

# FCP NEWS

FOUNDATIONS COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP | SUMMER 2020



## COVID-19 Response Grants Offer Needed Relief

In May, FCP's Board of Directors approved \$230,000 in grant funding to help Bucks County nonprofit organizations mitigate the impact of the coronavirus pandemic. Each of the following organizations received a \$4,500 grant:

A Woman's Place	KidsPeace National Centers, Inc.
Advocates for Homeless & Those in Need	Lenape Valley Foundation
ATG Learning Academy	LifePath
Autism Cares Foundation	Lily's Hope Foundation
BARC Developmental Services	Maternity Care Coalition
Bethany Christian Services of the Greater Delaware Valley	Mercer Museum of the Bucks County Historical Society
Big Brothers Big Sisters of Bucks County	Minding Your Mind
Bucks County Audubon Society	National Alliance on Mental Illness of PA, Bucks County Chapter
Bucks County Community College Foundation	Network of Victim Assistance (NOVA)
Bucks County Housing Group	NGA-Needlework Guild of America
Bucks County Opportunity Council	One House at a Time
Bucks County Playhouse Theater, Inc.	Peace Valley Holistic Center
Cancer Support Community Greater Philadelphia	Pegasus Therapeutic Riding Academy
Children's Developmental Program	Penndel Mental Health Center
Christ's Home	Potential Inc.
Coalition to Shelter and Support the Homeless	Refuge Child Care Academy
Community Conservatory of Music	Snipes Farm & Education Center
Comprehensive Learning Center	Special Equestrians
Easter Seals of Southeastern PA	The Baby Bureau
Family Promise of Lower Bucks	The Council of Southeast Pennsylvania, Inc
Family Service Association of Bucks County	Valley Youth House Committee, Inc.
Girl Scouts of Eastern Pennsylvania, Inc.	Woods Services Inc.
Grand View Health Foundation	Worthwhile Wear
HealthLink Medical Center	YMCA of Bucks County
Heritage Conservancy	YWCA Bucks County
Ivy Hill Therapeutic Equestrian Center	



Ron Bernstein officially passed the torch as FCP's Executive Director to Dr. Tobi Bruhn at the end of June. See Tobi's greeting on page 3.

## Summer and Fall 2020 Grant Cycle Dates and Deadlines!

**Partnership in Youth Services** – (grant award: \$3,000) Application opened **July 1, 2020**, and closes **September 1, 2020**. *Note: PYS applications do not require an LOI before starting a full application.*

**Bucks Innovation & Improvement (BIIG)** – (grant award range: \$10,000–\$15,000) LOI process opened **July 1, 2020** and must be submitted no later than **October 1, 2020**. Following an LOI meeting with FCP, full applications due no later than **October 15, 2020**.

**Capital Improvement** – (grant award range: \$10,000–\$15,000) LOI process opened **July 1, 2020** and must be submitted no later than **October 1, 2020**. Following an LOI meeting with FCP, full applications due no later than **October 15, 2020**.

For detailed information on FCP grant programs and application requirements, visit [www.fcpartnership.org/grants](http://www.fcpartnership.org/grants).

## About FCP

Foundations Community Partnership was formed in July 2007, as a result of the sale of Foundations Behavioral Health. Foundations Community Partnership is a philanthropic grant-making foundation supporting the behavioral health and human service needs of children and young adults in Bucks County. Foundations Community Partnership provides grants and technical assistance to nonprofit organizations, awards scholarships to Bucks County high school seniors, subsidizes service learning internships for college students, underwrites community education programs and supports behavioral health education and research.

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# Nonprofits Respond to General Operating Support Pilot Program

At the end of last year, FCP introduced a \$50,000 pilot program offering general operating support (GOS) for Bucks County nonprofit organizations. These GOS grants were intended to give grantees flexibility to pursue their goals to build strong and sustainable infrastructure and to provide programs and services that

will have the greatest impact on their constituents.

More than 20 organizations responded to this opportunity, and FCP's Board of Directors recently awarded GOS grants to the Bucks County Housing Group, Big Brothers Big Sisters of Bucks County, and Network for Victim Assistance.



## Save the Dates

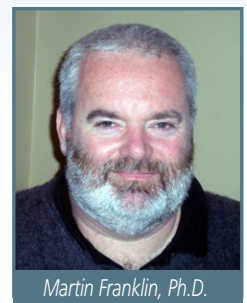
# Fall Workshop Webinar Series

With due caution during the pandemic, FCP is planning to offer its professional education workshops as webinars this fall. Find details on the FCP website in the coming weeks.

**November 4, 2020, 8:30 a.m. to 12 p.m.**

### *Treating OCD in Children and Adolescents: A Cognitive Behavioral Approach*

*Martin Franklin, Ph.D. – Clinical Director, Rogers Behavioral Health & Associate Professor Emeritus of Clinical Psychology in Psychiatry at the University of Pennsylvania Perelman School of Medicine*



Martin Franklin, Ph.D.

**December 2, 2020, 8:30 a.m. to 12 p.m.**

### *Mandated Reporting of Child Abuse: What You Need to Know*

*Mandy Mundy, M.S., NPL – Senior Director, Programs and Services at Network of Victim Assistance*



Mandy Mundy, M.S., NPL

Visit [www.fcpartnership.org](http://www.fcpartnership.org) to learn more about upcoming workshops and to register online.



# Nice to meet you

Starting a new job amidst a pandemic is not how I imagined my first few months at Foundations Community Partnership. Nevertheless, I was thrilled to join this great team on April 20 and have enjoyed connecting with many of you over Zoom calls. Now that Bucks County has “gone green,” I hope to be able to visit you soon so I can learn more about your organization and listen to how FCP can best support your efforts through our programs and grant-making process.

As most of you know, FCP has supported the behavioral health and human service needs of children and young adults in Bucks County ever since Ron Bernstein founded the nonprofit organization in 2007. Since then, our nonprofit partners received more than \$5.5 million through grants and technical assistance. My being brought on board will not change any of the program-related aspects of the organization. But rather my role is to work with the Board and great team to further enhance our remarkable programs, ensure their funding, and continue the collaborative partnerships as well as establish new ones while highlighting the crucial work we do together in our community. It is exciting to me knowing how embedded FCP is in Bucks County’s nonprofit community, and how committed the Board and my colleagues are to invest in innovative approaches and solutions that impact so many people in our community.

I look forward to helping to write the next chapter of FCP’s remarkable history, and thank the Board of Directors for this opportunity as well as Ron for his vision and leadership in shaping this organization. Please remain safe and healthy during this difficult time while continuing to serve and advocate for your clients. Remember...#WeAreAllinThisTogether

See you soon,



Tobi Bruhn, Ed.D., CFRE



## Board Honors FCP Founder Ron Bernstein by Establishing New Scholarship

FCP’s Board of Directors recently voted to create the new “Ron Bernstein Outstanding Service” scholarship. This \$2,500 annual award will benefit a FCP Summer Youth Corps intern who demonstrates the generosity of spirit in service to the community embodied by FCP’s founder who retired at the end of June.

Under Bernstein’s leadership, FCP developed innovative services to improve the lives of young people and their families and has awarded more than \$5.5 million in grants to Bucks County nonprofit organizations.

“Ron has led FCP in supporting underserved youth in Bucks County through crucial funding, scholarships, internships, and continuing education programming for the past 13 years,” said Tom Hanna, Chair of FCP’s Board of Directors. “This scholarship will carry on Ron’s legacy of service by supporting outstanding college students who are making a difference in the community.”

“It has been extremely rewarding to serve Bucks County during my tenure at Foundations Community Partnership,” said Bernstein. “The programs we’ve instituted are helping students, families, behavioral health professionals and nonprofit organizations work towards positive change in Bucks County.”



Board Chair Tom Hanna (left), Ron Bernstein, Board member Karen Lasorda, and Dr. Tobi Bruhn

Our new executive director, Tobi Bruhn, will guide FCP in the coming years with more remarkable programs, funding, and collaborative partnerships.”

The first annual “Ron Bernstein Outstanding Service” scholarship will be awarded at the Partnership in Youth Services luncheon in October 2021.

# Congratulations Class of 2020 Outstanding Graduates!

FCP awarded 19 \$1,000 scholarships to each of these Bucks County high school student leaders graduating this year:

Bensalem resident **Nabaa Abdulhussein** at Bensalem High School  
*Attending Bucks County Community College*

Bristol resident **Jacob Frey** at Bristol Borough High School  
*Attending Adelphi College*

Furlong resident **Christopher Abraham** at Central Bucks High School East  
*Attending University of Pittsburgh*

New Britain resident **Alexa Pereira** at Central Bucks High School South  
*Attending Villanova University*

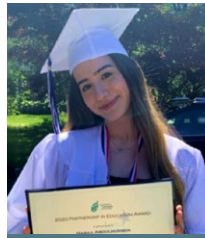
Warrington resident **Thomas Butts** at Central Bucks High School West  
*Attending Penn State Honors College*

Newtown resident **Jordan Sabel** at Council Rock High School North  
*Attending Purdue University*

Holland resident **Michele Eddowes** at Council Rock High School South  
*Attending University of Pittsburgh*

Croydon resident **Rebecca Osbaldeston** at Harry S. Truman High School  
*Attending Haverford College*

Perkasie resident **Dana Beck** at Upper Bucks County Technical School  
*Attending Bucks County Community College*



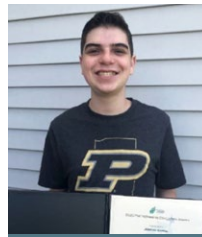
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Sarah Stofik

*With traditional ceremonial activities altered due to the pandemic, FCP was delighted to receive photos of these students with their award certificates.*

Bensalem resident **Nishit Patel** at Bucks County Technical High School  
*Attending Rutgers University*

Morrisville resident **Bethany Macwana** at Morrisville Sr. High School  
*Attending LaSalle University*

Levittown resident **Delaney Young** at Neshaminy High School  
*Attending Stockton University*

Carversville resident **Maya Vaughn** at New Hope – Solebury High School  
*Attending Brandeis University*

Riegelsville resident **Maura Campbell** at Palisades High School  
*Attending Lehigh University*

Perkasie resident **Madison Farrell** at Pennridge High School  
*Attending Misericordia University*

Yardley resident **Noah Erdogan** at Pennsbury High School  
*Attending University of Pennsylvania*

Quakertown resident **Sarah Stofik** at Quakertown Community High School  
*Attending University of South Carolina*

Warminster resident **Steven Chen** at William Tennent High School  
*Attending University of Pennsylvania*

Holland resident **Brian Adams** at Middle Bucks Institute of Technology  
*Attending Pennsylvania College of Technology*

Visit [www.fcpartnership.org/scholarships](http://www.fcpartnership.org/scholarships) to view a poster featuring all of the recipients.

Before social distancing measures took effect in March, we were delighted to welcome graduates and students of the LaSalle University Masters in Nonprofit Leadership Program supported by FCP for a celebration luncheon. We look forward to such special occasions in the future, when public safety allows.

*Back row, left to right: Chad Guth (Habitat for Humanity Montgomery Co.); Ron Bernstein (Executive Director, FCP); Anne Marie Hyer (Bucks County Association for the Blind and Visually Impaired); Steve Doerner (Bucks County District Attorney's Office); Dr. Laura Otten (Director, LaSalle Center for Nonprofit Management); Mandy Mundy (NOVA). Bottom row, left to right: Erik Clare (Bucks County Housing Group); Marissa Christie (United Way of Bucks County); Michelle Evans (Family Service Association); Kristin Chapin (YWCA Bucks County)*

