



Thank you for applying to the Martin M. Sacks Memorial Fund, a fund of The Foundation for Enhancing Communities. Tell your story clearly and concisely. Attachments are required; follow all directions. Failure to answer questions, utilize this template, or attach required documents will disqualify your application. **Answer all questions using information that applies to the project seeking support of grant funds.** Contact Jennifer Strechay, Program Offer for Community Investment, at 717-236-5040 or jstrechay@tfec.org with questions.

APPLICANT SNAPSHOT

Applicant Organization Name

Carlisle CARES dba Community CARES

Provide your organization's name as currently recognized by the IRS

- Check box if the Applicant Organization Name above is a "Doing Business As" name and the provided 501c3 letter states a different name. To be recognized by the "Doing Business As" name, attach ONE legal document using the provided name. If not provided, TFEC will utilize the 501c3 name.**
- Check box if the Applicant Organization uses a Fiscal Sponsor and provide name here**
Click or tap here to enter text.

Project Title

Youth Emergency Shelter

Project Title must match title listed throughout application and online

Name, Title, Email, Phone of Executive Leader

Beth Kempf, Executive Director, bkempf@morethanshelter.org, 717-249-1009 ext. 2226

All contracts and notifications of grant status will be addressed to the individual provided here

Applicant Organization's Physical Address

50 W. Penn St., Carlisle, PA 17013

Applicant Organization's Address for Mailed Communications

50 W. Penn St., Carlisle, PA 17013

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Name, Title, Email, Phone of Contact Completing Application

Ann Carney, Finance Coordinator, acarney@morethanshelter.org, 717-249-1009 ext. 2227

If application questions arise, this individual will be contacted by TFEC staff

Areas to be served as part of the project; check all that apply

- City of Harrisburg Immediate Surrounding Areas of the City of Harrisburg Other

Counties to be served as part of project; check all that apply

- Cumberland Dauphin Perry

Projected Number of Individuals to be served by project

60	Total number of ADULTS served
0	Total number of CHILDREN (ages 17 and under) served
60	Total number of ALL INDIVIDUALS served by the project

If above data is not appropriate to project, be sure to fully state the audience type and numbers to be served in Question 2 of the Impact Narrative

Organization’s Mission Statement: Do not exceed this page

Serving and strengthening the community by providing emergency shelter, resources and supportive services to individuals and families experiencing homelessness.

Organization History: Do not exceed this page

Community CARES has been in service for over 15 years. In 2004 members of a local church recognized the problem of homelessness locally and were compelled to take action. Soon after, other churches joined in opening their doors to the area’s homeless. In 2009, CARES became a 501(c) 3 nonprofit organization and today provides outreach, coordinated entry, emergency overnight shelter, resources and supportive services to single women, men and families at risk of or experiencing homelessness in Cumberland County, 365 days a year.

Community CARES is a 501(c)3 public charity which operates several programs, all focused on assisting people at risk of or experiencing homelessness. Hosted by local area churches which rotate monthly, the shelters provide overnight emergency shelter for those individuals and families experiencing homelessness. **Cumberland Street Reach** is a mobile outreach program designed to engage, assess and combat homelessness for individuals and families who are at risk of losing their home and those living on the streets, in encampments and in locations not intended for human habitation, throughout Cumberland County. The Resource Center is the hub of our daytime operations for both staff and residents. Here, residents receive supportive services and access to other necessary basic needs including a place to do laundry, take showers, receive mail, make phone calls, access computer technology, cook meals, and rest when they are ill or working nights. Residents meet weekly with a Supportive Service Coordinator to develop housing plans and strategies to overcome some of the unique barriers they face as they work toward stability and independence.

Recent Grant History: Do not exceed this page

Did you apply for and receive a grant from the Martin M. Sacks Memorial Fund in 2019? Yes No

If so, state the project’s name, amount awarded, and describe the current status of the project that was awarded funds in 3-4 sentences or less. If “no” type NA.

Community CARES received a \$500 grant for the Youth Emergency Shelter program in 2019 (to be used in 2020). Unaccompanied homeless youth are a vulnerable population in Cumberland County, with many of them exiting the foster system or mental health facilities. These grant funds have been used to help support the cost to provide emergency shelter, supportive services and resources to youth between the ages of 18-24 during 2020. YTD through 6/30/20, we have provided emergency shelter and resources to 41 youth.

PROJECT SNAPSHOT

1. Capture your project and the community need it seeks to address in 200 words or less.

The Youth Emergency Shelter Program seeks to address the community issue of homeless youth by coordinating emergency overnight shelter along with resources and supportive services for youth between the ages of 18-24. According to the National Resource Center on Domestic Violence, homeless youth is defined as “unaccompanied individuals ages 12 to 24 without family support who are living in shelters, on the streets, cars, vacant buildings or who are couch surfing.” <https://www.acf.hhs.gov/fysb/resource/dv-homelessness-stats-2016>.

The Youth Emergency Shelter is a Community CARES program that addresses the needs of youth ages 18-24 who are experiencing homelessness and seeking shelter in Cumberland County, 365 days a year. CARES staff coordinates this program as they work to ensure the safety and well-being of the residents while they navigate their way to overcoming homelessness. They make sure the shelter locations are available and ready each night and arrange for transportation (on the CARES bus) to and from the shelter twice daily. They assist the residents in overcoming their barriers to homelessness, including providing case management to establish housing plans and goals, obtain housing and jobs, and access other community supports as needed.

PROJECT NARRATIVE

Answer questions 2-10 clearly and concisely; no limit.

2. Describe the proposed project, the geographic area it will serve, and the audience to be served; state why this audience was selected. You **MUST** use and complete the following statement within your answer, “Grant funds will be used to _____”.

Homelessness is a health crisis and continues to be a concern in Cumberland County. According to the National Alliance to End Homelessness (NAEH) 2019 point in time count, on a given night, 35,038 unaccompanied youth were counted as homeless in the United States, with 89% of those falling between the ages of 18-24. Even more staggering is that 50% of those youth between the ages of 18-24 are unsheltered, sleeping outside, in a car or in another area not intended for human habitation www.NAEH.org. According to research by JAMA Internal Medicine, “homeless individuals who live and sleep on park benches, in the corners of alleyways and under bridges are three times more likely to die than those who live in shelters and ten times more likely to die than the general population.”

Our target population for this grant funding will include individuals between the ages of 18-24 who are seeking Emergency shelter, supports and resources throughout Cumberland County. Community CARES operates in accordance with Continuum of Care (CoC) priorities, which include chronically homeless, veterans, families with children, and unaccompanied youth.

Community CARES Emergency Shelter serves youth ages 18-24, who are experiencing homelessness and seeking shelter in Cumberland County (365 days a year). CARES provides a place where the individuals are safely off the streets when they have no other place to go for the basic need of shelter, while getting the necessary support needed as they work to overcome homelessness and getting the necessary rest needed to perform well in school and at jobs. Often these youth have aged out of foster care or have no family support systems and many do not have high school diplomas. Often these youth have young children of their own, who are at risk of being removed from their parents if stability is not maintained. Community CARES also advocates for the minor children of the youth in our care by collaborating with local schools and human service agencies. Community CARES works with Children and Youth Services and other related agencies as needed to advocate for the health and well-being of the children. This collaboration is essential to best serve our clients and their needs as we support the entire family unit.

72 and 41 youth have actively received supports through Community CARES Emergency Shelter during 2019 and YTD 2020 (through 6/30/20) respectively. Many others have been assisted through Cumberland Street Reach (some have been referred to CARES’ emergency shelter through this outreach program). The continued identification of unsheltered homeless youth demonstrates the need for emergency shelter services, as well as street outreach for individuals who are unable or unwilling to access shelter.

These youth often struggle with common barriers causing homelessness, including domestic violence, lack of affordable housing, mental health and addiction issues, unemployment or low wages, poor or incomplete education, etc. While residents are in our program, they receive help from Supportive Services Coordinators who help them to develop housing plans, establish goals and direct them towards additional supports and human services necessary to help overcome homelessness and the barriers that contribute to it. A goal is to assist them in gaining independence as they seek employment, work on life skills and strive toward the goal of placement into permanent housing. The impact to the individuals receiving these services is to help provide long term solutions to poverty by equipping them with skills needed for independence and healthy, stable lives.

With the onset of COVID-19 and its trickle effects, we are seeing an increase in the number of inquiries and calls from youth seeking supports. We anticipate this need to grow as the effects of COVID-19 continue to unfold. Many youth who never imagined homelessness as a reality may begin to find themselves in financial crises as a result of the impacts of COVID-19. Unemployment, reduction in wages and/or hours and the market decline as well as increases in domestic violence and addictions and other family issues are all circumstances that could lead a youth to housing insecurity and the need for assistance. As eviction moratoriums are lifted in the coming months, we expect the need for our services to be even greater.

During the COVID-19 pandemic, our doors have remained open 24 hours a day to meet the needs that we have always supported and to provide additional resources as we are able. Since many other local human service agencies have temporarily closed or limited their resources during this time, we have increased our services to meet some of the needs normally provided by them (including outdoor restrooms, hand washing stations, access to showers, etc.). We have referred households to local food banks and provided many with basic necessities. In addition, we have helped coordinate (and where available fund) short term hotels for households with no other place to go to shelter in place. Finally, our generous community has provided a daily hot meal for our shelter residents since March.

We screen numerous calls daily from institutions like prisons, behavioral health facilities, nursing homes and hospitals desperate for help securing housing for those in their care as well as from individuals and families seeking supports and services. We have worked to divert many to alternative options in place of homelessness, while enrolling others in our Emergency Shelter program. Many of these people needed a live person to help them through their situations and we find ourselves assisting with many unique situations as a result of the impacts of COVID-19. This growing need for resources supports that our services are vital now more than ever, and we are committed to keep building our resources to remain a source of hope for many.

As we continue to realize the effects of COVID-19, our community will need to partner together to provide support to the most vulnerable populations including unsheltered youth. COVID-19 will have lasting impacts on the youth of our community for the foreseeable future and efforts to mitigate these effects by providing supports through Emergency Shelter will be important in helping in the recovery.

Grant funds will be used to help offset the operating costs of the Youth Emergency Shelter program, including the cost of late arrival cell phones, transportation by Community CARES bus to and from the shelter (including fuel, insurance and maintenance), and support for Community CARES staff who partner with the individuals as they work toward overcoming homelessness. Staff not only ensures the logistics of the overnight program, but also works during the day to assist the youth with the challenges they face in their daily lives. The work with them to develop housing plans, secure employment and access other community resources.

DATES & LOCATIONS

3. When and where will the project take place? List dates and locations as appropriate in chronological order. State if provided dates/locations are confirmed, estimated, or to be determined.

The Youth Emergency Shelter is an ongoing program that takes place 365 days a year in our Emergency Shelter, located in Carlisle, PA. This program is supported by our Resource (day) Center located in Varlisle, PA and Cumberland Street Reach (mobile outreach throughout Cumberland County). All dates and locations are confirmed for 2021.

ROLES & RESPONSIBILITIES

4. Does the project involve partnerships, collaborations, service, or affiliations with other organizations that will strengthen the project? If so, LIST their name(s) and corresponding role(s) within the categories below OR if this does not apply to you, state why your project would be best positioned for success as a single organization.

SINGLE ORGANIZATION STATEMENT: Our project differs from that of any other found in our community, as we do not duplicate the services provided by any other agency. Although we work in conjunction with many local human services agencies (referrals for services, etc.) to ensure the best possible success for those we assist, we do not require a partnership or collaboration to ensure the ongoing success and viability of this program. The Youth Emergency Shelter program serves a need in Cumberland County (and does not duplicate a need) independent of any other organization.

PARTNERSHIPS: *We are equally invested in providing this project and success is dependent upon all organizations and shared roles although one entity serves as the applicant for this grant. Our application includes a letter from each partner that states their role in this relationship.*

NA

COLLABORATIONS: *We are working with other organizations to make this project happen, but we serve as the lead organization for this grant opportunity and our project success is enriched by, but not dependent upon, our collaborators. An additional letter is NOT required, but may help the application.*

NA

SERVICE: *Our project will serve these organizations and cannot take place without their commitment to accept service. Our application includes a letter from each organization (this includes schools) that states their intent to participate.*

NA

AFFILIATIONS: *Our project may be affiliated with these organizations in some way, but is not 100% dependent upon their participation. An additional letter is NOT needed.*

Our project differs from that of any other found in our community, as we do not duplicate services. Although we work in conjunction with many local human services agencies to ensure the best possible success for those we assist, The Youth Emergency Shelter program is not 100% dependent on the participation of any one of these organizations.

COMPARABLES

5. Are other organizations in your service area providing services that are similar to your proposed project? If yes, state their names or services and explain how your project differs. If no, state NA.

NA

ASSESSMENT & IMPACT

- 6a. What will project success look like? Provide a brief overview of the project's key outcomes, outputs, and/or other results of success.

Community CARES is committed to the Youth Emergency Shelter program and will continue to fully operate this program, in the event the proposal is not funded at the level requested, by seeking and committing additional funding sources including contributions, grants and fundraising dollars.

8. This grant opportunity will not fund 100% of any project. Restate the amount you are seeking and describe other funding sources and amounts.

We are requesting TFEC funding in the amount of \$1,000 to assist with the costs of the Youth Emergency Shelter program. Other funding sources will include community contributions, fundraising and grants.

9. Did the applicant organization end its most recent fiscal year with a budget surplus or deficit? If so, briefly state the amount of the surplus or deficit and how the surplus may be used (i.e. is it earmarked for another program) and/or how the deficit may be handled.

Community CARES ended 2019 with a budget surplus of \$83,695. Approximately \$58,000 came from grants awarded and received in 2019, designated for specific projects to be completed during 2020. Any additional surplus will be saved in reserve to obtain a permanent overnight shelter location/day center facility.

ACCESS & INCLUSION

10. As a community foundation, TFEC fosters a climate of purposeful inclusion that values diversity of gender, age, race, ethnicity, national origin, range of abilities, sexual orientation, and socio-economic status. Please state how your project will be made accessible to all individuals who qualify for participation in the project and describe any accommodations, modifications, technologies, or services you will offer to ensure that all eligible participants experience the best possible services or outcomes.

Community CARES serves those experiencing homelessness and seeking shelter in Cumberland County, as an overnight Emergency Homeless Shelter, and offers our residents access to a daytime Resource Center that provides a kitchen, laundry room, bathroom/showers, lockers, computer technology, internet, a mailing address, telephone, wellness rooms and a community gathering area. The Resource Center is also a point of contact for residents to meet with Supportive Services Coordinators to develop plans for overcoming homelessness. In addition, for those who are not eligible for emergency shelter (i.e. Megan's law offenders, individuals with history of violent crimes, etc.) or those who choose not to enter emergency shelter, Cumberland Street Reach (street outreach) offers services to anyone who is homeless or at risk of homelessness throughout Cumberland County, meeting people right where they are located. These services are available to men, women, and families. Community CARES offers an environment of inclusion by a non-discrimination policy with regard to any protected class, including age, gender identity, race, ethnicity, national origin, range of disabilities, sexual orientation and socio-economic status. We make all aspects of our program accessible to all individuals who otherwise qualify for our programs, to the best of our ability. Our Resource Center is accessible and our bus has a lift to accommodate a wheel chair and/or residents who are not able to do steps, as they travel to and from the shelters each night.

BUDGET WORKSHEET

Complete the Budget Worksheet below; a Project Total is required.

ITEM OR SERVICE <i>Examples include: Contracted Services, Equipment, Personnel, Supplies; list your own as appropriate.</i>	DESCRIPTION OF ITEM OR SERVICE	REQUESTED GRANT FUNDS <i>Indicate where funds sought through this grant opportunity will be applied.</i>	OTHER FUNDING SOURCES <i>State the names and amounts of all other funding sources.</i>	PENDING, COMMITTED, OR RECEIVED <i>Using a P, C, or R, indicate the status of all funding sources.</i>	\$ TOTALS <i>Add across to provide a total for each row. Total columns as indicated in bottom row.</i>
Salaries	Program Coordinator; Supportive Services Administration	\$550	\$7,914 - grants, donations and fundraising	P	\$8,464
Payroll Taxes and benefits	Program Coordinator; Supportive Services Administration	\$50	\$1,231- grants, donations and fundraising	P	\$1,281
Utilities	Telephones and internet	\$0	\$284 - grants, donations and fundraising	P	\$284
Transportation	Fuel, maint., inspection, registration, insurance, u-haul	\$200	\$806 - grants, donations and fundraising	P	\$1,006
Professional Services	Computer consultant, IT, copy lease, etc.	\$0	\$655 - grants, donations and fundraising	P	\$655
Administrative	Training, meetings, etc	\$0	\$153 - grants, donations and fundraising	P	\$153
Insurance	General liab., prof. liab., work. comp,	\$200	\$386 - grants, donations and fundraising	P	\$586
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		\$			\$

TOTALS	\$1,000	\$11,429		\$12,429
	Total: Requested Grant Funds	Total: Other Funding Sources		PROJECT TOTAL

President	Bradley Griffie	Griffie & Associates	Carlisle Rotary-Sunrise Membership Chair
			Carlisle Area Chamber of Commerce
			Cumberland County Bar Association
			Franklin County Bar Association
			Pennsylvania Bar Association
			American Bar Association
			St. Paul's Evangelical Church
			BPOE #578
			Family Moose Lodge #761
Vice President	Andy Lippert	US Army War College	Our Lady Queen of Peace - Member
			St. Patrick's Church - Attendee
			Carlisle Rotary-Sunrise Member
			U.S.Army War College Fdn. - Member
			Carlisle Fish & Game Association - Member
			American Association of Individual Investors, Member
			Army Aviation Association of America, Member
			Cumberland County Historical Society, Member
			Knights of Columbus, Member
			Military Officers' Association of America, Member
			Gettysburg Foundation - Member
Treasurer	Sam Glesner	Belco Community Credit Union	Carlisle Family YMCA Board Member
			South Middleton Parks and Rec. Board
			Carlisle Chamber Board -Legislative Affairs Comm.
			BPOE #578-Member
			F.&A.M. of PA Carlisle Lodge 260-Member
			A.A.S.R Northern Masonic Jurisdiction-Member
			USA Softball Certified Umpire
			SSAA Certified Umpire
			Cumberland County Republican Committee
Secretary	Jennifer Heishman	Get Leasing	Cancer Society - Volunteer
Staff Relations	Open		
Board Development	Justin Hovetter	Berkshire Hathaway Homesale Realty	Greater Harrisburg Association of Realtors Board
			Carlisle Historic Architecture Review Board
Member at Large	David Rogers	Carlisle Borough Police	FOP Tri-County Lodge #76 - Conductor
			Carlisle Gun Club - Member
Programs	Charles Stoup	Retired	Carlisle Rotary-Sunrise member
			Carlisle Municipal Authority - Board member
			St. John's Episcopal Church
Community Development	Carley Miller	Orrstown Bank	United Way of Carlisle & Cumb. Cty.-Comm. member
			Leadership Cumberland-Comm. member
			Doubling Gap Church of God - SS teacher

2020 MARTIN M. SACKS MEMORIAL FUND SIGN & SUBMIT FORM

Provide signatures from the applicant organization, below. Both organization representatives must sign.

By providing your original OR digital signature below, you agree that the provided information in this application is true to the best of your knowledge and may be submitted for review. Completion of this form is one component of your Complete Application.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | President/CEO | 
_____ | Click or tap here to enter text.
Digital Signature |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Board President | 
_____ | Click or tap here to enter text.
Digital Signature |

REQUIRED ATTACHMENTS TO BE UPLOADED & SUBMITTED BY 4PM IN THE DEADLINE DATE

All grant materials must be submitted through the TFEC online application system by 4pm on the deadline date. This grant opportunity does not utilize delivered or mailed materials.

- Complete Application:** Applicant Snapshot, Project Snapshot, Project Narrative, Budget Worksheet, and Sign & Submit Form with original or digital signatures.
- Board of Directors List:** Professional affiliations (ie: work positions and/or titles as applicable) must be included.
- No more than TWO letters of support with original or digital signatures. LETTERS OF SUPPORT ARE OPTIONAL FOR THIS GRANT OPPORTUNITY but must be received by the deadline date.** Letters of support from the applicant organization's Board of Directors will not be accepted. Identical form letters are discouraged.
- If you have indicated PARTNERSHIP with or SERVICE to other Agencies as stated in Question 4, you must include letters with original or digital signatures documenting the relationship.** A letter of Partnership or Service may also serve as a letter of support if support is expressly stated.
- Applicants who utilize a FISCAL SPONSOR must include a letter signed by the Executive Leader of the Fiscal Sponsor organization indicating agreement to serve as the Fiscal Sponsor.** An original or digital signature is required.
- IRS 501(c)(3) determination letter**
- 1st Page of Applicant Organization's Most Recent 990.** If 990 is not available, upload applicant organization's most recent audit or financial statement to meet this requirement.

QUESTIONS

If you should have any questions regarding this form or TFEC grant opportunities, contact Jennifer Strechay, Program Officer for Community Investment, at jstrechay@tfec.org or 717-236-5040.