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**POTTSTOWN AREA HEALTH & WELLNESS FOUNDATION AWARDS  
OVER \$1.4 MILLION IN GRANT DOLLARS**

**Pottstown, PA – September 11, 2017** – The Pottstown Area Health & Wellness Foundation has awarded \$1,496,962 in grant requests during the spring grant round of fiscal year 2016-2017 to 38 non-profit organizations, schools and municipalities.

“These programs play a vital role in championing health and wellness in the community, fulfilling the mission of the Foundation,” Foundation President Dave Kraybill said.

Grant requests are submitted based on the following priority areas:

**1: HEALTHY BEHAVIORS**

1A: Promoting healthy living through nutrition, activities and programs in public and private schools to reduce obesity and encourage healthy living

1B: Improving parks, programming and the built environment to increase access to physical activity

1C: Creating and promoting social networks involving healthy living

**2: PHYSICAL AND EMOTIONAL HEALTH**

**3: STRENGTHEN NON-PROFITS**

The following list identifies the 38 organizations receiving funding during the Foundation’s most recent grant round:

**PRIORITY #1A: Promoting healthy living through nutrition, activities and programs in public and private schools to reduce obesity and encourage healthy living (\$691,212).**

**Boyertown Area School District-** Brain Body Connection

**Brookside Montessori-** BWell

**Coventry Christian School-** Project Purpose

**Coventry Christian School-** Boulder Wall (Climbing Wall) Addition

**Daniel Boone Area School District-** Healthy for a Lifetime Program

**Falkner Swamp Nursery School, Inc.-** Health and Wellness Proposal

**Holy Cross Regional Catholic School-** Healthy Hydration

**Owen J. Roberts School District-** Fit for Life Coordinated Wellness Programming

**Perkiomen Valley School District-** Perkiomen Valley Wellness Program

**Pope John Paul II High School Office of Catholic Education-** Golden Panther Wellness Initiative

**Pottsgrove School District-** Health & Wellness Initiative

**Pottstown School District-** PEAK Health and Wellness Initiative

**Pottstown School District-** Healthy School Communities

**Spring-Ford Area School District-** Wellness Matters 2017-18

**St. Aloysius Parish School-** Health in Mind, Body, and Spirit

**The Hill School/Hobart's Run Neighborhood District-** Mobile Ambassador Project (MAP)

**West-Mont Christian Academy-** Campus Wellness

**PRIORITY #1B: Improving parks, programming and the built environment to increase access to physical activity (\$62,500).**

**Schuylkill River Greenway Association-** Manatawny Streambank Stabilization at the Schuylkill River Trail Footbridge - Phase 1

**Schuylkill River Greenway Association-** 2017 Bike Pottstown Program

**PRIORITY #1C: Creating and promoting social networks involving healthy living (\$397,500).**

**Accion Comunal Latinoamericana de Montgomery County-** ACLAMO Community Health Connections

**Cradle of Liberty Council, Boy Scouts of America-** Scouting: Physical Fitness, Citizenship, Leadership, and Character Development for Pottstown Area Youth

**Expressive Therapy Concepts Inc. -** Smashville Kids and Adult Fitness Programming

**Foundation for Boyertown Education-** Collaboration and Summer Programs

**Foundation for Pottstown Education-** Operating Expenses

**Greater Pottstown Tennis & Learning-** Tennis & Learning

**Green Valleys Association-** Outdoor Education Programs at Pottstown Schools

**Julian Dorsey Foundation-** Expanding the SFS program to the Pottstown elementary schools

**Olivet Boys & Girls Club-** Body, Mind and Soul Approach to Youth Health and Wellness

**Pottstown Athletic Club-** Pottstown Athletic Club Paddle Pool

**PRIORITY #2: Funding programs for physical health and emotional well-being (\$80,000).**

**Family Services of Montgomery County-** Project HEARTH (Helping Elderly Adults Remain in Their Homes)

**Maternal and Child Health Consortium of Chester County-** Healthy Start and Family Benefits Program

**PRIORITY #3: Funding learning opportunities and strategic planning to strengthen non-profits (\$265,750).**

**Michaels Community Services Corporation-** Assessing Program Usage and Needs of the Rolling Hills Affordable Housing Community

**Pottstown Cluster of Religious Communities-** Bridging Connections to Greater Stability

**Pottstown Works-** Organizational Start-Up Expenses

**SAVE Alliance Foundation-** The Althouse Arboretum: Creating a Bridge to Sustainability

**TriCounty Community Network Inc. -** Community Collaborative

**United Way of Boyertown Area-** Matching Grant with the United Way of Boyertown Area

**United Way of Greater Philadelphia and Southern New Jersey- Increasing Philanthropy and Investing in Impact in Western Montgomery County**

**About PAHWF:** The Pottstown Area Health & Wellness Foundation's (PAHWF) mission is to enhance the health and wellness of area residents, providing education, funding and programs that motivate people to adopt healthy lifestyles. Visit [www.pottstownfoundation.org](http://www.pottstownfoundation.org) for more information about the Foundation. Discover Pottstown area's online community, [Mission Healthy Living](#), an initiative of PAHWF, to learn and share great information on how to lead a healthier life. You can also follow the Foundation on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), [Instagram](#), [LinkedIn](#), [Pinterest](#) and [YouTube](#).

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