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2026 Philip S. Miller Resource Grant Program Application - Submission #161806

Date Submitted: 7/29/2025



2026 PHILIP S. MILLER RESOURCE GRANT PROGRAM APPLICATION

Due by 5 p.m., Aug. 1, 2025

ORGANIZATION:*

American Legion Harry C. Miller Post 1187

ADDRESS:*

1862 Malton Ct

CITY:*

CASTLE ROCK

STATE:*

CO

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80104

CONTACT PERSON:*

Larry Underwood

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Adjutant

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Website of organization:

castlerocklegion.org

Executive Director/President:

Dave Giboo, Commander

Board of Directors:

Dave Giboo, Commander; BJ Reese, Sr Vice Commander; Wayne Turner, Finance Officer; Larry Underwood, Adjutant

Non-profit status:*

- ☐ 501(C)(3)
☒ 501(C)(19)

Amount requested:*

\$5,000

Provisions for the necessities of life:*

- ☒ Water ☒ Energy
☒ Food ☒ Shelter

Purpose of grant:*

The grant would primarily be used by American Legion Post 1187 of Castle Rock to assist homeless/low-income veterans and current service members in meeting their needs for food, shelter, clothing, and utilities (such as water and energy). The grant would also help the Post provide other services to military families and promote patriotism in the community.

Organization's goals/Mission Statement:*

American Legion Post 1187 is the Castle Rock branch of the American Legion. The American Legion is the nation's largest wartime veterans service organization devoted to serving our fellow active duty military and their families, mentoring youth, promoting strong national security, and advocating patriotism across the U.S.

Harry C. Miller Post 1187 of Castle Rock is dedicated to serving veterans and our community. We visit and provide emergency assistance to veterans, active military and their families. We also participate in dedications and events within Castle Rock, present the colors at Memorial Day and Veterans Day events, march in the Douglas County Parade, and participate in and contribute to various youth events. In all, we contribute more than 1,000 hours of volunteer service annually to community events. In recognition of our service to the local community, Post 1187 received the 2022 Nonprofit of the Year Award from the Castle Rock Chamber of Commerce.

How the organization will use the granted funds:*

American Legion Post 1187 would primarily use the grant funds to assist homeless/low-income veterans and service members in meeting their needs for food, shelter, clothing, and utilities (such as water and energy). The Post helps veterans and their families transition from military life to civilian life, whether through assistance in relocating, comfort items, or connecting them to Veterans Administration services. Funds would also help purchase uniforms that Honor Guard members need to serve military funerals and local Castle Rock events, as well as to help purchase U.S. and POW flags that are displayed throughout Castle Rock for national holidays. Finally, funds would be used to help send three local high school students to the American Legion Boys State leadership conference.

Time table for implementation:*

The funds would be expended during calendar year 2025.

Other organizations participating with this program:*

Harry C. Miller American Legion Post 1187 partners with many community organizations. We work with and serve Children's Hospital in Denver, Wreaths Across America, the Castle Rock police and fire departments and Douglas County Sheriff's Office, the Castle Rock Chamber of Commerce, local Cub Scout and American Heritage Girls troops, and the Castle Rock Senior Center, as well as all local retirement facilities and schools.

Strategies for sustained funding at the end of the grant period:*

At the end of the grant period, American Legion Post 1187 will pursue funding for this project from organizations such as the Castle Rock Town Council. The Post also will continue to receive funds through membership dues, individual donations, Post-sponsored community events, King Soopers Community Rewards, and Honor Guard service.

Evaluation - Discuss expected results, how the organization defines and measures success, and how it will use and disseminate the project's results:*

American Legion Post 1187 expects to assist homeless/low-income veterans and current service members, and their families, in meeting their needs in the areas of shelter, food, clothing, utilities (such as energy and water), and medical services (such as short-term usage of medical equipment). Any military members requesting assistance must prove his/her military service prior to receiving funds. The Post tracks the number of veterans receiving assistance, and the amount and purpose of funds received. The Post also tracks the number of flags purchased for display, and the number of funerals and other events served by the Honor Guard. The results of our community programs are disseminated at monthly meetings of Post members, and on the Post Facebook page (<https://m.facebook.com/ALP1187>).

Describe specific benefits to Town residents including number of residents served, if available:*

In addition to the more than 200 local veterans we serve who are members of our Post, we also serve veterans at local retirement facilities. Although we focus on serving active military and veterans and their families, we benefit all residents of Castle Rock through our patriotic activities such as hanging American and POW flags throughout the City; honoring veterans through local Memorial Day, Veterans Day, and Wreaths Across America ceremonies; participating in local youth activities; and volunteering in schools.

If the Town provides only partial funding, how will the organization fund the program/project?*

As a small service organization, Post 1187 would be grateful for any amount of funding from the Philip S. Miller Resource Grant Program. Any funding received would be used to assist homeless/low-income Veterans in meeting their needs in the areas of shelter, food, clothing, utilities (such as energy and water), and medical services (such as short-term usage of medical equipment). It would also help the Post provide other community services as described above.

If previously awarded a Town grant, please include a summary of the program/project and evaluate the success:*

American Legion Post 1187 is grateful for the grant of \$4,000 we received from the Philip S. Miller Resource Grant Program during 2024. Funds were used to assist numerous veterans in Castle Rock in meeting their basic needs for food, energy, and shelter. For example, in one instance, the Post met with a veteran who was stranded in Castle Rock and provided him with a meal and gas for his automobile. Funds were also used to purchase U.S. and POW flags which were displayed throughout the City of Castle Rock, and uniforms for Post members who volunteer to serve in the Honor Guard.

Attachments - Please attach all applicable documents as PDF. Other formats may not upload.

Program/project budget (See "Grants" page for Excel form. Save as PDF for upload.)*

PSMGP Project Budget.pdf

Proof of non-profit status as PDF*

Post 1187 990-
ApprovalLetter2025.pdf

Most current YTD financials as PDF*

American Legion Post 1187 YTD
Financials 2024-2025.pdf

Most current audited financials and management letter, if available, as PDF

No file chosen

Current budget (including Revenues and Expenditures detailing percentage relation between anticipated administrative costs and project costs) as PDF*

PSMGP Project Budget_2026 Post 1187.pdf

Other as PDF:

No file chosen

Other as PDF:

No file chosen

Other as PDF:

No file chosen

Additional comments:

Thank you for the opportunity to apply for funds from the Philip S. Miller Grant Resource Program.

Please submit completed application and attachments, or print and deliver to: Town of Castle Rock - Finance Department, 100 N. Wilcox St., Castle Rock, CO 80104

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2026 Philip S. Miller Resource Grant Program Application - Submission #161538

Date Submitted: 7/21/2025



2026 PHILIP S. MILLER RESOURCE GRANT PROGRAM APPLICATION

Due by 5 p.m., Aug. 1, 2025

ORGANIZATION:*

Crisis Center

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CITY:*

Littleton

STATE:*

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Website of organization:

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Executive Director/President:

Amy McCandless

Board of Directors:

Tim Moore
Becky Beall-Moore
Artie Lehl
Sue Quirk
Stefan Ciuk
Krystie Baker
Barb Gay
Catrina Bubier
Kim Gonzalez
Joel White
Jeff Galgano
Malee Gunaratne
Michele Lay
Annalisa Galgano
Kristina Rosa

Non-profit status:*

- ☒ 501(C)(3)
☐ 501(C)(19)

Amount requested:*

20000

Provisions for the necessities of life:*

- ☐ Water ☐ Energy
☐ Food ☒ Shelter

Purpose of grant:*

The Crisis Center is respectfully seeking \$20,000 in continued operational support of our emergency shelter and community-based advocacy programs for adults and children impacted by domestic violence in our community.

Organization's goals/Mission Statement:*

Established in 1985, the Crisis Center exists to end domestic violence through advocacy, education, and prevention; while helping communities live free of violence. We serve the 18th and 23rd Judicial Districts, which includes Douglas, Elbert, Lincoln and Arapahoe Counties. Our services include a 24-hour crisis line, emergency shelter through partner hotels, therapy, legal advocacy and community-based advocacy for adults and children impacted by domestic violence. We also provide prevention activities, education and outreach to the community.

Our goals and objectives are to provide safety, healing and education to stop the generational cycle of domestic abuse. Our programs help those impacted understand why the abuse happens, recover through a variety of interventions, and gain the tools to become emotionally stable and self-sufficient. We educate the community to have a better understanding of the personal tragedies involved, the resulting public impact, and the economic costs from the growing incidence of family violence and conflict. The Crisis Center utilizes non-profit best practices, implements evidenced-based programs and utilizes innovative and collaborative ideas in planning for the future and sustainability of the organization.

How the organization will use the granted funds:*

Awarded funds will be used to support operations of our emergency shelter and community-based advocacy programs.

We partner with local hotels for our emergency shelter program, providing safety for those in imminent danger from their partner. Clients can stay in our emergency shelter program for up to four months and have access to our 24-hour crisis line, daily essentials, therapy, advocacy, safety planning, referrals to community resources and other vital resources to help enhance safety and well-being. Advocates meet in-person with their clients regularly to ensure their needs and goals are being met. Clients may continue with non-residential services after leaving our shelter program.

Providing emergency shelter through hotels offers a unique and critical lifeline for survivors fleeing domestic violence to process their trauma, regain a sense of control, and plan their next steps in a setting that feels normal and safe, without the added stress of communal living. Additionally, our hotel partners allow us to accommodate survivors with pets, who may otherwise not leave their abuser.

The Crisis Center's community-based advocacy program is an evidenced-based advocacy intervention that helps adults protect themselves and their children from further violence by utilizing the community resources the client reports needing. Community-based advocates assist in developing safety plans, provide case management, support and advocacy. Client outcomes include maintaining a safe living environment, completion of the client's goals, decrease in physical violence and depression, easier access to community resources, greater independence and ultimately remaining violence free and a reduced risk of homelessness.

Time table for implementation:*

Our crisis line and emergency shelter operate 24/7, 365 days a year. Staff typically provide services Monday-Friday from 8:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. and are available on the 24-hour crisis line for emergencies. After hours and on weekends and holidays, staff are available for support through the 24-hour crisis line. Therapy and advocacy services are provided both in-person and virtually to best meet the client's needs.

Other organizations participating with this program:*

The Crisis Center collaborates with other shelters in the state, transitional housing agencies, the Douglas and Elbert County Departments of Human Services, mental health agencies, local food banks, Douglas County School District, and other agencies serving vulnerable populations to ensure client's basic needs are being met.

Additionally, the Crisis Center participates in a collaborative called Douglas County Cares (DC Cares), which includes representatives from Douglas County government, the Crisis Center, Douglas County Housing Partnership, and several other human service non-profits. These organizations work together to provide wrap-around services to Douglas County residents that need financial assistance and support to gain and/or maintain housing and employment. Nearly 65% of the families referred to and assisted through DC Cares, have experienced domestic violence.

The Crisis Center, in conjunction with Douglas County law enforcement entities (Castle Rock Police, Douglas County Sheriff's Office, Parker Police and Lone Tree Police), participate in the Lethality Assessment Program (LAP). LAP allows law enforcement officers to identify victims of intimate partner violence who are at the greatest risk of being killed, based upon an 11-question assessment while on-scene at a domestic call. If the victim screens in as high lethality, and agrees to share this information with the Crisis Center, their contact information is sent to the Crisis Center and Crisis Center staff will then get in touch with the victim to address immediate concerns, safety plan and offer services and resources. In 2024, the Crisis Center received 145 LAP referrals. 100% of the individuals agreed to a follow-up call from Crisis Center staff. As a result, 55 (38%) individuals engaged in completing an intake, legal, community-based advocacy and/or therapy services.

Strategies for sustained funding at the end of the grant period:*

The Crisis Center maintains an annual operating budget of approximately \$1.5 million. While we continue to rely on government funding to support our direct service program staff, our focus continues to remain on building relationships with our individual and corporate donors, collaborative partners and private foundations to increase unrestricted donations. Cultivation of individual donors continues to yield positive results in retention and additional dollars.

We continue to hold a 90-day operating reserve (25% of the annual operating budget) in short-term investments, including a money market account. These funds are restricted to unforeseen or emergent situations and short-term cash flow shortages.

The Crisis Center remains diligent in our mission, with 81% of our funds going directly back to client programs and services. We have diversified funding streams that include the following breakdown:

- Government grants: 67%
- Foundation grants: 3%
- Individual donors: 7%
- Special events: 8%
- United Way donations: 1%
- Corporate support: 1%
- Churches and civic organizations: >1%
- Earned income: 1%
- Gain on sale of asset: 6%
- In Kind Contribution: 6%

Evaluation - Discuss expected results, how the organization defines and measures success, and how it will use and disseminate the project's results:*

The Crisis Center administers Client Satisfaction Surveys to gather data on agency outputs and measure outcomes. This information assesses satisfaction with the services provided, the professionalism of staff and volunteers, and the impact of services received. Surveys are sent to clients quarterly to include all new clients, as well as giving on-going clients the ability to give feedback periodically while they are engaged in services. Results are published in our Annual Report, which is posted to our website and distributed to funders as needed.

Outcomes are positive, with an average overall satisfaction of 92%. Specifically, clients stated the following:

- 100% gained knowledge about community resources
- 100% know more ways to plan for their safety
- 100% are more hopeful about their future
- 97% are more self-sufficient than before engaging in services
- 97% understand the violence was not their fault
- 93% stated their overall emotional health and well-being have improved

Specific to our emergency shelter program: In 2024, we provided 3,694 nights of emergency shelter to 52 individuals at an average stay of 71 nights. While hotel-based sheltering is a critical resource for survivors who need immediate safety, it is not a long-term solution. The 52 individuals served last year comprised 27 households with the following outcomes when leaving our program:

- 52% moved into permanent housing
- 4% moved into temporary housing while waiting for permanent housing
- 8% relocated to a transitional living program for pregnant women
- 8% moved in with family/friends
- 12% went to another DV shelter or returned to their abuser; and 16% is unknown.

The long-term impact we strive to achieve is for clients to gain skills necessary for independence, safety and living lives free from violence. In 2026, the Crisis Center expects to assist at least 1,250 callers through our 24-hour crisis line. We expect to provide at least 1,500 nights of shelter to at least 75 adults and children; serve at least 200 adults and children in our therapy program; 80 clients in our community-based advocacy program; and 275 clients in our legal advocacy program.

Describe specific benefits to Town residents including number of residents served, if available:*

The Crisis Center's programs and services follow the Town of Castle Rock's vision of making Castle Rock an ideal place to call home, by focusing on a commitment to family, health, and public safety. For forty years, the Crisis Center has been a vital component to the quality of life for Castle Rock residents.

Last year alone, the Crisis Center reached 4,471 people, of which 337 were unduplicated adults and children receiving direct services. From data and statistical tracking, we know that 72 clients receiving direct services and 284 calls to our 24-hour crisis line are from Castle Rock (equates to 21% of clients), totaling 356 Castle Rock residents. This data has been consistent for the past three years.

Specific to clients that reside in Castle Rock, the Town of Castle Rock's funding of \$13,500 last year allowed each client \$38 toward the services we provide them and the overall cost per Castle Rock resident is \$0.16.

Specific to our community, according to data obtained from law enforcement, there were 1,814 domestic violence case filings in 2024; specifically 509 in Unincorporated Arapahoe County, 84 in Greenwood Village, 201 in Centennial, 172 in Parker, 92 in Castle Rock, 100 in Lone Tree, 572 from Douglas County Sheriff's Office, 75 from Elbert County and 9 from Lincoln County. The estimated cost of serving one person impacted by domestic violence in Colorado is nearly \$15,000 per year. Nearly 70% of Crisis Center clients have never reported their abuse to law enforcement and do not seek public assistance, thus saving residents in the counties we serve approximately \$3.7 million per year. (356 clients * 70% * \$15,000 = appx \$3.7 million)

If not addressed, we know that domestic violence is detrimental to families and the community as a whole. The adults and children we serve have experienced physical, sexual, and emotional trauma, sometimes for the majority of their lives. For approximately 70% of those victims, the Crisis Center is the first point of supportive contact, empowering them to move towards increased safety, self-sufficiency, economic productivity, and healthy relationships.

If the Town provides only partial funding, how will the organization fund the program/project?*

The Crisis Center is grateful for the on-going support from the Town of Castle Rock. (History of funding from 2012-2025: \$13,500, \$16,000, \$17,500, \$17,500, \$20,000, \$20,000, \$17,500, \$20,000, \$11,125, \$20,000, \$17,500, \$17,500; \$17,500; \$13,500 respectively). Specific to this grant request, all funds awarded will be used for our emergency shelter and community-based advocacy programs. If we are awarded only partial funding, we will continue to focus on building relationships with new and existing donors and diversifying our income sources to meet the required need; however, funding from the Town of Castle Rock is an essential part of our budget and to serving residents from the Castle Rock community who have been impacted by domestic violence and may be at risk of homelessness without our services.

If previously awarded a Town grant, please include a summary of the program/project and evaluate the success:*

In 2024, we provided direct service to 337 unduplicated adults and children impacted by domestic violence and 23% of adults utilized more than one service. Specifically, we provided legal services to 150 clients, therapy to 91 adults and children, community-based advocacy to 120 clients, and 3,694 nights of emergency shelter to 52 individuals. We responded to 1,348 calls to our 24-hour crisis line and reached 2,786 community members through 36 education, outreach and prevention activities.

Outcomes are positive, with an average overall satisfaction of 92%. Specifically, clients stated the following:

- 100% gained knowledge about community resources
- 100% know more ways to plan for their safety
- 100% are more hopeful about their future
- 97% are more self-sufficient than before engaging in services
- 97% understand the violence was not their fault
- 93% stated their overall emotional health and well-being have improved

Specific to our emergency shelter program, while hotel-based sheltering is a critical resource for survivors who need immediate safety, it is not a long-term solution. The 52 individuals served last year comprised 27 households with the following outcomes when leaving our program:

- 52% moved into permanent housing
- 4% moved into temporary housing while waiting for permanent housing
- 8% relocated to a transitional living program for pregnant women
- 8% moved in with family/friends
- 12% went to another DV shelter or returned to their abuser; and 16% is unknown.

As one client said: “No one really talks about or acknowledges domestic violence in upper socio-economic demographics, but the impact is just as real and, in some ways, even harder to overcome. The Crisis Center and its supporters helped me tremendously, but more importantly my son has improved as a result of the resources at the Crisis Center. It is one of the few places my challenges have been understood and supported because domestic violence usually only ends once someone dies.”

Attachments - Please attach all applicable documents as PDF. Other formats may not upload.

Program/project budget (See "Grants" page for Excel form. Save as PDF for upload.)*

PSMGP Project Budget.pdf

Proof of non-profit status as PDF*

Crisis Center - 501c3.pdf

Most current YTD financials as PDF*

Crisis Center financials.pdf

Most current audited financials and management letter, if available, as PDF

2024 Audited Financial Statements.pdf

Current budget (including Revenues and Expenditures detailing percentage relation between anticipated administrative costs and project costs) as PDF*

2025 approved budget by program.pdf

Other as PDF:

No file chosen

Other as PDF:

No file chosen

Other as PDF:

No file chosen

Additional comments:

We are grateful for the ongoing support from the Town of Castle Rock. We cannot do this work alone and rely on your generous contribution to continue to serve vulnerable residents of Castle Rock, keep them safe from domestic violence and heal from the trauma they have experienced. On behalf of those we serve, thank you for your commitment to ending domestic violence in our community.

Please submit completed application and attachments, or print and deliver to: Town of Castle Rock - Finance Department, 100 N. Wilcox St., Castle Rock, CO 80104

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2026 Philip S. Miller Resource Grant Program Application - Submission #162001

Date Submitted: 8/1/2025



2026 PHILIP S. MILLER RESOURCE GRANT PROGRAM APPLICATION

Due by 5 p.m., Aug. 1, 2025

ORGANIZATION:*

Faith Lutheran Church Food Pantry

ADDRESS:*

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CITY:*

Castle Rock

STATE:*

CO

ZIP:*

80104

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Lucy Donovan

TITLE:

Financial Secretary

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303-688-3476

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Executive Director/President:

Bette Warn, Council President

Board of Directors:

Bette Warn, Council President
 Brad Becker, Council President Elect
 Cori Schroeder, Secretary
 Steve Williams, Stewardship
 Sherri Dow, Outreach
 Karen Johnson, Community
 Marilyn Bean, Spiritual Growth

Non-profit status:*

- ☒ 501(C)(3)
☐ 501(C)(19)

Amount requested:*

20,000

Provisions for the necessities of life:*

- ☐ Water ☐ Energy
☒ Food ☐ Shelter

Purpose of grant:*

Faith Lutheran Church has been operating a Food Pantry ministry since April 2020, the onset of the Covid pandemic. The ministry was established to help those in our Castle Rock community in need due to the pandemic impacts. In the five years of operation, this ministry is 100% dependent on financial and/or food donations. The church does not financial support this ministry. The purpose of this grant is to help continue the operation of the food pantry ministry so we can continue to assist those in need in our Community.

Organization's goals/Mission Statement:*

The Faith Lutheran Church (FLC) Food Pantry aims to live out FLC's mission of "Loving God, Loving Each Other, and Serving Our Community." We are passionate about being the hands and feet of Jesus by "Serving Our Community" and standing with families/individuals who have fallen on hard times. Our Food Pantry is committed to meeting our neighbors' physical needs by providing groceries and also meeting their spiritual needs by praying with them and encouraging them in the name of Jesus.

How the organization will use the granted funds:*

All funds awarded will be spent to purchase foods items. We shop at Sam's, Walmart and sometimes other grocery store locally to supply our food shelves. There is zero overhead expenses in this ministry. 100% of the funds received through this grant would be toward the purchase of the food items. Any operating expenses are paid outside of the donations to this ministry.

Time table for implementation:*

The Food Pantry ministry has a separate bank account at Faith Lutheran Church, and funds awarded will be deposited in this account and used as needed for food items.

Other organizations participating with this program:*

We are in contact with other local Food Pantries and we share information and sometimes food if there is excess one week or another. We partner with Help & Hope Center as well and they provide food donations at the end of the week.

Strategies for sustained funding at the end of the grant period:*

Most of all we pray for God's guidance and provisions. We will continue to call on our congregation, apply for grants, have fundraisers, and continually look at our food costs to keep the necessary funding to continue this ministry.

Evaluation - Discuss expected results, how the organization defines and measures success, and how it will use and disseminate the project's results:*

This ministry is been in operation for over five years now. When we first started our operation we had no end date in sight. We said we would help those in need in our community for as long as it is needed and we have the funds to provide groceries. Five years later, we are still in operation. Our measure of success is by viewing the relationships we have developed with the families we have established, the fellowship and prayer time we have with the families as they come through to pick up their groceries, and by the smiles, the tears, the hope and love we share for God's purpose. You can be assured 100% of the funds we receive through this grant will be spent on food items for the families in our community.

Describe specific benefits to Town residents including number of residents served, if available:*

Although we do not have a database to refer to to provide an actual count, we track weekly registered families. Approximately 90 to 95% of the families served through this ministry are from Castle Rock, an actual Castle Rock address. In 2023 we served 1,282 families (5,616 people) and in 2024 we served 1,621 families (6,937). To date this year, we have served 688 families (2,599 people). Approximately 5-10% of the families that come through the food pantry are new families per week. We have returning families weekly, monthly or as needed.

If the Town provides only partial funding, how will the organization fund the program/project?*

As stated in the strategies section, most of all we pray for God's guidance and provisions. We will continue to call on our congregation, apply for grants, have fundraisers, and continually look at our food costs to keep the necessary funding to continue this ministry.

If previously awarded a Town grant, please include a summary of the program/project and evaluate the success:*

We have not been awarded any grants through the town previously, nor have we ever applied for one.

Attachments - Please attach all applicable documents as PDF. Other formats may not upload.

Program/project budget (See "Grants" page for Excel form. Save as PDF for upload.)*

Proof of non-profit status as PDF*

Most current YTD financials as PDF*

501.c.3 Letters.pdf

2024 Food Pantry Financials.pdf

Castle Rocke PSMGP Project Budget.pdf

Most current audited financials and management letter, if available, as PDF

Current budget (including Revenues and Expenditures detailing percentage relation between anticipated administrative costs and project costs) as PDF*

No file chosen

FLC Food Pantry 2025 Financials.pdf

Other as PDF:

Other as PDF:

Other as PDF:

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Additional comments:

There are numerous food pantries in the Castle Rock area. We don't consider ourselves unique from any others except being faith-based and we serve those in our Community through supplying food and spending time in fellowship and prayer with them. We thank you for this opportunity to apply and we pray that you will consider this ministry worthy of funding.

Please submit completed application and attachments, or print and deliver to: Town of Castle Rock - Finance Department, 100 N. Wilcox St., Castle Rock, CO 80104

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2026 Philip S. Miller Resource Grant Program Application - Submission #150529

Date Submitted: 9/24/2024



2025 PHILIP S. MILLER RESOURCE GRANT PROGRAM APPLICATION

Due by 5 p.m., Aug. 1, 2025

ORGANIZATION:*

Freedom Service Dogs

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7193 S Dillon Ct

CITY:*

Englewood

STATE:*

CO

ZIP:*

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TITLE:

Major Gifts Officer

PHONE NUMBER:*

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Executive Director/President:

Chris Nelson

Board of Directors:

Michelle Search
Lani Kessler
Keith Smith
Peter Meyers
Brian Sward
Noel Wickwar
Kristen Deevy
Laura Fitch
Melissa Morrow
John DellaSalle
William Foy
Daniel May
Al Hirshberg

Non-profit status:*

- ☒ 501(C)(3)
☐ 501(C)(19)

Amount requested:*

5000

Provisions for the necessities of life:*

- ☐ Water ☐ Energy
☒ Food ☐ Shelter

Purpose of grant:*

Freedom Service Dogs aims to provide service dogs to all veterans and first responders in need, regardless of location. To ensure this, we cover travel expenses for our clients. This grant would help fund these costs, allowing us to support veterans and first responders both across Colorado and nationwide.

Organization's goals/Mission Statement:*

We transform lives by partnering people with custom-trained assistance dogs.

How the organization will use the granted funds:*

to support clients with travel expenses to the Denver area so they can stay close to campus while they are in training with their service dog

Time table for implementation:*

beginning October 2024

Other organizations participating with this program:*

None

Strategies for sustained funding at the end of the grant period:*

continued fundraising

Evaluation - Discuss expected results, how the organization defines and measures success, and how it will use and disseminate the project's results:*

We will use this money to

Describe specific benefits to Town residents including number of residents served, if available:*

Not available. We do serve people all over Colorado including Castle Rock

If the Town provides only partial funding, how will the organization fund the program/project?*

Fundraise

If previously awarded a Town grant, please include a summary of the program/project and evaluate the success:*

Not previously awarded

Attachments - Please attach all applicable documents as PDF. Other formats may not upload.

Program/project budget (See "Grants" page for Excel form. Save as PDF for upload.)*

Program Budget Operation Freedom 2024.xlsx

Proof of non-profit status as PDF*

501c3 Cert.pdf

Most current YTD financials as PDF*

Jul24 FSD Board FS.pdf

Most current audited financials and management letter, if available, as PDF

No file chosen

Current budget (including Revenues and Expenditures detailing percentage relation between anticipated administrative costs and project costs) as PDF*

2024 Expense and Revenue Budgets.pdf

Other as PDF:

No file chosen

Other as PDF:

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Additional comments:

Invited to apply for 2024 funding from council member who met with our Veteran Service Coordinator Chris Boyer on Saturday Sep. 21st

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2026 Philip S. Miller Resource Grant Program Application - Submission #160724

Date Submitted: 6/30/2025



2026 PHILIP S. MILLER RESOURCE GRANT PROGRAM APPLICATION

Due by 5 p.m., Aug. 1, 2025

ORGANIZATION:*

Help & Hope Center

ADDRESS:*

1638 Park Street

CITY:*

Castle Rock

STATE:*

CO

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Diane Debella

TITLE:

Grant Writer

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Website of organization:

<https://www.helpandhopecenter.org>

Executive Director/President:

Dan Marlow

Board of Directors:

Trent Krause
Dan Weidman
Kristen Wenaas
Brandon Tavor
Bob Pasicznyuk
Peter B. Goldstein
Dave Hieronymus
Sarah Miles
Jim Addison
Jennifer Eby

Non-profit status:*

- ☒ 501(C)(3)
☐ 501(C)(19)

Amount requested:*

\$20,000

Provisions for the necessities of life:*

- ☐ Water ☐ Energy
☒ Food ☐ Shelter

Purpose of grant:*

The mission of Help & Hope Center directly aligns with your grant fund's goal of providing for the necessities of life--in this case food. In 2024 the Center provided 31,819 community members with \$3,110,166 of direct and in-kind client assistance. In 2024 the Center distributed \$1,991,164 in food, hygiene, and household supplies. 1,031,691 lbs. of food were distributed. Approximately 94% of onsite clients receive these basic services. The Center also conducts three off-site food banks monthly at low-income senior housing units (Reyn Rock Plaza, Oakwood Apartments, and Auburn Ridge), providing food/hygiene assistance to senior citizens in need. The Center also launched a mobile food pantry in spring 2022, bringing food and toiletry items to those in need. The mobile food pantry currently serves a site in Larkspur that is coordinated through a collaboration with Aging Resources.

Organization's goals/Mission Statement:*

Mission Statement: Help & Hope Center is a 501(c) (3) human service organization whose mission is to meet the immediate needs of residents of Douglas and Elbert counties who are in financial distress and at risk of becoming homeless, to help them work through troublesome times with dignity.

Goals:

- To meet the basic emergency services needs for the growing number of residents of Douglas and Elbert Counties who are experiencing hunger and homelessness or are at risk for these conditions, especially those who do not qualify for government assistance;
- To increase agency capacity, including personnel, service hours, and resources, in order to significantly reduce wait times for clients in need;
- To expand our development department's reach in order to increase agency funding and establish the foundation for a capital campaign;
- To strengthen our collaboration with new and existing community partners to provide comprehensive services for Douglas and Elbert County residents needing emergency services.

How the organization will use the granted funds:*

The total number of clients served by Help & Hope Center has increased over 31% in the past two years (since 2022). There is unprecedented need for emergency services among Douglas and Elbert County residents since SNAP benefits have been reduced and many have lost Medicaid. We are also now facing the potential loss of TANF and EFSP funding. Every month the Center is experiencing a greater number of requests for assistance, and those requests are for larger amounts as costs continue to rise for everything from food to rent and utilities. In addition, we are seeing clients who earn decent paychecks yet still cannot make ends meet due to the high cost of living in Douglas County. We have had up to a six week wait for initial client intake appointments, even though we have added hours and personnel. (The current wait time is three weeks). In addition, some of our partner agencies continue to limit services and refer their clients to us. Food availability also remains a challenge. Even though we participate in the food rescue program and obtain food from Food Bank of the Rockies, these sources often don't provide the amount of food or specific items we need. Therefore, we must buy these items at a much higher cost.

Receiving food from the food bank that would ordinarily come out of a budget allows our clients to put that money toward paying other bills--utility bills, rent, prescriptions, or even gas for the family car. With 94% of our clients receiving food, this is our priority. We give each family member enough non-perishable food for seven days, depending on food bank stock, three meals a day plus snacks, including protein, whole grains, fruits, and vegetables. Donated perishable foods are distributed liberally on the day they are received. We employ a client choice model, which empowers our clients. Having the opportunity to choose their own food gives clients a sense of dignity and control, limits waste, and allows them to tailor the help they receive to be the best possible fit for their own unique situation. It has also allowed us to provide more fresh food choices for clients, as we now have the room and refrigerators necessary to store fresh foods such as fruits and vegetables.

Time table for implementation:*

Funds will be expended as soon as they are received. The overarching goal is to provide at least seven days of nutritious food, three meals per day plus snacks, to residents in need, serving over twenty client households per day, five days per week.

Other organizations participating with this program:*

The Center collaborates with corporate donors, including Sam's Club, Sprouts, Target, Safeway, WalMart, King Soopers, Starbucks, Whole Foods, Tony's, Chick-fil-A, and other local restaurants through the food rescue program. The agency also collaborates with Food Bank of the Rockies, the Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP), Catholic Charities, 9Cares Colorado Shares, local Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts, several local Rotary groups, and other service organizations and churches.

Strategies for sustained funding at the end of the grant period:*

Help & Hope Center continues to seek food donations from new sources, especially due to recent cost and availability issues. The client choice food bank has decreased food waste, and we have expanded our existing refrigerator capacity, which allows us to store and distribute more perishable foods to clients. As the Center continues to provide a safety net for residents, we are also working to achieve long-term solutions to the problems facing these individuals and families. If clients can move toward self-sufficiency, they will have less reliance on emergency services.

Evaluation - Discuss expected results, how the organization defines and measures success, and how it will use and disseminate the project's results:*

Help & Hope Center takes both a process and outcome approach to evaluation. The goal of ongoing evaluation is to gather necessary information for improving and accounting for agency, program, and client specific effectiveness as well as the appropriate allocation of resources. The agency utilizes a wide range of evaluation tools to assess its overall impact. The Center's organizational actionable evaluation, both process and outcome, seeks to measure our program impacts/outcomes against our goals and mission on an ongoing basis. It is based on observable and measurable activities to create sustainable changes to our client community.

Measurement tools:

- Clients served and services delivered are tracked in a client database, EmpowOR, a web-based participant/client, services and results tracking software
- Number of referrals to other agencies/reports from other agencies are tracked and analyzed
- Number of volunteers and volunteer hours are logged daily
- Client feedback, captured through visit assessment surveys, is analyzed and acted upon in a timely manner

Describe specific benefits to Town residents including number of residents served, if available:*

In 2024 the Center provided 31,819 community members with \$3,110,166 of direct and in-kind client assistance. In 2024 the Center distributed \$1,991,164 in food, hygiene, and household supplies. 1,031,691 lbs. of food were distributed. Approximately 94% of onsite clients receive these basic services.

If the Town provides only partial funding, how will the organization fund the program/project?*

Help & Hope Center is continually seeking new partnerships and collaborations. We have been fortunate to establish partnerships with Food Bank of the Rockies and a number of grocers that participate in the food rescue program. Our thrift store also continues to generate revenue that can be used to purchase food to supplement our current inventory when needed.

If previously awarded a Town grant, please include a summary of the program/project and evaluate the success:*

\$13,500 total (\$6,250 received at the time of this application with a second installment of \$6,250 being awarded 7/1/25)

Food for the Food Bank

How were these funds used?

Help & Hope Center is a 501(c)(3) human service organization whose mission is to meet the immediate needs of residents of Douglas and Elbert counties who are in financial distress and at risk of becoming homeless, to help them work through troublesome times with dignity. Center staff and volunteers address immediate needs by consistently providing quality screening, one-on-one guidance, effective service delivery, and meaningful referrals for all clients.

Funds received from the Philip S. Miller Resource grant were used to purchase food for the agency's food bank. The overarching goal of the food bank program is to provide at least seven days of nutritious food, three meals per day plus snacks, and toiletries, cleaning and hygiene supplies as available, to clients who are in need, serving over 20 client households per day, five days per week.

What impact was made on the Castle Rock community?

The \$6,250 received from the Philip S. Miller Resource Grant Program in November 2024, together with an additional \$2,165 that will come from our second payment installment coming on July 1, 2025 (for a total spent thus far of \$8,415 of our \$13,500 total award) was used to purchase 5,433 lbs. of food. Approximately 2,051 clients from Castle Rock received food with this funding. 94% of agency clients receive these basic services. The Center also conducts three off-site food banks monthly at low-income senior housing units, providing food/hygiene assistance to senior citizens in need. The most significant challenge faced by the Center in recent months is the increased need among community residents due to stubborn inflation, loss of other assistance programs, and decreased food donations. We anticipate that this need will continue to grow. We are also experiencing supply chain issues with regard to procuring food. In order to provide clients with balanced and nutritious options, we need to seek alternative food supply sources, which are proving to be more costly.

How did this project support the town's strategic vision?

The mission of Help & Hope Center directly aligns with the town's strategic vision to ensure that all necessary community services are provided to support the public interest and wellbeing of all Castle Rock residents by assisting at-risk residents with the necessities of life, in this case by addressing hunger relief.

Attachments - Please attach all applicable documents as PDF. Other formats may not upload.

Program/project budget (See "Grants" page for Excel form. Save as PDF for upload.)*

2025 PSMRG Budget.pdf

Proof of non-profit status as PDF*

HHC IRS Determination Letter.pdf

Most current YTD financials as PDF*

PL January through May 2025.pdf

Most current audited financials and management letter, if available, as PDF

12-31-23 Auditors Report.pdf

Current budget (including Revenues and Expenditures detailing percentage relation between anticipated administrative costs and project costs) as PDF*

2025 Budget - Grants Summary.pdf

Other as PDF:

Balance Sheet May 25.pdf

Other as PDF:

2024 annual report.pdf

Other as PDF:

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Additional comments:

I uploaded our current balance sheet as an 'other' document. Please let me know if you require any additional information. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Please submit completed application and attachments, or print and deliver to: Town of Castle Rock - Finance Department, 100 N. Wilcox St., Castle Rock, CO 80104

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2026 Philip S. Miller Resource Grant Program Application - Submission #162008

Date Submitted: 8/1/2025



2026 PHILIP S. MILLER RESOURCE GRANT PROGRAM APPLICATION

Due by 5 p.m., Aug. 1, 2025

ORGANIZATION:*

Lady Trailblazer Inc

ADDRESS:*

2648 McCracken Lane, Castle Rock, CO 80104

CITY:*

Castle Rock

STATE:*

CO

ZIP:*

80104

CONTACT PERSON:*

Dr. Carletta Stewart

TITLE:

Founder/ President

PHONE NUMBER:*

7205503041

EMAIL ADDRESS:*

carletta@theladytrailblazer.com

Website of organization:

www.theladytrailblazer.org

Executive Director/President:

Dr. Carletta Stewart

Board of Directors:

President-Dr. Carletta Stewart
Vice-President-Sergeant Amanda Lane
Treasurer-Kymberly Damrow
Secretary-Rosemary Rizk Esq.
Director of Asset Management-Fangfang Wang

Non-profit status:*

- ☒ 501(C)(3)
☐ 501(C)(19)

Amount requested:*

\$2500.00

Provisions for the necessities of life:*

- ☐ Water ☐ Energy
☒ Food ☐ Shelter

Purpose of grant:*

The purpose of the grant will be to provide support for our Girls' Persist program. Girls' Persist is a STEM leadership program designed to assist adolescent girls in persevering in the areas of STEM disciplines through problem-solving workshops. The young ladies are exposed to STEM practices early on to assist with the transition from adolescence into adulthood, assisting with tackling real-life challenges that will help them make valuable self-discoveries and develop persistence, self-reliance and leadership skills that will serve them for the rest of their lives. The workshops are delivered in a practical sense to shape and nurture innate abilities early on and infuse STEM with leadership in preparation for college and the professional workforce.

Organization's goals/Mission Statement:*

Goals: By empowering and exposing girls to STEM early on will help eliminate barriers in the classroom and help increase the overall representation and persistence of women STEM professionals in our community and beyond.

Mission: Empower a Girl. Change the World.

How the organization will use the granted funds:*

The granted funds will be used to support the student participants throughout the academic school year and for our summer camps where our program Girls' Persist is currently being offered, South Ridge Elementary School, Challenge to Excellence Charter School, STEM School Highlands Ranch, Rock Canyon HS, and Ponderosa HS.

Time table for implementation:*

July-August 2025-Complete and submit administrative paperwork and program design to participating schools.
August-September 2025-student enrollment
September-December 2025-Host and facilitate Phase I of Girls' Persist at each participating school.
January-April 2026- Host and facilitate Phase II of Girls' Persist at each participating school.
April-May 2026-Host and coordinate recognition ceremonies at each participating partnered school.
May-June 2026-Coordinate, distribute, and market summer camp.
July 2026-Host community-based-1-week summer camp at South Ridge Elementary School in Castle Rock.

Other organizations participating with this program:*

South Ridge Elementary School: Year-long program and summer camp held.
Town of Castle Rock
Partnering Schools
Chick-fil-A
The Denver Foundation
Parker Chamber of Commerce
Aloha Fund-Individual donor

Strategies for sustained funding at the end of the grant period:*

Strategies for sustained funding are a) being fiscal responsible with our current and future grant funds and donations, b) maximize our efforts by partnering with other organizations within and outside the community, and c) maintaining organization awareness by seeking other available grants.

Evaluation - Discuss expected results, how the organization defines and measures success, and how it will use and disseminate the project's results:*

The expected results of our program Girls' Persist, and how our organization defines, and measure success include both qualitative and quantitative outcomes of how self-confidence is increased over time.

How it is measured:

- a) The understanding of hands-on STEM based applications,
- b) The use and conceptional process of how each problem-based application works and how to solve methodically.
- c) The measured proficiency of learning, leading, and completing hands-on problem-based applications within a specified amount of time.

How do we define success:

- a) Student visual and tactical understanding of each problem-based application over time.
- b) Was the student able to explain the conceptual idea of the STEM-based learning application effectively to his or her peers?
- c) Peer evaluation and feedback session: Each student learns how to conduct, facilitate, and receive feedback.

Describe specific benefits to Town residents including number of residents served, if available:*

Our Girls' Persist program empowers girls through STEM e.g., leadership, innovativeness, creativity, and entrepreneurship. In doing so, the young ladies can innovate from theory into practice by understanding a) what research is early on, b) how to apply practice to research, and c) see and understand how an idea can be shaped into a STEM learning product. By providing young ladies with these skillsets and shaping innate abilities early on, it opens doors for our community to prosper and sustain economic growth.

If the Town provides only partial funding, how will the organization fund the program/project?*

Our organization will assess and allocate funds based on the needs of each partnered site early on. We will also be proactive in our efforts to effectively understand the needs of each partnered site based on student participation and resources to sustain the program throughout the academic school year and the summer camp. We will be transparent with our partners and volunteers.

If previously awarded a Town grant, please include a summary of the program/project and evaluate the success:*

We recently received a grant from the Town of Castle Rock in the amount of \$562.50. The funds are being used toward our 2025-2026 Girls' Persist program.

Attachments - Please attach all applicable documents as PDF. Other formats may not upload.

Program/project budget (See "Grants" page for Excel form. Save as PDF for upload.)*

Phillip S. Miller Financial Worksheet complete.pdf

Proof of non-profit status as PDF*

Lady Trailblazer 501 (c) 3 documentation.pdf

Most current YTD financials as PDF*

20250630-statements-7106-Inc.pdf

Most current audited financials and management letter, if available, as PDF

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Current budget (including Revenues and Expenditures detailing percentage relation between anticipated administrative costs and project costs) as PDF*

Phillip S Miller Grant and Project Submission.pdf

Other as PDF:

Phillip S. Miller Financial Worksheet
complete.pdf

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Additional comments:

Our organization does not have an audit on file. Our organization does contract with an external company for reconciliation, bookkeeping, and tax filing (990 EZ),

3rd party Company-Your Tax Lady, Colorado Springs, Colorado.

Please submit completed application and attachments, or print and deliver to: Town of Castle Rock - Finance Department, 100 N. Wilcox St., Castle Rock, CO 80104

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2026 Philip S. Miller Resource Grant Program Application - Submission #161902

Date Submitted: 7/30/2025



2026 PHILIP S. MILLER RESOURCE GRANT PROGRAM APPLICATION

Due by 5 p.m., Aug. 1, 2025

ORGANIZATION:*

Deacons of New Hope Presbyterian Church

ADDRESS:*

3737 New Hope Way

CITY:*

Castle Rock

STATE:*

Colorado

ZIP:*

80011

CONTACT PERSON:*

Sara Fischer

TITLE:

Deacon

PHONE NUMBER:*

7202537263

EMAIL ADDRESS:*

deacons@newhopepres.org

Website of organization:

<https://www.newhopepres.org/>

Executive Director/President:

Rev. Dr. Caressa Murray, Senior Pastor

Board of Directors:

Although we do not have a formal board of directors, the Deacons function as a body that approves all financial decisions. Our current deacons are:

Pam Applegate

*Kathy Green

Colin Young

Colleen Wenger

Greer Rios

Melinda Kinkel

Dave Kinkel

Katie Heimbicher - Vice Moderator

Carol Gross

Sara Fischer

Carla Ewing

Dee Evilsizer

*Cathie Engelkirk

Smokey Charis

Joe Asbridge - Moderator

Victoria Arnett

Carol Johnson

* = Benevolence Deacon

Non-profit status:*

☒ 501(C)(3)

☐ 501(C)(19)

Amount requested:*

10,000.00

Provisions for the necessities of life:*

☒ Water

☒ Energy

☒ Food

☒ Shelter

Purpose of grant:*

The Deacons at New Hope Presbyterian have a long-standing history of helping community members who are experiencing financial difficulty. The funds from the Philip S Miller Resource Grant (PSMGP) will be used to help Castle Rock community members who are seeking financial assistance to pay their rent, pay their electric or gas bill, pay their water bill, or buy food. 100% of the PSMGP dollars will go directly to providing financial assistance to eligible recipients.

Organization's goals/Mission Statement:*

We are a vibrant community dedicated to providing a welcoming home for all by "Putting People First". At New Hope, you'll find a supportive family where together we can grow, build meaningful connections, and discover the joy of belonging in God's love. We strive to build lives that flourish and make a difference in our communities. Having a faith is not a condition of receiving assistance from the Deacons or from any other organization at the church.

How the organization will use the granted funds:*

All PSMGP funds will be used in totality and exclusively to provide financial support to recipients of the Deacon Benevolence outreach program; specifically for rental assistance, payment of utilities (gas, electric, water), and food. Funds from the PSMGP will allow us to fulfill more of the requests and/or increase the maximum amount of support per person/family.

All funds for the Deacon Benevolence program come from donations and previous PSMGP funding. The Deacon ministry is not funded by the church's operating budget. The Deacons of New Hope Presbyterian Church are an all-volunteer organization. Two Benevolence Deacons manage the evaluation and distribution of the Benevolence funds. Oversight is provided by the Deacon Moderator and Vice-Moderator and Financial management personnel at New Hope. The Benevolence Deacons receive, on average, 30 calls a month from the community. The calls are requests for help with rent, utility bills such as electric, gas, or water, food, gasoline, hotel stays, car repairs and other types of assistance. We receive far more requests than we have funds to fulfill. We do carefully vet the recipient and track their usage of all benevolent funds, whether the source is the PSMGP or contributions to the benevolence fund.

Though PSMGP dollars are not used to fund other New Hope Deacon activities, it is worthwhile to provide some information about the balance of our service. Deacons use funds contributed monthly by both members and non-members of the church to provide a wide variety of services. Besides the two Benevolence deacons, there are 15 more Deacons who have many responsibilities that support our congregation and the community. Those duties include but are not limited to: paying for and hosting member funeral/memorial receptions. We host an annual contribution drive for goods that allows us to participate in the Strive to Thrive. We provide a vibrant prayer ministry, meeting weekly via Zoom to pray. The Deacons have an ongoing monthly ministry to send written greeting cards, make personal telephone calls, and visit shut ins in our community. We provide meals or baskets to those who are ill/recovering from illness or surgery. Our group serves members in the congregation who are grieving the loss of a loved one by sending cards and books on a pre determined basis and by just /checking in with them over the course of the year following their loss. We serve to welcome all to our weekly services. Our ministry also supports the church staff and other ministries in our church by offering encouragement throughout the year.

Time table for implementation:*

Our ministry is ongoing. Once the funds are received, we would be able to put them to immediate use. We have a process in place that logistically takes about a week to disburse funds once the request is approved.

Other organizations participating with this program:*

The New Hope Deacons operate independently within our larger organization, New Hope Presbyterian Church. Since we work primarily with Castle Rock residents, there are times we collaborate with other local organizations. For instance, if a request is larger than we can commit to, our Benevolence deacons work diligently with other local groups and organizations to coordinate service to the person/family in need. Together we may be able to meet the entire need of the individual/family. Our Benevolence (non-PSMGP) funding provides monthly contributions to the Crisis Center and Help & Hope Center programs. In 2025 we developed a comprehensive, yet ever-changing resource document that we use when determining the organization to collaborate with.

Strategies for sustained funding at the end of the grant period:*

The Deacons of New Hope Presbyterian Church receive monetary contributions from members and non-members of our congregation. The Deacons are not funded through the general operating budget of the church's operating budget. Each month, a report is given to the congregation, sharing how we have blessed families in the community through our ministry. We promote an offering for the Deacon ministry on the first Sunday of each month. Voluntary donations make up the bulk of funding for the Benevolence Ministry and we will continue to fund our Benevolence program at the end of the grant period or even if we are not selected to receive a Philip S. Miller Resource Grant. But if we receive the funding as requested, we can double our impact to individuals/families receiving those granted funds.

The Deacons at New Hope have a history of helping those in need within our community. Community members and organizations know we are a source for those seeking assistance. Our group has a process in place to help allocate funds based on requests for need. This process helps us to maximize aid to the community and use the funds responsibly.

Evaluation - Discuss expected results, how the organization defines and measures success, and how it will use and disseminate the project's results:*

Successes for what we do can vary in definition but overall, taking stress from a family or individual so they can focus on making it through another day is a success for our group. Success is funding a request for help paying rent that keeps someone from being homeless. Success is buying a pair of work boots so someone can keep working. Success is paying the utility bill so that the family's available funds can buy food for the month. Success is also not having to decline requests due to lack of funds.

Supporting the community of Castle Rock paves the way for all of us to be successful, knowing we were able to help more families or individuals in our community and/or increase the family maximum assistance limit.

A written report will be provided after the conclusion of the fiscal year.

Describe specific benefits to Town residents including number of residents served, if available:*

During the 2024-2025 fiscal year, the New Hope Deacons Benevolence funds provided assistance to 180 individuals/families. Of those 180, 15 individuals/families were specifically helped using PSMGP funds. After careful evaluation, we increased the amount of individual/family assistance by 25%. Substantial assistance was also provided monthly to the Crisis Center and Help & Hope Center programs. Note that our fiscal year starts in July. Rising costs for food, housing, gas, and utilities have added strain to local families who are already struggling. Our approach when helping those requesting assistance is to give a "hand up." Our process for validating the requests requires many steps to help ensure the funds are used responsibly and help as many people as possible.

Some of the steps are:

Calls to area agencies are made to see if the requestor is reaching out to multiple organizations.

Calls to landlords/property managers are made to make sure the request is accurate, and payments can be made directly.

Calls to utility companies are made and payment arranged to go directly to the company.

We have also worked with area agencies if there is a larger financial need. For instance, if a large rent is due, we will check with agencies to ask if they can help to pool funds and Grant the request.

We only help with local requests. If we get calls from outside of Castle Rock, our volunteers will provide numbers to relevant agencies who are closer to the requestor.

Vetting the calls takes time and as mentioned, our Benevolence Deacons are volunteers. Each inquiry usually involves multiple calls to provide the requested assistance.

Many of the calls we receive do not fall within the scope of our funding. In that case, referrals to other organizations are made. Other local agencies also make referrals to us when they've reached their financial limits.

This ministry provides benefits to residents by keeping them in their homes, off the streets, warm/cool, fed, and able to get to work.

We are grateful for the opportunity to provide this much needed assistance. We have established a ready network with other local agencies and work closely with local utilities, housing, and lodging to provide prompt payments when promised. It is a labor of love for those in need that we happily accept.

If the Town provides only partial funding, how will the organization fund the program/project?*

The Deacons of New Hope Presbyterian Church receive monetary contributions from members and non-members of our congregation and those contributions will continue if we receive only a portion of what we have requested. Voluntary donations make up the bulk of funding, and we will continue our Benevolence program even if we do not receive the entire amount requested from the Philip S. Miller Resource Grant. We will just not be able to assist as many residents!

If previously awarded a Town grant, please include a summary of the program/project and evaluate the success:*

For the year 2025, the Town of Castle Rock generously awarded New Hope Deacons \$9000 through the Philip S Miller Resource Fund. With the cost of living, especially rent increasing dramatically, we made the decision to distribute the funding to those needing assistance with rent and to allocate a higher grant to those who were awarded assistance. For the year 2024, the Town of Castle Rock graciously awarded our group \$4000 through the Philp S Miller Resource Fund which was dispersed by June 30, 2024. Also, for the year 2023, the Town of Castle Rock graciously awarded our group \$5000 through the Philip S Miller Resource Fund which was dispersed by December 31, 2023. For record keeping purposes, we keep the Grant funds separate. It was decided that the funding would be dispersed throughout the entire calendar year with housing requests getting first preference. If there were no qualifying housing requests, the funds could go to other needs such as requests for temporary shelter, groceries, or utilities. With the PSMGP funds, we were able to help a total of 40 additional families/individuals during those three fiscal years. We've helped 40 families or individuals in Castle Rock retain their independence, their employment, their strength as a family or power as an individual, decreased potential need for financial assistance from governmental entities, just by helping to keep a roof over their head.

Allow me to share a story of how help with a modest request was invaluable to the recipients: We often work in collaboration with other agencies who award rental help, as rents are high in our area. One woman with two children at home works as a cook at a private school. She had been temporarily unable to work enough hours to keep up and she resourcefully sought out assistance from another agency in addition to us for a partial payment of her rent, paid another portion herself and then received the final portion of her rent from us.

Attachments - Please attach all applicable documents as PDF. Other formats may not upload.

Program/project budget (See "Grants" page for Excel form. Save as PDF for upload.)* PSMGP Project Budget 2025-2026.pdf	Proof of non-profit status as PDF* 501(c)3 Exemption Letter (3).pdf	Most current YTD financials as PDF* Deacon Balance Sheet 2025.xlsx - Deacon Balance Sheet.pdf
Most current audited financials and management letter, if available, as PDF Choose File No file chosen	Current budget (including Revenues and Expenditures detailing percentage relation between anticipated administrative costs and project costs) as PDF* Current Budget.pdf	
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Additional comments:

Please reach out to Sara Fischer at 720-253-7263 with any questions.

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2026 Philip S. Miller Resource Grant Program Application - Submission #161717

Date Submitted: 7/26/2025



2026 PHILIP S. MILLER RESOURCE GRANT PROGRAM APPLICATION

Due by 5 p.m., Aug. 1, 2025

ORGANIZATION:*

Saint Vincent de Paul Society of Castle Rock

ADDRESS:*

2746 5th Street

CITY:*

Castle Rock

STATE:*

CO

ZIP:*

80104

CONTACT PERSON:*

Beverly deSaules

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Volunteer Grant Coordinator

PHONE NUMBER:*

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Website of organization:

svdpcr.org

Executive Director/President:

Christina Steeg

Board of Directors:

Ann Shamleffer - Vice President
 Andy Sosnicky - Treasurer
 Open (Ellen Miller- interim) - Secretary

Non-profit status:*☒ 501(C)(3)☐ 501(C)(19)**Amount requested:***

15,000

Provisions for the necessities of life:*☒ Water☒ Energy☒ Food☒ Shelter**Purpose of grant:***

To support Castle Rock low-income and/or those who stumble on a sudden hardship such as job loss or illness, and are in need of rental, utilities (gas, water and/or electricity) assistance, emergency housing (in the form of motel vouchers) or food, regardless of race, ethnicity, or religious affiliation.

Organization's goals/Mission Statement:*

Our goal is to support as many individuals as we can and encourage those in need to work with other organizations to secure additional funds so as a whole, we can support their current needs and prevent things such as homelessness, utility shut off, and lack of nutrition. We coordinate our activities with other public service organizations (e.g., Salvation Army, Douglas/Elbert Task Force, Parker Task Force, SE Christian Outreach – SECOR, Catholic Charities of Central Colorado, Food Bank of the Rockies and area churches) in Douglas County to ensure our clients receive the maximum benefit from our limited resources.

Our mission: With the goal of social justice, the mission of the Society of St Vincent de Paul is to serve those in need, in the geographical area of Douglas County, through community outreach following the "Way" taught by Christ.

Our mission ties directly with our Town's cornerstone of Community Service. We parallel in practicing responsible care of assets and resources and working as a team with the Town to pursue common goals in the community and spirit of cooperation.

How the organization will use the granted funds:*

Primarily for temporary housing (motel), rent assistance, and utility assistance of gas, water and/or electricity. We have successfully assisted thousands of residents over the past 22 years when they were in need and had nowhere else to turn. If we were to gain additional funds, we could offer the same assistance as we do today or potentially increase the number of clients we are able to help and provide additional amounts beyond the \$400, \$500 or \$600 we are currently able to offer.

Time table for implementation:*

Funds would be utilized immediately! If the full requested grant amount of \$15,000 is awarded, we would distribute \$1250/month to support as many Castle Rock residents as possible in need of rent, temporary housing, utility assistance or non-perishable food items. Our monthly budget for assistance is currently based on our protocol amounts and the amount of funds we have available. As our donation receipts have increased, we have been able to increase our monthly spend accordingly enabling us to help more people.

Other organizations participating with this program:*

St. Francis of Assisi Parishioners: \$41,208

St. Francis of Assisi Parish Tithe: \$16,848

Grants: \$16,123

Strategies for sustained funding at the end of the grant period:*

We are projecting similar donations from the parish of St. Francis of Assisi, its parishioners and continued grant funding. We are also exploring additional fundraising activity, such as sponsorships from local businesses and reinstituting past successful fundraising events, such as "garage sales" of donated items and "The Good Samaritan 5k walk/run" which were both located here in Castle Rock and supported by local businesses.

Evaluation - Discuss expected results, how the organization defines and measures success, and how it will use and disseminate the project's results:*

We will use 100% of grant funds to help Castle Rock residents who have reached out to us and identified in need. Our process reflects a strong responsibility for distributing donated funds and always with good intent for a positive client outcome. We directly interview clients either over the phone or in person and carefully screen their request based on family circumstances (e.g., family size, individual ages, income, illness, etc.). We do not give funds directly to individuals, rather we contact the provider (utility company, housing complex, or motel) and pay them directly or provide food directly during a scheduled food pantry. We have very good relationships with the utility companies, specific motels, and apartment complexes here in Castle Rock and usually able to help the client with setting up terms to keep utility services and housing.

Altogether, our programs served well over 2800 Douglas County individuals with utilities, housing and food in 2024 (SVdPCR 2024 annual report) and anticipate helping at least the same number of individuals in 2025.

We humbly measure the success of our work by determining how many clients we were able to help each month with the funds available, and pounds of food provided. We also work diligently to identify and align those in need with other similar humanitarian resources such as the Salvation Army, Douglas/Elbert Task Force, Parker Task Force, SE Christian Outreach – SECOR, Catholic Charities of Central Colorado, Food Bank of the Rockies and other Castle Rock churches. Our goal is not only to help those in need, but to help them with systemic changes for positive outcomes and a better future.

We would report our success back to the grant provider in the form of choice, reflecting the number of individuals or families we were able to help, what we helped them with, i.e., electricity bill, water bill, rent, etc., and the amount of funds utilized. We would also report our chapter successes in aggregate back to the Regional and National Saint Vincent de Paul Society organization.

Describe specific benefits to Town residents including number of residents served, if available:*

The following information is for the number of people we have served from 2020 to 2025 current, with utilities, rent and temporary housing. Although not specific to Castle Rock town residents, the majority of clients we were able to serve live in Castle Rock. All clients live(d) in Douglas County. For 2025 YTD 99% of those served are Castle Rock residents.

Note: Client for the purpose of this request, is counted as "1" and does not reflect the actual total number of individuals (family members) that may have also benefited from this assistance.

FY 2020 -- 188

FY 2021 -- 170

FY 2022 -- 171

FY 2023 -- 130

FY 2024 -- 125

FY 2025 -- 119 YTD assistance provided and number of clients.

Mortgage 11

Motel 19

Gas 3

Electric 16

Water 7

Rent 61

Special housing 2

If the Town provides only partial funding, how will the organization fund the program/project?*

We would utilize partial funding in the same manner as stated above, to support housing, utility assistance and non-perishable food items. Depending on the amount received, we would budget to distribute the lesser amount monthly. Our fully volunteer team would continue to work with other charitable resources if we could not help clients with their current needs.

If previously awarded a Town grant, please include a summary of the program/project and evaluate the success:*

SVdP of Castle Rock has been a gracious past recipient of the Castle Rock Town grant. Distribution of funds was extremely successful and allowed us to help residents with non-perishable food items. Following is a breakdown of the latest grant received in 2022 of \$2000 grant:
The entire \$2000 was deposited into the Food Pantry account to meet our Dec 2022 shortfall. Total food purchases for that month totaled \$2800.

Attachments - Please attach all applicable documents as PDF. Other formats may not upload.

Program/project budget (See "Grants" page for Excel form. Save as PDF for upload.)*	Proof of non-profit status as PDF*	Most current YTD financials as PDF*
SVdP PSMGP Project Budget.pdf	SVdP.pdf	SVdP 2025 Fin.pdf
Most current audited financials and management letter, if available, as PDF	Current budget (including Revenues and Expenditures detailing percentage relation between anticipated administrative costs and project costs) as PDF*	
FY 2024 finances.pdf	SVdP.pdf	
Other as PDF:	Other as PDF:	Other as PDF:
St Vincent de Paul Clients List FYE-09-30-25.pdf	SVdP 2025YTD_Q3.pdf	Choose File No file chosen

Additional comments:

The 2024 financials are provided as an attachment above. There is no management letter.
2025 fiscal YTD information is attached in "Other"
Example of client tracking is attached in "Other"

The SVdP of Castle Rock has been providing outreach in our community since 2003. We currently have 15 active members who are all volunteers and most being parishioners of St Francis of Assisi parish. St Francis of Assisi has been part of the Castle Rock community since 1888 and extremely supportive of our chapters outreach. SVdP of Castle Rock also works with several other local churches with a common brotherhood of supporting our community residents in need. In general, there are 35 non-Vincentian volunteer members that assist with distributing food and other personal essentials, such as hygiene items, at the twice monthly food pantries. Our twice monthly food pantries also provide a community service option for all of our public and private schools in the area, allowing young Castle Rock citizens the opportunity to help other Castle Rock residents in need.

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