

March 17 2026

Zelinda LeBoutillier Charitable Foundation

28 West Market Street

West Chester, PA 19382

Dear Zelinda LeBoutillier, Charitable Foundation,

First, thank you for your past generosity and partnership with The Peacemaker Center. Your support has had an outstanding impact on the lives of families and individuals in our community.

This year, The Peacemaker Center is focusing on expanding access to mental health services for low-income communities, due to the increased prices of healthcare in Chester County. The Peacemaker Center respectfully requests \$3,000 to go towards our scholarship fund, to help children and teens struggling with anxiety and depression with limited financial resources.

The Peacemaker Center is a 501c3 Non-Profit organization, serving the community for over 25 years. We currently serve over 330 clients a week. We are seeing a growing number of children and teens struggling with anxiety and depression, many of whom cannot access consistent care due to financial hardship. We serve people on a sliding scale basis with over 45% of our client population having an annual family income of \$50,000 or less. Grant funding would directly offset the cost of sessions for individuals within this income bracket, ensuring that financial hardships do not prevent access to care.

Your funding would help us increase the number of families we can help within the community by reducing unmet mental health needs. The \$3000 grant would provide approximately 75-100 reduced rate sessions total to children and/or teens. Each request for lower rate services is carefully considered and approved based on their needs. Our strategy to apply the scholarship fund is to assess financial needs and determine the appropriate amount of reduced rate per individual.

On behalf of our board and staff, we thank you for your generous support of The Peacemaker Center and for your consideration of this request. Please feel free to contact me with any further questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Scott Edwards". The signature is stylized with a large "S" and "E" and a cursive "t" and "d".

Scott Edwards

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Director of Operations

The Peacemaker Center

368 W. Uwchlan Ave, Downingtown, PA 19335

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

Date: **03/17/2026**

Contact Information:

Organization Name: **The Peacemaker Center**

Contact Name: **Scott Edwards**

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Contact Title: **Director of Operations**

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Web Address: **www.thepeacemakercenter.org**

Year Incorporated: **2000**

Has your nonprofit previously applied to the Community Foundation: **Yes**

Field/s of Interest: **Human Services**

Organizational Information:

Geographic Area Served: **All of Chester County and within Tri-counties**

Annual # of Clients & Description of Population Served: **1777 Clients (2025)**

Mission Statement: **To help people find peace with God, themselves and others regardless of their ability to pay for sessions.**

Organization Description: **The Peacemaker Center is a 501c3 Non-Profit organization specializing in counseling services for everyone, regardless of their ability to pay. We provide individual, couples, family, and group therapy.**

Annual Budget \$ 1,649,000

7 # of Full-Time Equivalent Paid Staff

81.02% of budget for program expenses / 7 Board Volunteers

18.68% of budget for administrative expenses / 9 Active Non-Board Volunteers

.30% of budget for fundraising expenses / 209 volunteer hours

100 % total

Top 3-5 funding sources:

Willowdale Chapel

Life Counseling Ministries

Berks County Children and Youth Services

University of Valley Forge Health Center

Liberty Ministries

Proposal Information:

Grant Amount Requested: **\$3000**

Summary Description of Grant Purpose:

The purpose of the grant is to provide financial assistance for low-income children and teens to access reduced-cost mental health counseling sessions, ensuring that financial hardship does not prevent them from receiving care for anxiety and depression. The grant would go towards The Peacemaker Center's scholarship fund, to help offset the cost of therapy sessions.