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Press Release

THE BRANDYWINE HEALTH FOUNDATION ANNOUNCES OVER \$320,000 IN GRANTS TO NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS SERVING THE GREATER COATESVILLE COMMUNITY

COATESVILLE, PA. October 7, 2019 - The Brandywine Health Foundation recently distributed 36 grants totaling \$322,340, bringing the Foundation's total giving since it began awarding grants and scholarships in 2002 to more than \$18 million.

“Our new strategic plan and approach includes engagement of our donors, partners, and community members throughout the year. We are pleased to have provided general operating funds to 36 local nonprofits to support the continuation of services during the transition from our previous plan to our new 2020-2022 strategic plan,” commented Vanessa Briggs, President and CEO. She added, “Ensuring the continuity of services is critically important to the community. We know all too often when a new strategic plan is implemented, that there are times, when much need safety net programs and services abruptly end, thus leaving a void or confusion in the community. By providing transitional general operating funds to support our local nonprofits, it is our hope we eliminated the disruption of much needed services and programs.”

With the launch of the foundation's new strategic plan we also appointed Hannah J. Hill, MBA, as our new grantmaking committee chair. Ms. Hill serves as a board of director for the Brandywine Health Foundation. Under Ms. Hill's leadership, we extend our gratitude to the following non-profit agencies and community organizations receiving FY 2020 general operating grants from the Brandywine Health Foundation for the critical work they are doing on behalf of the Greater Coatesville community.

1. Brandywine YMCA
2. The Bridge Academy and Community Center
3. Chester County Food Bank
4. ChesPenn Health Services
5. Chester County Economic Development Foundation/Chester County Public Safety Training Campus

6. Chester County Futures
7. Chester County Health Department Nurse-Family Partnership
8. The Chester County Hospital, Penn Medicine
9. Chester County Opportunities Industrialization Center (OIC)
10. Child Guidance Resource Centers
11. Coatesville Area Public Library
12. Coatesville Area Senior Center
13. Coatesville Center for Community Health
14. Coatesville 2nd Century Alliance
15. Coatesville Youth Initiative
16. Community Volunteers in Medicine
17. The Crime Victims' Center of Chester County
18. Domestic Violence Center of Chester County
19. Family Service of Chester County
20. Good Works, Inc.
21. Home of the Sparrow
22. Hope Beyond Borders/Coatesville Kids to College
23. Human Services, Inc.
24. Keystone Valley Fire Department
25. Maternal and Child Health Consortium
26. The Parkesburg POINT
27. PA Coalition for Oral Health
28. Pennsylvania Health Access Network (PHAN)
29. Planned Parenthood Southeastern Pennsylvania's Coatesville Health Center
30. Public Citizens for Children and Youth (PCCY)
31. Scott Field Project
32. Support Center for Child Advocates
33. Valley Youth House
34. Volunteer English Program in Chester County
35. Washington Hose Company No. 1
36. Youth Mentoring Partnership

ABOUT THE BRANDYWINE HEALTH FOUNDATION

Brandywine Health Foundation's mission is to advance a more equitable, resilient and healthy Greater Coatesville community. **Listen. Learn. Lead.** These words embody the foundation's continuing commitment to the residents of Greater Coatesville to LISTEN to their concerns, LEARN from their insights and incorporate what the foundation has learned to better LEAD as advocates for a more equitable and healthy community.

The Brandywine Health Foundation has distributed over \$18 million in grants and scholarships. Its new 2020-2022 strategic plan focuses on three priorities and outlines future investments to improve the social, economic, environmental and political challenges that impact healthy living. The three priorities include: helping people live healthy and well; creating healthy spaces and places for people to thrive; and, leading positive community-driven change. To learn more about the Brandywine Health Foundation visit www.brandywinefoundation.org or contact info@brandywinefoundation.org.

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