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#### **OVERVIEW**

The Greater Rochester Community Transportation Foundation (GRCTF) provides the necessary link to transportation for community organizations and the people they serve. Many of these organizations have the capacity to obtain funding to support their services, which are vital for those they serve. However, as we all work collaboratively to connect services to meet the multiple needs of individuals and families, often organizations find the expense of transportation beyond the scope of their budget. This is where GRCTF can provide financial assistance. Since February 2000, GRCTF has provided grants for more than 55,000 rides for individuals served by community organizations. The money raised at the Foundation's Annual Golf Tournament supports these grants and serves as the only funding source for the Foundation.

#### **OUR MISSION**

To provide financial assistance for transportation to groups or organizations to enable them to provide activities with an educational, cultural or athletic focus, or that contributes to the health, well-being or personal growth of people that would otherwise not be possible due to the lack of transportation.

#### EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Yolanda Allen

#### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

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# Greater Rochester Community Transportation Foundation Grant Request Detail

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#### APPROVED GRANT REQUESTS

#### **Mary's Place Refugee Outreach**

Mary's Place provides supported learning, primarily for women who are mothers and grandmothers, and also supports refugee students who come after school for community and school assistance. The approved funding will assist with transportation to enable individuals served by Mary's Place to attend English classes, secure food, and travel to and from appointments.

Date Requested: April 2019
Funding Request: \$2,500
Funding Approved: \$2.500

Amount Spent: \$2,500

Transportation Provided By: Regional Transit Service

Date Requested: December 2019

Funding Requested: \$2,500 Funding Approved: \$2,500 Amount Spent: \$2,500

Transportation Provided By: Regional Transit Service

#### **Refugees Helping Refugees**

Refugees Helping Refugees (RHR) was started in 2002 by refugees and currently has 60% board and staff representation from the refugee community. RHR works to overcome the many barriers refugees face, including language, job skills, immigration services and comprehensive case management to address social health, occupational issues, home and childcare training. The approved funding will assist with transportation to enable clients to attend medical appointments, classes and job interviews.

Date Requested: April 2019
Funding Request: \$1,580
Funding Approved: \$1,580
Amount Spent: \$1,580

Transportation Provided By: Regional Transit Service

# St. Joseph's Neighborhood Center Inc.

St. Joseph's Neighborhood Center provides a wide range of medical and healthcare referral services to approximately 30,000 people across Monroe County who are either under insured or uninsured. The approved funding will help provide more comprehensive transportation assistance for recipients to attend appointments at the Center and access other essential community services.

Date Requested: April 2019
Funding Request: \$750
Funding Approved: \$750
Amount Spent: \$750

Transportation Provided By: Regional Transit Service

#### **Willow Domestic Violence Center**

Willow Domestic Violence Center has a 40-year history providing access to the services and supports needed by survivors of domestic violence, serving 22,000 people annually. The approved funding will assist with transportation for survivors of domestic violence by enabling them to attend court, legal and medical appointments and receive services at Willow.

Date Requested: April 2019
Funding Requested: \$1,250
Funding Approved: \$1,250
Amount Spent: \$1.250

Transportation Provided By: Regional Transit Service

#### **FoodLink Career Fellowship**

FoodLink Career Fellowship provides culinary training programs for individuals with barriers to sustainable employment. The approved funding will assist in providing participants with transportation necessary to attend and complete their training programs.

Date Requested: June 2019
Funding Request \$2,016
Funding Approved: \$2,016
Amount Spent: \$2,016

Transportation Provided By: Regional Transit Service

#### **Grace of God Recovery House Inc.**

Grace of God Recovery House provides transitional housing to homeless men with addictions. Relying solely on donations, housing is offered for up to one year. The approved funding will assist in providing clients with transportation to attend medical appointments, programs and education classes.

Date Requested: June 2019
Funding Request: \$300
Funding Approved: \$300
Amount Spent: \$300

Transportation Provided By: Regional Transit Service

#### **Salem Nutrition Center**

Salem Nutrition Center is a volunteer program that has served meals for 35 years, providing 300 meals per week. Salem is funded largely by donations that are used to provide clothing and food for their clients. The approved funding will assist in providing clients with transportation to and from the Center to receive healthy meals.

Date Requested: June 2019
Funding Request: \$2,500
Funding Approved: \$1,000
Amount Spent: \$1,000

Transportation Provided By: Regional Transit Service

#### Spiritus Christi Prison Outreach Inc.

Spiritus Christi Prison Outreach provides safe and stable housing for men and women leaving incarceration and other homeless situations and offers assistance in family unification activities and permanent supportive housing programs. The approved funding will help provide transportation to clients to attend programs, appointments and counseling.

Date Requested:

June 2019

Funding Request:

\$2,200

Funding Approved: Amount Spent:

\$2,200 \$2,200

Transportation Provided By: Regional Transit Service

#### **Flower City Arts Center**

The Flower City Arts Center operates a 24-week after-school photography and writing program that allows Wilson Foundation Academy students to take photos within the community and access facilities to develop their photos and write. The approved funding will assist in transporting students into the community to take photos and will also provide initial exposure to nearby college campuses.

Date Requested:

December 2019

Funding Request:

\$2,500

Funding Approved: Amount Spent:

\$2,500 \$2.500

Transportation Provided By: Aenon Baptist Church

## Rochester Area Interfaith Hospitality (RAIHN)

RAIHN provides shelter for homeless families and also offers follow-up and support for a year after the family leaves. RAIHN's primary concern is that family members are able to keep their jobs while moving through difficult times. The approved funding will assist in enabling working families lacking transportation to get to critical appointments and work.

Date Approved:

December 2019

Funding Requested:

\$2.500

Funding Approved: Amount Spent:

\$2,500 \$2,500

Transportation Provided By: Regional Transit Service

#### **Rochester Rams Football Club**

The Rochester Rams serve approximately 300 youth, ages 5 to 16, in an athletic and academic program and travel throughout the year to competitive events. The approved funding will supplement transportation for the group that is otherwise self-funded with shortfalls historically made up by parents and volunteers.

Date Approved:

December 2019

Funding Requested: Funding Approved:

\$2.500

Amount Spent:

\$2,500 \$2.500

Transportation Provided By: Niagara Scenic Tours

#### Samaritan Women, Inc.

Samaritan Women serves individuals who identify as having one or more health concerns, recovering from alcohol and substance use disorders, mental health diagnosis, and/or limited access to social and recreational activities. The approved funding will assist in providing clients with transportation to mental health and medical appointments and day-to-day errands.

Date Requested:

December 2019

Funding Request: Funding Approved:

\$2,500 \$2,500

**Amount Spent:** 

\$2,500

Transportation Provided By: Regional Transit Service

#### **Veterans Outreach Center**

Veterans Outreach Center offers an array of programs to veterans covering occupational training, transitioning from homelessness, emergency services, support services and assistance with age-related disabilities. The approved funding will assist in providing veterans with transportation to attend medical appointments, treatment programs, employment training, credit counseling and numerous other appointments connected with accessing services.

Date Approved

December 2019

Funding Requested:

\$2.500

Funding Approved:

\$2,500

Amount Spent:

\$1,500

Transportation Provided By: Regional Transit Service

#### **SUMMARY OF 2019-20 GRANTING ACTIVITY**

Number of grants awarded this period: 14 **Grants requested receiving partial awards:** 0 Grants requested receiving more than request: **Grants requested that were denied:** 

# Greater Rochester Community Transportation Foundation Statement of Position March 31, 2020

Assets	
Current Assets-	
Cash	\$ 121,087
Total Assets	\$ 121,087
Liabilities and Net Assets	
Current Liabilities-	
Accounts payable	\$ 95
Deferred revenue	340
Total current liabilities	\$ 435
Net Assets-	
Without donor restrictions	\$ 120,652
With donor restrictions	=
Total net assets	\$ 120,652
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$ 121,087

# Greater Rochester Community Transportation Foundation Statement of Activities For the Year Ended March 31, 2020

Revenue and support	Without Donor Restrictions		With Donor Restrictions		Totals	
Contributions	\$	41,055	\$	,,	\$	41,055
Interest income		1,384		-		1,384
In-kind contributions		_		-		-
Total revenue and support	\$	42,439	\$	-	\$	42,439
Net assets released from restrictions	\$	-	\$		\$	<u>-</u>
Expenses						
Program services	\$	25,596	\$		\$	25,596
Supporting services-						
Management and general		2,144		-		2,144
Fundraiser		14,981		-		14,981
Total expenses	\$	42,721	\$	-	\$	42,721
Changes in net assets	\$	(282)	\$	, <u>-</u>	\$	(282)
Net assets, beginning of year	-	120,934	•	-		120,934
Net assets, end of year	\$	120,652	\$		\$	120,652

#### APPLICATION FOR TRANSPORTATION FUNDING

Groups or organizations interested in applying for transportation funding are required to complete the Transportation Foundation Application for Funding. To qualify, applicants must be recognized as a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit by the Internal Revenue Service. Applications are reviewed and grants are awarded by the GRCTF Board on a quarterly basis.

- Applications submitted November through February are reviewed and considered at the April meeting.
- Applications submitted March through April are reviewed and considered at the June meeting.
- Applications submitted May through July are reviewed and considered at the September meeting.
- Applications submitted August through October are reviewed and considered at the December meeting.

#### For more information, please contact:

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Download a Grant Application: myRTS.com/GRCTF