



ORION Communities

2025 Annual Impact Report



It has been nearly 50 years and **ORION** continues to be neighbors helping neighbors

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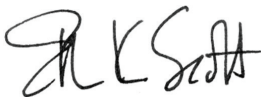
Dear Friends,

2025 was quite the year. Five years post covid and government funding for social services has dropped significantly while housing costs have continued to climb and household expenses have increased faster than wages.

The national affordable housing crisis is evident in Chester and Montgomery counties, the wealthiest counties in the Commonwealth. Housing costs caused suspension of Orion’s ROOFs program for temporary hotel stays because of the lack of affordable homes to move into.

The good news is that Orion has continued our commitment to listen at the street level to hear and understand the unmet needs of our most vulnerable neighbors in our community. Orion meets people where they are, connects neighbors to critical resources for basic needs and provides a variety of supports, from emergency funds to education programs, all with the goal of helping to uphold our neighbors in crisis and support them moving to a more stable future.

This can only happen because of Orion’s many wonderful partnerships with volunteers, donors and forward-thinking agencies... Thank you!


Board President



Securing Essentials

Fully 1/4 to 1/3 of our neighbors live at or below a survival budget. In Chester and Montgomery Counties, 26.3% and 33.6% of households are challenged to secure life’s basics of housing, food, health care, transportation, child care, and technology. A flood or lost job can be devastating.

County	Total Households	Poverty Households	ALICE Households	ALICE Threshold - under 65	ALICE Threshold - 65 years+
Chester	209,767	6.5%	19.8%	\$81,577	\$65,784
Montgomery	339,775	6.6%	27.0%	\$80,003	\$68,364

UnitedForAlice.org - 2026 ALICE Report
Asset Limited, Income Constrained, Employed

AT A GLANCE

Through community partnerships, Orion works to address unmet needs for vulnerable neighbors who might otherwise slip through the gaps in the social services safety net and not know where to turn in the moment of crisis.

In 2025, creative collaborations made it possible to:

- ★ Support **1,800+** local households (**over 4,600** individuals)
- ★ Provide **\$268,700** in direct aid to stabilize neighbors
- ★ Gift **26,000+** books to strengthen childhood literacy
- ★ Engage volunteers for **3600+** hours, valued at **\$148,000**
- ★ Partner with **260+** agencies & faith organizations
- ★ Receive funding from **nearly 500** donors and grantors
- ★ Offer free education programs to **53** children and **40** adults

Together we create a healthier community for all!



Financials

Orion received \$400,000 less in grants between 2024 & 2025 due to 3 key factors: end of the ROOFs program, a general increase in requests to foundations due to the reduction of government funds, and Orion leadership transition.

Orion does not receive government grants to allow flexibility in providing programming that meets the needs of the community.

	2024	2025
INCOME	\$ 1,379,782	\$ 938,512
EXPENSE	\$ 1,394,330	\$ 1,126,221
YE ASSETS	\$ 504,803	\$ 329,324

Auditted numbers

2026 & BEYOND



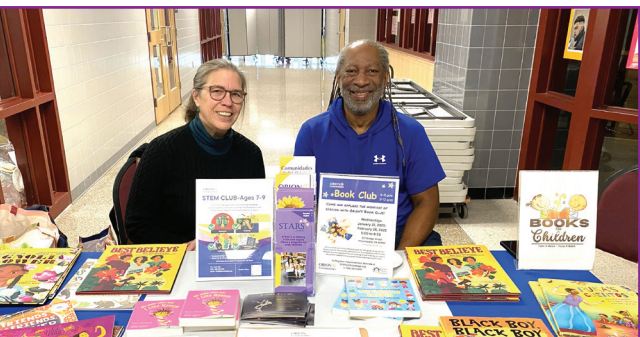
Big things are coming!

Orion will be opening **satellite offices** in Pottstown and Coatesville to be more accessible to our clients and build stronger partnerships in the neighborhoods we serve.

The Board & Staff will be completing a **new strategic plan** for 2027 to 2029. So much has changed in recent years and yet the need for Orion's listening at the street level and responding to local needs continues. We hope to increase resources and build more partnerships to help our neighbors in times of crisis so that everyone in our community can move towards a brighter future.

2027 will mark **50 years since the founding of Orion Communities...**

There is so much to acknowledge and celebrate, the planning has already begun!



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