



WISH BOOK 2020

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A barn in rural Salem, Pennsylvania, just an hour from the City of Pittsburgh in Westmoreland County, where nonprofits are working to meet the needs of residents. Image by Joshua Franzos.

Over the years, the Wish Book has become a cherished philanthropic tradition that inspires our donors to give. Never has this tradition been more important than it is now, when our society faces economic and social fall-out from the COVID-19 pandemic and unrest from racist violence against people of color.

Record numbers of Pennsylvanians have lost their jobs, triggering never-before-seen demand for basic needs such as food and housing. Educational and after-school providers have completely reconfigured programs to serve children and families virtually. Arts organizations have found ways to present and teach online. Parks and trails have adjusted to welcome record crowds. And, through it all, essential workers caring for seniors, children and people with disabilities have continued to serve with great courage and dignity, despite risks to their own health.

For these reasons, Wish Book takes a different approach this year. Instead of asking donors to fund specific items, we're asking you to provide operating funds that nonprofits can use to meet their greatest

needs, be they salaries, rent or utilities, or protective equipment for staff. The needs are so great that we've also increased the number of nonprofits featured in this book from 75 to 100.

Your gifts of unrestricted operating support this year are a demonstration of trust in each of these organizations, of faith in their leadership, and of gratitude for their innovation and hard work.

MAKING GRANTS IS EASY

To contribute, contact your donor services representative or visit **www.pittsburghfoundation.org/wishbook** and complete your transaction online or via email.

Your grant, no matter the size, makes a special holiday, anniversary or birthday gift. From all of us at The Pittsburgh Foundation, thank you for supporting the community we call home.



Panorama of a sunny day over Pittsburgh from Mt. Washington. Image by Dave DiCello.

An aerial photograph of the Pittsburgh skyline, featuring numerous skyscrapers and buildings along the riverfront. The text 'TABLE OF CONTENTS' is overlaid in large, white, bold, sans-serif capital letters across the center of the image. Below the title, on the left side, are three lines of text: 'Arts, Culture and Humanities 6', 'Community Development and Environmental Stewardship 20', and 'Education 30'. On the right side, there are three lines of text: 'Families, Children and Youth 40', 'Health and Special Needs 50', and 'Human Services 62'. The background shows the city's dense urban landscape, the Allegheny River, and a bridge in the foreground under a blue sky with scattered white clouds.

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ACH Clear Pathways



ACH Clear Pathways nurtures creativity in youth and families through visual and performing arts. The pandemic caused ACH to adapt programming to a virtual platform, requiring additional planning, supplies and technology upgrades. The organization also lost an estimated \$50,000 due to canceled rental events at the Elsie H. Hillman Auditorium, revenue essential for the maintenance of the Kaufmann Center, which ACH recently purchased. ACH wishes to provide 20 students who are enrolled in its artistic programming with a place to attend school virtually from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., Monday through Thursday. It requests operating support that will be used in part to purchase 20 laptops and to provide breakfast, lunch, dinner and a snack, and to hire four certified teachers.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Allegheny

POPULATION SERVED

ACH serves 1,500 to 3,000 individuals yearly.

\$5,000

Arcade Comedy Theater



Arcade Comedy Theater elevates and advances the art of comedy. The theater is typically a bustling comedy center full of weekly performances, events, classes and rehearsals. Due to COVID-19, the theater has had to temporarily close its doors. The organization anticipates \$150,000 in revenue losses in 2020. In response to the pandemic, Arcade Comedy Theater now offers online and outdoor shows and classes, and hopes to restore joy, laughter and community in downtown Pittsburgh. Hosting classes outside requires an increase in expenses for cleaning and safety equipment, and brings in less revenue due to a flexible return policy and selling fewer seats. The organization hopes to provide a safe environment for artists and guests to enjoy comedy until it can return to normal operations.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Allegheny

POPULATION SERVED

Each year, the theater serves 22,500 audience members of all ages, teaches 575 Arcade Academy students and hosts more than 350 local performers.

\$5,000

Assemble



Assemble envisions diverse neighborhoods of empowered people who create, connect, learn and transform together. It builds confidence through making by uniting artists, technologists, makers and learners. During the pandemic, Assemble has shifted to virtual programs, but it may not be reaching many of the children and youth who would normally attend programs. This fall, it aims to help youth access the technology they need to connect with their schools and with Assemble. Operating funds will also support technology needs and a mobile hand-washing sink for in-person program safety. Assemble will also keep masks on hand, and it will cost at least \$200 a month to disinfect its space to be compliant with COVID-19 precautions.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Allegheny

POPULATION SERVED

Assemble serves 2,400 youth a year through programs at its space in Garfield and in schools across Pittsburgh.

\$5,000

Film Pittsburgh



Film Pittsburgh presents international independent films that deepen audiences' understanding of various cultures, expand acceptance of others and help recognize our common humanity. This spring, pandemic-related physical distancing required Film Pittsburgh to cancel its JFilm Festival and the remainder of Teen Screen in-theater screenings. After the change to online programming, Film Pittsburgh lost more than \$50,000 in ticket and advertising sales. The 2020 Film Pittsburgh Fall Festival must also be held online, and it is uncertain how much revenue will be generated through ticket sales. Film Pittsburgh seeks funds to help subsidize the loss of ticket income so that the organization can sustain until audiences are able to gather again in a movie theater.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Allegheny

POPULATION SERVED

Each year, Film Pittsburgh's engaging, inclusive programming reaches more than 20,000 people of all races, religions, ages and abilities.

\$5,000

Fine Art Miracles Inc. (FAM)



Fine Art Miracles Inc. is a nonprofit organization providing the benefits of fine art, creative art therapies and social robotics to people of all ages. FAM primarily serves residents of nursing homes, memory care units and group homes. Due to COVID-19, access to facilities is limited. While sheltering in place, adults with intellectual or developmental disabilities, Down syndrome, autism and Alzheimer's are experiencing loneliness, depression and decline. Rising to the challenge, FAM is offering ART2GO Packaged Art Lessons, which are packaged creative expression kits that are dropped off for clients. ART2GO packages are meant to ignite creativity while relieving stress. The organization seeks operating funds so it can continue to lift the spirits of the more than 600 residents it serves in nursing facilities and group homes.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Allegheny

POPULATION SERVED

Each year, the organization serves about 6,000 people of all ages.

\$5,000

Gemini Theater Company



The Gemini Theater Company's mission is to cultivate creativity, imagination and originality through the performing arts. The organization conducts interactive, musical performances for children and their families, and offers acting classes, summer camps and outreach performances at schools in the Pittsburgh and surrounding areas. Due to closures and subsequent limited reopening as a result of the pandemic, the organization is seeking operating funds to offset the cost of maintaining teaching positions. Demand for classes is higher due to the increased number of families seeking classes for their children as well. These funds would ensure that Gemini Theater Company can offer affordable pricing, especially for those who are experiencing financial hardship as a result of COVID-19 work loss.

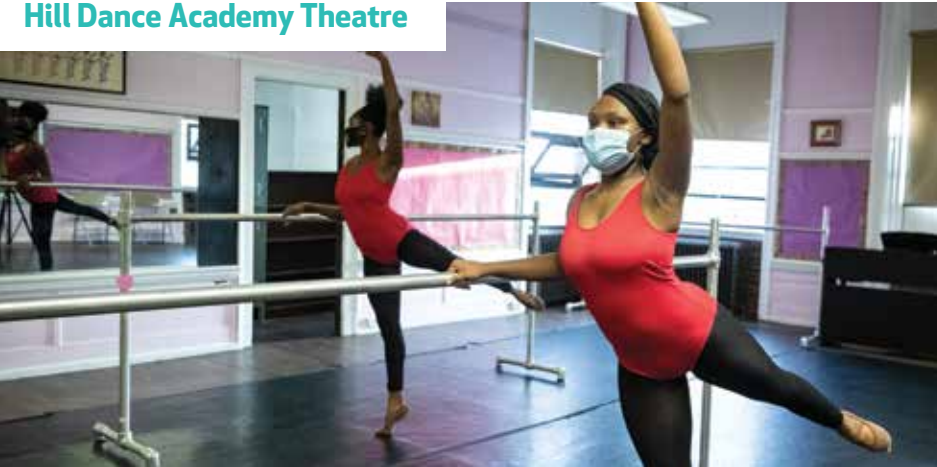
PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Allegheny

POPULATION SERVED

Last year, the company served approximately 8,500 people, including the public and student audiences.

\$5,000

Hill Dance Academy Theatre



Hill Dance Academy Theatre develops, trains and supports the dance aspirations and careers of Black and Brown children and youth ages 3–18. Due to the pandemic, the academy suspended in-person classes. The academy is aware of the gap in resources among its student population, and the impact on them of the digital divide. In an effort to provide equitable resources to its students, the academy is initiating a home studio for students enrolled in the fall season. The studio will include a ballet barre, portable dance floor, equipment for fitness classes, wireless headphones with mics, laptops and hot spots. Operating funds will help the academy enroll 30 students in creative movement pre-professional-level classes.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Allegheny

POPULATION SERVED

Each year, Hill Dance Academy Theatre serves 1,800 to 2,000 students in dance classes and community performances.

\$4,800

Latrobe Art Center



The mission of Latrobe Art Center is to create a welcoming environment that encourages and fosters the creativity and artistic development of each individual through exhibitions, school and group tours, and art classes for art lovers of all ages and skill sets. The center closed its in-person operations for two months during the initial quarantine, and reopening has been limited, greatly reducing revenue and resulting in staff cuts. During COVID-19, the organization has experienced increased demand for virtual programs and services. The center asks for \$5,000 in operating support to meet new technological needs and expand community-wide access by providing more paid and free art classes and tutorials on its website.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Westmoreland

POPULATION SERVED

Last year, the center's art classes, exhibitions, group tours and community events provided around 15,000 experiences to approximately 9,000 people.

\$5,000

Pittsburgh Irish Festival



Pittsburgh Irish Festival is dedicated to the preservation and promotion of Irish Culture in western Pennsylvania through events and educational programs. As a result of the pandemic, the organization was forced to cancel its main fundraisers as well as many of its events and educational programs. The nonprofit seeks operating support during this difficult time. At the start of the stay-at-home orders, the festival began featuring Irish performers and presenters on its social media channels to generate revenue and to entertain and educate those at home. Funds will support paying staff, covering utility expenses and continued offering of online programming.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Allegheny

POPULATION SERVED

Pittsburgh Irish Festival typically serves approximately 30,000 audience members and this year will serve more than 500,000 online.

\$5,000

Pittsburgh Festival Opera



Pittsburgh Festival Opera presents innovative opera, producing American works, reinterpretations of older works and new works for the widest possible audience. The COVID-19 crisis has highlighted the need for greater capacity in online educational programming and the need for software to develop and deliver that material to students, educators and families. Due to the pandemic, Pittsburgh Festival Opera had to cancel its live summer festival season, which is typically the source for nearly all earned revenue for the organization's entire year. The nonprofit reimagined its festival season as a free online experience. Pittsburgh Festival Opera maintains its commitment to singers by operating a virtual, paid young professional artist program over the summer.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Allegheny

POPULATION SERVED

The organization typically serves 14,000 audience members and performers annually.

\$5,000

Pittsburgh Musical Theater



Pittsburgh Musical Theater is a nonprofit theater company with a mission to educate youth in the arts, develop and employ local talent, and provide quality musical theater at a great value. COVID-19 has created significant barriers to support for its operations. Pittsburgh Musical Theater is working diligently to prepare for a safe return to its educational programs and performances. Costs to prepare for reopening have increased and include upgrading to automatic dispensers in bathroom facilities, additional cleaning supplies, personal protective equipment, and supplies to facilitate outdoor performances and activities. The ability to fund these improvements is critical to the theater's ability to reopen safely, which will allow it to generate revenue to support its operations.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Allegheny

POPULATION SERVED

The organization typically serves 38,000 young students, local talents and audience members each year.

\$5,000

Pittsburgh School for the Choral Arts



Pittsburgh School for the Choral Arts, Pittsburgh's leading after-school choral education program, enriches the lives of girls through exemplary after-school music education focused on community, service and choral public performance at the highest level. The organization has risen to the needs of the moment, continuing without interruption to rehearse and produce performances. It released a virtual performance of the traditional camp meeting song "No Time." The organization needs operating support to fund technical sound-engineering and music licensing. Due to the cancelation of several events, the organization faces earned revenue losses of \$16,000. It seeks operating support so that girls can continue to sing, learn and serve their community together with voices united.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Allegheny

POPULATION SERVED

Pittsburgh School for the Choral Arts served 180 student choristers and 2,700 audience members last season.

\$5,000

Pittsburgh Youth Chorus



Pittsburgh Youth Chorus empowers and inspires tomorrow's leaders through the joy and power of singing. The organization has been reinventing itself in the face of the COVID-19 pandemic. After the cancelation of its spring 2020 concert, a revenue loss of approximately \$12,000 to \$15,000, the organization pivoted to virtual instruction for enrolled singers.

As the organization plans for fall, it plans to continue virtual instruction and more individualized programs. Students will continue to participate in skill development, virtual choir videos and electives of their choice. Every student will also receive three one-to-one vocal coaching sessions. The organization seeks funding to purchase ukuleles for its students so that they can practice at home and to cover tuition assistance.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Allegheny

POPULATION SERVED

The organization serves 225 to 250 singers in yearlong programs and 200 more in short-term experiences. Each year, its audience ranges from 10,000 to 50,000.

\$4,500

Society for Contemporary Craft



Society for Contemporary Craft operates with four core values: providing vital support for artists, filling critical gaps in public education, sharing cross-cultural perspectives and using art to build community. Contemporary Craft, which offers free admission, fills an important need in the lives of children and families who may not be able to afford the cost of admission at traditional arts organizations. Because programming is normally subsidized by the organization's revenue-generating programs and fundraising, the society has been challenged by the extended closure due to the COVID-19 crisis. Operating support will ensure that its new space may reopen safely and serve as a source of creativity and artistic enrichment during the recovery effort.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Allegheny

POPULATION SERVED

Each year, Contemporary Craft's accessible facility and free programming reach more than 135,000 individuals.

\$5,000

Stage Right!



Stage Right! builds a culturally engaged community through performing arts education and advocacy, and is a catalyst for personal creative expression and character development. Due to the pandemic, the organization has seen its potential revenue for the year cut by 75%. It has canceled one professional show, two student company shows, cabaret and outreach productions, and one of its summer camps. It is greatly reducing the number of classes held while committing to staying safe and creating a space where parents feel good about bringing their children. Doing this requires cleaning supplies, revenue to make up for canceled performances, and updating technology to be able to stream shows and deliver classes virtually.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Westmoreland

POPULATION SERVED

Each year, Stage Right! serves 350 students from five counties and reaches more than 25,000 audience members.

\$5,000

Steeltown Entertainment Project



Steeltown's Film Academy educates and supports teen filmmakers to amplify youth voices, to help them turn their passion into a profession and, ultimately, to diversify the industry. During the pandemic, the organization had to cancel its annual gala and address an increased demand for services, including equipment and technology to support remote learning. The organization is requesting operating funds to invest in a range of equipment for the 90% of students who lack resources to create from home.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Allegheny

POPULATION SERVED

Steeltown's Film Academy typically serves 200 high school students in their schools, and 35 more in an advanced after-school program.

\$5,000

The Brew House Association Inc.



The Brew House Association provides creative space and support for people to connect and expand their relationship with the arts. The organization supports independent artists by providing flexible spaces where they can work and develop their businesses. These spaces encourage cross-pollination of ideas, collaboration and exchange among neighbors at a time when such opportunities are growing scarce. Artists have been severely challenged by COVID-19, economically and creatively. Due to mandatory closures, The Brew House has lost studio rental revenue, as artists have been unable to rent its studio spaces. In order to support independent artists and the organization, The Brew House will develop a scholarship fund to provide emerging artists with access to studio space at reduced cost or free.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Allegheny

POPULATION SERVED

The Brew House serves approximately 5,000 people annually with programs that support emerging artists and creatives.

\$5,000

The Farina Foundation



The Farina Foundation empowers youth in our communities to pursue their musical dreams and passions by supporting and nurturing a knowledge of music and providing instruments to those in need. Through its “play it forward” program, the foundation refurbishes donated instruments and gives them to music education and music therapy partners, including Pittsburgh Public Schools, Family House, Children’s Hospital of Pittsburgh, The Children’s Institute and Wesley Family Services for Autism. Typically, this program is funded through donations at public events, but those events have been canceled due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The organization seeks operating funds so it may continue assisting youth who are pursuing musical aspirations and those who experience healing through the joy of music.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Allegheny

POPULATION SERVED

The foundation serves youth in the Pittsburgh region and surrounding communities.

\$5,000

The Lamp Theatre Corporation



The Lamp Theatre provides quality affordable performing arts, concerts, cinema and cultural events to people of all ages, and opportunities for local actors, singers and dancers to hone their skills. The theater, which had record attendance last year due to a series of sold-out lectures featuring Dr. Cyril Wecht, is now experiencing record revenue losses of \$245,000 from December to June due to mandatory closures and capacity limits related to COVID-19. Instead of receiving calls for ticket purchases, the box office now fields calls requesting refunds.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Westmoreland

POPULATION SERVED

More than 26,000 people typically attend the theater's events annually.

\$5,000

The Legacy Arts Project Inc.



The Legacy Arts Project Inc. preserves the history and traditions of African art as presented throughout the diaspora. With the emergence of COVID-19, the organization found that many youth participants and teaching artists were not equipped for the new virtual reality. While many of the youth were able to acquire technology from their schools, some of the teaching artists were limited to using their phones to access classes, platforms and information needed for programming. During its virtual summer arts program, Legacy Arts Project provided a digital animation class to youth, who used free software to create projects. As the organization faces additional online programming, it requests funds to be able to operate and to acquire Adobe Creative Cloud, enabling students to access other digital software.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Allegheny

POPULATION SERVED

The organization serves 250 youth and 550 adults annually.

\$5,000

Three Rivers Young Peoples Orchestras (TRYPO)



TRYPO provides music education and performance opportunities to foster a lifelong passion, appreciation and support of music. Because of the pandemic, from March through May, TRYPO ensembles focused on recording projects and virtual meetings featuring recent alumni talking about majoring in music, violinist Itzhak Perlman, conductor Marin Alsop and more. When summer camp was canceled, TRYPO dove headfirst into a six-week virtual camp in which 56 students took classes, including composition, overdubbing and video production, through a “name your own tuition” model. The organization is incorporating what it learned into a fall hybrid that will add optional in-person small group sessions. TRYPO’s biggest unmet need is tuition assistance, which ensures that every student has an opportunity to participate.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Allegheny

POPULATION SERVED

In a typical season, TRYPO serves about 250 individual students and averages 120 community performances that reach more than 20,000 people.

\$5,000

Union Project



Union Project uses the arts to bridge gaps between communities. Its ceramics programs foster creativity and interpersonal connections. As a result of cancellations from March 19 to July 1 due to COVID-19, Union Project lost program revenue of nearly \$200,000. Meanwhile, there is continued demand for studio use and for new virtual clay programs. Reopening increases operating costs, which include providing a clean, safe and healthy environment. Reduced numbers of students has led to increased salary costs per teacher and less revenue from members for studio time. There are also increased operating costs for staff time to create, package, deliver and pick up materials for virtual programs.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Allegheny

POPULATION SERVED

Union Project normally serves 13,000 people annually, 40% of whom are people of color, through 130 arts and community programs.

\$5,000

Wilkins School Community Center



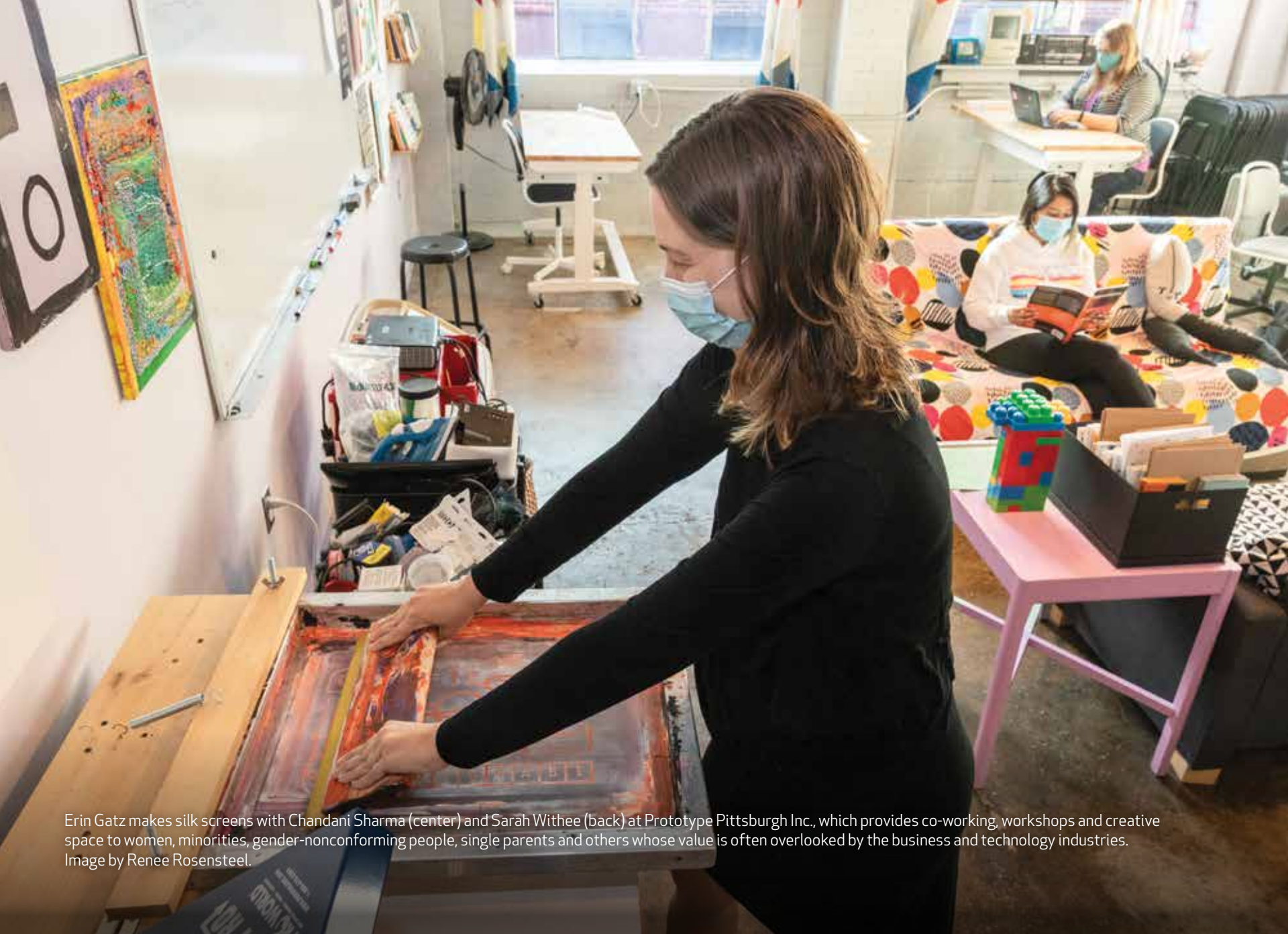
Wilkins School Community Center provides everyone a welcoming space, platform and resources to meet, learn, play and grow. To reopen safely and follow CDC guidelines for COVID-19, the Center will need operating funds to continue to purchase many new items for cleaning and sanitizing common areas and classrooms. These include buying and installing a new washer/dryer, purchasing portable UV disinfectant lights, installing a lobby desk with a Plexiglas shield, adding a new, more secure door locking system, and buying protective equipment and signage and hand sanitizers for every room. Additional staff costs are expected to maintain cleaning, sanitizing and distancing guidelines.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Allegheny

POPULATION SERVED

The center normally hosts more than 50,000 visits annually for events that include classes, events, lectures, community meetings, social support meetings and private celebrations.

\$5,000



Erin Gatz makes silk screens with Chandani Sharma (center) and Sarah Withee (back) at Prototype Pittsburgh Inc., which provides co-working, workshops and creative space to women, minorities, gender-nonconforming people, single parents and others whose value is often overlooked by the business and technology industries. Image by Renee Rosensteel.

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Action for Animals Inc.



Action for Animals Inc. is a no-kill shelter that keeps animals free from unwarranted euthanasia and provides care for abused, abandoned and stray dogs and cats. Pandemic restrictions have forced the shelter to cancel two major fundraising events and a virtual event in May, resulting in a decrease in revenue. Four laid-off staff were able to return to work as a result of a PPP loan, but that money has been expended. Declining adoption and clinic fees as well as a drop in financial and food donations have left the shelter in dire need of help to continue its mission. The shelter requests funds to pay for the staff members who care for the animals every day.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Westmoreland

POPULATION SERVED

The shelter houses up to 150 animals daily in addition to the rescue and adoption of almost 1,000 animals each year.

\$5,000

Animal Protectors



Animal Protectors is a no-kill animal shelter that finds safe, loving homes for abused, abandoned and homeless animals in the Allegheny-Kiski Valley and educates the public about responsible pet ownership. Because of COVID-19, the shelter is experiencing a loss of income due to having to cancel large fundraising events, such as the Chocolate Paws fundraiser and the annual luncheon, which bring in more than \$20,000. The shelter is also behind on elective surgeries for incoming cats and dogs because elective procedures were canceled during the pandemic. It is currently kitten season, and the shelter is at capacity with the number of kittens at the shelter and in foster care.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Westmoreland

POPULATION SERVED

Animal Protectors and its volunteers serve hundreds of pets and their owners each year.

\$5,000

Computer Reach



Computer Reach brings computer education and refurbished digital devices to those in need to improve their employability and quality of life. During the pandemic, Computer Reach has successfully delivered more than 1,600 computers to students and families. To keep up this pace, the organization seeks operating support to fulfill needs such as parts and supplies to service used laptops, including hard drives, power cables, and extra RAM memory, as well as cleaning supplies and PPE to maintain a safe warehouse. Computer Reach also had to hire additional tech staff, an expense not built into its 2020 budget. It has been unable to conduct face-to-face instruction but is developing classes that can be delivered remotely.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Allegheny

POPULATION SERVED

This year, Computer Reach will provide more than 4,000 people with computers and technology training.

\$5,000

Friends of the Riverfront Inc.



Friends of the Riverfront develops and keeps the Three Rivers Heritage Trail & Water Trail systems safe, clean and accessible, while restoring healthy riverfronts throughout Allegheny County. The organization hosts events that bring groups of all ages and backgrounds out onto the trails to learn about the importance of healthy riverfronts while working to keep the trails clean and safe. During the pandemic, use of outdoor spaces has increased by more than 200%. Friends of the Riverfront has adapted its programs accordingly by developing new safety protocols and virtual training opportunities for volunteers. Operating support will help put this plan into action through video conferencing software, as well as safety equipment and tools to provide to each individual volunteer.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Allegheny

POPULATION SERVED

Each year, more than one million trips are taken along the Three Rivers Heritage Trail and the Water Trail.

\$4,700

Hill Community Development Corp.



The Hill Community Development Corp. (CDC) works in partnership with residents and stakeholders to create, promote and implement strategies and programs that connect plans, policies and people to drive compelling community development opportunities in the Greater Hill District. The pandemic has disproportionately impacted Hill District residents and businesses as a result of socioeconomic conditions, unemployment and underemployment, inadequate access to health care, and dependence on public transportation. All of these factors put residents at greater risk. Funds requested will support the CDC's work to help small businesses, revitalize the cultural and commercial corridor, and increase affordable home ownership for people at risk of being displaced.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Allegheny

POPULATION SERVED

The Hill CDC serves the neighborhood's 11,000 residents, 80% of whom are Black and have predominantly low to moderate income.

\$5,000

Hollow Oak Land Trust



The Hollow Oak Land Trust works with the public to protect and connect greenspace in and around the Pittsburgh Airport Corridor for hiking, trail running, mountain biking and the general enjoyment of nature. Hollow Oak Land Trust has experienced financial hardships during the COVID-19 pandemic, including canceled fundraisers and physical distancing mandates that disrupt volunteering efforts. Meanwhile, there is increased use of property and trails as individuals and families take advantage of these spaces as safe, socially distant outlets. In order to continue its mission, the organization is working to trim expenses and search for alternative sources of funding to fill budget gaps.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Allegheny

POPULATION SERVED

Hollow Oak Land Trust serves individuals from communities in western Allegheny County.

\$5,000

Jacobs Creek Watershed Association



Jacobs Creek Watershed Association is a nonprofit organization dedicated to the conservation and rehabilitation of the Jacobs Creek watershed, and to environmental education and recreation. The organization encourages the local community to come together and be involved in events that help make the environment healthier and promote appreciation of the outdoors. These include planting trees, building bluebird boxes, and organizing pop-up paddling, cleanups and more. All of the organization's events have been canceled since safe gatherings are no longer possible as a result of the pandemic. The association requests funds to continue its conservation, education, restoration and recreation work in the watershed so that it can continue to benefit the community and the environment.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Westmoreland

POPULATION SERVED

Approximately 12,000 people benefit from the watershed.

\$5,000

Pittsburgh Center for Creative Reuse



Pittsburgh Center for Creative Reuse inspires creativity, conservation and community engagement through reuse, believing that reuse is essential and that its role in advocating for and educating about reuse will be one of the ways that our community can heal from a shared crisis. In mid-March, the nonprofit closed its retail center, canceled all education programs and suspended all in-person activities. This resulted in an immediate elimination of revenue. Prior to COVID-19, the annual budget was \$375,000. After an emergency plan was approved by the board of directors, the budget dropped to \$59,000 for August through December.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Allegheny

POPULATION SERVED

Last year, the center served 43,000 program participants, material donors, volunteers, interns, sponsorship recipients and visitors.

\$5,000

Pittsburgh Council for International Visitors d/b/a GlobalPittsburgh



Through citizen diplomacy, the Pittsburgh Council for International Visitors d/b/a GlobalPittsburgh forges cultural, educational and business relationships between western Pennsylvania and the global community. GlobalPittsburgh would normally earn administrative fees and hotel commissions, while also supporting local businesses and providing compensation for diverse host families. The U.S. Department of State canceled in-person international exchanges on March 13, and later extended that policy through the entire year. Funds are requested to help offset operating costs previously paid for with earned income and fundraising events.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Allegheny

POPULATION SERVED

GlobalPittsburgh normally serves about 2,400 diverse community members and international professionals, interns and students annually.

\$5,000

Pittsburgh Hires Veterans



Pittsburgh Hires Veterans provides tailored career-readiness services to veterans and their spouses in search of employment opportunities, free of charge. The need for job placement services for local veterans skyrocketed as a result of COVID-19. The organization began offering programs virtually using a free version of Zoom to help veterans write their resumes, translate military skills into civilian skills and describe their experiences effectively. However, the free Zoom tier limits group sessions to 40 minutes and 100 participants. Pittsburgh Hires Veterans is requesting operating support and funds to upgrade its software subscription to assist significantly more veterans and operating support for its mission.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Allegheny

POPULATION SERVED

Pittsburgh Hires Veterans serves at least 300 people annually.

\$5,000

Promote PT Inc. d/b/a Protect PT



Promote PT Inc. d/b/a Protect PT (Penn-Trafford) is working to ensure the safety, security and quality of life for a more viable and communal future by engaging in education and advocacy to protect the economic, environmental and legal rights of residents of Westmoreland and Allegheny counties. Due to the pandemic, the organization has canceled multiple fundraising events and in-person training sessions. COVID-19 impacts air pollution and quality of life. Now that most people are staying home, residents are more often feeling the effects of vibrations and low-frequency noises from fracking equipment in the area, causing some to feel dizzy and disoriented. The organization requests operating support to fulfill needs such as specialized monitoring equipment to allow measurement of these effects.

PRIMARY COUNTIES SERVED Westmoreland and Allegheny

POPULATION SERVED

The organization serves Westmoreland and Allegheny county residents, all of whom have the constitutional right to clean air and pure water.

\$5,000

Prototype PGH Inc.



Prototype PGH Inc. builds gender and racial equity in technology and entrepreneurship by providing affordable access to high-tech tools and equipment and workshops, and by cultivating a professional support network. The organization takes a holistic approach to supporting women, minorities, gender-nonconforming people, single parents and all populations whose value is not centered in the business and technology industries. The pandemic forced the nonprofit to close its co-working space and postpone workshops. Workshops and membership dues are revenue generators for Prototype PGH Inc. The organization requests support for the financial stability of its essential job and technical training for women and minorities.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Allegheny

POPULATION SERVED

Prototype PGH Inc. normally serves more than 1,000 people each year.

\$5,000

Squirrel Hill Urban Coalition



Squirrel Hill Urban Coalition amplifies the voices of Squirrel Hill residents, institutions, businesses and visitors, and works to preserve, improve and celebrate the quality of life in the neighborhood. The coalition produces and distributes the quarterly Squirrel Hill Magazine, which keeps residents informed about local issues, developments in the neighborhood and ways to connect with the community. Due to the pandemic, advertisers are unable to pay, leading revenue to drop significantly. To avoid delay in production of the winter issue, the organization is requesting operating funds to cover professional services for magazine layout and postage.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Allegheny

POPULATION SERVED

Squirrel Hill Magazine has a circulation of 13,500.

\$3,924

Western Pennsylvania Center for Just Solutions Inc.



Western Pennsylvania Center for Just Solutions Inc. assists all individuals, businesses and organizations in seeking to create, find and implement solutions to economic, racial and societal problems that uplift all of us. Providing food has become a priority for the people it serves, especially for those who cannot afford to drive or are in high-risk groups. The center recently received a Food Bank grant to purchase a cargo delivery van. Operating funds are needed for insurance and gasoline, and to hire and pay a staff delivery driver. The van will also help the center continue its large-scale off-site pantry distributions.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Allegheny

POPULATION SERVED

The center serves about 400 families monthly, which translates to about 1,400 people monthly and 16,800 people annually.

\$5,000



Computer Reach employee Kyle Spangler hands coworker Michael Selehedra a bag of refurbished computer equipment. The organization provides computers free of charge to people who cannot afford them. Image by Renee Rosensteel.



Allison Paris and Samantha Paris look at books at Manor Public Library. Since the COVID-19 crisis, the library has adapted and offers virtual programs and curbside pickup.
Image by Jason Cohn.

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Alliance for Refugee Youth Support and Education (ARYSE)



ARYSE supports immigrant and refugee youth in becoming engaged, confident and celebrated members of the community. Its programs address a critical issue, especially now with schools transitioning to remote learning. Out-of-school-time programming is critical for helping these students access their education and feel a sense of belonging. During the rise of COVID-19, ARYSE experienced increased demand for services, worked one-on-one with dozens of students, and witnessed firsthand the necessity of individualized support. The pandemic and schools' online platforms have caused additional detrimental effects. ARYSE is requesting operating support to ensure that the youth it serves receive the support needed to engage in their learning. Without ARYSE programs, too many immigrant youth will struggle and fall behind.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Allegheny

POPULATION SERVED

Each year, ARYSE serves about 200 youth who represent more than 15 countries of origin.

\$5,000

Bender Leadership Academy



Bender Leadership Academy increases long-term competitive employment for students with disabilities by delivering competence-building programs that engage participants in educational, empowerment and work opportunities. Due to COVID-19, Bender Leadership Academy had to cancel in-person programs and adjust to a virtual environment. This required the purchase of Microsoft Teams to be used as the educational online platform. To continue reaching as many students as possible, the academy plans to expand its virtual platform, and it needs to upgrade and add technology such as Chromebooks so staff and instructors are working from the same current operating system. Operating support will allow it to serve more students without compromising the curriculum's integrity.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Allegheny

POPULATION SERVED

Bender Leadership Academy serves 800 to 1,000 students, ages 15 through 21, who have disabilities.

\$5,000

Carnegie Library of Homestead



Carnegie Library of Homestead was built by Andrew Carnegie in 1898. Today it strives to be an indispensable asset to a strong, vibrant region by boosting community development and fostering self-enrichment. Due to pandemic precautions, literacy and educational activities for youth and families and those served in the community have required remote delivery methods. The library is creating and providing Facebook Live videos and take-home activity kits for STEM, literacy, games and a wide variety of topics based on popular children's novels. Each kit contains materials, instructions and information on where to find online learning resources. The library will continue offering these educational activities after school restarts and is requesting general operating support.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Allegheny

POPULATION SERVED

The Music Hall typically has 35,000 visitors annually. The library has 7,000 users and events with 18,000 attendees yearly. The fitness facilities have 1,100 members.

\$5,000

Duquesne University of the Holy Spirit



Community Engagement Scholars (CES) are Duquesne University students who want to learn more about systemic injustice and become leaders for local community engagement by serving in community organizations. Spring fundraising was not possible due to the pandemic and the university going fully online. However, the need from CES partner organizations is greater, supporting at-risk groups such as children, minorities and the homeless. Scholarships and stipends help students serve community organizations and ensure accessibility and inclusion. When CES is not able to offer stipends, students who cannot afford to take additional credits or forfeit paid hours of work to serve — historically, Black students or students of color, international students and students with less means — cannot enroll in the program.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Allegheny

POPULATION SERVED

The program typically serves eight to 12 organizations a year, with one and four student scholars at each.

\$1,600

Homeless Children's Education Fund



The mission of the Homeless Children's Education Fund (HCEF) is to advance the education of children and youth experiencing homelessness in southwestern Pennsylvania by guiding them to be productive, empowered citizens. HCEF serves children who are experiencing homelessness and trauma. COVID-19 has resulted in an increased demand for new services. The organization has adapted its in-person programs to remote learning through Zoom calls, supply drop-offs and enrichment programs. The HCEF is requesting operating funds to deliver its programs remotely. The organization also plans to implement an incentive model to assist busy parents who are struggling to map out time for programs.

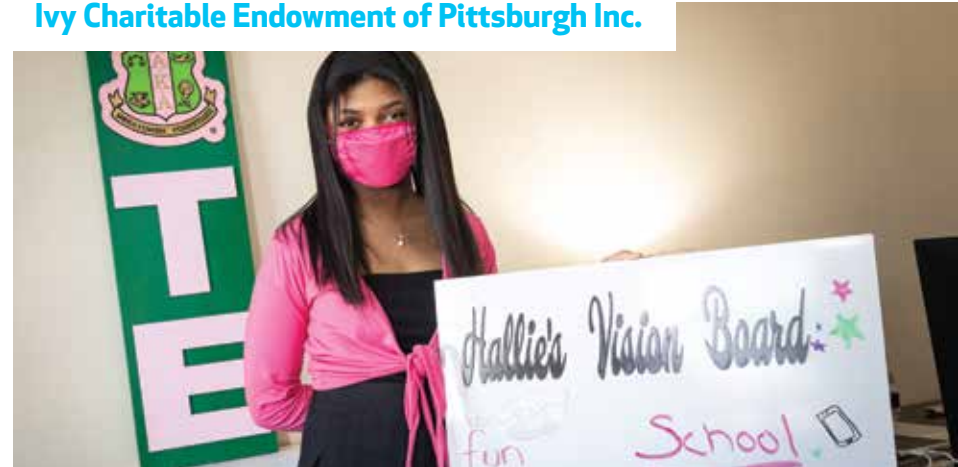
PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Allegheny

POPULATION SERVED

The organization provides direct services to more than 800 students annually and supplies backpacks to more than 2,000 students each year.

\$5,000

Ivy Charitable Endowment of Pittsburgh Inc.



The Ivy Charitable Endowment of Pittsburgh works to provide support, services and programs that assist in stabilizing low-income African American families by providing academic enrichment, scholarships, health education, financial literacy and leadership workshops. During the pandemic, the organization has shifted its programs to virtual learning, but many students lack necessary access to computers and the internet. The organization is requesting operating funds to provide these students with the technology resources they need to take part in remote education, ensuring that students will continue to be able to participate and obtain the benefits that these programs offer.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Allegheny

POPULATION SERVED

Ivy Charitable Endowment of Pittsburgh serves 20 to 25 middle-school-age Black girls and their mothers.

\$5,000

Literacy Council of Southwestern PA



Literacy Council of Southwestern PA empowers adults and families with literacy skills that enable them to lead successful, fulfilled lives. Due to the pandemic, the council's only fundraising event was canceled, and the organization has no way to make up for that lost revenue. The Literacy Council seeks operating support to pay classroom rent and utilities, and to cover the expenses of advertising for and training new tutors. The council is one of the oldest literacy councils in the country and the only one in the four-county Westmoreland, Washington, Fayette and Greene region.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Westmoreland

POPULATION SERVED

Each year, the council serves 300 to 350 students and families.

\$5,000

Manor Public Library



Manor Public Library provides free educational programs and quality services to patrons of all ages. During the COVID-19 crisis, the organization has adapted these services to include educational virtual programs, "take and make" STEM project bags, curbside pickup and traditional walk-in services, such as the lending of library items and free computer use. Due to the pandemic, the library was forced to cancel fundraisers that provide over half of its operating budget. To enable continued service to the community and to keep members engaged, the library is seeking to replenish funds that were lost due to these cancellations.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Westmoreland

POPULATION SERVED

In 2019, Manor Public Library served more than 6,000 people. This includes typical library services plus 127 special programs.

\$5,000

Pittsburgh Chapter National Tooling and Machining Foundation



BotsIQ is a manufacturing workforce development program that educates and encourages students to consider manufacturing and other STEM occupations as viable career options. It provides schools and youth organizations with free access to real-world learning opportunities such as hands-on, project-based STEM activities; industry tours and career spotlights; online technical training and curricula; and teacher professional development workshops. The pandemic canceled all spring events and decreased students' access to learning experiences. The organization requests operating support to continue developing resources that help youth to develop problem-solving skills and that meet the increased demand for remote learning and virtual experiential opportunities for students and teachers.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Allegheny

POPULATION SERVED

Approximately 1,000 students and teachers took part last year in BotsIQ events. The program has served about 10,000 people since its inception 15 years ago.

\$5,000

Pittsburgh Learning Commons



Pittsburgh Learning Commons engages youth in Wilkinsburg and offers interdisciplinary education in real-world contexts in environments where learners claim lifelong learning skills, and support for expertise in applied science, technology, engineering, arts and math (STEAM) fields. COVID-19 caused a stoppage of in-person programming, lost revenue, halted the organization's growth toward sustainability. Revenue losses limit its ability to pay for local educators to provide advanced instruction. The organization requests general operating support to help make up for lost revenue and expand new distance-learning efforts, including a new hire with expertise in crafting remote experiences, and to meet new supply and technology demands.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Allegheny

POPULATION SERVED

Each year, the nonprofit serves about 300 youth ages 7 through 21 and prioritizes those in Wilkinsburg and the eastern boroughs.

\$5,000

Scottdale Public Library



The Scottdale Public Library provides space, materials and access to tools that help community members achieve their goals, including careers, community involvement, recreation and education. Due to COVID-19, the library has been unable to host fundraising events. The organization is requesting operating funds and to purchase supplies that include laptops for GED classes, personal “library in a bag” for students to access at home, hot spots for students who don’t have internet access, screens to section off rooms for physical distancing, e-books to allow virtual borrowing of materials, personal protective equipment for staff, a Polaris license to allow offsite access to its catalog, and an additional blessing box for food item drop-off and pick-up at our facility.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Allegheny

POPULATION SERVED

Typically, there are about 34,000 visits to the library each year, but since the pandemic began, the library has had about 100 virtual events but only 8,000 visits.

\$5,000

SLB Radio Productions Inc.



SLB Radio Productions uses radio and audio to amplify voices of youth — and members of other communities whose stories are often marginalized — to educate, empower and build community. SLB offers its services free or at reduced cost to youth from communities served by under-resourced schools. Each year, SLB creates commentaries, documentaries, podcasts and other works that bring authentic youth perspectives to the community. The disproportionate impact of COVID-19 on people of color has led to increased awareness of systemic racism and the importance of amplifying youth voices. SLB has pivoted many of its earned revenue programs to incorporate virtual methods and new technologies. Many of its contracts were canceled, amounting to more than \$50,000 in lost revenue.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Allegheny

POPULATION SERVED

SLB normally serves about 8,000 youth annually.

\$5,000

Steel City Codes



Steel City Codes provides cost-free computer science education to youth and aims to reduce discrimination in STEM fields. The pandemic severely limited the organization's ability to garner sponsorships and forced reduction of two main offerings: summer camp and after-school programs. Steel City Codes has embarked on the transition to virtual learning, which requires operating support and subscriptions to services like Slack and Zoom and providing Chromebooks to youth in need.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Allegheny

POPULATION SERVED

Approximately 500 students are served currently, but with planned expansion underway, the organization is on target to reach 1,000 people by 2021.

\$3,000

Steel City Squash



Steel City Squash, through academic and athletic support, helps students prepare for and graduate from college. Steel City Squash has just completed its sixth academic year of serving students. The organization distributed computers along with squash and fitness equipment. It also established virtual academic tutoring, enrichment lessons, and squash and fitness training to help students continue to succeed during the pandemic. Due to the pandemic, the organization was not able to host its annual Steel City Cup fundraising event, which was expected to raise more this year than the \$170,000 it generated last year. Steel City Squash remains committed to serving its students and staff members.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Allegheny

POPULATION SERVED

Steel City Squash served 64 students last year.

\$5,000

The Challenge Program Inc.



The Challenge Program's mission is to build sustainable business and education partnerships while motivating students to develop good habits required to succeed in school and in their future careers. Due to COVID-19, students cannot be connected to a sustainable career in their community. The organization works during the spring months to complete fundraising efforts to secure new donors for the year and for its major annual fundraiser, the Crystal Owl Gala. The Challenge Program is working with its business and education partners to offer virtual solutions. The organization hopes to continue providing connections for students through quality video presentations. Operating support for the program would allow it to continue connecting students to careers in their communities.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Allegheny

POPULATION SERVED

Each year, the organization serves 50,000 students in 10th through 12th grade at 119 schools in 23 counties.

\$5,000

Vandergrift Public Library



Vandergrift Public Library enriches the lives of the community by promoting personal, educational and professional growth through literary and arts-based programs. The library is dedicated to providing a fun and safe gathering place and fostering lifelong learning. It experienced a loss of \$6,000 in operating fees as well as revenue from fines, its escape room fundraiser and donations. It also experienced increased expenses for cleaning supplies and grab-and-go kits for teens and adults. Operating support for the library will help it stay connected with the community.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Westmoreland

POPULATION SERVED

The Vandergrift Public Library typically serves 3,700 patrons annually.

\$5,000



Antoinette Hammond helps her children, from left, Zayana, Zaevea, Zeyshawn and Zaira Hammond, with lessons at a socially distanced learning pod at BridgePoint Church.
Image by Renee Rosensteel.

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100 Black Men of Western PA Inc.



100 Black Men of Western PA provides critical academic enrichment, career development, leadership and mentoring to strengthen school performance and build a strong foundation to help African American youth in grades 8 through 12 successfully transition from high school. It improves quality of life of the community and enhances educational opportunities. Through its Saturday program, mentors leverage their professional expertise and personal commitment by offering quality learning and personal development experiences. During the pandemic, the organization was unable to provide in-person programs. The nonprofit requests operating support for technology to strengthen its ability to provide online support and mentoring to students while also transitioning into a hybrid model that allows its mentors to work with students remotely during the COVID-19 crisis.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Allegheny

POPULATION SERVED

Each year, the organization serves 40 to 50 students at its location and 200 youth through other culturally specific programs.

\$4,500

Allegheny County Court Appointed Special Advocate Program (CASA)



CASA of Allegheny County provides volunteer advocacy for abused and neglected children within the child welfare system. Financial losses from the cancelation of special events have affected funding for recruitment, screening and background checks for candidates and for the delivery of a 45-hour training curriculum. The pandemic has caused some of the veteran advocates to step back from cases, and staff case managers have taken over the workload, attending child welfare system meetings, requesting and reviewing records, and notifying key system participants when there are warning signs that require immediate intervention. To provide this quality of service for all of its judicial appointments, CASA is asking for funds to continue operating at full staffing levels.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Allegheny

POPULATION SERVED

In the past year, CASA served 135 abused and neglected children.

\$5,000

Anchorpoint Counseling Ministry



Anchorpoint Counseling Ministry builds hope and promotes healing and learning through affordable outpatient mental health counseling, tutoring and mentoring, therapeutic support groups and educational workshops. Anchorpoint provides affordable, one-to-one learning support to K–12 students. The program serves under-resourced students experiencing poor performance in school, low academic motivation and significant learning needs. Due to surging educational, social and emotional needs resulting from COVID-19 and an unconventional 2020–21 school year, the demand for the tutoring and mentoring program has grown. Anchorpoint is facing a significant budget shortfall having lost more than \$11,000 in service fees from March through August due to closures, reduced operations and the cancelation of its Celebration of Hope fundraising gala in May.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Allegheny

POPULATION SERVED

Anchorpoint serves more than 550 individuals/families annually, including 100 K–12 students in its tutoring and mentoring program.

\$5,000

Arsenal Family and Children's Center



Arsenal Family and Children's Center advocates for the healthy development of young children and supports parents in building nurturing relationships with them. The center relies on fundraising to maintain its yearly budget. The pandemic forced the cancelation of the spring golf outing, which brings in \$11,000 to \$15,000, and October's wine-tasting event, with revenue of \$3,000 to \$5,000. The center also has lost income from preschool tuition as many families have decided not to enroll their children because of COVID-19. If conditions in the county get worse, the preschool may not be allowed to reopen, which will affect revenue. The parenting program, a fee-for-service program, has fewer families enrolled, causing additional revenue losses.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Allegheny

POPULATION SERVED

Through its preschool and parenting programs, Arsenal typically serves more than 200 children and families per year.

\$5,000

Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Laurel Region



Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Laurel Region creates and supports one-to-one mentoring relationships that ignite the potential of youth. The program has measurable results that build strong children and create strong adults. COVID-19 has created a shortfall in the organization's funding, since event revenue makes up 52% of its budget. Families served by the organization have been hard hit by COVID and are struggling with food insecurity, job loss and concerns about housing. The emotional and physical well-being of young people is threatened by the disconnection imposed by this crisis. Research has shown that every \$1 invested in the Big Brothers Big Sisters programs creates a return of \$18 to the community.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Westmoreland

POPULATION SERVED

The organization typically serves 180 individuals annually.

\$5,000

BridgePoint Church



BridgePoint Church strives to be a church that lives by faith, is known by love and is a resource of hope to the community. COVID-19 has not only increased demand for food services but also the need for support for hybrid and virtual learning challenges. To help families, BridgePoint is hosting a parent-led learning pod and providing resources — 1,500 square feet of meeting space, Wi-Fi, tables, chairs and kitchen facilities — at no charge. Parents who have participated in church food programs are leading the group to help each other learn technology used by schools and support each other in teaching children on virtual days. Operating support will fund operations as well as a PC projector and 10 Chromebooks for families to use on-site.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Allegheny

POPULATION SERVED

The church's summer food program served 62 meals in 2019 and 207 meals in 2020. It looks to serve 10 families in the learning pod.

\$4,000

CASA of Westmoreland Inc.



CASA of Westmoreland is a judicial volunteer program that recruits, trains and supervises citizen child advocates for foster children. During the pandemic, CASA has seen a doubling of new case referrals requesting a volunteer child advocate, and advocates are reporting a high impact on some foster children. When school-age foster children and teens enter care or move placements, schools can be hampered by a lack of technology inventory to immediately provide equipment for virtual learning. Foster homes receive no technology dollars. Operating support will fulfill needs such as purchasing 10 Dell Chromebooks as loaners to provide access to educational technology and the “normalcy” of social contact with siblings/family, friends and interests. Once the school provides equipment, the loaner computers go to other children in need.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Westmoreland

POPULATION SERVED

CASA Westmoreland will serve more than 175 foster children in Westmoreland County in 2020, which is 42% of the county’s children in foster care.

\$3,410

Coraopolis Youth Creations Inc.



Coraopolis Youth Creations (CYC) is dedicated to building community and strengthening families through youth enrichment. Due to the pandemic, CYC had to cancel its annual fundraiser and modify its Back 2 School Bash to be a drive-up backpack and school supply giveaway, which lost all corporate sponsors. The CYC’s Community Center has been closed, and all programming — including free summer lunches, field trips, art programs, fitness and recreation — was canceled. The organization launched the CYC Cares Project to meet basic needs through food, gift cards and small grants for individuals who have been unemployed or underemployed due to COVID-19. It was also able to support five local businesses owned by Black and Brown individuals and/or serving mostly Black and Brown children.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Allegheny

POPULATION SERVED

The organization normally serves 500 youth and adults annually.

\$5,000

Foster Love Project



Foster Love Project provides love in action to foster children and supports families who are providing care for them. During the pandemic, foster families report higher levels of stress and anxiety at home. Foster Love Project has provided bikes and scooters to help children in care burn off steam in a healthy way. It is also providing technology support to foster families, as requests for electronic devices have risen and are not normally within the scope of items provided. The organization seeks operating support to fund computer equipment, bikes, scooters and car seats, and to develop programming for foster children that will ensure mental health stability in their adult years.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Allegheny

POPULATION SERVED

Foster Love served 4,335 children, approximately 50% of whom are children of color, and approximately 2,000 families in 2019.

\$5,000

Hello Neighbor



Hello Neighbor is a community-based nonprofit that works to improve the lives of recently resettled refugee and immigrant families across Allegheny County by matching them with dedicated neighbors to guide and support them in their new lives. Hello Neighbor is requesting operating support to fulfill needs such as gift cards and care packages to provide new and expectant refugee mothers with the essential supplies they need to support their growing families. Hello Neighbor also requests funds to help guide refugee families as they navigate their new lives in Pittsburgh, including food access and technology resources. Due to COVID-19, the organization has seen the need for its services increase by four times.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Allegheny

POPULATION SERVED

Hello Neighbor serves refugee and immigrant families from across Allegheny County, including more than 500 mothers, fathers and children.

\$5,000

Hopebound Ministries Inc.



Hopebound Ministries works through Mooncrest Neighborhood Programs to promote spiritual, intellectual, physical, social and emotional development for the children and families of Mooncrest through neighborhood programs. Increased needs during the pandemic include food access, health services and academic programs. The organization has taken several steps to meet increased demand, such as expanding a vegetable garden for children to share food with their families and offering tailored academic support created to accommodate physical distancing measures. Hopebound Ministries is requesting funds to cover the cost of increased staff hours necessary to facilitate the new services.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Allegheny

POPULATION SERVED

Since March, about 700 individuals have benefited from children's programs, immigration services, adult education programs, food access, community events and access to health care.

\$4,000

Pure Ballroom Inc.



Pure Ballroom Inc. empowers students through education, engagement and motion by providing social-emotional learning skills to children from pre-K through 8th grade. Programming includes music, yoga, fitness, dance and team-building activities that help students grow and thrive in school and in their communities. Due to COVID-19, the organization had to modify and adjust its curriculum and supplies list. Supporting the organization will allow it to effectively help its students and support their physical, mental, social and emotional health and wellness. Operating support will allow Pure Ballroom to secure physical distancing equipment, and PPE and sanitizing/cleaning products needed to implement its curriculum in person and virtually.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Allegheny

POPULATION SERVED

This year, Pure Ballroom Inc. is set to provide services to 80 classrooms and 1,680 students in pre-K through 6th grade.

\$1,800

TryLife Center



TryLife is a pregnancy/family resource center dedicated to promoting the life of the unborn and the physical, emotional and spiritual well-being of under-served parents through counseling, education and material support. During the early months of the pandemic, requests for baby essentials were filled for TryLife clients and the general public. Mothers were unable to purchase basic items as store shelves were quickly depleted. TryLife turned no one away and continues to share all that it has. The center is in need of operating revenue to cover lost income due to multiple fundraising events that had to be canceled, donors' giving limitations, fewer reimbursements for client services, and monies to restock formula and other baby necessities and safety items for a very vulnerable population.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Westmoreland

POPULATION SERVED

The center serves lower-income single mothers and struggling families.

\$5,000

Waypoint Youth and Community Center (WYCC)



Waypoint Youth and Community Center is a waypoint and safe haven helping young people find their purpose and passions while achieving their potential. The organization empowers youth, provides nurturing, and mentors them to become productive community members. The organization provides development programs to vulnerable and disadvantaged youth in West Newton, including youth from low-income, single-parent or multi-generational households, or those who have experienced the incarceration of a parent. WYCC students experience growth, benefit from adult mentor relationships, and make a successful plan for adulthood through daily nutrition, academic support and community service opportunities. Due to COVID-19, WYCC closed from mid-March through June and, as a consequence, was unable to host its spring fundraiser.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Westmoreland

POPULATION SERVED

Annually, WYCC serves 150 middle school and high school youth in the West Newton community.

\$5,000

Youth Enrichment Services Inc. (YES)



The mission of YES is to provide teens who are socially and economically at risk with opportunities to achieve success through mentorship, education and enrichment programming. It emboldens communities to become their own best resource. YES is currently experiencing an increased demand for services and technology, particularly for getting high school youth connected to accessible eLearning and supporting college students who have been uprooted from their campus-based learning opportunities. The organization has also lost revenue that it would typically receive from the Department of Human Services for in-person services. YES seeks operating support for technology and staff salaries to provide increasingly more virtual services.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Allegheny

POPULATION SERVED

YES serves roughly 200 youth and 150 households annually.

\$4,750



James Edmonds-Herpster (left), Jehu T. Williams (center) and J.H. Harrison prepare meals at Shepherd Wellness Community, which provides frozen meals to people who live with HIV/AIDS. Image by Renee Rosensteel.

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Clear Thoughts Foundation



Clear Thoughts Foundation funds the discovery of breakthrough drugs and novel treatments to eliminate dementia. The pandemic has had a devastating effect on those with dementia. Clear Thoughts has continued to fund vital research, provide information and inspire hope to those impacted by this debilitating disease. Due to mandatory restrictions, the foundation has had to cancel revenue-generating and community engagement opportunities. The largest event, the Roll for a Reason Gala, which is one of its largest revenue streams, has been adapted to be held virtually and is predicted to raise only a third of what in-person events raised previously. The organization seeks direct support to ensure the continuation of its mission through day-to-day operations.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Allegheny

POPULATION SERVED

Clear Thoughts benefits a wide array of population groups, serving approximately 3,000 individuals through research annually.

\$5,000

Evolve Coaching Inc.



Evolve Coaching supports individuals with disabilities, and their communities, in the areas of education, employment and the arts. Through one-on-one coaching services, social groups and peer mentorship, Evolve Coaching helps clients live independently, navigate the college environment, build relationships and transition to work. Despite the need for physical distancing as a result of COVID-19, Evolve coaches have been diligent and creative to ensure that their services remain available to those who need them. Evolve Coaching seeks operating support and funds for four iPad Pros to provide ongoing exceptional support to clients in any environment and in the safest manner possible, be it outdoors, at a client's place of work or through virtual therapeutic sessions.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Allegheny

POPULATION SERVED

The nonprofit provides individualized coaching to 200 students, job seekers and artists with disabilities each year.

\$4,996

Faith & Gratitude Inc.



Faith & Gratitude provides empowerment and education to cancer patients by arming them with knowledge and resources to keep them strong as they fight their disease. Its free support to cancer patients includes a cancer resource guide, wellness seminars, one-on-one meetings, a support group and online education. Due to COVID-19, in-person cancer wellness seminars have transitioned to an online speaker series. Support group meetings are held on Zoom. The organization has had to cancel fundraising events and has made budget cuts. Operating funds would ensure that outreach programs can continue empowering and educating newly diagnosed cancer patients in southwestern Pennsylvania.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Westmoreland

POPULATION SERVED

This year, the organization will directly reach more than 200 patients and engage with many more through its website and virtual meetings.

\$5,000

Faith Forward Ministries



Angel Arms, a program of Faith Forward Ministries, advocates for the rights of families, infants and children suffering from substance use disorder. It supports a safe environment and provides services for birth parents, neonatal abstinence syndrome infants, children and caregivers. Isolation, anxiety and despair due to COVID-19 have exacerbated addiction and mental health issues, leading to a spike in people needing help from Angel Arms. The organization needs more staff and supplies to meet the demand. It also needs to update its facility to comply with COVID-19 requirements. Despite pandemic-related hardships, Angel Arms has added new services and continues to collaborate with community-based programs. It remains committed to helping those in need during these unsettling times and beyond.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Westmoreland

POPULATION SERVED

Angel Arms generally serves about 350 people annually.

\$4,000

First Step Recovery Homes Inc.



First Step Recovery Homes provides sustainable recovery communities, supervised, temporary, and safe, substance-free housing, and support services for homeless men recovering from addiction who seek to remain out of the criminal justice system. Due to the pandemic, the organization has experienced increased pressure on services. In addition to the life-threatening effects of the virus, many clients are exhibiting emotional distress as a result of work insecurity, the resulting lack of resources to pay for basic necessities, and the disruption of an already delicate balance for individuals working toward overcoming addiction. First Step Recovery Homes is requesting operating support to help fund the purchase of food, cleaning supplies and PPE as well as additional drug and alcohol curricula and test kits.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Allegheny

POPULATION SERVED

First Step Recovery Homes has served more than 700 homeless men recovering from addiction during its 25 years of operation.

\$5,000

Lending Hearts



Lending Hearts provides emotional, social and physical support to children and young adults living with cancer, and their families, through unique activities and community outreach. Due to COVID-19 and the already compromised health of the children and young adults served, Lending Hearts has canceled in-person monthly emotional and social support gatherings. It now creates and distributes monthly art therapy “mystery boxes” to patients’ homes. Art therapy sessions are conducted on Zoom and recorded and posted on the Lending Hearts YouTube channel for those who cannot attend in real time. Families then share their experiences back through social media to maintain connections and social and emotional support within the Lending Hearts community. Operating funds will support the organization and cover the costs for monthly mystery boxes.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Allegheny

POPULATION SERVED

Lending Hearts serves approximately 150 individuals each month.

\$5,000

Life Choices



In 2011, Life Choices grew yet again and opened My Choice Medical Clinic in Kittanning, Pa. Its mission is to empower life choices, sexual integrity and healthy families. The organization provides free medical services, including pregnancy testing and verification, options consultation, and sexually transmitted disease and infection testing and treatment. Due to COVID-19, new policy and procedure implementations have been required, while the capacity to serve clients has declined as CDC recommendations on physical distancing have been implemented. The nonprofit is now spending more to support its core mission and on overhead. These unexpected expenses have created a unique burden on the operational budget. Funds are being sought to help offset the burden of increased costs and decreased funding.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Butler

POPULATION SERVED

Each year, the Life Choices My Choice Medical Clinic provides pregnancy and health screening services to about 700 clients.

\$5,000

Myasthenia Gravis Association of Western PA



Myasthenia Gravis Association of Western PA addresses the medical, social and emotional needs of people affected by myasthenia gravis, a chronic, neuromuscular disorder affecting one in every 6,000 people regardless of age, race or gender. The disorder causes weakness of the voluntary muscles, and there is no known cause or cure. The pandemic caused the cancelation of a major annual fundraising event. The organization requests operating support to help meet the needs of patients and families.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Allegheny

POPULATION SERVED

The organization serves more than 500 patients annually and conducts 10,000+ patient interactions each year via telephone and email.

\$5,000

National Ovarian Cancer Coalition – Pittsburgh Chapter



The National Ovarian Cancer Coalition works to save lives by fighting to prevent and cure ovarian cancer and improve quality of life. With no test for early detection, one in 75 women will be diagnosed, and 22,000 will lose their lives to ovarian cancer every year. The organization has canceled all in-person events since March, and many survivors are afraid to leave home due to the coronavirus. Women who are newly diagnosed receive “TEAL Totes” that are filled with educational materials and comfort items, along with information about prepared meal delivery and free mental health counseling. These are new services provided without the benefit of sponsorships from events.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Allegheny

POPULATION SERVED

The organization typically serves about 300 ovarian cancer survivors annually and has a database of 7,000 supporters.

\$5,000

Penn Township Ambulance Association Rescue 6



Penn Township Ambulance Association Rescue 6 provides emergency medical rescue services and safety programming. Since March, the organization has canceled 40 events meant to raise funds to purchase life-saving equipment. Safety training sessions, including cardiopulmonary resuscitation training, Safe Sitter classes, Operational Lifesaver classes and child passenger safety seat inspections, were also canceled to reduce the potential health risk to participants and to the staff who facilitate these events. The exposure risk of COVID-19 is a constant threat to the agency’s ability to serve the community.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Westmoreland

POPULATION SERVED

The association serves about 6,000 people annually.

\$5,000

Pittsburgh Schweitzer Fellows Program



Pittsburgh Schweitzer Fellows Program develops leaders in the direct service of improving health, promoting well-being, and advancing social and environmental justice for at-risk communities and underserved populations. Each year, to perpetuate the legacy and “Reverence for Life” philosophy of Dr. Albert Schweitzer, the program immerses a diverse group of graduate students in a mentored experiential learning and leadership development program. Student projects typically encompass a wide range of subjects that address access to health care, equity for minority populations, and other social and environmental injustices. Due to COVID-19, all revenue-generating social events have been canceled, and the program has seen funding disruptions as foundations have redirected their financial support to vital front-line services; therefore, it seeks operating support to offset funding deficits.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Allegheny

POPULATION SERVED

Each year, the nonprofit engages 15 to 20 graduate students who provide services for about 1,000 of our most vulnerable neighbors.

\$5,000

Sheep Inc. Health Care Center



Sheep Inc. Health Care Center is a faith-based, free medical center showing God's love and compassion by providing quality health care to those in need, including chronically ill patients and people who don't have insurance. The pandemic caused the organization to cancel its spring fundraiser, which normally brought in nearly a quarter of its operating budget. Support from community partners, partner churches, individuals and local businesses has decreased due to the economic fallout from the virus. The organization requests funding to help retain its limited clinical staff.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Allegheny

POPULATION SERVED

Last year, 546 new patients were served. The center also provided 249 follow-up visits and connections to community and health services.

\$5,000

Shepherd Wellness Community



Shepherd Wellness Community helps people living with HIV/AIDS improve their wellness. Many of the nonprofit's HIV-positive clients are having difficulty meeting their food needs during the pandemic due to increased isolation and physical distancing imposed by public health mandates. Monthly OUTrageous Bingo Fundraisers have also been suspended, leading to an anticipated \$35,000 loss of income in 2020 and an additional \$20,000 loss of income in the first quarter of 2021. The organization requests operating funds to continue its meal program, which provides fully cooked frozen take-home meals for people living with HIV/AIDS.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Allegheny

POPULATION SERVED

Each year, Shepherd Wellness Community serves 200 to 250 unduplicated clients living with HIV/AIDS.

\$5,000

The Community Foundation for the Alleghenies for Unity Towards Hope



Unity Towards Hope is committed to changing the perception of mental illness through education, eliminating stigma by advocating for acceptance and respect, and improving mental wellness through self-awareness, treatment and recovery. This nonprofit partnership is based at Torrance State Hospital, which has been providing mental health services for 100 years. As a result of COVID-19, the organization has been unable to conduct fundraisers and solicit donations to support enrichment programs that improve the lives of patients. It seeks funds to support social activities for patients — such as picnics at local parks, movies, shopping trips and special events — and will provide a small weekly stipend for indigent patients to allow them to purchase personal items and incidentals.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Westmoreland

POPULATION SERVED

Annually, through Torrance State Hospital, the program serves 300 patients, approximately 48 originating from Westmoreland, 59 from Allegheny and 15 from Butler counties.

\$5,000

The Western Pennsylvania Chapter of the National Hemophilia Foundation



The Western Pennsylvania Chapter of the National Hemophilia Foundation strives to enrich the lives of those with bleeding disorders and their families in 26 counties of western Pennsylvania. It provides financial assistance to its members as well as educational events and support groups. The foundation also offers information about raising affected children, financial stress, joint health, treatment concerns, mental health and more. COVID-19 has increased the need for the chapter's support. It has been able to provide virtual educational programs, support groups and fun ways to connect the community so no one feels alone. The chapter has had to cancel two fundraising events and still hopes to offer free events to those affected by bleeding disorders.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Allegheny

POPULATION SERVED

The organization serves about 1,300 members in more than 700 households.

\$5,000

Vision To Learn



Vision To Learn provides free eye exams and glasses to children in low-income communities. Eye exams for more than 1,300 children were canceled due to school closures in the spring, and demand for services has been greater than ever with many families experiencing job and health insurance loss due to COVID-19. Glasses are critical to helping kids learn and will be even more important in the coming year. A recent study of the program found that students who receive glasses through Vision To Learn achieved test score gains equivalent to a month of school. The organization is also requesting operating funds to cover the cost of personal protective equipment — disposable gloves and N95 masks — to allow staff to continue safely providing exams.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Allegheny

POPULATION SERVED

Vision To Learn typically helps 4,000 youth in low-income communities throughout the Pittsburgh area annually.

\$4,570

Young Adult Survivors United



Young Adult Survivors United provides emotional, social and financial support for young adult cancer survivors, ages 18 through 40, and their families. Young adult cancer survivors have unique challenges and often struggle to make ends meet due to treatment side effects that can lead to unemployment, overwhelming medical and nonmedical expenses, and difficulty providing basic needs for themselves and family members. Demands for financial assistance and mental health support have increased because of COVID-19. Young adults with cancer aren't typically served through other programs. Operating support will replace revenue from fundraising events that were canceled due to the pandemic and help purchase online fundraising technology and grocery gift cards for patients.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Allegheny

POPULATION SERVED

Each year, the organization provides emotional, social and financial support to 300 young adult cancer survivors.

\$4,600



Alfred enjoys a pleasant morning on the porch of First Step Recovery Homes, which offers housing to men recovering from addiction and homelessness.
Image by Jason Cohn.



John Hayden (left) and James Linn stock a shipment of fresh produce at United Methodist Church Union for Northside Food Pantry Advisors. Due to COVID-19, the pantry is no longer able to accept donated food and must now buy all produce. Image by Renee Rosensteel.

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Allegheny Valley Association of Churches (AVAC)



The Allegheny Valley Association of Churches is a Christian agency of churches working together to meet the spiritual, social and physical needs of the community. The Interfaith Hospitality Network, the shelter program that AVAC operates, serves families who are experiencing homelessness. Local churches and volunteers provide evening and overnight accommodations that also include dinner and hospitality. When the pandemic hit, all hosting congregations closed, forcing the association to move three families to hotels until they obtained housing, costing nearly \$7,000. AVAC owns two houses it wants to use as shelter until the churches reopen. It is asking for operating support to help cover the costs of the necessary renovations, which include safety features and conveniences such as laundry facilities.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Allegheny

POPULATION SERVED

AVAC assists on average 3,500 people annually. In 2019, its hospitality network served 23 families, and 80% of them found homes.

\$3,000

BTC Center Inc.



BTC Center's mission is to build communities by addressing food insecurity through its food pantry and community garden, and by providing education, services and items such as COVID-19 masks. The center seeks operating funds to cover internet and telephone service for a year, which will improve responsiveness and record-keeping. The pandemic has increased the demand for services. Since it can no longer host in-person gatherings and health screenings, BTC Center is launching a new website for hosting virtual webinars and posting articles focused on health, safety, healthy eating, gardening tips and COVID-19 topics with the goal of reaching community residents during a time when they are anxious and in need of information and coping strategies.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Allegheny

POPULATION SERVED

Approximately 3,300 people are served every year via the food pantry, garden and other community activities, such as health screenings and safety tips.

\$2,500

Butler Meals on Wheels Inc.



Butler Meals on Wheels Inc. provides nutritious meals to homebound elderly and those recuperating from illness. The program relies on 30 volunteer drivers, most of whom are seniors, to pack and deliver meals daily. Due to COVID-19–related safety concerns, the program was closed from March 24 through May 8, and lost revenue. Many volunteers have not yet returned. The program has added COVID safety precautions. Volunteers now do contactless delivery, leaving meals in cooler bags at the front door. Operating grants will fund the cost of hand sanitizer, gloves, face masks and cooler bags, and the purchase and distribution of durable coolers that can withstand harsh weather conditions.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Butler

POPULATION SERVED

On average, the nonprofit serves 90 meals a day, five days a week, for an annual total of approximately 23,400 meals.

\$5,000

Habitat for Humanity Allegheny Valley



Habitat for Humanity Allegheny Valley works to bring people together to build homes, resilient communities and hope. The organization is dedicated to eliminating substandard housing locally and worldwide through constructing, rehabilitating and preserving homes; by advocating for fair and just housing policies; and by providing training and access to resources to help families improve their shelter conditions. The organization is seeking \$5,000 to help offset the revenue lost at its ReStore, a nonprofit home improvement store and donation center, and the cancellation of the Kentucky Derby Fundraiser gala. These funds were intended to allow our construction services crews to mobilize and provide critical repair for disabled veterans and elderly residents.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Westmoreland

POPULATION SERVED

The organization serves 75 individuals annually.

\$3,850

Jubilee Association Inc.



Jubilee Association works from an empowerment model to provide food assistance to low-income people, and to anyone facing food insecurity and the effects of poverty. Since March, Jubilee has been providing additional meals and emergency food to those suffering from the economic effects of the pandemic and subsequent shutdowns. Through the pandemic, the soup kitchen has remained open seven days a week to serve hot lunches to those in need. Jubilee has also been distributing food to low-income seniors and those in quarantine. Jubilee is requesting operating funds to purchase four months' worth of food from the Greater Pittsburgh Community Food Bank for 100 households in need, as well as 1,000 hot meals at the kitchen.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Allegheny

POPULATION SERVED

Emergency food is distributed to about 500 people annually, including delivery of food to seniors, shut-ins and people under quarantine.

\$5,000

Muslim Women's Association of Pittsburgh



Muslim Women's Association of Pittsburgh is a nonprofit, faith-based organization serving those in need of temporary shelter, food and resources, regardless of race, religion or country of origin. It operates a shelter for people experiencing homelessness and provides food, utilities, clothing and cleaning products to shelter residents. Due to COVID-19, donations are down \$1,000 to \$2,000 a month, while demand for services continues to rise. At its book and crafts store, A Few of a Kind, donations are down \$500 to \$800 a month. Operating funds will help meet demand for increased food and utilities costs related to residents remaining quarantined in the shelter and for additional professional cleaning and disinfecting costs.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Allegheny

POPULATION SERVED

The association serves 200 people annually through education and recreation programs, and the shelter serves 100 people a year.

\$5,000

Rainbow Kitchen Community Services



Rainbow Kitchen Community Services is committed to improving quality of life for low-income families and individuals through programs that address hunger, child nutrition and supportive services. From April to July 2020, its Food Pantry program served 174 new clients, for an average of 472 households per month. Before the pandemic, the pantry served an average of 390 households each month. Due to this significant increase in community need and a decrease in critical resources — including loss of volunteer resources and food donations, and lost revenue due to cancellation of a major annual fundraising event — the organization is requesting operational support.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Allegheny

POPULATION SERVED

In a typical year, the organization serves about 2,000 low-income families and individuals who are elderly, disabled, homeless, unemployed or working poor.

\$5,000

Society of St. Vincent de Paul at Madonna del Castello and Word of God Parishes



Society of St. Vincent de Paul at Madonna del Castello and Word of God Parishes provides basic living necessities for families and individuals experiencing poverty in Braddock, Swissvale, Turtle Creek and the surrounding areas. Serving communities where poverty levels rank among the highest in the county is a challenge due to COVID-19. A summer fundraiser and annual walk-a-thon had to be canceled. Because these are the organization's main fundraisers and account for 60% of annual revenue, the nonprofit requests funding to avoid reducing services by half this year.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Allegheny

POPULATION SERVED

The organization serves 400 people annually.

\$5,000

South East Asia Prayer Center for Light in My City



Light in my City works to provide light, dignity and safety to the homeless of Pittsburgh through lanterns and efficient, high-powered flashlights. These lanterns serve many functions, including as chargers for prepaid phones, which are critical for health care and housing appointments; solar/hand-crank radios to provide heat/cold weather advisories, local news, and Pittsburgh sports and music for entertainment; and light for safety at night. Light in my City is entirely donor-funded, but donations have fallen during the pandemic. Due to mandated physical distancing in shelters, the number of people experiencing homelessness will likely increase. The organization is requesting funds to offset reduced donations so it may continue serving this vulnerable group.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Allegheny

POPULATION SERVED

Light in my City annually serves approximately 300 to 500 people experiencing homelessness.

\$5,000

The Rotary District 7300 Foundation for Carnegie Collier Rotary Club



With the motto “Service Above Self,” the Carnegie Collier Rotary Club focuses on community needs of those most at risk. The pandemic has forced many restaurants to shut down or operate at limited capacity, and they are struggling to survive. Additionally, low-income seniors are faced with the added stress of social isolation. The club created the LUNCH (Let’s Unite Now for Community Hunger) fund to purchase meals each week from a local restaurant and deliver them to senior residences in Carnegie. It costs \$1,750 per month to provide 152 meals. The club seeks to continue this project and expand to other residences. However, the pandemic has made traditional fundraising events impossible.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Allegheny

POPULATION SERVED

The club serves 300 to 400 individuals each year through many projects. Most efforts are focused on youth and the elderly.

\$5,000

The Salvation Army



The Salvation Army's mission is to preach the Gospel of Jesus Christ and meet human needs in his name without discrimination. Its Emergency Disaster Services (EDS) has led the charge to care for populations impacted by the pandemic — youth, seniors, those facing barriers to basic needs, the food insecure, and low-income individuals and families. EDS has partnered with other agencies through the state's Feeding Taskforce to assist people within their neighborhoods, even right to their doorstep. Through these efforts, 84,080 meals and more were provided in the county since March. EDS needs operating support to restock dwindling supplies, including personal protection equipment, food, water, beverages, takeout containers and utensils, and personal care items for disaster victims.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Allegheny

POPULATION SERVED

About 33,575 people were served at social service locations in Allegheny County last year.

\$5,000

Tri-City Meals on Wheels



Tri-City Meals on Wheels prepares and delivers balanced meals to the elderly and those unable to provide for themselves. The pandemic made it impossible to hold the organization's annual car cruise fundraiser that was scheduled for August, while COVID-19 has caused the group's clientele to increase by about 15%. Prices for food and trays for serving have increased, while, due to shortages, Tri-City Meals on Wheels also has had to substitute other, more expensive products for the ones usually used.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Westmoreland

POPULATION SERVED

The nonprofit provides about 165 meals a day, five days a week, for a total of 43,000 meals annually.

\$5,000

United Methodist Church Union for Northside Food Pantry Advisors



Northside Food Pantry Advisors ensure sustainable health and food security for neighbors by donating time, money and goods. The group is financially responsible for the purchase of food, and the organization's efforts have resulted in the popular produce program at the pantry. In 2019, Northside Food Pantry Advisors distributed 200 tons of produce and will easily exceed this amount in 2020. However, due to COVID-19, Northside Food Pantry Advisors are no longer receiving donated fruits and vegetables and are purchasing in bulk from Consumer's Produce in the Strip District. The most popular item, bananas, costs approximately \$80 per week. The organization's wish is to raise enough money to ensure access to bananas every week of 2021.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Allegheny

POPULATION SERVED

The pantry serves about 1,000 households per month on the North Side.

\$4,160

Vintage



Vintage improves and influences the experience of aging. Between mid-March and the end of June, Vintage lost \$33,000 in revenue because of the pandemic. At the same time, it discovered that 42% of the older adults it serves lack a computer or internet access at home. This means they don't have access to email, Facebook or Zoom to maintain social contacts, nor online resources. Vintage is initiating a Senior Tech Support program to match older adults with a technology coach who will work one-on-one with them using Microsoft Teams. Vintage is also establishing a lending library of computers with an option to buy based on a sliding income scale, and it will assist clients in signing up for internet access.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Allegheny

POPULATION SERVED

Approximately 1,100 older adults are served each year, 75% of whom are women, 90% are over age 60 and 75% are Black.

\$5,000

Western Pennsylvania Diaper Bank



Western Pennsylvania Diaper Bank's mission is to ensure that babies in need are clean, healthy and dry. Due to higher unemployment as a result of the pandemic, more families are struggling. Diapers, wipes and menstrual products are not covered by government assistance, so many families have to make a decision to buy food or diapers. Over the past six months, there has been a flood of requests for supplies in Allegheny, Westmoreland and Fayette counties. Operating funds will help the Diaper Bank distribute supplies, expand its partner and donor network, offer more hours to paid staff, and reach more volunteers to commit to sort, count and repack diapers for distribution to agencies and families in need.

PRIMARY COUNTY SERVED Allegheny

POPULATION SERVED

The organization typically serves about 4,500 infants/toddlers and 500 adults annually.

\$5,000



A view of the Duquesne Incline in the fog at night juxtaposed with Pittsburgh's downtown skyline. Image by Dave DiCello.

ABOUT THE FOUNDATION

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A barge on the icy waters of the Ohio River at dawn. Image by Dave DiCello.



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