



**INTERFAITH HOUSING DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
OF BUCKS COUNTY**

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**Interfaith Housing Development Corporation Receives \$10,000 Grant
To Continue Providing Permanent Housing Resources in Bucks County**

Bristol, Pennsylvania – The Interfaith Housing Development Corporation of Bucks County (IHDC), at 805 N. Wilson Avenue, Building 100, Suite 102, in Bristol, has received a \$10,000 grant from Connelly Foundation, West Conshohocken, PA. This grant will support IHDC's mission of providing low-income housing to families in Bucks County, as well as its Fresh Start Donation Center project.

“Lower Bucks County is in desperate need of low-income housing. People can't afford to live here, let alone to furnish their properties,” said Christopher J. Auth, Executive Director of IHDC. The Connelly Foundation's generous grant will help us to continue with construction and rehabilitation projects, as well as support our Fresh Start Donation Center which provides free furniture and household items to local families in need.” The grant will also support IHDC's general operating expenses, and allow the organization to continue providing services to low-income and homeless families in Bucks County.

About IHDC

IHDC was founded in 1987 as an interfaith partnership dedicated to alleviating the problems of homelessness and the lack of affordable housing in Bucks County. Our mission is to provide housing via lease, lease-purchase, and direct-sale programs to low-income and homeless families as they work to become self-sufficient. IHDC works toward its mission by rehabilitating blighted homes and occasionally building new ones, and then makes these homes available to its local client families. IHDC also hosts the Fresh Start Donation Center which collects donations of gently-used furniture and household goods and redistributes them to families rebuilding their households after recently struggling with homelessness.

About Connelly Foundation

The Connelly Foundation seeks to foster learning and to improve the quality of life in the Greater Philadelphia area. The Foundation supports local non-profit organizations in the fields of education, health and human services, arts and culture and civic enterprise. Ever mindful of the spirit of its founders, John and Josephine Connelly, and inspired by their faith, vision and courage, the Foundation assists members of the community attain more fulfilling and productive lives by providing incentives to learn, encouragement to achieve and reasons to hope.

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