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## **CLOTHING OUR KIDS (COK) PRESS RELEASE – JANUARY 21, 2025 THE PRESTIGIOUS CHICHESTER DUPONT FOUNDATION AWARDS A GRANT TO COK BENEFITTING SUSSEX COUNTY STUDENTS**

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The Chichester duPont Foundation awarded Clothing Our Kids (COK) with a \$15,000 Grant. The Foundation's interest is "Promoting the Quality of Life for Americans & Their Environment". The Foundation funds organizations classified as tax-exempt under section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Service Code. The Trustees meet on or about December 1 and grants are awarded and distributed on or before December 31. The Trustees devote particular emphasis to programs concerned with the environment, education, health care and those which the Foundation's giving will play a pivotal role.

The Chichester duPont Foundation receives hundreds of grant requests each year but can fund only a small percentage of the many worthwhile grant proposals. The Foundation does not accept unsolicited grant proposals. Organizations seeking to submit a grant proposal must first submit a Letter of Inquiry (LOI). LOIs must demonstrate the organization is in Delaware; it serves underprivileged children in the state; or, one or more of the Foundation's Trustees have an established relationship with the organization. Once an organization is accepted through the Application Process a Formal Grant Proposal is requested. Applications include a cover letter providing project description, a proposal setting forth the objectives to be attained, and an outline of how the program's success will be monitored and evaluated, plus financial documents.

COK Grant Committee Chair Peter Thomas followed the stringent and time-consuming application process resulting in a Trustee interview with Peter and President Bob Blouin. Several members of the duPont family are Foundation Trustees.

Thanks to Peter and his hard work, The Chichester duPont Foundation generously awarded COK the \$15,000 grant to make sure the students in Sussex County are offered an opportunity to achieve excellence in their studies. Clothing insecurity can have a significant impact on a child's life. And COK's hope is that every student reaches their true potential without being distracted by insufficient or inadequate clothing.

**For additional information regarding Clothing Our Kids (COK), and to donate, please go to [www.clothingourkids.org](http://www.clothingourkids.org). Kindly pass on the good work of COK by sharing this Press Release and liking our Social Media posts with your family, friends, neighbors, and colleagues.**

