CONNECT IN 2019
A GUIDE TO OPPORTUNITIES & RESOURCES
Our goal is to EMBOLDEN YOU and YOUR IDEAS to shape the future of Lancaster County TOGETHER.
Together, we’ll engage:

**INDIVIDUALS** to listen deeply to what residents want and need in our community and *activate* fresh ideas to help elevate CBO work in our community.

**BUSINESSES** to harness the power of the private sector to expand on CBO’s work of solving community challenges, *amplifying* the efforts of local businesses already doing this work, and inspiring others to dream fearlessly.

With your help, Activate and Amplify will engage CBOs, individuals, and businesses together to break down silos, unite our shared future, and transform our community in new and extraordinary ways.

**A new approach to**

**Cultivate a culture of EQUITABLE AND INCLUSIVE OPPORTUNITIES in Lancaster County.**

We know that community benefit organizations (CBOs) have unparalleled knowledge and experience working with Lancaster residents and addressing the needs of our community. *Activate and Amplify* is a way to unlock the potential of unique community resources to expand CBO impact, build vital relationships, and cultivate new ideas.
ACTION & IDEAS

We believe that new ideas are the spark that can turn what’s possible into what’s extraordinary!

Whether it’s cultivating economic equity, piloting a new strategy, or pursuing creative leadership development, partnering with the Community Foundation on a grant-funded project is a great way to bring your idea from concept to action.

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PASSION GRANTS

Projects that turn love of community into lasting change

NEW KATHERINE K. GAETH FUND
Up to $26,000
Funding for human service support that provides a direct benefit to clients, such as housing needs and home modifications, utilities, home care assistance, and food access.
APPLY BY MAY 17

NEW THE LANCASTER CLEAN WATER FUND
for $2,500–$50,000
Enables partner collaboration to improve our local water quality through priority restoration projects using technology, cultural sensitivity, and science-based practices.
APPLY BY JULY 26

JOHN J. SNYDER FUND FOR HISTORIC PRESERVATION
Up to $88,500
For the “unglamorous things” necessary to sustain documented historic structures.
APPLY BY MAY 17

SAM AND VERDA TAYLOR FUND
Up to $27,500
Supports the performing arts.
APPLY BY MAY 17

FLORENCE STARR TAYLOR FUND
Up to $15,000
Supports the visual arts.
APPLY BY MAY 17

ANNE C. & W. FRANKLIN RESSLER FUND
Up to $27,300
For community projects based in Eastern Lancaster County.
APPLY BY MAY 17

ADA F. HARR FUND
Up to $31,100
For home health or custodial care for people impacted by illness or disability.
APPLY BY MAY 17

LANCASTER ENVIRONMENTAL FUND & SHUMAN FAMILY DOWNSTREAM SOLUTIONS FUND
Up to $31,950
Supports environmental protection, conservation, and education.
APPLY BY MAY 17

PATRICK KENNEY, JR. MEMORIAL EDUCATION FUND & K.L. SHIRK MEMORIAL FUND
Up to $15,000
Supports programs that fight hate and bigotry while promoting social justice.
APPLY BY MAY 17

BETTER LANCASTER FUND
Up to $24,300
Supports early childhood development from birth to age five.
APPLY BY MAY 17

Use this as a quick reference guide to identify ways we might support your organization’s goals, whether in the form of grants, learning, or endowment building. Additional information on all these programs, as well as eligibility requirements and application information, can be found at lancfound.org/grants

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Encouraging organizational self-examination and investment in growth

CBO CAPACITY BUILDING
Grants of $10,000
New focus this year. Through group learning labs and customized grantmaking, CBOs will learn methods to spark change in organizational culture and structure. A series of learning labs will help strengthen organizational capacity for board and staff development in the areas of equity and inclusion.
APPLY BY JULY 17

BALDWIN LEADERSHIP PROGRAM
Grants of $5,000
This inclusive and dynamic program will empower you to realize your full potential to create change within the context of an evolving community. The program offers a supportive group environment and resources to fund your own personal creative development project.
APPLY BY MAY 17

Emboldening strategies to shape the future of Lancaster County

BB&T ECONOMIC GROWTH FUND
Grants of $100,000 - $1,000,000
Supports projects designed to improve the standard of living and economic health of the county through business attraction and incubation, industrial growth, and the creation of sustainable and thriving wage jobs for residents.
SUBMIT LETTER OF INTENT BY JUNE 1

NEW CBO – BUSINESS PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM
Grants of $10,000 - $25,000
This program supports substantial and authentic private sector/CBO partnerships that will achieve positive social and environmental impact on Lancaster County’s residents and communities. Grants will support CBOs in various stages of building capacity for and implementation of partnerships with local businesses, in order to deliver outcomes that neither the CBOs nor the businesses could achieve independently.
APPLY BY JULY 17

PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM
Up to $20,000
Supports organizations in the process of forming a merger.
ROLLING APPLICATION TIMELINE

NEW CBO – INDIVIDUAL ACTION GRANTS
Five grants at $2,000 each
Pilot or test new project ideas that engage individuals partnering with community benefit organizations to promote equity and inclusion.
APPLY BY JULY 17
FREE FUEL

**LEAP Sessions** Open and available to all
Inspire bold new thinking with these free, powerful learning opportunities. Attend as many of these events as you can! Learn more and register at [lancfound.org/LEAPSessions](http://lancfound.org/LEAPSessions)

**FEBRUARY 22**
Building Beloved Community

**APRIL 5**
Amplify Business/CBO Partnerships

**JUNE 6**
Design Thinking to Give Individuals a Voice

**AUGUST 23**
Increasing Extra Give Donors/Maximizing Peer-to-Peer

**OCTOBER 25**
Building a Blueprint for Legacy

**DECEMBER 6**
Becoming an approachable CBO

**More than a Meet Up**
Be part of one of our community-driven affinity groups. Connect, learn, and share with colleagues and professionals generating new ideas and testing new opportunities for making our community benefit sector stronger. Free ranging and organic gatherings!

**DEVELOPING LANCASTER**
Especially for individuals leading development, advancement, donor relations and fundraising.
**MEETS QUARTERLY. CONTACT JESSICA MAILHOT** jmailhot@lancfound.org

**COMM’A LANCASTER**
Designed for the communications, marketing, and advertising members of your team.
**MEETS QUARTERLY. CONTACT AARON SPANGLER** aspangler@lancfound.org

**INCLUSION AND EQUITY IDEA GROUP**
Facilitated discussion group around implementing equitable practices in the CBO sector.
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THE EXTRAORDINARY GIVE

**NOVEMBER 22**
In just 7 days of giving, the ExtraGive has inspired more than $42 MILLION benefiting more than 500 community benefit organizations. Save the date for November 22 and get ready to give EXTRA!

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The Extraordinary Give is Lancaster County’s largest day of giving!
LONG-TERM SUSTAINABILITY

LOWER FEES FOR ORGANIZATIONAL FUNDS
Starting January 1, 2019, the fee for Organizational Funds held at the Community Foundation have been dropped from 1.0% to .80% for investments up to $1 million. All fees support the locally-focused work of the Community Foundation and support ongoing impact including strategic grant investments, Extraordinary Give, and Forever Lancaster.

NEW FLEX FUND FOR COMMUNITY BENEFIT ORGANIZATIONS
For those organizations interested in having a flexible spending fund (fully accessible to your nonprofit organization invested through the Community Foundation), we have created the Flex Fund. This fund is for those nonprofits that have an Organizational Fund of at least $50,000.

ESG POOL—ENVIRONMENTAL, SOCIAL, GOVERNANCE
A new option for socially-minded investors, our ESG Investment Pool invests specifically in companies that have a positive tilt towards Environment, Social, and Governance best practices. The pool includes investment in companies that commit to principles like using renewable energy, paying a thriving wage, or having a Board with significant female leadership.

NEW CHARITABLE GIFT ANNUITY RATES
For those of you who have donors interested in creating a charitable gift annuity (CGA), rates increased on July 1, 2018 for the first time since 2012. The Community Foundation follows the guidelines from the American Council on Gift Annuities and subscribe to best practices for CGA administration.

OPPORTUNITY OF OUR GENERATION
Forever Lancaster helps your organization continue to improve Lancaster County—permanently. It’s a way to turn your ideas into action and your passion into legacy.

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READY TO START OR GROW YOUR ORGANIZATION’S ENDOWMENT FUND?

FOREVER LANCASTER
YOUR LEGACY, OUR COMMUNITY
CONNECT WITH US!

Your thoughts and ideas make our work possible.
We’re excited to work with you on
EMBOLDENING OUR EXTRAORDINARY COMMUNITY!