



## **REQUEST FOR GRANT PROPOSALS ZELINDA LEBOUTILLIER CHARITABLE FOUNDATION**

The Chester County Community Foundation accepts applications from selected nonprofit charitable causes for the **Zelinda LeBoutillier Charitable Foundation**, a fund of the Chester County Community Foundation.

**Proposals are due by May 28th.** Upon review of the initial proposals, a site visit may be conducted of the finalists. Grants will be awarded in the fall.

Please use the attached Grant Proposal Format to apply for a grant.

Grant applications should be submitted electronically by May 28th to [grants@chescofc.org](mailto:grants@chescofc.org). The e-mail heading should read: Grant Proposal Submission- Zelinda LeBoutillier Charitable Foundation

Please note that all grant applications will be available electronically on the Chester County Community Foundation's website for additional consideration for grant funding by the Community Foundation's Donor Advised Fund Advisors.

Questions? Please contact:  
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*Chester County*  
COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

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### I. SUMMARY SHEET

*(One page only. This page will be shared with Grant Committee Members.)*

*Note: If the Philanthropy Network's Common Grant Application is used, this Summary Sheet MUST accompany application.  
Please visit our website at [www.chescocf.org](http://www.chescocf.org) to obtain an electronic version of this application.*

**Date: May 24, 2021**

#### **Contact Information:**

Organization Name: ALS Hope Foundation  
Address: PO Box 40777, Philadelphia, PA 19107  
Phone: 215-568-2426  
Fax:  
Web Address: <https://www.alshf.org/>  
Contact Name: Sarah Adickes  
Contact Title: Development Director  
Contact E-mail: [sadickes@alshopefoundation.org](mailto:sadickes@alshopefoundation.org)  
Year Incorporated: 1999

**Has your nonprofit previously applied to the Community Foundation:** Yes  No

#### **Field/s of Interest:**

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

#### **Organizational Information:**

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

The region we serve includes Chester County as well as Philadelphia and the tristate area.

#### **Annual # of Clients & Description of Population Served:**

The ALS Hope Foundation supports the MDA/ALS Center of Hope, a multidisciplinary clinic that provides care for approximately 150 people with ALS at any given time, and also serves their families, caregivers, and advocates. We also serve families and loved ones of people with ALS who have passed away with continued resources and social support.

#### **Mission Statement:**

The mission of the ALS Hope Foundation is to provide long-term support to:

1. Clinical centers of excellence for the care and treatment of people with ALS
2. Provide clinical and basic research programs leading to a cure
3. Support programs for people with ALS and their caregivers that optimize care and promote independence
4. Programs that promote education about diagnosis, treatment, and care.

**Organization Description:**

Annual Budget <u>\$597,098</u>	<u>2</u>	# of Full-Time Equivalent Paid Staff
<u>70%</u> % of budget for program expenses	<u>10</u>	# of Board Volunteers
<u>20%</u> % of budget for administrative expenses	<u>15</u>	# of Active Non-Board Volunteers
<u>10%</u> % of budget for fundraising expenses	<u>1,000+</u>	# of Volunteer Hours
<i>100 % total</i>		

**Top 3-5 funding sources:**

Our major sources of funding are from fundraising events, individual and community donations, IMOs (in memory of donations) and grants.

***Proposal Information:***

Grant Amount Requested: \$2,500

Summary Description of Grant Purpose:

We would like to apply these funds to our general operating costs so that this money can be used where it is most needed for any of the clinical, educational, or research activities described in detail in the grant narrative below. We would expend these funds within the fiscal year and they would support our clinical care services, educational programs, research initiatives, and general operating costs.



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### II. GRANT PROPOSAL NARRATIVE

*Please provide the following information clearly and concisely.  
Proposals of 1 or 2 pages are strongly encouraged.*

- 1. Organization's history, goals, key achievements and distinctiveness**
- 2. Funding request:**
  - A. Specific Chester County needs and issues addressed**
  - B. Organizational impact (for general operating proposals) or project impact (for project proposals)**
  - C. Overall strategies to implement the organization's mission (or project)**
  - D. Why it is important to fund this now**
- 3. Timetable, with anticipated outcomes and their relevance to the nonprofit's mission**
- 4. How impact and results will be demonstrated**

*The Narrative below answers all of the questions above. Thank you!*

The ALS Hope Foundation provides funding for the MDA/ALS Center of Hope, a nationally recognized multidisciplinary ALS clinic, along with the Dr. Robert Sinnott Research Lab at Temple University School of Medicine.

The MDA/ALS Center of Hope has served the Philadelphia and tri-state region since 1984, providing the best care possible for people living with ALS through a multidisciplinary approach. This enables the person living with ALS (PALS) to see a physical therapist, occupational therapist, speech pathologist, mental health professional, nutritionist, and respiratory therapist, along with the physician and nurse coordinator, in a single visit. Care is directed at state-of-the-art treatment while promoting independence and quality of life. The MDA/ALS Center of Hope is not only a place for healthcare, it is a warm and safe place for PALS and their families and caregivers to express concerns, fears, and needs to a team of health care professionals dedicated to supporting them. The ALS Hope Foundation is dedicated to making a difference to PALS and their families through the clinical care provided at the MDA/ALS Center of Hope.

In addition, the ALS Hope Foundation supports the infrastructure at the Center of Hope that enables PALS to participate in clinical research as part of their clinical care. Clinical research is a broad term, encompassing clinical trials (studies on the effect of a medicine on the disease or its symptoms) and clinical study that examines other aspects of the illness. With the support of the ALS Hope Foundation, the MDA/ALS Center of Hope has participated in more than 30 drug trials, as well as studies that have increased our understanding of respiratory care and cognitive changes. We have

collected valuable tissue samples for research in our bio-repository and also focused on the use of technology to improve PALS' quality of life, including the development of Brain Computer Interfaces. Clinical research at the Center of Hope complements our basic research program, in the hope that promising therapeutics identified at the lab bench can be tested for efficacy in the clinic. The ALS Hope Foundation makes clinical research at the Center of Hope possible through its supportive funding.

Additionally, the ALS Hope Foundation supports the Dr. Robert Sinnott Research Lab at Temple University School of Medicine. The laboratory has collaborated across university and industry boundaries to develop potential new targets for the treatment of ALS, develop markers for disease severity, and bring new drugs to people living with ALS. The lab has also developed new animal models of disease and is studying genes that can modify disease.

As part of its educational programming, the ALS Hope Foundation provides education for health care professionals who care for PALS; educational events to inform PALS, caregivers, and the public about ALS and research. In this regard, we have hosted the Clinical Research Learning Institute (CRLI), educating PALS and caregivers to advocate for research. This highlights our collaborative spirit. On an international level, the ALS Hope Foundation has supported the International Alliance of ALS/MND Associations, including through sponsorship of the educational program for allied healthcare professionals, the Allied Professionals Forum, from both developed and developing regions, and we have been an active participant in the American ALS coalition "Collaboration for a Cure."

The ALS Hope Foundation's mission is, in short, to make a difference in the lives of people living with ALS. All of our programs are aimed at achieving this mission. With the help of these funds, we will continue to provide the best care available to PALS living with the disease today, and to develop research and educational programs that offer hope for the future.

It is critical that we develop these programs and initiatives now and continue to support people living with ALS in our community. Their needs are great, and the time to act is now!

Please note in terms of timetable that we will expend these funds within the fiscal year.

Finally, on a personal note, we remember fondly our time caring for Bo LeBoutillier at the MDA/ALS Center of Hope. Bo and Linda were vital members of the ALS Hope family of PALS and advocates, and their legacy continues to make a difference. Their lives and contributions made a huge impact on our team, and their generosity has helped us continue to support PALS in our community. We are grateful for the opportunity to apply for this funding.

### **III. ATTACHMENTS**

*Please attach the following support information:*

1. Copy of 501 (c) (3) federal tax-exempt letter
2. List of Board of Directors, with their affiliations
3. Most recent annual report and financial statement, audited if available

4. Itemized organizational operating budget with actual results for prior fiscal year and current fiscal year to date
5. Itemized project budget (if applying for project-specific grant)

*Note: The Philanthropy Network's Grant Application may be submitted with CCCF Summary Sheet. Please visit our website at [www.chescocf.org](http://www.chescocf.org) to obtain an electronic version of this application. E-mail applications are strongly encouraged.*

Please e-mail completed applications to:  
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**THANK YOU!**



## ZELINDA LEBOUTILLIER CHARITABLE FOUNDATION

### *Mission...*

The Zelinda LeBoutillier Charitable Foundation makes grants to charities that were near and dear to Linda's heart.

### *About Zelinda...*

Zelinda LeBoutillier, CEO of Waterloo Gardens, was the only daughter of James and Anna Paolini of Devon, who founded Waterloo Gardens in 1942. Zelinda married Robert (Bo) LeBoutillier, former President and CEO of Waterloo Gardens, in 1951. They had shared 49 years of marriage at the time of his passing in October of 2001.

Though Zelinda served on many boards and contributed to the community in many ways, what she was really known for was her generous heart. She was called "Mama Linda" affectionately by many because she was truly a mother to all. At Waterloo Gardens, she founded The Cooking School, which operated from 1980-1985. She also wrote a cookbook, ***Cooking with Fresh Herbs.***

Zelinda was very involved in the management of Waterloo Gardens including purchasing, hiring, and marketing. She was the first woman chosen to serve on the Retailer Magazine panel. Zelinda traveled the country speaking to Nursery and Garden Center Associations on marketing in the industry. She also served on the Board of the Pennsylvania Nursery Association and was a very active member of the Marketing Committee.

***The Wall Street Journal*** quoted Zelinda on the first page with regard to industry market trends. Zelinda LeBoutillier is listed in the 1990 edition of **Who's Who in American Executives.**

Zelinda was an active philanthropist. She received the Harold Martin Leadership Award from the Exton Chamber of Commerce in 2007. She also received the 2005 Citizen of the Year Award from the Berwyn-Devon Business and Professional Association. Boards Zelinda served on include: ALS Hope Foundation, Cabrini College, Bishop Shanahan High School, and Williamson School. She was the State Chairperson for The American Family Institute: Gift of Time and the West Whiteland Chairperson for the American Heart Foundation.

Community was very important to Zelinda. She was a Girl Scout Leader for 10 years and served on the Board of Freedom Valley Girl Scouts. She was also Treasurer of Daylesford Abbey Woman's Guild and President of Sts. Philip and James Mothers' Club. Zelinda was very active in the Calvary Fellowship Church. She joined the Ventures Group and supported many mission trips and local community events to help children.