

VILLAGE IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION COMMUNITY RESPONSE FUND Policies and Procedures

I. Purpose

In keeping with the VIA's mission to initiate and support programs that will enrich the quality of life in our community and inspired by the VIA's 120 years of commitment to the health and human dignity of people in need, the Village Improvement Association offers the Community Response Fund.

II. Criteria

The following criteria will be considered when reviewing a grant application:

- A. Applications to the Community Response Fund will be reviewed for consistency with the mission of the VIA and the purpose of the fund.
- B. The fund will not provide permanent support, either total or partial, to an agency or individual.
- C. The request is for an unmet community need through the addition or enrichment of a program or service.
- D. The request is for an effort that is in partnership with others to improve the quality of life in the greater Central Bucks area.
- E. The Fund will target evolving community needs priorities which are identified in collaboration with other community groups and agencies.

III. Composition of Committee

- A. The Community Response Committee chairman will be appointed by the president of the Village Improvement Association.
- B. The committee shall consist of: The chairman, VIA president (or her designee), the VIA treasurer, the chairman of the Welfare Committee (or her designee), the immediate past chairman of the Designer House, and VIA members.
- C. The chairman shall appoint the vice-chairman and secretary.