

its apparent lack of trash. "It's a clean state," she said. "If anyone throws anything down, they'll come and tap you on the shoulder and say,

Senior Solutions, a fails-based retirement planning service. But he's never thought about his own dream retirement location. "You

There are exceptions, though. "It's rare, but sometimes we get a person who wants to move as far away from family as possible."

Angelina Carey, right game of Uno as Mae Township Senior Center  
CORRESPONDENT]

## Opportunity Council opens Bristol office

Staff report

BRISTOL TOWNSHIP – The Bucks County Opportunity Council officially opened its new Lower Bucks Client Office at 721 Veterans Highway with a ribbon-cutting ceremony on March 7.

The new facility will provide emergency and housing assistance, street outreach, economic self-sufficiency, and volunteer income tax assistance during tax season. The office will also have a recharge station when homeless individuals working with the Opportunity Council can come and recharge their electronics or use a dedicated computer to do research. In addition, the center houses a men's and women's shower and laundry facilities for those BCOC's clients who need them.

"We are very excited to be officially opening our Opportunity Center," said Executive Director Erin Lukoss, in a statement. "This project has been a labor of love. This Opportunity Center will serve our community for many years to come and will be a benefit to all people with low income. Whether seeking a warm shower, a place to rest, a person to talk to or an opportunity to



**From left: Jon Rubin, director of Housing and Human Services for Bucks County; Erin Lukoss, executive director, Bucks County Opportunity Council; Minesh Pathak, Lower Bucks Chamber of Commerce executive director; Tobi Bruhn, chairman of the Opportunity Council board, and vice president of advancement, Bucks County Community College; Holly Kennedy, Opportunity Council client; Jim Bray, chair, Doyle Development Corp.; and Doug Hogland, pastor of Woodside Church, cut ribbon to open the new center.**  
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get ahead, we are here and we are ready to serve."

In addition to Bristol, the Opportunity Council operates three other offices throughout Bucks County, two in Central Bucks and one in Quakertown.

## Nonprofits receive Bucks Community

Staff report

The Upper Bucks Community Foundation Fund at the Lehigh Valley Community Foundation awarded \$35,000 in grants to 14 nonprofit organizations serving the Upper Bucks County area.

The Upper Bucks Community Foundation Fund Advisory Group, comprised of community leaders from Upper Bucks, has been a philanthropic arm of the Lehigh Valley Community Foundation that assists in directing resources from two area-of-interest funds at LVCF, the Erwin J. & Gertrude K. Neusch Fund and the Richard E. Gasser Fund.

"The Upper Bucks Community Foundation Fund Advisory Group carefully considered each application in accordance to the fund's priorities," said Megan Briggs, director of community investments at the Lehigh Valley Community Foundation. "After a very thorough discussion about all of the excellent applications, the Advisory Group worked together to recommend the final grant awards. Each

**"We are looking to seeing the in of these grants region."**

Megan Briggs, director of community investments at the Lehigh Valley Community Foundation

member contribute their own depth of knowledge about the Upper Bucks region to award programs that improve the quality of life for Bucks residents. Looking forward to the impact of these grants in the region."

Erwin J. & Gertrude K. Neusch Fund awarded to: Lehigh Valley Public Library, in the Summer of Quakertown Arts Alive! Lehigh Valley Quakertown, \$1,500 Bucks County School, UBCTS Food Truck Event and Work Program, \$5,000 Free Library, replenishing books, \$1,500 Ministries, the Richland Music Program, \$2,000