocf.org/covidgrant/>
 - Receipt of grant proposals will be confirmed by e-mail.
 - Grant proposals will be posted on the Community Foundation's website, in order to share with fund advisors, donors, grant panelists, and other funding sources.
 - Grant proposals will be reviewed weekly.
 - We estimate grants awards will range from \$5,000 to \$50,000.
- For awarded grants, a written report on use and impact of this funding will be due within 6 months.

Please direct questions about **ChesCo Nonprofit Innovation & Resiliency Grants** to

Chester County Community Foundation
28 W. Market Street, The Lincoln Building
West Chester, PA 19382

www.chescocf.org
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COVID – 19 EFFECTS ON KATS OPERATIONS

Each year the Kennett Amateur Theatrical Society (KATS) puts on a number of events in and near Kennett Square, PA that are intended to entertain our community to the British cultural phenomenon known as “Pantomime”. On the first Friday of August we perform a Murder Mystery in downtown Kennett Square. We have up to 300 attendees. In December we host our fund raising Gala with 150 fans and supporters. And, of course, in January we stage our annual Pantomime in the British Style at the Kennett High School. The total income from these events garners about \$20,000 of our \$30,000 annual budget.

Due to COVID-19, none of these events are occurring this year. Instead, we put on a drive through Murder Mystery with 65 cars and 150 attendees. This earned us about \$3,500. Additionally, we are currently putting together a virtual pantomime which will be put up on U-tube in December for all to see. While we will have expenses for this production, it will raise no money for our budget. As you can see, the impact of COVID-19 is profound.

Our long term plan is to resume normal operations in 2021, but to continue to exist until then will require additional funding for ongoing expenses such as rental payments to our storage facility, insurances, etc. as well as startup costs for next year’s events. Money from this grant would go a long way towards these necessary expenditures.

For all of these, KATS is seeking a grant from the Chester County Community Foundation of \$10,000. If you consider the value of our contribution to the culture of our county and its citizens, I believe that this grant is well worth its price.

KENNETT AMATEUR THEATRICAL SOCIETY, INC.' S MISSION STATEMENT

The primary mission of KATS is to introduce the Chester County area to the British style of musical comedy known as Pantomime. For the past 20 years, the organization has presented three performances of its annual show each January.

KATS provides an opportunity for local amateur actors, musicians and stage crew to participate in every step of the production, from auditions to post performance. Our members come from a wide range of ethnic backgrounds and span ages from 6 to 76, with varying abilities. It is our policy that everyone who auditions will appear on stage. In addition, audience participation, especially in the songs, is a traditional part of the pantomime experience.

The Pantomime attracts more than 1,000 attendees from a large geographic area. However, more than 80% of the audience is from Chester County, Pennsylvania. The rest are primarily from Delaware, New Jersey, and Maryland, but we also get a few each year from as far away as England.

All 100 of the administrators, cast, crew and musicians are volunteers. They get no monetary compensation for their time and hard work. Their reward is in taking part in an endeavor that brings joy to so many. All who do so experience cultural and personal growth that carries forward into the rest of their lives. For many of our younger members, it is an introduction to theater arts that helps shape their college majors and beyond.