

GRANT PROPOSAL GUIDELINES

- The Chester County Community Foundation **connects people who care with the causes that matter**, so their philanthropy makes a difference **now & forever**.
- We are **a collection of Field of Interest & Donor Advised Funds** with **\$5M + granted annually** to nonprofits in Chester County & beyond.
- **99%** of our grants are made by our generous Fund Advisors, who make grant decisions all year.

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

Field of Interest & Donor Advised Funds (No Deadline)

- ◇ Grants **focus on Chester County** causes & issues, but are not limited to Chester County.
- ◇ Charitable nonprofits working **in all fields of interest** are considered for grant awards. (I.e. arts, culture, & humanities; education; community improvement; environment; religion; health; & human services)
- ◇ **General operating** grants are encouraged. Nonprofits should be specific about their mission, goals, & measurable outcomes.
- ◇ Proposals can be submitted **anytime all year**.
- ◇ Grant decisions are made **intermittently** all year, as Fund Advisors desire.
- ◇ Grant **awards** typically range from **\$500-\$7,500**.

Fund for Chester County Capacity Building Grants (Due 9/13)

- ◇ For eligibility in this grant program, nonprofits must be **located in & serve Chester County**.
- ◇ Nonprofits **budgets** must be **\$500,000 or less**.
- ◇ The goal of capacity building grants is to **strengthen the effectiveness of NPO's serving the region**, see page 4 for more details on the areas including:
 - Mission, Vision & Strategy
 - Governance & Leadership
 - Partnerships & Collaborations
 - Operations & Technology
 - Fundraising, Development & Marketing
- ◇ Proposals submitted between **July 1 - Sept. 13** are eligible for consideration.
- ◇ Grant **awards** typically range from **\$500-\$5,000**, with monies distributed by **February**.

- Use this form @ www.chescocf.org to apply online for grants from all Community Foundation Funds.
- **Email proposals to grants@chescocf.org**
- Proposals are considered "complete" when CCCF has **confirmed** receipt of the **Grant Proposal Summary Sheet, Narrative & Attachments**.
- Proposals are shared electronically and online with Fund Advisors, Donors & Grant Panels.
- Per IRS Regulations, applicants **must be** charitable, tax exempt organizations with 501(c)(3) certification & **cannot** be individuals.

Please contact Grants Administrator **Kevin Baffa** at **(610)-698-8211** or grants@chescocf.org with any questions.

I. CHESTER COUNTY COMMUNITY FOUNDATION GRANT PROPOSAL SUMMARY SHEET

One page only. This page will be shared electronically with Grant Panel Members & Fund Advisors.

Note: If Philanthropy Network's Common Grant Application is used, CCCF's **Summary Sheet MUST accompany application.**

To obtain an electronic version of this application, visit www.chescocf.org

Date

Contact Information

Organization Name: Youth Mentoring Partnership
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Year Incorporated: 2007
FEIN:26-1366523

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Organization Information:

Field/s of Interest:

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

Mission:

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

Describe Population Served & Annual Number of People Served:

Annual Budget \$ 1,700,000 22 # of Full-Time Equivalent Paid Staff
86 % of budget for program expenses 10 # of Board Volunteers
8 % of budget for administrative expenses 25 # of Active Non-Board Volunteers
6 % of budget for fundraising expenses 125 # of Volunteer Hours
100 % total

Top 3-5 funding sources:

Is this grant proposal for: Capacity Building or General Operating ?

If Capacity Building Proposal, the focus is:

Mission, Vision & Strategy Governance & Leadership Partnerships & Collaborations
 Fundraising, Development & Marketing Technology Other: _____

Grant Amount Requested from the Community Foundation: \$ 5000

Proposal Summary:

Research concludes that far too many kids are growing up without even one constant, positive adult in their lives and is a key reason for the amount of poverty and violent crime we experience here in our Geater Philadelphia. We ask your CCCF to help support our mentoring of hundreds of kids living in Coatesville to better prepare them for success in life.

II. CHESTER COUNTY COMMUNITY FOUNDATION GRANT PROPOSAL NARRATIVE

Provide clear, concise information. 3 pages maximum.

II. CCCF Grant Proposal Narrative 2023

YMP has become a significant resource to the Coatesville community, especially the kids and young adults who are vulnerable to social emotional learning challenges.

In 2007, a Private Public Partnership between; The Pennsylvania Commission on Crime & Delinquency, the YMCA, the County of Chester and Fitness Trainers Incorporated. Research made it clear and has showed that 1/3 of the kids growing up in our region were doing so without even one constant, positive adult in their lives. Due to this research findings, YMP was born to overcome this challenge.

It is clear the amount of Adverse Child Experiences (ACES) contributes to; violent crime, drug and alcohol abuse, bullying, teenage pregnancy, truancy and lack of skill sets to live a contributing and productive life is due to so many kids are growing up with this issue and due to no fault of their own. The number one defector of this issue is having a mentor in a kid's life to shows they are cared for, they matter and that someone is on their side, cheering them on and helping them find the right path forward.

YMP provides full-time, professionally trained and vetted mentors to boys and girls, within the Coatesville Area and teaches kids (grades 6th-12th) our Social Emotional Learning curriculum of: SMART Goal setting, Grit & Gratitude all through an environment of sport and fitness.

Due to the post COVID impact on the kids, YMP hired more mentors, from 8 to ????? to join CASD Physical Education teachers, within their gym classes, to teach our 3G curriculum, Goals, Grit & Gratitude. This allows our YMP mentors to see their students on a daily basis, multiple times throughout the week providing that constant and positive adult guidance. Our Social Emotional Learning (SEL) curriculum addresses impulse controlled behaviors in which many of these kids would not be able to handle or tolerate without those life lessons. YMP also participated in eleven (11) summer sports camps allowing us to continue being engaged and teaching our 3G throughout the summer months. Lastly, YMP was again invited to participate in SEL teaching to the CASD coaching staff of all of their sports teams assuring the kids are getting the very best coaching techniques available both for their respective sport but also in life decision making skills.

YMP is heavily invested in Coatesville and the kids living in the city. Our organization has grown to provide a greater presence in the city, to serve even more kids. With this growth, hiring more full-time mentors and support staff, brings cost challenges to the organization.

We want to thank CCCF for their work through COVID by doing such a wonderful job administering county funds to support our YMP and so many small businesses and nonprofits throughout Chester County.

Due to the tremendous need and because YMP has the proof of concept and scalability, we are confident in the Return on Investment to our investors and supporters. We will be dependent on

CCCF, partnering with YMP through your DAFs, to help support our on-going operations and help us to grow to serve more kids in Coatesville and expand into other locations within Chester County.

Thank you for your efforts and any consideration your funders give to our Youth Mentoring Partnership.