

RESOLUTION 2266-2022

American Rescue Plan Act Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund “Senior Initiatives – Phase 1” Program

WHEREAS, Haverford Township’s direct allocation from the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund will be \$19.8 million;

WHEREAS, on April 1, 2022, the U.S. Department of Treasury released the Final Rule covering the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund, as created and directed by the American Rescue Plan Act authorizing recipients to use funds to support the public health response to the COVID-19 pandemic with special emphasis on those populations that were disproportionately affected; and,

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners desires to provide financial support to those organizations who have dedicated themselves to providing resources and assistance to senior citizens living in Haverford Township; and,

WHEREAS, the financial support is restricted to developing programs and resources to identify and mitigate the effects of social isolation among senior citizens living in Haverford Township; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of Haverford Township hereby adopts the “Senior Initiatives – Phase 1” Program in Exhibit “A” of this Resolution, and further authorizes the Township Manager and Assistant Township Manager/Finance Director to take all actions necessary to accomplish the stated objectives of this Resolution.

RESOLVED THIS 9th day of May 2022.

TOWNSHIP OF HAVERFORD

Attest:

C. Lawrence Holmes, Esq, President

David R. Burman, Township Manager



EXHIBIT A

HAVERFORD TOWNSHIP “SENIOR INITIATIVES” PROGRAM – ROUND 1 *(American Rescue Plan Act Funded)*

According to the 2020 census, over 17% of Haverford Township’s population is comprised of senior citizens aged 65 and over. Many have chosen to make Haverford their “life-long” home — from their own youth, to raising their families and then choosing to stay through their golden years.

The senior citizen population was affected especially hard during the COVID-19 pandemic. During the pandemic, older adults were identified as a disproportionately disadvantaged group due to the mental, physical, technological, and financial limitations that created isolation and lack of access to assistance programs. For their protection, the senior population was one of the first groups encouraged to stay home early on in the pandemic which lengthened this period of isolation even more so than most. While some seniors have now been able to reconnect with family and friends, some have fallen even deeper into an isolated state and some do not have friends or family to help bring them back into the social fold or to help them connect with assistance programs available to the senior population. Older adults who have experienced a prolonged period of isolation are more susceptible to health concerns with lasting effects on their physical and emotional well-being.

With its American Rescue Plan Act allocation, Haverford Township is implementing a restricted grant program to local not for profit organizations and businesses that provide programs and activities which enhance the quality of life for Haverford Township seniors especially geared to mitigating effects of social isolation due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Eligibility:

- Applicant must directly serve the senior residents of Haverford Township
- Established not-for-profit organizations and businesses whose core function (more than 25% of its current operating budget) pertains to senior social services and/or assistance with issues of isolation within the senior population of Haverford Township.
- Applicants must be current on any business privilege, mercantile, local services, township property tax, sewer and/or trash fees, if applicable through the date of application.

Grant Awards:

- \$25,000 one-time awards
- 50% of the grant award will be paid within thirty (30) days of award notification. The remaining 50% will be paid six months following the award after fulfilling compliance reporting requirements and a successful program progress review by the grants committee.

Application Procedure:

- An initial proposal letter (along with the applicant's most recently filed federal form 990, 1120, or 1120-S AND most recent operating budget) must be submitted to the Township for consideration.
- This initial proposal will describe the applicant, its operating history, its current operations in assisting the Haverford Township senior citizen population, and details of the proposed program that will enhance the quality of life (with specific outcomes for mitigating the effects of social isolation or promoting available social services) for Haverford Township senior citizens. The proposal letter should also specifically discuss outreach plans, how the program will identify Haverford Township seniors who are still suffering from social isolation, how the program will identify social programs available to Haverford Township seniors and educate seniors on the availability of those programs.
- Round 1 opens as of June 1, 2022 and will remain open through June 30, 2022 at 4pm
- Award recommendations are anticipated to be presented to the Board of Commissioners for approval at its August 8, 2022 meeting
- A potential Round 2 will be considered **AFTER** Round 1 grants are awarded
- Submit both completed application and Federal Form W-9. **Unless the federal government announces otherwise, a Form 1099 will be issued to each recipient.**
- Completed applications can be submitted via email to finance@havtwp.org or dropped off at the Township building (we cannot be held accountable for lost/delayed mail if using the US Postal Service)
- Only completed applications will be considered

Compliance and Reporting:

- Reporting Requirements: All successful applicants are required to submit quarterly progress reporting on the program which will include details of outreach efforts and monies spent on program outcomes. The due date of the quarterly reports will be officially determined at the time of award and will continue for twelve months after award. These reports will be reviewed by Township staff and the Senior Citizens Advisory Committee.
- Non-Compliance: In cases of non-compliance with grant reporting or ineffectual outcomes (as determined by the grant committee), the Township will suspend (rather than immediately terminate) a grant and allow the recipient an opportunity to take appropriate corrective action. However, the Township may decide to terminate the grant if the recipient does not take appropriate corrective action during the period of suspension. The Township may immediately terminate a grant when necessary, such as in instances of potential fraud or other criminal activity. Suspension and/or termination may be appealed, in writing, to the Haverford Township Board of Commissioners.

A grant may also be terminated, partially or totally, by the recipient. If the recipient decides it cannot achieve the outcomes proposed, the recipient may advise the Township in writing and return any unused funds within thirty (30) days of termination.

Program Notes:

- If you have any questions regarding the Program, please contact Aimee Cuthbertson, Assistant Township Manager/Director of Finance at 610-446-1000 x2240
- When applicable, if you have any questions regarding the business tax, local services tax license or status of business tax/local services tax filings, please contact Tri-State Financial Group at 610-270-9520



HAVERFORD TOWNSHIP
“SENIOR INITIATIVES – PHASE 1” PROGRAM APPLICATION
(American Rescue Plan Act Funded)

Name of Applicant _____

Mailing Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Contact Person/Title _____

Haverford Township Business/Local Service License # _____

Contact email _____

Contact phone # _____

Physical location within Haverford Township _____

If Exempt Organization under IRC 501(c)(3), please check here _____

Applicant Certification:

By applying for this funding, applicant certifies that they have read and understand the program and eligibility criteria as described on page 1-2 of this application. Applicant allows use of its Haverford Township business privilege, mercantile and/or local service tax returns (if applicable) to determine program eligibility. Applicant further certifies that the person whose signature appears below is a representative of Applicant and has been duly authorized to apply for this funding. Applicant also acknowledges that these monies are funded through the American Recovery Plan Act for the purpose of mitigating effects endured by senior citizens as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Representative of Applicant Signature

Date of Application