



COMMUNITY HOPE FUND, INC.

Dedicated to promoting youth development and supporting the charitable needs of individuals and families in Ocean Township, New Jersey and the surrounding communities.

Grant Application Guidelines

CHF will provide small grants to support nonprofit organizations and programs that promote youth development, specifically, programs that build the 40 Developmental Assets in Youth as established by the Search Institute (www.search-institute.org). Developmental Assets represent the personal relationships, opportunities and qualities that help youth to thrive and protect them from harmful and unhealthy choices. Youth with assets are less likely to engage in alcohol and drug use, violence and sexual activity. The average young person experiences fewer than half of the 40 assets. Research has shown that after-school programs can cultivate Developmental Assets in kids by: promoting a constructive use of time; reinforcing emotional health and physical well-being; building self-esteem and social competency; and fostering a commitment to learning.

Grants, in the range of \$1,000 to \$2,500 per organization, will be available on an annual basis to nonprofit organizations and community-based programs located in Monmouth County, New Jersey. Preference will be given to programs conducted within Ocean Township.

Grants will be considered for youth-development programs that:

- Employ innovative and research-based models to promote youth development;
- Are conducted within a 20-mile radius of Ocean Township, NJ; and
- Have clear and reasonable goals and measurable outcomes.

Funding will not be given for:

- Individuals
- Political causes, candidates, advocacy programs and organizations or campaigns

Instructions:

- Proposals must include application form.
- Applications must be post-marked by May 31st, 2011.
- Final notifications will be made by the end of August. No follow-up calls, please.
- Send proposals to:

Community Hope Fund, Inc.
Attn: Grants Committee
P.O. Box 263
Oakhurst, NJ 07755



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Grant Application Form

Organization Name: _____
Address: _____
Phone: _____
Website: _____
Tax-Exempt ID #: _____

Primary Contact / Title: _____
Phone / Fax: _____
Email: _____

Organization Mission: _____

Project Name: _____

Brief Project Description: _____

Total Organizational Budget: _____
Total Cost of Program: _____
Total Amount Requested: _____

Please include the following attachments to your application:

- Narrative describing the program (no more than 2 pages):
 - Describe how the program promotes youth development (referring specifically to the Developmental Assets enhanced through the program);
 - Describe the youth served by the program including number, ages and demographics;
 - Outline the programs goals and objectives; and
 - Describe how the programs anticipated outcomes will be evaluated and measured.
- A project budget including other funding sources received or pending.

All of the information contained in this proposal is true and accurate. If awarded grant funding, grantee agrees to use funds only as specified within this proposal and also agrees to provide a follow-up written report by March 31, 2012 describing the progress and outcomes of the program to date and providing an accounting of how funds have been used. Community Hope Fund, Inc. retains the authority to withhold and/or recover grant funds in case such funds are, or appear to be, misused.

Executive Director Name: _____
Signature and Date: _____

Administrative Use Only Date Application Received: _____