



CHESTER COUNTY
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Annual Report 2021-2022

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Letter from the Executive Director

2022 was a year of new direction and hope as students' and families' lives changed due to the pandemic. Everyone has been excited to enjoy "pre-pandemic life" while adjusting in new ways. Although schools and activities are back in person, one thing is still on students' minds— how to move forward from the effects of the pandemic on them and their families.

The last year not only came with new challenges and transitions, but it has also been an exciting time of new possibilities and growth for Chester County Futures. As we look toward the future for CCF, we are excited and dedicated to finding new ways to support our students and families, and work together to build a better life for all. CCF started the development of a new strategic plan that will help the organization evolve, meet current needs, and look to address our students' future needs. Areas of focus include serving more students, redeveloping the curriculum, mental health, and creating new community partnerships while strengthening current relationships and the community as a whole.

CCF is committed to providing students with increased experiential learning opportunities, one-on-one mentorship, and a dedicated team to help empower students to define their own trajectory in life. CCF has recognized that a student's success should also continue in college, technical trade or work force development and will assist all students exploring the paths they would like to take.

Chester County Futures is dedicated to working with the students and families of Chester County to help provide hope for a better tomorrow. Here's to a new year of exciting new growth and prosperity for us all!

Warmest Regards,
Katie Duffus

WHO WE ARE

Chester County Futures works to level the playing field for under-represented students, empowering them to overcome socio-economic inequities and barriers so they can define their own trajectory in life. We are invested in building one-on-one connections with each individual that expand their horizons and help them develop important life skills. By creating an accessible environment that fosters self-discovery and sparks inspiration, we help students navigate their journey and gain greater awareness of opportunities that exist for them after high school.

OUR MISSION

Chester County Futures provides comprehensive academic support, mentoring and scholarships for motivated economically disadvantaged youth to succeed in school, higher education and life.

OUR VISION

Every child in Chester County will be prepared for and have access to the education and supports needed to become a self-reliant, productive member of society.



We serve students in these four school districts:

Oxford **Coatesville**
Kennett **Phoenixville**

WHO WE SERVE

We support our students with academic enrichment, mentoring and scholarship support.

100% of students in 12th grade graduated on-time

88% of our 12th grade students matriculated to a post-secondary institution.

79% of our students are first generation

The class of 2022 accepted a total of

\$219,805

in scholarships this year.



HOW WE SERVE

Our overall objective is to prepare underrepresented students in Chester County, through a comprehensive program delivering life and academic skill-building lessons, mentorship, experiential opportunities, and scholarship funds, for success in post-secondary and career achievements as graduates of our program.

Passport Program

The Passport program offers Chester County high school students weekly after-school classes, delivering real-world learning opportunities, academic enrichments and skill-building lessons, mentorship, experiential opportunities at our college and career expos, campus tours and support as they prepare for post-secondary and early career life and best define the trajectory of their future.



Steps 4 Success

Our Steps 4 Success program supports post-secondary students as they navigate the unfamiliar college landscape by providing academic, professional, and social guidance, as well as distributing scholarship funds.

Student Mentoring

Our mentor program matches caring volunteers with CCF students of similar backgrounds or interests. Mentors make a one-year commitment to develop a relationship with their student mentee to provide them with the encouragement and support they need to make positive educational and life choices.



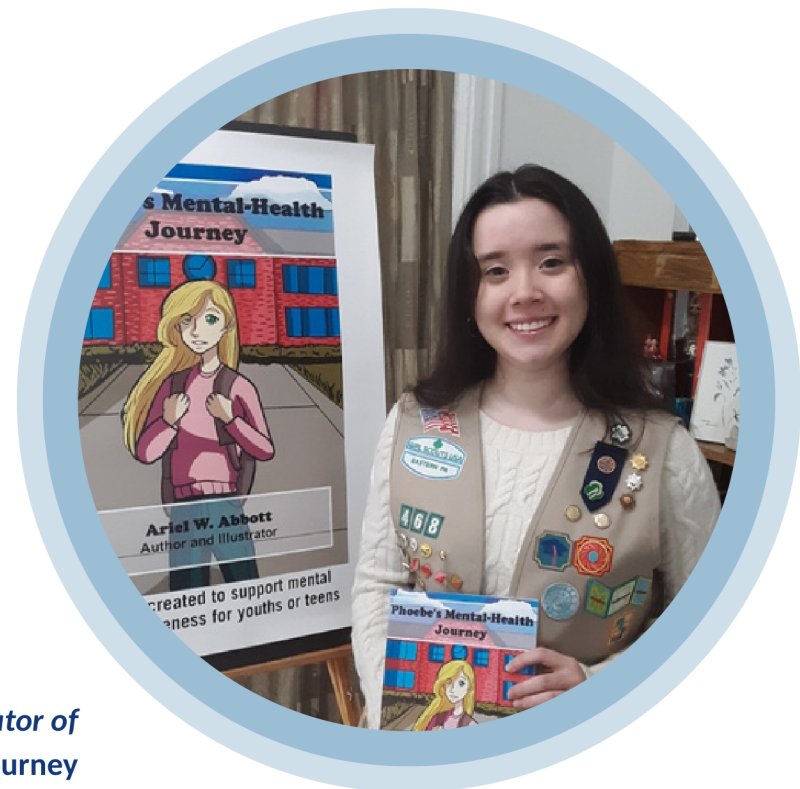
STUDENT SUCCESS STORY

CCF Students Pave the Way

If there's one thing that inspires us to continue doing the work we do, it's seeing our students grow and thrive by overcoming the obstacles they face in life. One such student is Coatesville senior, Ariel A., who wrote and illustrated a comic book to help her peers and support mental health awareness in teens.

In an interview for an article written by the Chester County Press, Ariel describes her own journey with mental health: "I was struggling a lot with depression and anxiety that manifested as social problems in school and were exacerbated by issues that were going on at home." Over time she learned to how to manage her mental health, and decided to use her experiences to help comfort and support other teens in navigating their own journey with mental health.

After graduating from high school in 2022, Ariel has gone on to pursue graphic design and illustration at Elizabethtown College. She is also a recipient of the Riggs Scholarship, provided by one of CCF's community partnerships.

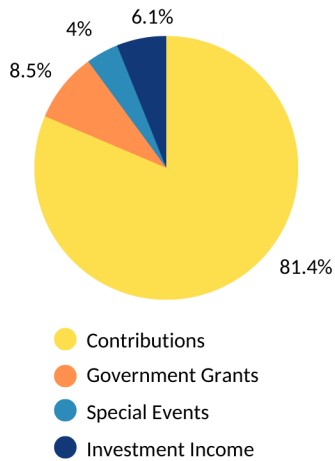


Pictured: Ariel A., author and illustrator of Phoebe's Mental Health Journey

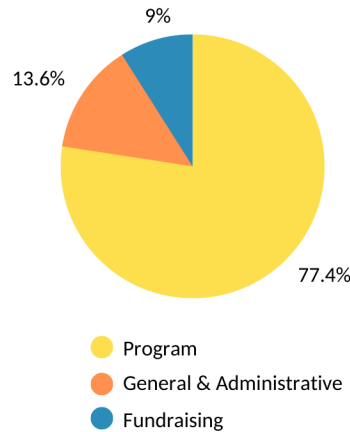
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"During my high school career Chester County Futures was instrumental in my development as a young woman weighing her options for the future. This is why I chose to come back and mentor in this program. My mentor and coordinators instilled many great habits through progress checks and processes that still guide me today. In the program I had the opportunity to visit college expo's and see different career paths that were available, and having them around to help guide me through the decision making process was a great relief. This program brings fullness to my life. It means so much to me that it remains a top priority to dedicate my free time and to be able to hopefully help someone much the same as it helped me."



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