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PHL COVID-19 Fund Deploys Funds to Aid Pandemic Recovery Efforts

\$2.1 million in Community Reopening Grants were awarded to 80 regional nonprofits

PHILADELPHIA – The PHL COVID-19 Fund announced awardees of its Community Reopening Grants. In its seventh round of funding, the Fund awarded \$2.1 million to 80 nonprofit organizations with specific needs pertaining to their transitions to recovery.

The Fund, launched on March 19 and led by the Philadelphia Foundation and United Way of Greater Philadelphia and Southern New Jersey (UWGPSNJ) was established in an effort to rapidly deploy aid to nonprofits serving on the frontlines of the coronavirus. In total, the Fund has awarded 548 grants totaling \$17.5 million.

The Community Reopening Grants will support social safety-net organizations providing the infrastructure to enable individuals to safely return to work. Among those organizations receiving grants are It Takes Philly and Resources for Human Development (RHD).

It Takes Philly operates The Black Doctors COVID-19 Consortium (BDCC). BDCC provides education and COVID-19 testing in the African American community, a population, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), who is at disproportionate risk to the effects of COVID-19. The BDCC has created a mobile testing unit, serving residents in Bucks, Camden, Chester, Delaware, Montgomery and Philadelphia counties, that does not require a car, appointment, primary care referral or insurance. The CDC points to mass testing as a critical prevention point in the spread of the COVID-19 virus, which makes BDCC’s work a vital service as the region moves into the recovery phase.

“Thank you to the PHL COVID-19 Fund for acknowledging and supporting our work towards mitigating the spread of COVID-19 disease in the hardest hit African American community,” said Ala Stanford, MD and Founder of BDCC. “This will assist in our efforts towards a sustainable equity center that works to improving health outcomes in all areas of health beyond the pandemic.”

Serving some of the region’s most vulnerable residents in Philadelphia, Montgomery, Bucks, Camden, and Chester counties, RHD is a human services nonprofit that specializes in creating innovative, quality services that support people of all abilities. As the organization prepares for reopening, particularly its youth summer programs, funds are needed to ensure staff, program participants and the facility are equipped with proper supplies and materials to keep everyone safe.

“As we navigate these uncharted waters, we have to ensure that critical resources remain available and accessible to those who need it the most. As an organization who serves vulnerable populations, we are committed to the lives that we touch in each one of our programs,” said Marco Giordano, CEO of Resources for Human Development. “We are immensely grateful to the response efforts provided by the PHL COVID-19 Fund. Funds from this grant will ensure that we are able to continue providing life-saving community services.”

“The process to reopen our communities and meaningfully recover from this pandemic takes a marathon effort and the only way we can measurably move forward is by tackling these hurdles together,” said Bill Golderer, President & CEO of UWGPSNJ. “The PHL COVID-19 Fund has quickly responded to emerging needs while stabilizing the safety-nets for those hardest hit by the virus and ensuring that the right resources are in place for our neighbors to safely return to work.”

“The COVID-19 pandemic has changed the way we operate as community,” said Pedro Ramos, President & CEO of Philadelphia Foundation. “What hasn’t changed is our desire to work and play alongside one another. In order to do that, we need to carefully consider the health and wellbeing of our neighbors. That accountability calls for a higher level of resources, many of which are provided by the safety-net organizations serving our communities.”

The PHL COVID-19 Fund prioritizes supporting people who are hardest hit by the coronavirus crisis, such as seniors, people experiencing homelessness, those with disabilities, low-income residents without health insurance, people with substance abuse disorder and survivors of abuse.

The complete list of grantees for the seventh round of funding can be found below and is available at www.PHLCOVID19Fund.org.

For more information and updates, follow the Fund on Twitter at twitter.com/phlCOVID19fund.

PHL COVID-19 FUND GRANTEES: June 25, 2020

Organizations that received funding in this round are:

A Woman's Place	\$ 10,000
ACHIEVEability	\$ 60,000
After-School All-Stars	\$ 60,000
AIDS Law Project of Pennsylvania	\$ 10,000

Art-Reach	\$ 50,000
Bebashi - Transition to Hope	\$ 33,520
Bethesda Project	\$ 40,000
Bridge Academy & Community Center	\$ 10,000
Camden Prep	\$ 40,000
Casino Reinvestment Development Authority	\$ 40,000
Center-Philadelphia	\$ 7,000
Centro de Apoyo Comunitario	\$ 5,000
Chester County Hospital Foundation	\$ 25,000
Chester Eastside	\$ 20,000
Coatesville Youth Initiative	\$ 20,000
Community of Compassion	\$ 6,000
Community Service Foundation	\$ 15,000
Community Volunteers in Medicine	\$ 25,000
Congreso de Latinos Unidos	\$ 60,000
Daemion Counseling Center	\$ 10,000
Deaf-Hearing Communication Centre	\$ 28,000
EducationWorks	\$ 60,000
Einstein Medical Center Philadelphia	\$ 25,000
Face to Face	\$ 50,000
Gemma Services	\$ 25,000
Girls First of Norristown	\$ 4,000
Global Citizen	\$ 10,000
Hispanic Family Center of Southern NJ	\$ 30,000
Interfaith Caregivers of Haddonfield	\$ 15,000
It Takes Philly	\$ 60,000
Jenkintown Day Nursery	\$ 22,000

Liguori Academy	\$ 25,000
Lions Eye Bank of Delaware Valley	\$ 20,000
LiveWell Foundation	\$ 7,000
Make The World Better Foundation	\$ 15,000
MECCA Early Child Care	\$ 35,000
Mission First	\$ 7,000
Morrisville Senior Servicer LLC	\$ 5,000
NO MO Inc.	\$ 27,000
Norristown Hospitality Center	\$ 30,000
Northeast Community Center for Behavioral Health	\$ 25,000
Orion Communities	\$ 25,000
Penn Foundation	\$ 25,000
Penndel Middletown Emergency Squad	\$ 25,000
Pennridge Community Center	\$ 7,000
Philadelphia Chinatown Development Corporation	\$ 60,000
Philadelphia Corporation for Aging	\$ 50,000
Philip Jaisohn Memorial Foundation	\$ 60,000
Phoenixville Area Children's Learning Center	\$ 25,000
Play and Learn	\$ 25,000
Plymouth Community Ambulance Association	\$ 30,000
Pottstown Cluster of Religious Communities	\$ 20,000
Providence Center	\$ 5,000
Resources for Human Development	\$ 40,000
Ronald McDonald House of Southern New Jersey	\$ 8,000
Safe Haven Family Life Center	\$ 7,000
Saint James School	\$ 5,000

Sankofa Healing Studio	\$ 7,000
Skippack Emergency Medical Services	\$ 5,000
Smart Center of Child Development and Education	\$ 60,000
People in Northeast	\$ 25,000
SquashSmarts	\$ 40,000
St. Cyprian Children's Center	\$ 25,000
The Arc of Chester County	\$ 30,000
The Caring Center	\$ 25,000
The Clinic	\$ 40,000
The Place of Refuge	\$ 17,000
The Sparrow Fund	\$ 6,000
The Welcome Church (Welcome Bread)	\$ 4,000
Trades for a Difference	\$ 30,000
Tri-Hampton Rescue Squad	\$ 20,000
Upper Bucks Activity Center	\$ 5,000
Utility Emergency Services Fund	\$ 25,000
Victim/Witness Services of South Philadelphia	\$ 8,000
Wagner Free Institute of Science	\$ 30,000
West Philadelphia Financial Services Institution	\$ 60,000
Whosoever Gospel Mission and Rescue Home Association	\$ 50,000
YMCA Greater Brandywine	\$ 25,000
YMCA of Bucks County	\$ 25,000
YWCA Tri-County Area	\$ 50,000

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United Way of Greater Philadelphia and Southern New Jersey, serving communities in Pennsylvania's Chester, Delaware, Montgomery and Philadelphia counties, and New Jersey's Atlantic, Burlington, Camden, Cape May and Cumberland counties, is part of a national network of more than 1,300 locally governed organizations that work to create lasting positive changes in communities and in people's lives. United Way fights for the health, education and financial stability of every person in every community. In Greater Philadelphia and Southern New Jersey, United Way fights for youth success and family stability because we LIVE UNITED against intergenerational poverty. For more information about United Way of Greater Philadelphia and Southern New Jersey visit www.UnitedForImpact.org.

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