

THE PHARE PROGRAM: AT A GLANCE

The PHARE Act was established in 2010 to provide funding throughout the Commonwealth to assist with the creation, rehabilitation, and support of affordable housing. Currently, the program is funded by two funding sources, the Realty Transfer Tax Fund and the Marcellus Shale Fund.



Did You Know?

For the 24/25 PHARE grant year, PHFA's funding allocations were \$5 million from the Marcellus Shale Impact Fee and \$70 million from the Realty Transfer Tax Fund. \$75 million in total.

Servants, Inc.

Home Helps Program York County, Pennsylvania

With its headquarters strategically positioned in York County, Servants Inc. provides essential care services which primarily benefits elderly and disabled individuals. Specializing in assistance for low-income vulnerable populations, the organization has been a pillar of support regionally in Pennsylvania. Servants Inc. was able to expand its existing programs to include the *Home Helps Program*, which tackles critical home repair through its \$100,000 PHARE award that was received in 2023.

The organization identifies and engages with the families in the most need by providing critical repair work that the individuals would be physically or financially unable to handle on their own. Thanks to hundreds of volunteers and the diligent work of staff, projects are typically completed within less than a week, sometimes within a single day. The most common requests for repairs and improvements are ADA ramps, shower modifications, and floor repair. Servants Inc. is

committed to a Christcentered mission of service to the more vulnerable. The work completed through this grant directly impacted 41 households. 90% of the households



assisted through this grant had incomes below 50% of the media's area income. These repairs supported quality of life improvements for individuals and helped to maintain property values for homeowners. Servants Inc. works alongside other local partners to strengthen its scope of work and increase the organization's capacity to serve. Recently, the organization expanded its operations outside of York County to include both Adams and Lancaster Counties. By focusing on the results being delivered directly to families, Servants Inc. eases the burdens for hundreds of Pennsylvania families ever year.

For more information about the organization and how it is serving individuals in the York, Adams and Lancaster Counties, please visit their website at https://www.servants.org/ or follow them on their Facebook and LinkedIn.

