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APPLICANT PROFILE

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.

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

All contracts and notifications of grant status will be sent to the address provided here

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

Organization's Mission Statement

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, 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.

PROJECT SNAPSHOT

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

Cumberland Street Reach helps to address the community issue of homelessness in Cumberland County by providing support, services and referrals to those who are at risk of or experiencing homelessness. The program is designed to engage, assess and combat common barriers for households that are at high risk of being evicted or are living on the streets, in encampments and in locations not intended for human habitation. The Cumberland Street Reach program directly impacts the homeless problem in Cumberland County by meeting at risk people right in their own community, ensuring it is accessible no matter how or where persons begin seeking assistance. It provides for basic human needs and then engages with them to provide case management and Coordinated Entry. Households are more likely to be successful when we can help find solutions to the root causes of homelessness (job insecurity, poverty, rental and utility assistance, referrals for medical and mental health services, etc.) which may lead to housing stability, prevent people from living on the streets and minimize the need for emergency shelter. The priority for Cumberland Street Reach is to provide supports and find solutions to prevent and/or end homelessness for those living on the streets.

PROJECT NARRATIVE

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

2. The GHCF UPstream grant opportunity seeks to improve our area communities by supporting existing or new “upstream” systems, interventions, programs, or projects that attempt to create positive social change by addressing a problem at its source rather than managing its “downstream” symptoms. Describe your proposed upstream project, the geographic area it will serve, and the audience to be served; state why this audience was selected. Include how/why your project is “upstream” and how your project is working to address a specific need or needs. You **MUST** use and complete the following statement within your answer, “Grant funds will be used to _____”.

Homelessness in Cumberland County continues to be an ongoing concern. According to research by JAMA Internal Medicine, “homeless adults 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.” Access to affordable housing and shelter services are critical needs in Cumberland County. There is a great need to rapidly house individuals and families living on the streets and in the shelter, and to provide supports to the many households that are at risk of becoming homeless.

The National Alliance to End Homelessness annual Point in Time count conducted in January 2020, which the County (CARES included) participated in, identified the following homeless populations in Cumberland County; 82 unsheltered homeless individuals, including 26 children (under 18) and 3 youth (ages 18-24). The total number of homeless individuals rose from 199 to 212 in the county. In addition, the count confirms populations of unaccompanied youth, chronically homeless, veterans, people with disabilities, mental health and substance abuse issues and victims of domestic violence.

Community CARES (Cumberland Street Reach) is the only agency performing Street Outreach throughout Cumberland County and is the lead walk-in site in the county for Coordinated Entry. This puts CARES in a unique front line position to connect with the most vulnerable people quickly. Through these efforts, households who are homeless or are housing insecure are identified. The Cumberland Street Reach team comes alongside these families and individuals to assist in helping to maintain their housing or quickly secure new housing, along with case management to navigate resources and maintain stability.

Our target population for this grant funding will include individuals and families who are homeless or at risk of homelessness in Cumberland County. Although Cumberland Street Reach does not directly serve minor children apart from their parents, we do provide supports and services to families with children and work with local schools and human service agencies to help advocate for children and ensure needed supports are obtained. Cumberland Street Reach follows Continuum of Care (CoC) written standards and operates in accordance with CoC priorities, which include chronically homeless, veterans, families with children, and unaccompanied youth.

Housing and Urban Development's Housing First approach (which we follow) is guided by the belief that people need basic necessities like food and a place to live before attending to anything less critical such as getting a job, budgeting properly and attending to substance abuse issues. Our strategy for removing barriers is to provide services, supports and referrals to help people retain and access affordable housing as a first priority. This is consistent with the Upstream philosophy where we fix the problem at its source by helping people address the root causes of homelessness before emergency shelter is required, or when homelessness cannot be avoided, to make it as rare, brief and non-recurring. Case managers are available to work with individuals to set housing goals and establish next steps to overcoming barriers and ultimately achieving independence. The Street Outreach team will case manage and remain in weekly contact with clients until the household enters shelter, enrolls in a housing program, self-resolves, enters a treatment facility, or loses contact for more than 2 weeks.

The Street Outreach team conducts confirmation of street homelessness by verifying that an individual or household is typically residing in places such as a tent or box in open areas, in a vehicle or abandoned building. Due to the transient tendencies of those experiencing homelessness, Street Outreach maintains a presence at various satellite locations and places where homeless individuals are known to gather such as laundromats, encampments, local truck stops, public libraries and other areas not intended for human habitation. We accomplish this program with a committed staff who, in addition to our physical location at the Resource (day) Center in Carlisle, maintain a weekly presence at several satellite locations including New Hope Ministries in Mechanicsburg and Lemoyne, Main Street Laundry in Mechanicsburg, Katie's Place Food Pantry in Shippensburg, and local truck stops in Carlisle. These businesses are known sources of support for the target population, so through collaboration and a consistent presence, we can work together to provide referrals to each other as we compliment (but do not duplicate) services.

The outreach team identifies and builds relationships with housing at-risk and unsheltered homeless people, giving referrals to services, providing immediate support and intervention. These interventions may include emergency shelters, homeless prevention measures, mental health supports, medical services, county assistance office for public benefits, social security office and transportation to needed supports. Other necessary supports to be completed may be Coordinated Entry assessments, providing resources for urgent needs (food, water, gas to heat automobiles, blankets, etc.), and any additional supportive services needed to help move the individual towards stability. An outreach cell phone line and hot spot are in place to ensure direct access to supports for those needing assistance and as a means for referrals from local schools, police and other people who may be aware of someone needing help.

As of July 26, 2020 YTD, 176 households have actively received supports through Cumberland Street Reach. Multiple other households may have engaged with the Outreach team, who did not ultimately enroll in the program. The continued identification of unsheltered homeless individuals not only demonstrates the need for shelter services, but also the need for Street Outreach to individuals who are unable or unwilling to access shelter.

Street Outreach also works to identify those individuals living in rural parts of the county, or areas that have gaps in services for the homeless. There are no shelters in the immediate area of some local communities and no public transportation opportunities for peoples to get to the county seat (Carlisle) where many of the essential services are located. Because of this, many homeless individuals and families living in very rural areas of our county are without supports or may not qualify for supports available to those living in Carlisle. The Street Outreach team is able to identify and help provide supports and services where they are desperately needed in areas of the county that are underserved due to these barriers. Another service gap includes Megan's Law offenders, who are not eligible for many services and, therefore, are left with limited resources. Street Outreach activities will also benefit those with a mental health diagnosis who lack understanding of how to navigate available resources. An additional barrier to obtaining employment and housing is the lack of a physical address. Once individuals are enrolled in our Street Outreach program, they are permitted to use the Community CARES Resource Center mailing address to receive mail in their name.

All of these efforts will assist with diversion and prevention by providing services and supports for overcoming common barriers that lead to homelessness and working with at-risk households to identify and implement solutions that will avoid the need for emergency shelter and/or keep people off of the streets. Where homelessness is unavoidable, individuals and families can often be referred by the outreach staff to the 211 help

line or Community CARES Emergency Shelter Program, where Supportive Services Coordinators will continue to work with individuals and families to develop a plan toward independence and stable housing with the goal of re-entry into the community they came from.

Housing assistance (such as help with rent, utilities, hotels, etc.) is an area of great need for those encountered through Cumberland Street Reach. Often those we engage with have fallen behind on rent and/or utilities and are at risk of eviction. Being able to provide financial resources to help these households gain stability would help prevent them from needing emergency shelter or ending up on the streets. Providing for some essential basic needs such as food, water, blankets, tents, birth certificates and ID's (necessary for job and housing applications, etc.) helps ease the burden as households work to overcome barriers that increase their vulnerability.

Transportation is another common barrier for at-risk households. Often those we encounter do not have reliable transportation or income for transportation for tasks that will help with diversion perhaps to relocate to the household or a friend or family member out of the area and prevention, such as a means to get to jobs, job interviews, housing searches, medical appointments, and to connect with other human services. Providing transportation assistance (bus passes, Uber, gas cards, etc.) is another critical first step in providing immediate stability and helping to divert, prevent and overcome homelessness.

With the onset of COVID-19 and its trickle effects, we are seeing an increase in the number of inquiries and calls from households seeking supports. We anticipate this need to grow as the effects of COVID-19 continue to unfold. Many households 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 household to housing insecurity and the need for assistance through Street Outreach. 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 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. During the period March 1, 2020 through July 25, 2020, we have seen a 49% increase in street outreach numbers since the same time period in 2019.

We screen numerous calls daily from institutions like prisons, behavioral health, 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. Through street outreach efforts, we have worked to divert many to alternative options in place of homelessness. 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. The growing need for resources as the effects of the pandemic unfold 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 the unsheltered and housing at-risk. COVID-19 will surely have lasting impacts on our community for the foreseeable future and efforts to mitigate these effects by providing supports through Street Outreach will be important in helping in the recovery.

Grant funds will be used to help offset the costs associated with the Cumberland Street Reach Program. Specifically, funds will be used for Outreach Case Management as staff engage, assess and assist households throughout Cumberland County who are at risk of or experiencing homelessness. The connection to at-risk households through our staff, is the most critical element to this program. With this front end intervention, we hope to catch people *upstream* before they become homeless by assisting them (through case management and financial assistance) with prevention and diversion efforts to keep them in their current housing and/or help find

solutions to alternative housing. In addition grant funds will be used to help offset the cost of meeting basic human needs, and accessing supports that will help people address some of the root causes of homelessness.

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.

Cumberland Street Reach is an existing and ongoing program that will be offered throughout Cumberland County during all of 2021 and is supported by the Community CARES Emergency Shelter and Resource Center programs. 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 is 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 people that we engage with, we do not require a partnership or collaboration to ensure the ongoing success and viability of this program. The Cumberland Street Reach program serves a need (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 the households we assist, the Cumberland Street Reach 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.

Cumberland Street Reach will measure success by the number of individuals reached through engagement, assessment, and case management (including referrals). Further success will be demonstrated when the applicant accesses housing and/or housing assistance or when homelessness or imminent homelessness can be prevented and/or diverted. The following objectives, outcomes and indicators will be observed:

Objectives:

To reach those who are not currently housed.

To provide supportive services and case management.

To provide accessibility to Coordinated Entry assessment.

To provide referrals to necessary services.

To provide comfort packages which include: food, water, blankets, hygiene products and other essential items.

To provide transportation to a provider or to alternate housing, if necessary.

To provide assistance with rent, utilities and hotels when funding is available.

To provide for urgent need items such as food, water and gas to heat vehicles.

Outcomes:

Decreased number of unsheltered homeless persons

Increased knowledge of availability of services in the community

Increased collaboration with other agencies and landlords in the community

Increased number of referrals to community services

Clients will receive care packages with essentials

Increased services being utilized from clients in other parts of the county

Evidence of prevention and diversion activities and supports that help people remain housed

We are currently engaging with approximately 40-50 individuals per month through Outreach efforts and this number continues to grow, especially with the impacts of COVID-19. Cumberland Street Reach will have an influential and positive impact as it eases some of the barriers associated with homelessness by providing quicker and efficient access to more supports and services. Finally, the program will allow us to partner with other local community organizations in their efforts to reach the target population in their own local neighborhoods.

6b. How will project success be measured and documented (i.e.: how will you know the project is successful? Are you collecting value statements, numbers served, surveys, photos, before and after images, or using other methods)?

Project success will be evaluated primarily by tracking the number of people that we engage, assess and assist and the types of referrals/services provided through Cumberland Street Reach. Statistics will be tracked by keeping general data pertaining to initial engagements and more detailed data by entering statistical information into the Coordinated Entry HMIS (Homeless Management Information System) once the engagement reaches the stage of intake and/or Coordinated Entry. The data collected via HMIS for intake and through the Coordinated Entry affords Community CARES the ability to identify at-risk individuals and families that might benefit from this program. It permits us to track encounters with at-risk families from the initial encounter through the case management and coordinated entry process, and it allows us to document supports provided and outcomes achieved, as well as demographic information. Factors will include our ability to help individuals and families overcome the barriers they are facing that might lead to homelessness, such as loss of housing, jobs, transportation, etc., before they reach the point of needing emergency shelter. Statistics will be maintained regarding the number of people that we engage with and help get connected with services, the number of people that we enter into the Community Que for HUD mandated Coordinated Entry and the number of people we are able to divert or prevent from homelessness through case management and financial assistance. Our priority is to provide resources and supports that have the greatest impact on a household's ability to prevent, divert or shorten

the length of homelessness. We will measure the success of this program primarily from data collected in HMIS (and by making comparisons of numbers related to program outcomes, compared to the previous year). Also, we can utilize the HMIS to provide us with data on the types of services needed most and the geographic areas where we encounter homelessness or vulnerable populations, which will help us prioritize our staffing resources. We will also measure success in the ways that we collaborate with local community organizations through the Cumberland Street Reach program.

FUNDING & SUPPORT

7. If this proposal is not funded at the level requested, will you be able to implement the project as stated? Explain as needed.

Community CARES is committed to the Cumberland Street Reach program. This program has grown exponentially throughout its first year, indicating the continued need for services. We 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 \$9,400 to assist with the costs of Cumberland Street Reach. Other funding sources will include community contributions, fundraising and grants, including funding requests through other TFEC grants. Additional funds of \$42,000 have been committed over the next 12-18 months through grant awards from the Emergency Solutions Grant and the Partnership for Better Health toward Cumberland Street Reach.

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 state 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	Cumberland Street Reach staff	\$5,500	\$40,249 - ESG 2020; ESG-CV; Partnership for Better Health; Contributions	C	\$45,749
Payroll Taxes and Benefits	Cumberland Street Reach staff	\$500	\$5,155 -ESG 2020; ESG-CV; Partnership for Better Health; Contributions	C	\$5,655
Telephone	Outreach cellphone and hotspot	\$100	\$928 - ESG 2020; ESG-CV; Partnership for Better Health	C	\$1,028
Transportation	Outreach mileage reimbursement	\$1,000	\$8,000 - ESG 2020; ESG-CV; Partnership for Better Health	C	\$9,000
Direct Assistance- Essential Needs and Supplies	Food, water, gas cards, tents, transportation, birth cert.'s, photo ID's	\$500	\$1,000 - ESG 2020; Contributions and Fundraising	C	\$1,500
Direct Assistance- Housing, hotels, utilities	Assistance for hotel, rent, utilities	\$1,400	\$10,000 Partnership for Better Health	C	\$11,400
Occupancy	Phone, water, gas, electric	\$0	\$3,077 - Contributions and fundraising	C	\$3,077
Professional Services	Computer consultant, maintenance, IT, copier lease, etc.	\$0	\$593 - Contributions and fundraising	C	\$593
Insurance	General liab., prof. liab, cyber, vehicle	\$400	\$1,829 - Contributions and fundraising	C	\$2,229

TOTALS	\$9,400	\$70,831		\$80,231
	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
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			Pennsylvania Bar Association
			American Bar Association
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			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
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			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

To whom it may concern:

I want to tell you about my experience I had at Cares. On January 17, 2019, a gunman walked into my work and robbed me. Then my landlord told me I had 30 days to vacate my home. I was left without a job, homeless, and mentally broken. I was trying to keep my family together but it didn't happen. I started to sleep in my car at a truck stop in Carlisle and when EVERYONE was saying no to helping me I met Simone from CARES. She got me into the shelter which changed my life. There I found all the support I needed when I thought all was lost. The staff there were the best thing that happened to me. They set goals for me which I achieved. The resources they provided helped me mentally, physically, and spiritually. I was there for 6 weeks. Then they wrote a referral for me to the church to help me get into a rooming house. I was living there for 6 weeks and had the opportunity to become Property Manager which I took and am still doing today. CARES gave me what i needed most; a stepping stone and support to put my life back together. I would refer anyone who needs help to CARES. Now I volunteer for them to try and give back. There is not enough words that can express my gratitude.they gave me time, patience, and support.

Sincerely,

La'Toya Evans



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One Team ... One Mission

July 24, 2020

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Dear GHF Upstream Grant Committee,

On behalf of Cumberland County Office of Aging & Community Services, I am writing this letter in support of Community CARES as they seek grant funding through the Greater Harrisburg Foundation-Upstream opportunity for their street outreach program (Cumberland Street Reach).

Community CARES offers emergency overnight shelter and supportive services to individuals and families experiencing homelessness in Cumberland County, 365 days a year. Cumberland Street Reach is program of Community CARES which engages with household right in their own community throughout Cumberland County. They provide needed services and supports to households who are at risk of or experiencing homelessness. They travel to pre-designated areas such as truck stops, food distributions sites and laundromats which are known locations where homeless individuals congregate. They also travel to encampments and other areas not intended for human habitation and will arrange to meet people at other locations within their communities as needed.

The Cumberland County Homeless Assistance Program has a long standing collaborative partnership with Community CARES, by providing housing (financial) assistance to households identified through CARES programs, and continued case management and supports once families are housed. In addition, we recently made plans to collaborate on a program to help households financially impacted by COVID-19 with rental assistance awarded through the HAP CARES Federal allocation. We will support community CARES by offering to assist with take-in assessments, budgeting services, program referrals, short term rental assistance, landlord mitigation and sustainability planning with vulnerable households on the verge of homelessness.

These funds are vital resources to Community CARES so that they can continue to help households overcome the barriers to homelessness and work to gain independence, stability and ultimately, permanent housing. We respectfully request your favorable consideration of the Community CARES grant application.


Sincerely,


A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Patrice Ann Pickering".

Patrice Ann Pickering, CAE, FDC, SFW
Case Management Supervisor
Cumberland County Office of Aging & Community Services
Homeless Assistance Program

2020 GREATER HARRISBURG COMMUNITY FOUNDATION UPSTREAM 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 | 

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

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REQUIRED ATTACHMENTS TO BE UPLOADED & SUBMITTED BY 4PM ON 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 Profile, Project Profile, 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.
- ONE, TWO, or THREE letters of support with original or digital signatures.** Applicants may submit the number of letters that will best support their application. Letters of support from the applicant organization's Board of Directors will not be accepted. Identical form letters are discouraged. A minimum of ONE letter of support is REQUIRED for this grant opportunity regardless of response to Question 4.
- If you have indicated PARTNERSHIP with or SERVICE to other Agencies as stated in Question 4, you must upload 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.