



Oxford Circle

Christian Community Development Association

Filling the Gap

"For the Lord your God...shows no partiality... He defends the cause of the fatherless and the widow, and loves the foreigner residing among you, giving them food and clothing." Deuteronomy 10:17-18



The CARES Act stimulus checks provided crucial support for many Americans, but several key groups were omitted. These include people who are in the US without documentation, people who don't make enough money to be required to pay taxes, and people who work cash jobs and don't pay taxes. Many of these families live in Oxford Circle.

OCCCCDA was invited by the National Domestic Workers' Alliance, the Philadelphia Office of Immigrant Affairs, and the Mayor's Office of Labor to help distribute private funds that had been raised in an effort to support families who did not receive CARES Act funding.

We partnered with smaller community groups and churches in the Oxford Circle neighborhood to identify those who qualified and to distribute the funds. Together, OCCCCDA and its 10 partners referred over 160 families for this program, distributing \$128,000.

Families who qualified received a one-time \$800 debit card to use for whatever they needed. Families used their funds for food, rent and medication, many expressing deep gratitude for the life-sustaining help brought through these funds.

"We are behind paying the rent since my husband lost his job. I will use this money to pay for one month's rent." - Maria

"I have little kids and they are always hungry. This card will help me feed them. Thank you." - Martha

Matching Gift Update

Thanks to all who have helped us reach our matching goal of \$10,000!

We're grateful and excited to share that our matching donor has extended the challenge to \$15,000!

For the final stretch, the first month of any new recurring donation will be matched.
OR any giving in 2020 that exceeds your total giving for 2019 will be matched.

Contact katie@occcda.org to learn more.

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Donor dollars help support the operations of OCCCCDA that allow us to leverage grants and community connections to minister holistically in our community.

Food Distribution & Covid-19 Testing



Residents line up to receive groceries Tuesday mornings at The Exchange. OCCCCDA currently serves over 200 families each week.

Vybe pop-up clinic offered free Covid-19 testing at our Thursday morning Food Distribution at OCCCCDA's main office.

2020 Tax Incentives

Under the CARES Act for the year 2020 only, Congress has **increased the personal charitable deduction from 60% to 100% of your adjusted gross income (AGI)!** This level of charitable deduction has never before been available and the increase expires on **December 31!**

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