

CORY Highlights

Coraopolis Community Development 2022 Year In Review

Coraopolis Community Development Corporation works toward the **EQUITABLE GROWTH** and **REVITALIZATION** of Coraopolis by providing residents with tools to lead to **SELF-SUFFICIENCY**; continuing to grow the town's **BUSINESS DISTRICT**; and improving the overall **QUALITY OF LIFE** in our community.

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The Moon Tigers Lady Volleyball team donated an incredible 938 boxes of cereal to the Coraopolis Food Pantry

Who is the Coraopolis Community Development Corporation (CCDC)?

The CCDC is a small nonprofit in Coraopolis with a big goal. We believe in Coraopolis: its people, its businesses, and its tremendous assets. Since 2006, we have been working to revitalize Coraopolis and meet the basic food needs of our region.

Now, the CCDC has the potential to do more over the next five years than we ever have before. Our impact will be multiplied through:

- Building a new Community Resource Center to greater serve our region and house our food programs
- Creating the Fred Milanovich Center for Community Connections at the Coraopolis Train Station
- Receiving a six-year Neighborhood Assistance Program (NAP) grant to invest in the future of Coraopolis. Page 3 describes the work we did in year one of our NAP Grant.

The following pages highlight the work of the CCDC and will invite you to be a part of it.



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**Coach Fred Milanovich
Center for Community Connection**



In April 2022, a group gathered at the Coraopolis Train Station to celebrate the groundbreaking of the future Coach Fred Milanovich Center for Community Connection. A generous gift from Fred & Linda Milanovich Trust and grants from the HUD, DCED, CITF, and the Allegheny Foundation have allowed extensive work to the external structure of the station. New foundations, sidewalks, pavers, utilities, masonry, and more are being completed to restore the exterior of the train station to its original beauty. Exterior work will continue throughout 2023 as we raise money for the interior restoration and the restoration of the canopy. The completed station will serve as a community space in Coraopolis for classes, programs, and more. Follow the continued progress on facebook @CoraopolisStationProject.

2022 Food Programs By the Numbers



CCDC runs the Coraopolis Food Pantry, Coraopolis Community Garden, and Snack Pack Program to meet the food needs of thousands in Coraopolis, Neville Island, Moon Township, Crescent Township, and Groveton.



Economic Development Initiatives

The Neighborhood Assistance Program is allowing the CCDC to work on economic development initiatives in Coraopolis. The work of the CCDC during the past year focused on four key initiatives:

1. Reducing Blight & Increasing Greenspace

-Demolished the Garden House to make way for a new community resource center



-Partnered with the Shade Tree Commission to maintain the Wildcat Trails below Cornell

3. Improving the condition of housing for long term homeowners

-Entered into a partnership with Rebuilding Together Pittsburgh to provide home repairs to two families in Coraopolis



2. Making Improvements to the Coraopolis downtown business district

-Awarded eight (8) small businesses a \$2,500 Facade Improvement Grant

-Sponsored two (2) murals in the downtown business district (pictured below)

-Conducted three (3) 2nd Saturdays community events and a Fall Festival to highlight our town and support small business

4. Increasing support for those we serve in Coraopolis, Neville Island, Moon Township, Crescent Township, and Groveton

-Created plans for a new resource center to house our food pantry, offices, and create space for partnership organizations

-Developed Cory's Closet to provide NEW clothing to children in need



Thank You to our NAP Funding Partners:



CCDC Staff Profiles



Amy Cavicchia joined the CCDC in 2016 and serves as Director of Programs and Community Engagement. Amy loves Coraopolis and is passionate about CCDC's impact on the community. She proudly knows each client of the Food Pantry by first name. Amy is married with two children and is passionate about teaching her children the importance of giving back. Contact Amy @ amycavicchia@corycdc.org.



Randon Willard joined the CCDC as the Executive Director in August 2022. He served as a board member from 2010-2015. Randon and his wife, Kelly, were part of the team that created the Coraopolis Food Pantry and Community Garden. Randon loves coaching his three boys in baseball with the Cornell Youth Baseball Association and loves that most people in town just know him as Coach Randon. Contact Randon @ randonwillard@corycdc.org.

6 Ways to Donate to the CCDC

As a 501c3 nonprofit, we rely on donations from friends of our work to power our mission, run our food & clothing programs, and support our operations.

Will you join us in this work?

1. Give a one-time gift or become a monthly sustaining partner at www.corycdc.org/support
2. Send a **check** to "CCDC", PO Box 40, Coraopolis, PA 15108
3. Donate with **Venmo @ccdc15108**
4. Give through the **United Way #10714715**
5. Remember the CCDC in your **Estate Planning**

6. **Scan the QR Code** to give



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