As of 6/8/2020

EXPANSION OF FCH PRESCRIPTION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM:
FCH has increased the maximum monthly allowance of FCH’s Prescription Assistance Program from $250 per individual to $350 which includes the cost of home delivery. For more information about this program, click here.

Community Health & Wellness of Torrington: COVID-19 Health Care Delivery
To provide material needs, such as outdoor heaters and tents, to establish screening and isolation areas required to manage COVID-19, as well as delivery of care for those who rely on the health center for services.

Health Pathfinder: Community Assisting for Special Enrollment Period
To support Health Pathfinder’s outreach efforts related to the state of Connecticut’s special health insurance enrollment period for COVID-19.

One Eleven Group: COVID-19 Risk Communication Services
Establishes a ‘time bank’ for twelve eligible FCH grantees to support critical risk and crisis communication services related to COVID-19 and its impact on operations. Services include; email marketing, social media marketing and advertising and content development. Organizations can use a maximum of 10 hours in the next six months.

Geer, EMS Institute & Connecticut Mask Task Force: Procurement of supplies for Personal Protection Equipment (PPE)
Located and purchased fabric for making mask and isolation gowns for healthcare providers, including Sharon Hospital, Sharon Health Care Center and Geer Nursing & Rehabilitation, as well as N95 masks for local EMS Institute to distribute among the town Emergency Medical Service squads.
BTCF Neighbor to Neighbor Fund: Emergency Resources for Families and Individuals
Neighbor to Neighbor Fund (N2N Fund) is a fund of Berkshire Taconic Community Foundation (BTCF) that provides emergency assistance for local residents experiencing economic distress. Our initial grant has been allocated towards residents of eastern Dutchess County.

ABCLatino: COVID-19 Health Information for Spanish Speakers
To support ABCLatino’s increased concerted efforts to inform and educate the Spanish speaking community in eastern Dutchess County about COVID-19 through weekly special programming.

Tri State Public Communications (Robin Hood Radio): General Operating Support
General operating support for Robin Hood Radio, no other daily media covers our immediate local region. As part of its response to COVID-19 Robin Hood Radio is providing free advertising to its underwriters, at a substantial cost to the program, as underwriting is a significant source of its revenue.

Habitat for Humanity of Northwest Connecticut: General Operating Support
Part of FCH’s grant will constitute an emergency fund for Habitat’s Partner Families whose incomes may have been impacted by the current crisis and supports the continued operations of the This ‘n’ That store which is currently closed.

North Canaan Congregation Church, Loaves and Fishes Pantry: General Operating Support
FCH funds will be primarily used to purchase food, supplementing current donations from the Connecticut Food Bank, which have been adversely impacted by the coronavirus.

David M. Hunt Library: General Operating Support
Supports Falls Village’s David M. Hunt Library create additional work stations for individually in the community working remotely that lack access to reliable high speed internet.

Chore Service, Inc: General Operating Support
Supports equipment needs for administrative staff’s remote work and new training and equipment for chore workers to ensure services for clients are provided in a safe manner.
St. Thomas Episcopal Church of Amenia, Comida de Vida Food Pantry: General Operating Support
FCH funds will be primarily used to purchase food, as the food pantry has seen a 103% increase in demand.

Millbrook Early Childhood Education Center: General Operating Support
Primarily support personnel costs, which historically have been covered through revenue generated from tuition and fees. Millbrook Early Childhood Education Center has a robust financial aid program for families and was an Early Head Start program, before the program in the area discontinued.

The Equus Effect: Frontline Program
Supports the program costs with the new Frontline Program, an equine therapy program for frontline workers that will run for 12 weeks during this summer.

NorthEast-Millerton Library: Tiny Pantry
Provides funding needed to stock the NorthEast-Millerton Library’s Tiny Pantry, which was created as a result of the pandemic and experiences a steady demand of approximately 25 families a week.

Greenwoods Counseling Referrals: General Operating Support
Funds will primarily will be used to subsidize Greenwoods’ Medicated Assisted Therapy (MAT) program which has historically been subsidized by revenue generated by referrals and other services delivered by the organization, all of which have been adversely impacted by COVID-19.

Sharon Housing Authority: Tenant Rent Support
 Funds will constitute an emergency fund for SHA’s tenants whose incomes have been impacted by the current crisis.

Grace Episcopal Church for Grace Immigrant Outreach
Funding for part-time employees to run the food pantry distribution.