

The Arc Community Trust of Pennsylvania (ACT) is a non-profit corporation incorporated in Pennsylvania for the purpose of administering a pooled special needs trust for the benefit of individuals with disabilities. ACT also act as Trustee for other special needs trusts, including educational special needs trusts.

After an intensive search, the board of ACT is pleased to announce the selection of





Scott joined ACT after serving seven years as the Executive Director of The Arc Alliance Foundation. Scott began his nonprofit career in Higher Education as Director of Graduate Admissions at Eastern University. His professional development and institutional advancement experiences range from higher education, international health to social service agencies. Scott served as the President of the Board of Trustees for The Arc Community Trust, was a member of The Arc Alliance Leadership team and member of the Association of Fundraising Professionals. Scott provides visionary leadership and a breadth of professional experience to The Arc Community Trust of Pennsylvania. Scott received his B.S. in Marketing from Messiah College in 1990 and

his M.B.A. in Organizational Leadership from Eastern University in 1996.

"As a former board member of ACT, I am excited to work with the staff to help the organization meet the challenges of the next decade," says Camilleri. "ACT is a 'best-kept secret.' I'm looking forward to bringing the work of this essential organization to more people in our community."

BOARD PRESIDENT

"We are very excited to have Scott taking on the role of the executive director of ACT," says Earl Stalker IV, the Board President. "Scott brings to the job an exceptional combination of energy, sensitivity, and proven leadership to this position. Both the Board and Staff are impressed with his extensive knowledge of the disability community, his 25-years of work within the non-profit area, and his strong management skills. We are excited to have Scott and expect him to continue the excellent work with the individuals and families we serve as well as expand the impact of ACT with individuals and families in our community."

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Since the early 2000's The Arc Trust of Pennsylvania has been serving and supporting individuals with disabilities and their families, legal guardians and others who are responsible for their welfare by providing a variety of trust options. We believe that everyone should have an equal opportunity to live a better-quality life. That's why ACT is committed to serving people with any type of disability, including physical, mental health and intellectual. Whether a special needs trust, joining a pooled trust, or managing an educational trust, ACT provides dedication, and expertise necessary to ensure a safe avenue for protecting an individual's assets, while enabling beneficiaries to make life enhancing purchases without losing critical benefits.

STAFF UPDATE

ACT as a premier trust administration organization continues to work in effort to support our beneficiaries and their families. To accommodate and meet the needs of our beneficiaries ACT is continually enhancing staff and evaluating the number of trusts each Trust Administrator supports.

ACT is pleased to announce that **Ms. Carin Connor** has been promoted to Trust Administrator. Many of you may already be familiar with Carin as she has been supporting both beneficiaries and Trust administrators as a Trust Administrative Assistant. For the last year and a half Carin has provided excellent support as a trust assistant and looks forward to become more engaged with beneficiaries and their families as a Trust Administrator.

Over the next month ACT will be engaged in replacing Carin's former position as Trust Administrative Assistant. In addition ACT is expanding our staff through adding an additional Trust Administrative Assistant.

Our desire is to provide each of you the timely and life enhancing assistance you require.

THANK YOU

"I appreciated the opportunity to work toward the Mission of the Trust in enhancing the lives of the beneficiaries I served during my time here at ACT. I am confident that your new Trust Administrator will provide you with professional, detailed and compassionate assistance. I hope to remain in contact with Trust office as I may be a resource to the beneficiaries and their families if questions arise. I wish each of you the very best." Sincerely, Marie Feindt DiGiovanni

The ACT Administration and Board also would like to thank Ms. Marie DiGiovanni for her service and excellent support of beneficiaries. Marie has accepted a position in Philadelphia as a fiduciary administrator and her last day was January 25, 2019.

Beneficiaries were notified of their new Trust Administrator who will be administering their Trust. If you have questions, please contact our office.

For a complete list of ACT staff, please take a

moment and visit the ACT website. On the website you will also discover additional resources to assist you with your trust.

www.ArcTrust.org

ACT WEBSITE



Over the last month the ACT website has been redesigned in effort to provide beneficiaries, their families and care givers access to more information about ACT and trust resources. ACT will continue to update our website and add additional resources. www.ArcTrust.org

We encourage you to take a moment and visit the website. You will find under Resources Tab information on Trust Documents as well as assistance and forms for distributions. To address common questions we have included two Frequently Asked Question (FAQ) sections. The first FAQ provides you with general questions and answers. The second is under the distribution section that will aid in understanding what types of items and services a trust can and cannot support.

You will also discover that the distribution forms can now be completed on your computer and the calculations will be taken care of for you automatically.

Donate

As a charitable organization ACT accepts donations in support of individuals and families who need additional assistance.

There are many individuals and families who require support beyond the scope of what their Trust provides. ACT has aided and continues to provide assistance to those in need.

Through your donation you can help other individuals and families. Simply send your donation to ACT at the address below. Thank you for your support!



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