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# Swing for the Fences!

Supporting Vulnerable Communities  
During the COVID-19 Pandemic

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Local and National Resources for Public Health  
and Economic Livelihood Giving



# From the Morgan Stanley Philanthropy Management Team

As moral philosopher Peter Singer noted of the 2003 SARS outbreak:

**“A shared set of ethical values is the glue that can hold us together during an intense crisis. A key lesson from the SARS outbreak is that fairness becomes more important during a time of crisis and confusion. And the time to consider these questions and processes in relation to a threatened major pandemic is now.”**

We could not agree more, particularly in the face of the ongoing COVID-19 (“the coronavirus disease”) pandemic gripping the world. Among the charitably inclined at Morgan Stanley, with whom the Philanthropy Management team engages, we all value a shared ethical commitment to giving. Our response from a philanthropic perspective: **“*Swing for the Fences!*”**

As a complement to our [firmwide crowd-funding effort](#) with the CDC Foundation, this landscape survey of charitable giving opportunities is designed to make supporting your community easy. In times of crisis and relative peace alike, philanthropy fills gaps the private and public sectors often overlook, particularly vulnerable communities and a large share of American families who cannot afford lost wages and jobs.

Public health crises also amplify the adversity these vulnerable populations face, as the NAACP considers in a recent [coronavirus report](#). Specifically, for those with donor-advised funds and private/family foundations, now is the time to be bold. Our communities are resilient—as they have proved time and time again—and will thrive once more, given the right resources.

While we endorse the notion of bold, large-scale systemic change, we are equally encouraged by the emergence of creative and practical hyper-local efforts that enable those who are low risk in our communities to connect with and support their higher-risk neighbors. To build a human bridge in the midst of pandemic social distancing, we suggest the following:

- **Consider giving more flexibly** through unrestricted gifts, which help organizations act nimbly and more responsively to immediate needs.
- **Actively listen to your local social- and direct-service organizations** about what they need. They know best about what they require to continue serving the community.
- **Donate to your local food banks.** As school closures become more widespread, children who rely on school lunches as their only meal of the day will be especially vulnerable.
- **Volunteer at direct-service organizations**, particularly food banks, which are experiencing higher demand than usual for deliveries. Only volunteer if you are healthy and able.

- **Connect virtually** by joining online mutual-aid support groups, reading to children, or donating to digital giving campaigns matched by corporate or philanthropic dollars.
- **Support small businesses.** With some restaurant and store closures, consider buying gift cards to use at a later date and leveraging public-private partnerships, such as GrubHub or UberEats, to ensure hourly workers remain employed and businesses survive the crisis.
- **Tip generously.** Support your waiters, delivery people and all gig-economy workers (e.g., Uber, TaskRabbit, Seamless, FreshDirect, Instacart) by tipping generously.
- **Continue paying domestic help.** Consider paying hourly workers for NOT showing up for work, to maintain their income throughout the crisis.
- **Check on elderly neighbors** with a call, text or talk through the door.
- **Drop off food.** Support health care workers and their families as well as those who may be under quarantine and those with ill family members.
- **Donate blood.** Due to an unprecedented number of blood-drive cancelations during the outbreak, there is a severe blood shortage in hospitals, health centers and clinics in the U.S.

The following survey—developed in consultation with senior leaders and influencers across the social sector—offers a curated set of national and local nonprofit organizations responding to the COVID-19 pandemic, with a focus on public health and economic livelihood. It provides customized information on national and local on-the-ground efforts in the communities most affected to date: Seattle, the Bay Area, Los Angeles, New York and Boston.

Our global philanthropic community has the platform, power and voice to dampen the negative impact of the pandemic if we all swing for the fences!

In gratitude and relentless encouragement,  
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# National Resources

## Economic Livelihood and Fallout Response

### *Education*

- **Believe in Students' Student Relief Fund**

**Headquarters:** Philadelphia, PA

**Contact:** Brenda Bennet, Operations Manager, [info@believeinstudents.org](mailto:info@believeinstudents.org)

**Operating Budget:** Unavailable (relatively new organization)

**About:** Believe in Students is committed to providing emergency support to college students, helping secure their basic needs and promoting college graduation. Its flagship program, the FAST Fund, delivers money quickly when students face financial challenges so that they can focus on learning.

**COVID-19 Response:** In partnership with Edquity and the Rise Education Fund, Believe in Students launched the Student Relief Fund to support students affected by COVID-19-related campus shutdowns. The Student Relief Fund will distribute funds via two partners programs: the FAST Fund, which has 18 sites around the nation, and Edquity, which serves students in Dallas and major cities. Students may request help through a form on the organizations' websites. If they cannot provide financial assistance, the organizations will help students identify resources and solutions, their websites state.

- **BUILD**

**Headquarters:** Redwood City, California

**Contact:** Ayele Shakur, CEO, [ashakur@build.org](mailto:ashakur@build.org)

**Operating Budget:** \$8 million

**About:** BUILD uses entrepreneurship to ignite the potential of youth from under-resourced communities and propel them to high school, college and career success. BUILD serves 2,000 students and families annually in Boston, New York, the Bay Area (Oakland and Peninsula), and Washington, D.C.

**COVID-19 Response:** BUILD works with children and families who are disproportionately affected by the coronavirus outbreak. While all schools are closed, the critical needs of BUILD's young people still remain. Many BUILD families have lost their jobs, or have significantly reduced hours. BUILD families report they are struggling with food insecurity, and with children at home, and often multiple family members under one roof, living conditions are challenging, and some are homeless and living in shelters.

As an entrepreneurship program with a proven 20-year track record of serving children and families in under-resourced communities, BUILD understands that it's vitally important to help families with their immediate needs while also providing long-term strategies for upliftment

and economic self-sufficiency. This is why in addition to providing emergency gift cards for food and basic needs, laptops and internet, BUILD is also focusing on long-term efforts to develop business/entrepreneurship skills, seed funding to launch real family businesses post crisis, wraparound mentor support, and connection to higher-resourced families to help build a safety net and social capital.

To support BUILD's efforts to assist children and families, please click [here](#).

- **[First Book](#)**

**Headquarters:** Washington, D.C.

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**Operating Budget:** \$95 million

**About:** First Book believes that education is the best way out of poverty for children in need. First Book provides books and other resources to classrooms and programs serving children in need, from birth to age 18, in order to remove barriers to quality education for all kids.

**COVID-19 Response:** First Book is working to deploy more than 7 million books, in addition to basic hygiene kits, school supplies and eBooks, across the country through an urgent [COVID-19 campaign](#). Additionally, First Book is providing a real-time clearinghouse resource of activities for educators and parents to use at home. First Book is in constant touch with its network of educators, surveying their funding needs, and responding as quickly as possible to help them as they transition to virtual learning.

- **[Khan Academy](#)**

**Headquarters:** Mountain View, California

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**Operating Budget:** \$49 million

**About:** Khan Academy's mission is to provide a free, world-class education for anyone, anywhere. Khan Academy offers practice exercises, instructional videos, and a personalized learning dashboard that empower learners to study at their own pace in and outside of the classroom.

**COVID-19 Response:** Khan Academy is committed to leveraging its unique capacity, in collaboration with district and school leaders, to do whatever it can to help communities, partners, and educators weather this crisis. Khan Academy is responding to the outbreak by:

- Offering [guidance to parents and teachers](#) to help them get started.
- Creating new online resources for parents, teachers and students so that those looking for self-service information have what they need. All resources are being translated into 11 languages.
- Hosting a series of webinars for both teachers and parents to help launch remote learning for their students.

- Supporting school districts, including responding to inquiries and offering guidance, as well as providing highly personalized support to district partners.
- Testing its systems to ensure it is ready to accept increased usage without compromising its site's reliability and functionality.
- Responding to media inquiries to spread the word and remind people that they are a free resource, here to help, and to offer guidance on how best to adapt to a remote learning environment.
- Engaging with other organizations to discuss collaborations.

Additionally, Khan Academy will begin to provide reference schedules and guidance so parents and students can better schedule their days using resources from Khan Academy and beyond.

### **Schott Foundation for Public Education**

**Headquarters:** Quincy, Massachusetts

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**Operating Budget:** \$5.4 million

**About:** The Schott Foundation develops and strengthens a broad-based and representative movement to achieve fully resourced and high-quality pre-K through 12th grade public education. It is a national public fund serving as a bridge between philanthropic partners and advocates to build movements to provide all students an opportunity to learn. The Schott Foundation achieves its mission by providing funding and technical assistance to grassroots organizations across communities of color, focusing on those serving low-income youth and parents of color.

**COVID-19 Response:** The Schott Foundation's network of education-focused partners has launched the [Loving Communities Rapid Response Fund](#) to move small grants to partners providing food, shelter and emergency assistance to youth and families impacted by the pandemic, focusing on supporting grassroots organizations on the ground who are caring for those most vulnerable: those facing food insecurity, lack access to housing, and need emergency assistance. To support this effort, please click [here](#). Donations will be matched 1:1 up to \$50,000 total.

## ***Family and Small-Business Assistance***

- **Family Independence Initiative**

**Headquarters:** Oakland, California

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**Operating Budget:** \$7 million

**About:** Family Independence Initiative (FII) trusts and invests directly in low-income families across the nation so they can work individually and collectively to achieve prosperity. Their innovative technology platform, [UpTogether](#), is designed for the exchange of financial and social capital by allowing people living in poverty to access unrestricted cash transfers and connect with other families to help one another accomplish their self-directed initiatives and goals in communities across America.



**COVID-19 Response:** FII is supporting families during the COVID-19 pandemic by accelerating the work of its [UpTogether Fund](#) to get cash quickly and efficiently to impacted residents. The fund offers impacted residents access to a one-time cash transfer to offset financial burdens caused by the efforts to contain COVID-19. Impacted low-income households that will be eligible for support include:

- Unpaid leave due to isolation
- Care of a vulnerable or infected relative
- Loss of wages due to involuntary cancellation of work
- Unpaid leave of absence due to school or day care closure

Cash transfers are proven to protect people's standards of living during crises, have significant long-term impact on people's livelihoods and communities after an immediate crisis ends, and are more efficient means of providing assistance compared to in-kind aid. FII is challenging the philanthropic and government community to contribute toward a \$10 million cash-assistance fund goal. The initial fund is focused on regions where FII currently operates (Austin, Bay Area, Boston, Detroit, Chicago, Cincinnati, New Orleans, Albuquerque), but FII is open to funding beyond those regions to meet the needs of all residents. FII is covering the typical flat fee and absorbing administrative costs of [donations](#).

- **[Grameen America](#)**

**Headquarters:** New York, New York

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**Operating Budget:** \$16 million

**About:** Grameen America is a microfinance organization dedicated to helping women who live in poverty build small businesses to create better lives for their families. Grameen offers microloans, training and support to transform communities and fight poverty in the United States.

**COVID-19 Response** (webpage pending): Since COVID-19 has emerged in the United States, Grameen has proactively addressed the pandemic by transitioning its 50,000+ members and weekly in-person group model to a virtual platform and operating framework to continue its programming and connectivity with small-business owners nationally. While most members had access to remote repayments through digital channels, Grameen has expanded physical locations for cash repayment in all cities so that members can still continue repaying loans regardless of circumstances.

Grameen is working with its lending partners and operational staff to react to the hard-hitting and dynamic nature of the pandemic for members running very small businesses. As different cities and states issue shelter-in-place orders, Grameen is prioritizing support directly to members who are immediately and disproportionately affected. As the impacts of the pandemic continue to play out, Grameen will strategically use funds to cover the costs of the technological expansion and to strategically support members to continue paying off their

loans so they are eligible to take out new ones during this crisis.

- **Good+ Foundation**

**Headquarters:** New York, New York

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**Operating Budget:** \$10 million

**About:** Good+ Foundation is a leading national nonprofit that works to dismantle multigenerational poverty by pairing tangible goods with innovative services for low-income fathers, mothers and caregivers, creating an upward trajectory for the whole family. With warehouses in New York City and Los Angeles, Good+ partners with approximately 75 innovative anti-poverty programs across the country to incentivize parental enrollment and participation in programs like job training, GED attainment, anger management, healthy relationships and addressing trauma.

**COVID-19 Response:** Good+Foundation has made the difficult decision to close its warehouses in New York City and Los Angeles for all but critical operations and emergency corporate donations while it monitors the nationwide COVID-19 outbreak. Good+ is working with partners across the country to evaluate the needs of low-income families in the midst of the COVID-19 outbreak through the [Good+ Crisis Fund](#). Contributions to the fund will help Good+ adapt and respond to the needs of its partners across the country and the families they serve as they respond to the crisis and its aftermath. Good+ is continuing to work behind the scenes to quickly and responsibly supply necessities, such as diapers, sanitizing supplies, toys, strollers and critical gear, to families.

- **Low Income Investment Fund**

**Headquarters:** San Francisco, California

**Operating Budget:** \$38 million

**Contact:** Jessica Standiford, VP of Development and Impact Investing,  
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**About:** The Low Income Investment Fund (LIIF) is a leading national nonprofit lender focused on community development. As a community development financial institution, LIIF provides innovative capital solutions that support healthy families and communities. LIIF invests in projects that have high social value but may not be able to access the services offered by traditional financial institutions. In this way, LIIF connects low-income communities with the capital markets.

**COVID-19 Response:** LIIF is redirecting their resources and adding capacity to support borrowers and partners, with a focus on understanding their challenges, including their partners in early care and education (ECE), affordable housing, K-12 education, healthy food access and others. LIIF's major cities, in which offices are located, include:

- Atlanta

- Los Angeles
- New York
- San Francisco
- Washington, D.C.

- **National Domestic Workers Alliance**

**Headquarters:** New York, New York

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**Operating Budget:** \$10 million

**About:** The National Domestic Workers Alliance (NDWA) is the nation's leading voice for dignity and fairness for the millions of domestic workers in the United States, most of whom are women.

**COVID-19 Response:** For many in-home care workers, nannies and house cleaners, the threat from coronavirus is especially severe. Without access to health care, paid sick leave or job security, they are being forced to navigate this crisis alone and without a safety net. Donations to the Coronavirus Care Fund will provide immediate financial support for domestic workers, and enable them to remain at home and stay healthy—protecting themselves, their families and their communities while slowing the spread of the coronavirus.

- **One Fair Wage, an initiative of the Alliance for a Just Society**

**Headquarters:** Seattle, Washington

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**Operating Budget:** \$600,000

**About:** One Fair Wage is advancing policy, driving industry change and shifting the narrative in order to ensure that all workers in America are paid at least the full minimum wage from their employers.

**COVID-19 Response:** One Fair Wage launched a **COVID-19 Emergency Fund**. Donations to this fund support workers and restaurant employer partners in this time of crisis. The fund provides cash assistance to restaurant workers, car service drivers, delivery workers, personal service workers and more who need the money they aren't getting to survive as a result of the economic downturn due to COVID-19.

- **Opportunity Fund**

**Headquarters:** San Jose, California

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**Operating Budget:** \$25 million



**About:** Opportunity Fund is the nation's leading nonprofit small-business lender and believes small-dollar loans help hardworking entrepreneurs make lasting change in their own lives and build stronger communities by growing businesses and creating jobs.

**COVID-19 Response:** Opportunity Fund launched the Small Business Relief Fund through a collaboration with funders, investors and the government to ensure it has the necessary resources to keep credit flowing to its national network of small-business owners. The Fund provides immediate relief to struggling self-employed and small-business owners, especially those run by women, people of color and immigrants. Support helps these entrepreneurs:

- Skip a payment for up to three months—or longer, depending on how well the business is situated to bounce back.
- Acquire affordable capital with low or zero interest.
- Receive free, expert technical assistance to restructure debt, financial and tax advice, marketing strategies, legal support, and human resource and layoff aversion support.

## *Food Assistance*

- **Feeding America**

**Headquarters:** Chicago, Illinois

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**Operating Budget:** \$2.8 billion

**About:** Feeding America's mission is to feed America's hungry through a nationwide network of member food banks and engage the country in the fight to end hunger. Feeding America is the nation's largest domestic hunger-relief organization with a network of 200 member food banks across the country.

**COVID-19 Response Fund:** Feeding America's COVID-19 Response Fund will help food banks across the country as they support communities impacted by the pandemic. The fund will enable food banks to secure the resources they need to serve the most vulnerable members of the community during this difficult time.

- **Meals on Wheels America**

**Headquarters:** Arlington, Virginia

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**Operating Budget:** \$13 million

**About:** Meals on Wheels' mission is to empower local community programs to improve the health and quality of life of the seniors they serve so that no one is left hungry or isolated. Meals on Wheels is the only federally supported program designed specifically to meet the nutritional and social needs of seniors through a community-based, cost-effective, home-delivery model.

**COVID-19 Response:** Vulnerable seniors are at the greatest risk amid COVID-19, and local Meals on Wheels programs are on the front lines every day, focused on doing all they can to keep older Americans safe and nourished in communities across the country. The Meals on Wheels **COVID-19 Response Fund** will help local communities across the country meet the increased demand for nutritious meals that can keep seniors safe and healthy. Donated funds will replenish food supplies, subsidize additional transportation and personnel costs, enable tech-based efforts to check in on isolated seniors, and support timely distribution of science-based information needed to ensure safe care for all.

- **Restaurant Workers' Community Foundation**

**Headquarters:** New York, New York, New York

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**Operating Budget:** \$50,000 (relatively new organization)

**About:** Restaurant Workers' Community Foundation (RWCF) is an advocacy and action nonprofit created by and for restaurant workers, and dedicated to making the restaurant industry more hospitable to everyone. RWCF is focused on wage fairness and career ladders, gender equity and sexual violence, racial justice and support for the immigrant community, and mental health and substance abuse.

**COVID-19 Response:** In the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic, RWCF's full focus is on supporting workers, small-business owners and an industry in crisis. RWCF has established a **Restaurant Workers COVID-19 Crisis Relief Fund** to:

- Immediately direct money to organizations leading on-the-ground efforts in the restaurant community (25% of the fund).
- Bolster its impact investing budget to provide zero-interest loans to businesses to maintain payroll during closure or reopening once this crisis has passed (25% of fund).
- Establish a relief fund for individual workers facing economic hardships or health crises as a direct result of COVID-19 (50% of the fund will be direct relief to individuals).

RWCF is partnered with Southern Smoke Foundation to distribute direct assistance funds through an application form. Medical needs will be prioritized, and funding is not limited to any states or cities.

## Public Health Responses

- **Center for Disease Control Foundation**

**Headquarters:** Atlanta, Georgia

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**Operating Budget:** \$65 million

**About:** The CDC Foundation is an independent nonprofit and the sole entity created by Congress to mobilize philanthropic and private-sector resources to support the Centers for

Disease Control and Prevention's critical health protection work. CDCF works as a catalyst for unleashing the power of collaboration between CDC and philanthropies, private entities and individuals to protect the health, safety and security of America and the world.

**COVID-19 Response:** Donations to the CDC Foundation Emergency Response Fund will be used to meet fast-emerging needs identified by CDC to help respond to the public health threat posed by this virus. Specifically, CDC Foundation will focus on:

- Expanding testing and data capabilities to better prevent, detect and respond to COVID-19.
- Deploying highly skilled emergency staffing on the front lines at the state and local levels.
- Funding and delivering critical home essentials, such as food and medicines, to quarantined individuals.
- Developing education and awareness campaigns to aid prevention and reduce stigma.
- Building capacity and infrastructure for global response efforts and to address immediate needs as they evolve.

Morgan Stanley GIFT has partnered with the CDC Foundation on their crowd-raising campaign in an effort to enable individual members of the community to get involved. To make a gift of any size using your credit card, please visit our MS GIFT team page [here](#).

- **[Center for Disaster Philanthropy](#)**

**Headquarters:** Washington, D.C.

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**Operating Budget:** \$17 million

**About:** The mission of Center for Disaster Philanthropy (CDP) is to transform the field of disaster philanthropy to increase donor effectiveness throughout the lifecycle of disasters through educational resources, fund opportunities and strategic guidance.

**COVID-19 Response:** CDP has launched the [CDP COVID-19 Response Fund](#), which will focus on supporting local nonprofit organizations working in areas identified as having high numbers of affected individuals and those who are working with the most vulnerable populations in these areas to help build their capacity for response (i.e., caregivers and health workers). These will include social service organizations focused on supporting hourly wage earners, workers in the gig economy, immigrant/New American populations, older adults, people with disabilities and other communities vulnerable to the physical health, mental health and economic impacts of the pandemic.

CDP will focus on areas that are being underfunded by other state actors, nongovernmental organizations (NGOs) and philanthropic communities. CDP's first phase of grants will focus on best preparing for and mitigating the effects of the spread of the virus. The next phase of



grants will likely take place by mid-April and will be done in coordination with nonprofit organizations with which CDP is already working and tracking impact. Where possible, CDP strives to focus closely on working with local community organizations that operate in their respective communities to support their response and capacity.

- **Direct Relief**

**Headquarters:** Santa Barbara, California

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**Operating Budget:** \$1.2 billion

**About:** Direct Relief is a humanitarian aid organization, active in all 50 states and more than 80 countries, with a mission to improve the health and lives of people affected by poverty or emergencies—without regard to politics, religion or ability to pay. Direct Relief's assistance programs are tailored to the particular circumstances and needs of the world's most vulnerable and at-risk populations.

**COVID-19 Response:** Direct Relief is coordinating with public health authorities, nonprofit organizations and businesses in the U.S. to provide personal protective equipment (PPE) and essential medical items to health workers responding to the coronavirus. While responding to the COVID-19 outbreak in China, and seeing the rapid-onset shortages of PPE, treatment capacity and unprecedented quarantines, Direct Relief reserved stocks and immediately began preparing for the expected arrival of the virus in the U.S., which has since occurred.

As case totals grow, Direct Relief is expanding its response to the coronavirus through intensified analysis, increased coordination and expanded provision of medical essentials. Currently, Direct Relief is focusing on the three key areas of activity:

- Providing assistance in the form of personal protective equipment, or PPE (e.g., N95 masks, surgical and procedure masks, exam gloves, isolation gowns, goggles and face shields), for health workers,
- Building an ICU medication model and mobilizing private resources to build a stockpile to assist with the anticipated spike in ICU patients, and
- Boosting support to safety-net facilities to address existing chronic gaps that are likely to grow.

- **Gates Philanthropy Partners**

**Headquarters:** Seattle, Washington

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**Operating Budget:** \$20 million (Gates Foundation is \$6 billion)

**About:** Created by Bill and Melinda Gates in response to unsolicited donations received by the Gates Foundation, Gates Philanthropy Partners (GPP) supports the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation's trusted grantee partners—the thinkers, doers, advocates and champions

doing the hard work on the ground. Projects focus on the core themes of the foundation's work: eliminating and eradicating diseases, bringing innovation to health care, improving newborn and child health, creating pathways to empowerment and opportunity for those living in poverty internationally and in the US, and giving students tools to succeed in the U.S.

**COVID-19 Response:** In response to the global pandemic, the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation has committed \$100 million for work on COVID-19 globally, with another \$5 million to support efforts in the greater Seattle area. Through Gates Philanthropy Partners, the public can advance this work in two ways:

1. By giving to the [Combating COVID-19 Fund](#), which will help develop the most promising vaccines and diagnostics, and protect the most vulnerable people in Africa and South Asia, or
2. By giving to the [COVID-19 Therapeutics Accelerator Fund](#), which is focused on developing new drugs and repurposing existing medicines to expedite the process of getting COVID-19 treatments to market.

- **[Morgan Stanley GIFT Cures, powered by Harrington Discovery Institute](#)**

**Headquarters:** Cleveland, Ohio

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**Operating Budget:** Not applicable (newly launched entity)

**About:** [Harrington Discovery Institute \(HDI\)](#) and Morgan Stanley GIFT Cures fund the breakthrough discoveries from top academic institutions in order to accelerate the development of life-saving and life-enhancing treatments. This partnership provides the financial capital, industry expertise and business management needed to guide breakthrough medicines from early stages to the point where the pharmaceutical industry brings these novel drugs to market.

**COVID-19 Response:** HDI announced a new initiative that includes a suite of actions, which are currently underway. These are:

- Allocate HDI operating and grant-making capital toward near-term COVID-19-related treatment efforts.
- Accelerate programs in its current portfolio that may target COVID-19 and its clinical ramifications, including advancing treatments that may enter clinical trials right away.
- Issue a transatlantic call for proposals for novel therapies that target COVID-19 and its clinical impact, particularly on the lungs and heart.
- Aggressively seek broad spectrum antivirals that may avert the next viral pandemic, supporting the well-accepted position in public health that future viral pandemics, whether coronavirus-related or otherwise, are likely.
- Raise new capital, targeted specifically at advanced and breakthrough treatments for pandemic viruses.

- Building capacity and infrastructure for global response efforts and immediate needs as they evolve.



# Bay Area Resources

- **Arts Loan Fund (ALF), housed at Northern California Grantmakers**

**Operating Budget:** \$1million

**Contact:** Frances Phillips, Arts Loan Fund Co-Chair, [frances@haassr.org](mailto:frances@haassr.org)

**About:** The Arts Loan Fund (ALF), managed by Northern California Grantmakers, has provided more than \$19 million in quick-turnaround loans over the past 30 years as a way to boost the sustainability and growth of nonprofit art and cultural organizations by helping them alleviate short-term cash flow issues.

**COVID-19 Response** (webpage pending): ALF is launching an effort to prevent the contracts of the nonprofit arts scene in the Bay Area. ALF is working with the City of San Francisco Mayor's Office and local donors to establish a low-interest loan fund for arts nonprofits and working artists whose operations/ability to earn revenue is severely threatened by COVID-19. Many arts organizations may close because they've had to cancel events and performances.

- **COVID-19 Coronavirus Regional Response Fund**

**Operating Budget:** \$1.9 billion (host organization)

**Contact:** Avo Makdessian, Vice President of Strategic Initiatives and Partnerships, [amakdessian@siliconvalleycf.org](mailto:amakdessian@siliconvalleycf.org)

**About:** Silicon Valley Community Foundation (SVCF) is a comprehensive center of philanthropy. Through visionary leadership, strategic grant-making and world-class experiences, SVCF partners with donors to strengthen the common good locally and throughout the world. SVCF commissions research, conducts public discussions, advocates, and creates initiatives and special projects through partnerships and government agencies.

**COVID-19 Response:** Hosted by Silicon Valley Community Foundation, [the COVID-19 Regional Response Fund](#) will work with trusted lead partner organizations in the 10-county Bay Area region. The fund will provide operating grants to the organizations listed below, which have deep roots in the community. These lead organizations, in turn, will support those affected by the COVID-19 pandemic. The fund will provide flexible resources and focus on basic needs (e.g., financial assistance, housing/shelter, food, clothing), prioritizing:

- Residents without health insurance and/or access to sick days
- People with limited English language proficiency
- Health care and gig workers
- Communities of color

- **Destination: Home**

**Operating Budget:** \$2.2 million

**Contact:** Maia Bishop Bookoff, Development Officer, [maureen@destinationhomesv.org](mailto:maureen@destinationhomesv.org)

**About:** Destination: Home is a public-private partnership serving as the backbone organization for collective impact strategies to end homelessness in Santa Clara County,

California. Destination: Home serves as a convener, helps develop and fund strategies for homelessness reduction, and promotes outcomes-driven housing and services models in the community.

**COVID-19 Response:** Destination: Home launched a \$1 million fund to help cover rent payments for Santa Clara residents at risk of displacement. The Fund will work with its Homelessness Prevention System partners (County of Santa Clara, City of San Jose, Centers for Disease Control and Public Health) to provide rapid financial assistance and resources to individuals and households at risk of homelessness if coronavirus-related disruptions worsen. With its partners, Destination: Home is developing and implementing the following plans:

- Increase or improve basic needs services to sheltered and unsheltered persons (e.g., handwashing stations, portable toilets, clean water, mobile shower services).
- Improve access to basic services through daytime service centers and/or locations where homeless persons may go for assistance (e.g., ConXion in San Jose).
- Modify protocols and increase support to temporary shelter sites to better serve sheltered persons as well as expand temporary shelter capacity in order to increase social distancing.
- Identify public or private sites across the county that could be safely used to house homeless individuals who are already ill, awaiting test results, or face serious health risks if they were to become ill.

- **East Bay Community Foundation**

**Operating Budget:** \$60 million

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**About:** The East Bay Community Foundation (EBCF) partners with donors, social movements and the community to eliminate structural barriers, advance racial equity, and transform political, social, and economic outcomes for all who call the East Bay home. EBCF has worked with more than 1,548 organizations across 290+ cities in the East Bay.

**COVID-19 Response:** The **Just East Bay Response Fund** will initially focus on nonprofit organizations providing critical services around economic security. The fund will provide one-time general operating grants to organizations providing immediate, mid-term and long-term support related to:

- Loss of employment and decreased hourly work, resulting in reduced income.
- Closures of schools and childcare centers, resulting in lost earnings as parents must take time off to care for children.
- Increased health care costs for testing and treatment, and loss of income as individuals are forced to take time off for self-care and to care for family members.
- Food insecurity resulting from lower individual and family income.
- Reduced access to a range of social services and programs, in response to social distancing requirements.

- **GLIDE**

**Operating Budget:** \$20 million

**Contact:** Christopher Padula, Chief Development Officer, [development@glide.org](mailto:development@glide.org)

**About:** GLIDE's mission is to create a radically inclusive, just and loving community mobilized to alleviate suffering and break the cycles of poverty and marginalization. GLIDE serves a diverse cross section of homeless, low-income and marginalized populations with an integrated program model that includes daily free meals, housing assistance, domestic violence counseling and abatement, substance use recovery, childcare, afterschool and summer programs for K-5, a family resource center, HIV/Hep-C outreach and prevention, a drop-in legal clinic, and on-site access to primary and mental health care (via Tenderloin Health Services). GLIDE is a life-changing gateway to comprehensive care that embraces every individual with dignity and respect.

**COVID-19 Response:** GLIDE continues to care for those most in need while working to prevent the spread of the coronavirus.. GLIDE has adjusted its operations during the coronavirus emergency in order to avoid large gatherings and increase social distancing while continuing to serve those in need. In an effort to protect the community, the staff and those who rely on GLIDE's services, the following adjustments are in effect:

- GLIDE's Daily Free Meals program is temporarily utilizing takeout containers to deliver hot and nutritious meals three times daily.
- Walk-In Center services, including shelter bed reservations, continue via a triage desk in the lobby to avoid congregating in the building.
- Harm Reduction Services has paused off-site HIV/Hep C testing events (to avoid congregating) in favor of 1:1 testing while Syringe Access Services continues.
- GLIDE Church's Celebration Online continues Sundays at 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. through April, per the Public Health Order issued March 13 by the Health Officer of the City and County of San Francisco prohibiting all nonessential events of 100 or more persons.
- GLIDE has also temporarily closed the Janice Mirikitani Family, Youth and Childcare Center (FYCC) at 434 Ellis Street, following the decision by the San Francisco Unified School District (SFUSD) to close San Francisco schools for the next three weeks. FYCC has accordingly paused its afterschool and childcare programs through April 3, the duration of the school closures.

- **Hebrew Free Loan San Francisco**

**Operating Budget:** \$1.3 million

**Contact:** Jamie Hyams, Development Director, [jamie@hflasf.org](mailto:jamie@hflasf.org)

**About:** Hebrew Free Loan provides interest-free loans to help Jewish individuals in Northern California overcome financial challenges and pursue life dreams. Types of loans include adoption, business, debt consolidation, disaster relief, emergency, fertility, first-time homebuyer, health care, life cycle, personal, recently unemployed, special needs and student.

**COVID-19 Response:** Hebrew Free Loan is offering no-interest loans (up to \$20,000) to individuals experiencing financial distress due to COVID-19, and is raising money from philanthropists to increase the size of the available loan pool. The loans are intended to assist with:

- Lost wages
- Childcare costs
- Small-business losses
- Canceled study abroad programs

- **Legal Aid at Work**

**Operating Budget:** \$5.4 million

**Contact:** Kevin Clune, Director of Strategic Partnerships, [kclune@legalaidatwork.org](mailto:kclune@legalaidatwork.org)

**About:** Legal Aid at Work is a nonprofit legal services organization that has been assisting low-income working families for more than 100 years using four main strategies: free clinics and helplines, free legal info, litigation and policy advocacy.

**COVID-19 Response:** Legal Aid at Work will continue to offer pro bono legal services to protect the livelihoods of workers threatened by illegal employer practices, particularly those situations related to the outbreak. Due to the increase and expected growth in cases, donations are needed to support the ongoing work of Legal Aid and any technological or staff expansions that will be required to respond as effectively as possible. For instance, Legal Aid has transitioned its Workers' Rights Clinics to virtual platforms and has already developed resource materials.

- **Oakland Public Education Fund**

**Operating Budget:** \$25 million

**Contact:** Jonathan Osler, Director of Development, [jonathan@oaklandedfund.org](mailto:jonathan@oaklandedfund.org)

**About:** The Oakland Public Education Fund (OPEF) leads the development and investment of community resources in Oakland public schools so that all students can learn, grow and thrive. The Ed Fund is the only organization raising money for all Oakland public schools—both District-run and charter—with a focus on those furthest from opportunity, because kids who come to school with less need more.

**COVID-19 Response:** In partnership with the Oakland Unified School District (OUSD), OPEF launched a [COVID-19 Rapid Response Fund for Oakland Kids & Schools](#). The shared goal is to rapidly respond to the crisis on behalf of all public school students and adults, and particularly for those who are most vulnerable. OUSD's extraordinary educators and staff are working tirelessly to ensure all students will continue to have access to healthy food and supplies, to provide meaningful at-home and online learning opportunities, and to prepare schools for everyone's safe return. However, OUSD's current needs outweigh its resources in the following areas:

- Feeding students and families (\$190,000)
- Ensuring clean and safe facilities (\$250,000)



- Continuity of learning (\$400,000)
- Supporting Vulnerable Families (\$305,000)
- **URGENT NEED: \$1,145,000**

- **Samaritan House (San Mateo)**

**Operating Budget:** \$11 million

**Contact:** Jessica Mitchell, Director of Communications and Development,  
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**About:** Samaritan House's mission is to mobilize the resources of its community to help those among us who are in need by providing food, access to shelter, health care, and a broad range of supportive services. Samaritan House is the largest food distribution agency in the county and is recognized as a role model in the community. Its free service offerings include shelter and housing assistance; medical and dental clinics; clothes for children; personalized case management and more for low-income San Mateo County residents.

**COVID-19 Response:** Samaritan House, the Lead Core Agency in San Mateo County, will be open and providing essential services to low-income County residents as long as circumstances permit. All Food and Nutrition, Free Clinic, Case Management (including rental and utility assistance, etc.), Coordinated Entry System for Homelessness Diversion and Placement, and the Safe Harbor Homeless Shelter are operating, although some access or availability may be restricted.

In terms of Food Services, Samaritan House will be providing:

- Mobile meals to homebound seniors and people with disabilities will continue as long as there are drivers, but they will not make direct contact with clients.
- Takeout meals only in the dining room at the Masonic Hall in San Mateo.
- Food pharmacies at San Mateo and Redwood City Clinics remain open to regular patients. (These items will be prepacked for pick up).
- Prepackaged food at the San Mateo Food Pantry in San Mateo.

- **San Francisco Foundation's COVID-19 Emergency Response Fund**

**Operating Budget:** \$180 million (host organization)

**Contact:** Sara Dermody, Philanthropy Manager, [sdermody@sff.org](mailto:sdermody@sff.org)

**About:** The San Francisco Foundation (SFF) mobilizes resources and acts as a catalyst for change to build strong communities, foster civic leadership, and promote philanthropy in the San Francisco Bay Area.

**COVID-19 Response:** SFF will make a limited number of one-time grants (\$3,000-\$25,000) to nonprofits in the five-county Bay Area (Alameda, Contra Costa, Marin, San Francisco and San Mateo) addressing the following four issue areas:

1. Worker supports: Low-wage workers, particularly people of color, will be among the communities that feel the economic impact of COVID-19 the most. SFF welcomes proposals from organizations supporting efforts to protect and support vulnerable workers in the workplace and with their families during this time.

2. Homelessness and renter protections: Those who are homeless are particularly vulnerable right now, and the fund will help support them. For people who are housed but living month to month, lost wages will make it difficult to pay rent. This is particularly true in the Bay Area, where over 50% of households are rent burdened (meaning they pay over 30% of their income on housing). SFF welcomes proposals from organizations working to protect those who are vulnerable during this time.
3. Food security: Extended school closures also mean that more than 237,000 families currently receiving free and reduced lunch (and breakfast) will no longer have access to these meals. SFF welcomes proposals from organizations supporting efforts to increase families' access to food during this time.
4. Addressing racial bias: As swiftly as the virus has spread around the globe since its initial detection in China, it has also stirred up long-held biases about people, especially those of Asian descent. Here in the U.S., Asian Americans (particularly people of Chinese descent) are experiencing a rise in harassment and even violent hate crimes. SFF welcomes proposals from organizations supporting local communities that have been targeted as a result of their race and ethnicity.

- **[San Francisco-Marin Food Bank](#)**

**Operating Budget:** \$96 million

**Contact:** Judith Frankel, Vice President of Development, [jfrankel@sfmfoodbank.org](mailto:jfrankel@sfmfoodbank.org)

**About:** The SF-Marin Food Bank's mission is to end hunger in San Francisco and Marin, where one in four neighbors are at risk of hunger. The Food Bank envisions a community where everyone is able to obtain enough nutritious food in a dignified manner to support the health and well-being of themselves and their families. The Bank addresses hunger head-on: from the pantry network and home-delivered groceries, to the nutrition education classes and CalFresh (food-stamp) enrollment, they work in many ways to nourish and empower neighbors in need.

**COVID-19 Response:** The Food Bank is still fully operational and, as indicated in Mayor Breed's press release, is considered an essential service provider as a food bank. Now, more than ever, the Food Bank's continued efforts are critical to ensure that the most vulnerable neighbors get access to the food they need to weather the pandemic.

- The Food Bank is working with San Francisco and Marin school districts to host pop-up food pantries at schools that are offering to-go meals for students. When students and parents pick up their breakfast and lunch, they will also be able to get pre-bagged groceries to take home. This will help make sure families have the food they need.
- For the existing pantry network, the Bank will continue to purchase and send out additional shelf-stable food items each week for participants to set aside in case they can't get to a pantry for any reason.
- The Bank anticipates that it will need additional help at its pop-up food pantries. Please see the special volunteer sign-up page on its website to volunteer during this pressing time ([also linked here](#)). To protect the health of its volunteers and staff, the Food Bank has made changes to its volunteer program: reducing the number of volunteers at each shift and cutting nonessential projects.

- **Second Harvest of Silicon Valley**

**Operating Budget:** \$121 million

**Contact:** Cat Cvengros, Vice President of Development and Marketing, [ccvengros@shfb.org](mailto:ccvengros@shfb.org)

**About:** Second Harvest's mission is to lead the community to ensure that anyone who needs a healthy meal can get one. Founded in 1974, Second Harvest of Silicon Valley now provides food to more than a quarter of a million people—more than half of whom are kids and seniors—in Santa Clara and San Mateo counties every month. Second Harvest distributes healthy food, including more fresh produce than almost any other food bank in the country, through a network of 310 nonprofit partners at 1,000 sites.

**COVID-19 Response:** As a responder in emergencies like the COVID-19 public health crisis, Second Harvest must maintain operations to ensure that nutritious food continues to reach members of the community who are most vulnerable. Since the outbreak, Second Harvest has been serving more working families, more seniors, and more low-income individuals who have had their wages and/or hours cut; volunteers are more critical than ever for Second Harvest to carry out its mission. In addition to donations, volunteers are needed to sort food at North San Jose warehouse or to distribute food at various locations in Santa Clara and San Mateo Counties.

- **Spark\*SF Public Schools**

**Operating Budget:** \$10.5 million

**Contact:** Colm Hegarty, Director of Development, [HegartyC@sfusd.edu](mailto:HegartyC@sfusd.edu)

**About:** Spark\* SF Public Schools is dedicated to building private partnerships in support of the San Francisco Unified School District (SFUSD) to ensure that every child receives the quality instruction and equitable support required to thrive in the 21st century. Spark\* leverages philanthropic support to pilot new ventures, propel promising ideas, and scale proven practices across the district. Spark\* SF learns from what's working and pivot when necessary, all in service of driving innovation and progress across San Francisco's public school system.

**COVID-19 Response:** Spark\* launched an urgent COVID-19 Pandemic Response Fund to support the coordination and execution of a food campaign. Spark\*SF opened [19 meal distribution sites](#) across the city so that all children, 18 and younger, may continue to access free meals while schools are closed. Spark\* and SFUSD reported that providing meals will cost at least \$314,000 above federal reimbursements for school meals, so monetary donations are critical. Spark\* will also use donations to cover the costs of expanding technology options for students during the closures (\$3+ million) and preparing and cleaning to reopen campuses (\$615,000).

- **Tipping Point Community**

**Operating Budget:** \$69 million

**Contact:** Mona Chang, Senior Major Gifts Officer, [mchang@tippingpoint.org](mailto:mchang@tippingpoint.org)

**About:** Tipping Point Community rigorously screens nonprofits to find and fund the most effective groups connecting Bay Area individuals and families to the services and opportunities needed to break the cycle of poverty and achieve economic self-sufficiency.

**COVID-19 Response:** On March 26, Tipping Point convened 1000+ people to join Governor Newsom for our announcement to raise \$30 million to support our community. [Watch the announcement with Governor Newsom](#). We are raising funds as quickly as possible to stabilize the nonprofits working tirelessly to support low-income individuals and families hit hardest by this crisis. The webpage also provides a list of where Tipping Point's emergency grants have already been directed. Tipping Point's past and ongoing support will focus on:

- Meeting the urgent need of low-income and unhoused people who already rely on Bay area nonprofits.
- Responding, in this time of crisis, to stabilize nonprofits on the front lines and get cash to the neighbors who need it most.

# Boston Resources

- **Boston Artists Relief Fund, hosted by Boston Center for the Arts**

**Operating Budget:** \$3 million

**Contact:** Alicia Nichols, Director of Individual Giving, [alicia@bostonarts.org](mailto:alicia@bostonarts.org)

**About:** The Boston Center for the Arts (BCA) is a not-for-profit performing and visual arts campus that supports working artists to create, perform and exhibit new works; develops new audiences; and connects the arts to community.

**COVID-19 Response:** Boston Center for the Arts partnered with the City of Boston to create an Artist Relief Fund to facilitate individual and organizational support of Boston's cultural workforce. The Boston Artist Relief Fund will award grants of \$500 and \$1,000 to individual artists who live in Boston whose creative practices and incomes are being adversely impacted by the coronavirus. With events of all types being canceled to reduce spread of COVID-19, people who make income partially or fully through gigs and freelance work are losing critical opportunities to support their well-being in the city.

The fund welcome applications from all artists living in Boston, but will prioritize lower-income artists and artists who have not been funded through City-led grants during this fiscal year (July 1, 2019-present). The fund will be open for, but will not be limited to, the following uses:

- Recouping financial losses due to canceled events.
- Reimbursement for travel expenses related to creative work that had already been paid for by the artists themselves.
- Offsetting loss of income for teaching artists who could not teach during this time because of canceled classes and school closures.
- Support for artists working full time or part time in the service industry who have lost supplemental income used to support their creative practices.

- **The Boston Foundation**

**Operating Budget:** \$150 million

**Contact:** Thomas Bentley, Assistant Director of Philanthropy, [thomas.bentley@tbf.org](mailto:thomas.bentley@tbf.org)

**About:** As Greater Boston's community foundation, the Boston Foundation devotes its resources to building and sustaining a vital, prosperous city and region, where justice and opportunity are extended to everyone. The Foundation fulfills this mission in three principal ways:

- Making grants to nonprofit organizations and designing special funding initiatives to address this community's critical challenges;
- Working in partnership with donors and other funders to achieve high-impact philanthropy; and
- Serving as a civic hub and center of information, where ideas are shared, levers for change are identified, and common agendas for the future are developed.



**COVID-19 Response:** The Boston Foundation has launched a [COVID-19 Response Fund](#) that will offer one-time operating grants to organizations working with those most at risk. The Foundation will work in partnership with the City of Boston to distribute grants on a rolling basis, targeting directly organizations working most closely with communities feeling the greatest impact from the coronavirus outbreak, including seniors, children, residents without access to paid sick days, health care and gig economy workers, communities of color, immigrants and people with disabilities. The fund is designed to be adaptable in its goals and focus, which will evolve as community members and nonprofits in the region share their needs.

- **[Boston Resiliency Fund](#)**

**Operating Budget:** Unavailable (just launched)

**Contact:** [brf@boston.gov](mailto:brf@boston.gov)

**About:** The Boston Resiliency Fund is the city of Boston's effort to help coordinate fundraising and philanthropic efforts to provide essential services to Boston residents whose health and well-being are most immediately impacted by the coronavirus pandemic. It is also working to help first responders and critical care providers.

**COVID-19 Response:** The emerging priorities of the Boston Resiliency Fund are to:

- Provide food to Boston's children and seniors;
- Provide technology to Boston public schools students for remote learning; and
- Provide support to first responders and health care workers so they can effectively do their jobs.

The funds raised will be awarded to nonprofit organizations that provide immediate support and relief to residents of Boston across a spectrum of different needs and priorities. While Boston Resiliency Fund is focused on basic needs and critical services, they recognize that this crisis is evolving quickly, and the priorities of this fund may change as the needs of Boston residents evolve.

- **[Catholic Charities of Boston](#)**

**Operating Budget:** \$34 million

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**About:** For more than 100 years, Catholic Charities has continued its mission of building a just and compassionate society rooted in the dignity of all people. As one of the largest providers of social services in Massachusetts, Catholic Charities of Boston offers over 70 programs and services in 23 locations around eastern Massachusetts—serving more than 175,000 neighbors of all faiths each year. Services include basic needs, childcare, education, counseling, elder services, refugee services and more.

**COVID-19 Response:** As schools and businesses shutter their doors in the wake of the developing coronavirus pandemic, Catholic Charities is focused on supporting its vulnerable communities through this challenging and frightening time. Catholic Charities continues to run its essential services of basic needs (e.g., food pantry), parent aides, health services and

elder outreach, and has moved its adult education classes online. All shelters continue to operate normally. Donations of food, supermarket gift cards and hygiene items (toothpaste, shampoo, soap) are welcome to keep the pantries and basic needs operations fully stocked. Items can be dropped off or sent to Catholic Charities Yawkey Center, 185 Columbia Road, Dorchester, Massachusetts.

- **City Connects**

**Operating Budget:** \$4 million

**Contact:** Mary Walsh, Executive Director, [mary.walsh@bc.edu](mailto:mary.walsh@bc.edu)

**About:** City Connects' mission is to have all children engage and learn in school by connecting them to the tailored set of prevention, intervention and enrichment services they need to achieve and thrive in school. City Connects primarily works with elementary school-aged children in urban schools, reaching more than 17,000 Massachusetts students each year. City Connects works in schools and districts where the vast majority of children are from very low-income families.

The City Connects approach addresses the needs of all children so that no child "falls through the cracks," and leverages services and resources present in schools and community agencies. Students in City Connects schools are provided services in (1) prevention and enrichment; (2) early intervention; and (3) intensive and crisis intervention.

**COVID-19 Response:** In the context of the COVID-19 crisis, the needs of vulnerable students in Massachusetts' public, charter and urban Catholic schools are even more acute (City Connects has a robust presence in Massachusetts, particularly in the cities of Boston, Springfield and Salem). When the decision was made to suspend classes for students, City Connects immediately mobilized to address the needs of students and families, and created comprehensive efforts to ensure their needs are met, including through accessing local food banks, educational resources and more intensive/crisis supports. City Connects will provide students and families with technology support, educational resources and emergency support.

- **Combined Jewish Philanthropies**

**Operating Budget:** \$315 million

**Contact:** Jen Marmer, Program and Development Officer, [jenm@cjp.org](mailto:jenm@cjp.org)

**About:** Combined Jewish Philanthropies' (CJP) mission is to inspire and mobilize the diverse Boston Jewish community to engage in building communities of learning and actions that strengthen Jewish life and improve the world. CJP brings together the resources, volunteers, leadership and expertise in Greater Boston to care for people in need, build housing for the elderly, advocate for Israel, ensure a vibrant Jewish future, and much more.

**COVID-19 Response:** CJP has launched the CJP Coronavirus Emergency Fund to provide urgently needed assistance to vulnerable people throughout Greater Boston's Jewish community and beyond. 100% of the money raised will directly support community members facing hardship as a result of this pandemic.

Here are some of the requests for support that CJP has already received:

- Groceries and food, including kosher goods for the elderly, people in financial distress, and those who are socially isolated.
  - Targeted financial support for Jewish homes for older adults given the extreme measures of social distancing required to keep residents safe.
  - Increased funds for CJP's Interest-Free Loan Program and emergency assistance to help bridge debt incurred during time off work due to school closures.
  - Need for assistive technology for those facing social isolation, allowing them to participate in virtual religious services and other programming.
  - Basic needs, such as food and utilities, for its Ukrainian sister city of Dnipro, where many residents are going without their basic necessities.
- **Community Teamwork, Inc.**  
**Operating Budget:** \$98 million (50% is pass-through funds to grantees)  
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**About:** Community Teamwork, Inc. (CTI) serves the city of Lowell and surrounding communities in Massachusetts as a nonprofit community development corporation and as the Regional Housing Authority for the Merrimack Valley and Northeast Massachusetts. Its mission is to serve as a catalyst for social change by strengthening communities and reducing poverty by delivering vital services and collaborating with our stakeholders to create housing, education and economic opportunities. CTI provides services to over 54,000 individuals annually, with nearly 13,500 households northeast of Boston, supporting three Gateway cities (Lowell, Lawrence and Haverhill), and currently operating multiple emergency shelters.

**COVID-19 Response:** COVID-19 Response: CTI's response to the COVID-19 crisis is to support the myriad issues facing the families and individuals we serve, including:

- Access to housing resources;
- Small business support;
- Rental support;
- Food insecurity through gift cards and safe delivery of meal bags to over 800 families;
- Basic needs such as diapers/wipes;
- To support the nearly 400 individuals in CTI's emergency shelter facilities, including those families who now need to be moved from congregate shelter sites to emergency quarantine facilities.

In addition, CTI is working to obtain and maintain separate, quarantined, housing for shelter families and other constituents (at-risk youth and homeless youth and adults), who have tested positive for the COVID-19 virus or who have been told to quarantine by their health care professional. The costs are becoming overwhelming for Community Teamwork and the need is not lessening.

- **The Greater Boston Food Bank**

**Operating Budget:** \$45 million

**Contact:** Lauren Franklin, Foundation Relations Manager, [lfranklin@gbfb.org](mailto:lfranklin@gbfb.org)

**About:** The Greater Boston Food Bank (GBFB) serves all populations in need across Eastern Massachusetts with a mission to end hunger here in Eastern Massachusetts. Approximately 61% of the households served live in poverty, and 72% use food pantries on a regular basis. Before the pandemic, GBFB was serving 140,000 unique individuals every month. Many of them were children and families who participated in the National School Lunch and National School Breakfast programs, and yet they still needed to use GBFB's partner agencies in order to put enough food on the table.

**COVID-19 Response:** It is more critical than ever that GBFB continues to maintain uninterrupted service and meet ever-increasing demand. The spike in unemployment across Massachusetts and the shutdown of schools is resulting in many clients entering the emergency food system for the first time. GBFB has put in place a COVID-19 Disaster Response Team that is addressing the crisis on many fronts:

- Acquiring and shipping healthy food in record numbers
- Doubling, in some cases quadrupling, food deliveries for several direct service program sites, including School-based Pantries which serve children and families who no longer have access to school meals.
- Processing a record number of SNAP applications—a primary source for hunger relief.
- Providing additional resources to agencies such as gloves
- Collaborating with the other food banks in Massachusetts and with state and federal officials to track and advocate for additional financial support for hunger relief

- **Ethos**

**Operating Budget:** \$25 million

**Contact:** Raymond Santos, Chief Development & Community Relations Officer, [rsantos@ethocare.org](mailto:rsantos@ethocare.org)

**About:** Ethos is a private, non-profit organization that assists the elderly and disabled to live at home. Ethos serves more than 3,000 individuals and families, primarily in the Boston neighborhoods of Jamaica Plain, Roslindale, West Roxbury, Hyde Park and Mattapan. Ethos offers a wide range of high-quality, discounted services and support, delivered at home and in the community.

**COVID-19 Response:** Due to the coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak, Ethos is experiencing increased demand for Meals on Wheels and Community Cafe programs. More and more older adults are heeding public health warnings and remaining in their homes as much as possible. The hot, nutritious meals that Ethos provides have become a critical lifeline for so many in the community. While Ethos expects legislation to increase funding for this program, there is an immediate need for unrestricted funds to bridge the gap and support older neighbors through the following services:

- Consistent, daily delivery of Meals on Wheels (See Boston Globe Article)
- “Grab and Go” meals available daily at 32 community locations across Boston

- Informational mailings and robocalls with up-to-date information on COVID-19 and safety precautions
- Live streamed informational seminars
- Wellness checks and assistance with grocery shopping
- Medication delivery and medical transportation
- Homemaking and home health services, which support home sanitization and personal hygiene
- Mental health support

This crisis has come just as Ethos was beginning an important fundraising effort, which has been postponed indefinitely. At the moment, the most critical need is funding from individuals and businesses, which will enable Ethos to manage the increasing costs of providing services and respond to the growing needs of the elderly and disabled, without delay or restriction.

- **Restaurant Strong Fund, launched by the Greg Hill Foundation**

**Operating Budget:** Unavailable (just launched)

**Contact:** Ashley Hanson, Director of Development, [ashley@thegreghillfoundation.org](mailto:ashley@thegreghillfoundation.org)

**About:** The Greg Hill Foundation responds to immediate requests for assistance, to improve the lives of local families touched by tragedy, through matching the charitable donation of Greg's media audience. To celebrate 20 years on the air at WAAF in Boston, Greg Hill formed a foundation in June of 2010 that would respond to the immediate needs of families that had been touched by tragedy.

**COVID-19 Response:** The Greg Hill Foundation has teamed up with Samuel Adams to support those from the Massachusetts restaurant industry who have been impacted by the COVID-19 closures. Together, and with the insights of notable Boston-area chefs Ming Tsai (Blue Dragon), Ken Oringer (Little Donkey) and Chris Coombs (Boston Chops), Restaurant Strong is raising awareness and funds to provide grants to full-time restaurant workers in Massachusetts who are dependent on wages plus tips to cover basic living Budget and provide for their families.

Its goal is to provide \$1,000 grants to as many qualifying grantees as possible. Sam Adams is kickstarting the Restaurant Strong Fund with a donation of \$100,000 and a commitment to match donations through 3/31 up to an additional \$100,000.

- **United Way of Massachusetts Bay and Merrimack Valley**

**Operating Budget:** \$48 million

**Contact:** Lisa Rowan-Gillis, Chief Development Officer, [lrowangillis@unitewaymassbay.org](mailto:lrowangillis@unitewaymassbay.org)

**About:** United Way unites to create positive, lasting change for people in need by working together—individuals, nonprofits, companies, and government agencies. United Way works every day to achieve its vision and mission by focusing on two foundations of better lives: Financial Opportunity and Educational Success.

- Financial Opportunity: Ensuring that all families have safe housing, healthy food, and quality childcare; that they have jobs that allow them to support themselves



and their families; and that they have access to financial tools and coaching to help build a better future.

- Educational Success: Preparing children so they can enter school ready to learn, develop critical social and academic skills, and get the support they need to stay in school and graduate.

**COVID-19 Response:** The United Way of Massachusetts Bay and Merrimack Valley has launched the [Covid-19 Family Support Fund](#) to assist hourly and low-wage workers who may face financial hardship as businesses shut down to stem the Covid-19 outbreak. The Fund will mobilize United Way's broad network of non-profit agencies throughout the region to provide a flexible source of cash assistance to help families weather the COVID-19 crisis. These agencies have a proven and long track record of working with United Way to administer flexible emergency assistance for families impacted by income disruption. Grants will be made to help families impacted by the COVID-19 crisis meet their basic food, childcare or housing needs.

In collaboration with the Department of Public Health, United Way's Mass 2-1-1 statewide consumer hotline will provide consumer help during the COVID-19 public health emergency. Individuals can dial 2-1-1 for comprehensive information and referrals related to the virus, including information on where they can access flexible funds through the COVID-19 Family Support Fund.

United Way will coordinate fundraising efforts with the broader philanthropic community, including the Boston Foundation's COVID-19 Response Fund, to ensure that the nonprofit organizations that have been stressed by the crisis have the resources they need to meet the community need.

# Chicago Resources

- [A Better Chicago](#)

**Operating Budget:** \$4.8 million

**Contact:** Becky Panter Altman, Director of Development, [info@abetterchicago.org](mailto:info@abetterchicago.org)

**About:** A Better Chicago is changing how Chicago fights poverty by investing in bold ideas that create opportunity for its youth. A Better Chicago believes that a world-class education has the ability to change everything and that efficient and effective philanthropy has the power to transform Chicago. A Better Chicago partners with and invests in the city's highest-performing ideas and programs. These organizations are truly making a difference in educational outcomes for students from early learning through college and career.

**COVID-19 Response:** With Chicago's students and families in mind, A Better Chicago has launched the A Better Chicago Emergency Relief Fund. The ripple effects of COVID-19 throughout the country and in Chicago will hit low-income families and communities of color hardest. Nearly 400,000 Chicago Public School students are currently out of school, putting both safety and long-term learning at risk. Of these students, 76 percent depend on free or subsidized meals and 16,000 are homeless. This rapidly evolving crisis is not only affecting Chicago's students, it impacts their entire family. Already, hundreds of thousands of Illinois residents have filed for unemployment, with this number climbing daily as businesses are closing their doors to prevent the spread of the virus. This new reality is devastating for families that were barely making ends meet even before the pandemic.

- [All Chicago](#)

**Operating Budget:** \$8 million M

**Contact:** Kerri Lowder, Vice President of Development and Communications, [klowder@allchicago.org](mailto:klowder@allchicago.org)

**About:** All Chicago prevents and ends homelessness through a multi-systems approach that includes emergency financial assistance, community partnerships, data analytics, and training and research.

**Chicago COVID-19 Homeless System Agency Emergency Fund:** All Chicago has built upon its longstanding Emergency Fund by partnering with several philanthropic partners to launch the Chicago COVID-19 Homeless System Agency Emergency Fund. This fund will provide unrestricted and flexible emergency financial assistance to homeless service agencies as they respond to the COVID-19 crisis. The fund will make grants on a rolling basis via multiple application rounds, addressing emerging needs in the community with an initial focus on agencies providing crisis response services for people experiencing homelessness.

- **[Cara Chicago](#)**

**Operating Budget:** \$9 million

**Contact:** [info@carachicago.org](mailto:info@carachicago.org)

**About:** Cara's mission is to unlock the power and purpose within communities and individuals to create real and lasting success. Through its personal and professional skills training and access to employment opportunities, Cara serves as a leader of poverty alleviation in Chicago and beyond. Since 1991, Cara has helped more than 6,300 people find more than 9,700 quality jobs. Cara has motivated men and women break the barriers of poverty (and often the interrelated challenges of recovery, domestic violence, episodic homelessness, and incarceration) to get and keep good jobs, and more importantly rebuild hope, self-esteem and opportunity for themselves and their families in the process.

**COVID-19 Response:** While Cara is no longer providing in-person programming during this time, it has augmented its services to continue supporting participants in their job search through virtual coaching services via phone, email, IM, and text. Given these special circumstances, Cara needs support now more than ever, and will use gifts of emergency assistance to ensure the continuity of its programming.

- **[Chicago United for Equity \(CUE\), a program of Chicago Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights](#)**

**Operating Budget:** \$2 million

**Contact:** [information@chicagounitedforequity.org](mailto:information@chicagounitedforequity.org)

**About:** CUE develops and uses community-led policymaking processes called the Racial Equity Impact Assessment (REIA) to connect and amplify the power of individuals to build a just, equitable, and inclusive city. The goal of CUE is to build a network of effective racial justice advocates across Chicago's civic infrastructure, demonstrate tools and models for equitable policies and practices, and develop citywide public accountability models for racial equity.

**COVID-19 Response:** As Chicago faces the COVID-19 crisis, relying on existing systems will mean that the crisis will disproportionately harm Black, Indigenous, Latinx, and Asian communities. To address racial equity during this time, CUE is sharing information, connecting resources, and changing policies & systems. [Donations](#) will support this ongoing work and ensure that CUE is able to address areas of greatest need.

- **[Heartland Alliance](#)**

**Operating Budget:** \$19.5 million

**Contact:** Barbara Hoffman, Chief External Affairs Officer, [give@heartlandalliance.org](mailto:give@heartlandalliance.org)

**About:** Heartland Alliance, one of the world's leading anti-poverty organizations, works in communities in the U.S. and abroad to serve those who are homeless, living in poverty, or seeking safety. It provides a comprehensive array of services in the areas of health, housing, jobs and justice—and leads state and national policy efforts, which target lasting change for individuals and society.

**COVID-19 Response:** Heartland Alliance's commitment is to act boldly and continue serving its participants—many of whom fall in the highest-risk categories for contracting COVID-19, including the elderly, those experiencing homelessness, individuals with significant mental health needs, the medically fragile, those with co-occurring health conditions, immigrants, refugees, and asylum seekers. Support for Heartland Alliance's COVID-19 relief efforts will help to:

- Expand specialized mobile health services and check-ups for the homeless who are less likely to make it to clinics
- Engage shelter partners to identify those participants who are most at risk for the virus
- Deliver nutritious food for participants who can no longer come to grocery centers
- Provide health, mental health, and legal assistance for immigrants, refugees and asylum seekers
- Offer rental assistance for individuals whose income is at high risk due to COVID-19
- Secure medical supplies and personal protective equipment for front-line health, residential, and outreach staff
- Disseminate materials and resources to individuals who are susceptible to myths about their risk of contracting or spreading COVID-19
- Support our international teams that are working to slow the spread of COVID-19 in the Middle East, Africa, and Latin America
- Provide other critical supports for participants and participant-facing employees in this urgent time

- **Northern Illinois Food Bank**

**Operating Budget:** \$126 million

**Contact:** Hester Bury, Director of Corporate and Foundation Giving,  
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**About:** Northern Illinois Food Bank, a member of Feeding America, is the source of nutritious food, innovative feeding programs, and hope for more than half a million people each year. Through various community partners, including the local food pantries and feeding programs, food manufacturers and retailers, companies, foundations and individuals, Northern Illinois Food Bank is able to realize its vision for no one to be hungry in Northern Illinois.

**COVID-19 Response:** In response to the current crisis, the Northern Illinois Food Bank will continue its regular delivery of nutritious food to our agencies and is distributing boxes or bags to avoid neighbors entering the pantry, while prioritizing areas of high needs. Financial donations will help support the Food Bank's operations during this time of increased need. Every \$1 donated helps provide \$8 in groceries.

- **Primo Center for Women and Children**

**Operating Budget:** \$4 million

**Contact:** Nancy Radner, Chief Development Officer, [nradner@primocenter.org](mailto:nradner@primocenter.org)

**About:** Primo Center is a leader in providing family shelter and permanent supportive housing, integrated physical, dental, and mental health care, early childhood development, and supportive services to homeless families in Chicago. Primo Center works in high-need communities across Chicago, operating facilities in North Lawndale and West Humboldt Park on Chicago's west side, in Auburn Gresham and Englewood on the south side, and in Hermosa on the northwest side.

**COVID-19 Response:** Primo Center is doing all it can to keep its families, children and staff safe and healthy during the coronavirus pandemic. Ongoing efforts to support Chicago's most vulnerable populations impacted by COVID-19 include:

- Housing
  - 279 units of family shelter with comprehensive services for parents and children
  - 90 units of permanent supportive housing including rent subsidies and services
- Trauma-informed Care
  - A unique therapeutic community that provides a safe setting that helps families heal
  - A harm-reduction approach that meets families where they are and motivates progress
- Early Childhood Development Services
  - Early childhood center
  - Evidence-based Parents as Teachers (PAT) home visiting program
  - Child-parent psychotherapy
- Integrated Physical, Dental and Mental Healthcare
  - Coordinated health care that addresses families' needs comprehensively
  - Linkage to primary, dental and mental health care "homes"
  - In partnership with Heartland Alliance Health and Howard Brown Health



- **The Chicago Community Trust**

**Operating Budget:** \$384 million

**Contact:** Kate Allgeier, Content Director, [katea@cct.org](mailto:katea@cct.org)

**About:** The Chicago Community Trust is a community foundation dedicated to improving the region through strategic grant making, civic engagement and inspiring philanthropy. Building on 100 years of commitment to the Chicago region, The Chicago Community Trust mobilizes people, ideas, organizations and resources to advance equity and opportunity. The Trust aspires to be an adaptive catalyst for enduring change, acting with persistence, creativity and vigor. The lifeblood for this change is generous philanthropic partners, and core to this work are the hundreds of community partners, across all sectors and neighborhoods, who come together to change lives.

**Chicago Community COVID-19 Response Fund:** In partnership with the City of Chicago and United Way of Metro Chicago, the Chicago Community Trust has launched the Chicago Community COVID-19 Response Fund to unite the funds raised by Chicago's philanthropies, corporations and individuals to be disbursed to nonprofit organizations across the region. 100% of donations will go directly to helping provide increased access to emergency food and basic supplies, rent and mortgage assistance, utility assistance, direct financial assistance for household supplies, and nonprofit safety and operations assistance.

# Los Angeles Resources

- **The Actors Fund**

**Operating Budget:** \$38 million

**Contact:** Meg Thomas, Major Gifts Officer, [mthomas@actorsfund.org](mailto:mthomas@actorsfund.org)

**About:** The Actors Fund is a national human services organization here to meet the needs of the entertainment community with a unique understanding of the challenges involved in a life in the arts. Services include emergency financial assistance, affordable housing, health care and insurance counseling, senior care, secondary career development and more.

**COVID-19 Response:** The Actors Fund has partnered with several industry organizations, such as SAG-AFTRA to provide emergency financial assistance to those who have immediate financial needs during this public health crisis. Emergency financial assistance is available for people who are unable to pay their basic living expenses (food/housing/health care) over the next two months. To be eligible, individuals must have a minimum of five years of recent industry employment with earnings of at least \$6,500 for three out of the last five years OR a minimum of 20 years of industry employment with a minimum of 10 years of earnings of at least \$5,000.

As the situation surrounding the coronavirus outbreak continues to evolve, The Actors Fund will provide services online and via phone. These services include Artists Health Insurance Resource Center, The Career Center, Housing Resources, Addiction & Recovery, HIV/AIDS and Senior Services, Counseling and Emergency Financial Assistance, as well as The Friedman Health Center for the Performing Arts in New York City.

- **COVID-19 LA County Response Fund**

**Operating Budget:** \$245 million (host organization)

**Contact:** Terri Mosqueda, Vice President of Development & Donor Relations, [tmosqueda@calfund.org](mailto:tmosqueda@calfund.org)

**About:** The California Community Foundation's (CCF) mission is to lead positive systemic change that strengthens Los Angeles communities. CCF envisions a future where all Angelenos have the opportunity to contribute to the productivity, health and well-being of the region. CCF funds long-term, systemic solutions addressing the root causes of the most pressing issues facing LA County. CCF often hosts funds in furtherance of this mission.

**COVID-19 Response:** California Community Foundation (CCF) launched the COVID-19 LA County Response Fund to address the immediate and emerging needs of the region's most vulnerable residents—from mitigation to eventual recovery. This fund will support community

needs identified by its partners in health, housing, education and immigration, and will aid impacted individuals through its [Pass it Along Fund](#). The Fund will make grants on a rolling basis addressing emerging needs in the community with an initial focus on education, health, homelessness, and individual assistance through its community-based non-profit partners. Initial priorities include:

- School Closures—helping service providers respond to the needs of students and families from ensuring access to educational resources, meals, to socio-emotional supports
- Homeless Residents—helping housing providers and shelter operators respond to needs for outreach, social distancing, isolation, and for increased demand for emergency services.
- Health Clinics—helping clinics respond to increased patient flow, triaging those who are sick, exposed, or in need of testing.
- Direct Cash Assistance—providing grants to non-profit partners in CCF's Pass It Along Program to make aid available to help individuals and families address an immediate, emergency need.

- **[GENESIS STEAM](#)**

**Operating Budget:** \$800,000

**Contact:** Daniella Simon, Director of Operations, [daniella@genesissteam.org](mailto:daniella@genesissteam.org)

**About:** GENESIS STEAM, founded in 2013, guides students through an exploration and innovation process to design seemingly impossible solutions to the most pressing issues of today. GENESIS programs combine project-based learning and design-thinking by using art and technology to creatively innovate solutions to critical global issues. GENESIS ultimately empowers students to extend the boundaries of their minds while learning critical 21st century skills.

**COVID-19 Response:** GENESIS developed The Mixed Reality Virtual STEAM Academy to provide continued STEAM learning for students during this critical time. GENESIS engages 7,500 students in STEAM programming annually, and transitioned its in-person labs to a proprietary online platform, which was launched in March 2020, to provide ongoing STEAM experiences and learning opportunities for students.

GENESIS is virtually engaging its students remotely in interactive Mixed Reality experiences where students collectively design, make and share unique innovation ideas that contribute to a “Future City.” The “Future Cities” locations change each week and have included an urban location, forest city, and outer space. The workshops are taught daily, Monday through Fridays. It is GENESIS's goal to continue to engage over 7,500 students from Los Angeles in our Virtual STEAM Academy in 2020.

- **Jewish Free Loan Association Los Angeles**

**Operating Budget:** \$1.7 million

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**About:** The Jewish Free Loan Association of Los Angeles offers interest-free loans on a non-sectarian basis to individuals and families whose needs are urgent and who may not qualify through usual financial channels. Jewish Free Loan remains the only interest-free lending agency in greater LA County and serves an average of 1,200 clients annually. Jewish Free Loan's interest-free loans are used for emergencies of all kinds, housing and rental issues, home healthcare, Alzheimer's & dementia care, fall prevention, post-secondary education, medical & dental expenses, women fleeing domestic violence, children with special needs, summer camp, Israel experience, life cycle events, and small business assistance.

**COVID-19 Response:** The Jewish Free Loan Association is providing no-fee and interest-free loans (up to \$10,000) to cover small business losses, lost wages due to inability to work, childcare costs due to school closures, lost funds due to cancelled travel plans, and more. Loans can be turned around in a matter of days.

- **Los Angeles Regional Food Bank**

**Operating Budget:** \$113 million

**Contact:** Roger Castle, Chief Development Office, [rcastle@lafoodbank.org](mailto:rcastle@lafoodbank.org)

**About:** The mission of the Los Angeles Regional Food Bank is to mobilize resources to fight hunger in the community. To fulfill its mission, the LA Regional Food Bank

- Sources and acquire food and other products and distribute to people in need through charitable agencies or directly through programs;
- Energizes the community to get involved and support hunger relief;
- Conducts hunger education and awareness campaigns and advocate for public policies that alleviate hunger.

**COVID-19 Response:** The Food Bank will continue to mobilize of resources to help people who are in need of food assistance and operations are continuing with no major impact on its staff and facilities. Volunteer activity has declined, but the Food Bank is currently able to meet the current demand for food assistance. The Food Bank has started to implement its contingency plan to supplement its regular Food Bank staff and volunteer workforce with temporary employees.

Unfortunately, the Food Bank is experiencing some disruption in food donations from regular food industry donors and are supplementing donated food with food purchases of specific items. The Food Bank is monitoring the situation closely and taking necessary precautions to help make sure that food and product remain safe, and that the distributions and volunteer

activities can continue. The Coronavirus crisis has resulted in unplanned expenses for the Food Bank and donor support is needed to cover these new costs.

- **L.A. Pandemic Relief Fund for Unsheltered and At-Risk Individuals**

**Operating Budget:** \$49 million

**Contact:** Kristy Day, Major Gifts Officer at United Way, [kday@unitedwayla.org](mailto:kday@unitedwayla.org)

**About:** United Way of Greater Los Angeles (UWGLA) is on a mission to permanently break the cycle of poverty for the county's most vulnerable neighbors: low-income families, students, veterans and people experiencing homelessness. UWGLA fights the root causes of poverty by preparing students for high school graduation, college, and the workforce; housing homeless neighbors; and guiding hard-working families towards economic mobility.

**COVID-19 Response:** United Way of Greater Los Angeles created the Pandemic Relief Fund to support L.A. County's unsheltered residents who are especially vulnerable to the coronavirus, and low-income individuals, students and families at imminent risk of homelessness and hardships due to health and economic impacts of coronavirus. The fund will:

- Support public health response to protect unsheltered residents and frontline organizations and individuals serving the most vulnerable with materials, medical supplies, and capital costs to reconfigure space at shelter sites.
- Prevent growth in homelessness due to economic impacts of coronavirus through targeted investments where jobs and wage reductions are disproportionately impacted (e.g. domestic workers, low-income entrepreneurs, day laborers).
- Provide support to low-income students and their families who require assistance with technology and other means to stay connected to their academic instructions and learning.

- **LAUSD's L.A. Students Most in Need**

**Operating Budget:** \$245 million (host organization, California Community Foundation)

**Contact:** Shannon Haber, LAUSD Chief Communications Officer,  
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**COVID-19 Response:** Hosted by CCF and launched by L.A. Unified School District's (LAUSD) Superintendent Austin Beutner, the L.A. Students Most in Need Fund will provide meals and urgently needed supplies for students and family members. The Fund will also address the digital divide, providing devices and digital libraries and books to enable students to continue learning during the crisis caused by COVID-19.

The Fund was seeded with \$750,000 by Anthony and Jeanne Pritzker Family Foundation, the Ballmer Group and Richard Lovett, president of Creative Arts Agency with additional support from Matthew McConaughey and Creative Artists Agency. Since launching 60 meal distribution centers are school sites across the district, the fund had already served more than 150,000 breakfast and lunch meals in only two days.



- **Mayor's Fund for Los Angeles**

**Operating Budget:** \$7 million (host organization)

**Contact:** Iliar Lita, Director of Programs, [ilir.lita@mayorsfundla.org](mailto:ilir.lita@mayorsfundla.org)

**About:** The Mayor's Fund for Los Angeles is a non-profit organization dedicated to improving life for all Angelenos. Uniquely positioned at the crossroads of local government, business, philanthropy, and the non-profit sector, the Fund facilitates the communication and collaboration vital to solving Los Angeles' most complex challenges. By leveraging the power of institutions and experts from across the city, the Fund helps create partnerships with the power to transform Los Angeles, making it a world leader in economic prosperity, efficiency, sustainability, and quality of life for all of its residents. The Fund selects programs on the basis of their ability to engage public and private resources, demonstrate collaboration, seek innovative solutions, and yield measurable, transformational impact.

**COVID-19 Response:** The City is taking action to prevent the spread of COVID-19 and protect its most vulnerable populations. Support is provided by the Mayor's Disaster Advisory Council (MDAC), a group of private-sector partners supporting fundraising for emergency response. The Mayor's Fund for Los Angeles' COVID-19 Response and Relief Fund will prioritize:

- Support for Families and Small Businesses—supplying childcare, meals, and other community resources for families, workers, and small businesses whose lives have been disrupted by the COVID-19 outbreak.
- Relief for Healthcare Workers—providing childcare services, counseling support, and other resources for the heroic healthcare workers on the front lines of this health crisis.
- Equipment for Health Response—supporting critical resources for hospitals and first responders, such as increased access to testing kits, personal protective equipment, and other supplies vital to ensuring the health and safety of Angelenos and those protecting them.
- Services for Unhoused Neighbors—providing emergency shelters, hygiene stations, and other solutions to meet the needs of the city's homeless population.
- Powering Real-Time Research—investing in research to better understand issues concerning infection, transmission, containment, and mitigation of COVID-19.

- **One Family LA, hosted by Great Public Schools Now**

**Operating Budget:** \$14 million (host organization)

**Contact:** Jason Song, Director of Communications, [jsong@greatpublicschoolsnow.org](mailto:jsong@greatpublicschoolsnow.org)

**About:** Great Public Schools Now (GPSN), an LA-based non-profit organization, serves as the convener of One Family LA and as a fiscal sponsor to collect donations and ensure that

donations go directly to families with no overhead. All partner organizations, including GPSN, are donating their existing resources to this effort. Partner organizations include, but are not limited to: KIPP SoCal Public Schools, California Charter Schools Association, Alliance for a Better Community, Innovate Public Schools, Green Dot Public Schools, Communities in Schools, and Education Leaders of Color.

**COVID-19 Response:** In response to the unprecedented and rapidly developing COVID-19 pandemic, more than 20 community-based organizations, education non-profits, and public schools have come together since March 16 to collectively raise funds to support one of Los Angeles's most vulnerable populations: its working families, who are disproportionately affected by the economic impacts of COVID-19. The fund, called One Family LA, will get money directly into the hands of families for their basic needs such as food, rent, medical and sanitizing supplies, gas and transportation, medical care, childcare, school supplies for distance learning, and clothing.

# New Orleans Resources

- **CrescentCare Health**

**Operating Budget:** \$44 million

**Contact:** Noel Twilbeck, Executive Director, [Noel.Twilbeck@CrescentCare.org](mailto:Noel.Twilbeck@CrescentCare.org)

**About:** CrescentCare's mission is to offer comprehensive health and wellness services to the community, to advocate empowerment, to safeguard the rights and dignity of individuals, and to provide for an enlightened public. CrescentCare Health Centers provide quality care to individuals, couples and families that seek a “medical home” where they can consistently go for care, with a particular focus on helping the underserved communities in Greater New Orleans.

**COVID-19 Response:** CrescentCare is a Coronavirus testing site and needs support in order to take care of those who test positive for the virus and are quarantined. Coronavirus is also stressing CrescentCare with financial burdens and unforeseen costs associated with screening and testing for coronavirus.

- **Greater New Orleans Foundation**

**Operating Budget:** \$30 million

**Contact:** Tyronne Walker, Vice President, Communications and Public Affairs, [tyronne@gnof.org](mailto:tyronne@gnof.org)

**About:** The Greater New Orleans Foundation (GNOF) dedicated to driving positive impact through philanthropy, leadership, and action in the Greater New Orleans Region. Established in 1923, GNOF has connected its donors and fund-holders with causes that they're passionate about to affect transformational change. GNOF also provides civic leadership within the Greater New Orleans region to help address some of the biggest challenges facing the community and improve the everyday lives of the people that live there.

**COVID-19 Response:** The Greater New Orleans Foundation has activated Disaster Response and Restoration Fund in response to the Coronavirus pandemic. The will mobilize and support a network of voluntary and community organizations active in disasters (VOADS and COADS) whose expertise is deployed locally, nationally and internationally. GNOF also honors the tradition of “paying it forward” by coordinating with a network of community foundations when disaster strikes other communities to get immediate support to the most vulnerable citizens. The Response and Restoration Fund provides immediate relief as well as long-term rebuilding support. When donating, note “Disaster” in the “Specify the Fund” box.

- **New Orleans Business Alliance**

**Operating Budget:** \$650 million

**Contact:** [info@NOLABA.org](mailto:info@NOLABA.org)

**About:** New Orleans Business Alliance (NOLABA) is a public-private coalition of business and civic leaders and serves as the official economic development organization for the City of New Orleans. As one of the few International Economic Development Council accredited

economic development organizations, NOLABA employs best practices in economic development to strengthen the New Orleans economy, and is the only economic development organization focused solely on growing the New Orleans economy.

**COVID-19 Relief Fund:** NOLABA has started a relief fund to meet the needs of gig economy workers who have been directly impacted via loss of income during the coronavirus crisis. Gig economy workers, which represent more than 8% of the workforce in Orleans Parish, are losing out on critical income due to distancing measures, directly impacting their livelihoods and family well-being. The Fund will help ensure that these workers are able to continue to be active participants in the economy. All funds held in the Relief Fund will be used to provide grants to eligible members of the gig economy.

- **Second Harvest Food Bank of Greater New Orleans and Acadiana**

**Operating Budget:** \$67 million

**Contact:** Heather Sweeney, [hsweeney@secondharvest.org](mailto:hsweeney@secondharvest.org)

**About:** Second Harvest Food Bank leads the fight against hunger in South Louisiana by providing food access, advocacy, education, and disaster response. Second Harvest provides food and support to 700+ community partners and programs across 23 parishes. Through its food distribution programs, community kitchen meal service, nutrition education, and public benefits assistance, Second Harvest is able to distribute the equivalent of more than 32 million meals to 210,000+ people a year.

**COVID-19 Response:** In response to the current crisis, Second Harvest Food Bank has seen major impacts to seniors, children, and low-income workers in the service industry. Donations will help Second Harvest Food Bank in their emergency response and continued readiness.

- **Youth Empowerment Project (YEP)**

**Operating Budget:** \$3.6 million

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**About:** YEP is the largest, most comprehensive organization in the Greater New Orleans Area addressing the needs of vulnerable youth. YEP's current programming includes an array of community-based education, mentoring, employment readiness and enrichment offerings.

**COVID-19 Response:** In order to continue serving its young people, YEP has developed modified service delivery plans to continue providing critical services to its participants. YEP has already begun coordinating home internet access and online HiSET instruction, conducting daily check-ins to assess needs and connect families to resources, and providing phone and video mentoring. Donations will help ensure that YEP is able to continue offering its services.

# New York City Resources

- **Bowery Resident's Committee (BRC)**

**Operating Budget:** \$80 million

**Contact:** Shira Fisher, Chief Development Officer, [sfisher@brc.org](mailto:sfisher@brc.org)

**About:** BRC is among New York City's leading nonprofit organizations providing caring and effective services and housing to vulnerable New Yorkers, serving more than 10,000 individuals each year. BRC operates 30 programs and services ranging from, outreach to the unsheltered homeless; transitional housing and shelter; permanent housing; substance abuse treatment; mental and physical health services; workforce development and senior services, throughout New York City.

**COVID-19 Response:** As the Covid-19 crisis continues, BRC remains resilient and present in meeting the needs of New York's most vulnerable. BRC staff is working within the community, conducting outreach to the unsheltered in our transit system, offering programming to those within our shelters, safe havens, and housing, supporting those experiencing disruptions in their ability to participate in the workforce, and providing critical health and mental health services to the thousands within our care. Donations will help support the continuity of BRC's operations during this unprecedented time.

- **Brooklyn Community Foundation**

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**Operating Budget:** \$7 million

**About:** Brooklyn Community Foundation is on a mission to spark lasting social change, mobilizing people, capital and expertise for a fair and just Brooklyn.

**Brooklyn COVID-19 Response Fund:** Brooklyn Community Foundation, in consultation with its community partners, has planned to issue grants to front-line service organizations that provide lifelines for vulnerable populations, meal delivery and daily living needs for homebound neighbors, support for low-wage workers who may experience food insecurity, loss of wages, and limited access to healthcare and paid sick leave, as well as other emerging needs.

- **City Harvest**

**Contact:** Jilly Stephens, CEO, [jilly@cityharvest.org](mailto:jilly@cityharvest.org)

**Operating Budget:** \$136 million

**About:** City Harvest exists to end hunger in communities throughout New York City through food rescue and distribution, education, and other practical, innovative solutions.



**COVID-19 Response:** To meet increased need due to Coronavirus, City Harvest is working to maintain operations and keep trucks on the road, is responding in real time and communicating with partner community food programs, and keeping their nine Mobile Markets open. Donations will keep shelves at soup kitchens and food pantries stocked with nutritious food. Through April 17, its Board of Directors is matching every \$1 donated with \$2 of their own.

- **Coalition for the Homeless**

**Contact:** Sarah Murphy, Director of Development, [smurphy@cfthomeless.org](mailto:smurphy@cfthomeless.org)

**Operating Budget:** \$12 million

**About:** The Coalition for the Homeless is the nation's oldest advocacy and direct service organization helping homeless men, women and children. It believes that affordable housing, sufficient food and the chance to work for a living wage are fundamental rights in a civilized society. Since its inception in 1981, the Coalition has worked through litigation, public education and direct services to ensure that these goals are realized. Every day, the Coalition for the Homeless helps more than 3,500 people who are suffering in extreme poverty, and in its more than 35 year history, has given more than 1 million people a way off the streets.

**COVID-19 Response:** Homeless New Yorkers are particularly vulnerable to COVID-19, as they have much higher rates of serious underlying health problems, generally lack access to quality health care, and have no way to self-quarantine. The Coalition for the Homeless is doing all they can to support those in need during this crisis. The Coalition's Grand Central Food Program, which distributes nutritional meals and other emergency items to 1,000 people on the street each and every night, will continue operations. In addition, the Crisis Hotline and permanent housing programs will continue to remain open. The Coalition for the Homeless will remain operational during this crisis, but is greatly in need of support due to the current economic crisis combined and the cancelation of fundraising.

- **Food Bank for NYC**

**Contact:** Alexandra St. Charles, Director of Institutional Giving, [astcharles@foodbanknyc.org](mailto:astcharles@foodbanknyc.org)

**Operating Budget:** \$67 million

**About:** The mission of the Food Bank for New York City is to end hunger by organizing food, information and support for community survival, empowerment, and dignity.

**COVID-19 Response:** As New York City's leading hunger-relief organization, Food Bank is providing emergency food to vulnerable New Yorkers who may be quarantined, out of school, or negatively impacted by the economic downturn.

- **Hebrew Free Loan Society**

**Contact:** Joshua Torres, Executive/Development Assistant, [jtorres@hfsls.org](mailto:jtorres@hfsls.org)

**Operating Budget:** \$2 million

**About:** The Hebrew Free Loan Society (HFLS) fosters economic self-sufficiency and stability among New Yorkers in need through interest-free lending. HFLS loans make an immediate, concrete difference in the lives of its borrowers, enabling them to invest in their education, start a business, meet emergency Budget, and more. Their work is the 21st century expression of an ancient Jewish tradition that sees helping people become financially independent as the highest form of charity.

**Coronavirus Financial Impact Loan Program:** This program provides interest-free loans of \$2,000-\$5,000 to residents of New York City's five boroughs, Westchester, or Long Island who are facing financial challenges caused by the Coronavirus outbreak. These loans are intended to address lost wages, childcare costs, small business losses, canceled study abroad programs, and medical costs.

- **The New York Community Trust**

**Contact:** Ms. Amy Wolf, Senior Communications Officer, [aw@nyct-cfi.org](mailto:aw@nyct-cfi.org)

**Operating Expenses:** \$194 million

**About:** The New York Community Trust is a grantmaking foundation dedicated to improving the lives of residents of New York City and its suburbs. The Trust brings together individuals, families, foundations, and businesses to build a better community and supports nonprofits that make a difference.

**COVID-19 Response:** The New York Community Trust has created a response fund to aid nonprofit service providers struggling with the health and economic effects of the coronavirus. It will give grants and loans to NYC-based nonprofits that are trying to meet the new and urgent needs that are hitting the city. Priority will be given to nonprofits addressing essential healthcare and food insecurity as well as arts and culture, because New York is the cultural capital of the nation. Grants will help organizations pay for protective equipment, cleaning supplies, technological assistance, and support for financial losses.

- **Nonprofit Finance Fund**

**Contact:** Alex Chan, Associate Director, [AChan@nff.org](mailto:AChan@nff.org)

**Operating Budget:** \$23 million

**About:** Nonprofit Finance Fund (NFF) unlocks the potential of mission-driven organizations through tailored investments, strategic advice and accessible insights. Founded in 1980, NFF helps organizations connect money to mission effectively, and supports innovations such as growth capital campaigns, cross-sector economic recovery initiatives and impact investing.

**COVID-19 Response:** NFF is providing no-interest loans to New York City nonprofit organizations working in the human services, with particular interest in those supporting essential healthcare, food delivery, homeless services, workforce development, educational support, and early childhood education, and arts and culture. Grant support will help NFF expand its emergency loan fund and provide new financial tools and virtual consulting services to nonprofits in NY and around the country.

- **Queens Community House**

**Operating Budget:** \$19 million

**Budget:** Dennis Redmond, Chief Strategy Officer, [dredmond@qchnyc.org](mailto:dredmond@qchnyc.org)

**About:** Queens Community House (QCH) is a multi-site, multi-service settlement house that serves the diverse neighborhoods of Queens. QCH serves residents of all ages, races, faiths, and ethnicities and offers a broad network of comprehensive services at 32 sites in 14 Queens Neighborhoods. QCH takes a holistic approach and recognizes the interconnected relationship between housing, health, employment, education, self-esteem, and financial wellbeing, and ensures all participants in every program have access to a full range of resources to help them achieve wellness and life-long security.

**COVID-19 Response:** In this time of crisis, Queens Community House is modifying its services to continue providing quality programming and meeting the needs of the most vulnerable community members. Every donation makes a difference and can provide:

- \$1,000 provides hot meals for 5 home-bound seniors for a year
- \$500 secures 2 years of housing for a family facing eviction
- \$250 provides 7 weeks of English classes for a recently arrived immigrant adult
- \$200 supports a bag of groceries to 20 families in need through the food pantry
- \$50 provides 30 children in the After School Program with art supplies

- **Robin Hood**

**Contact:** [info@robinhood.org](mailto:info@robinhood.org)

**Operating Budget:** \$142 million

**About:** Robin Hood is New York's largest poverty-fighting organization, providing 200 of the best non-profits with financial, real estate, and management support. Because the board covers 100% of all administrative costs, every dollar donated goes to organizations helping New Yorkers in need.

**COVID-19 Relief Fund:** The Robin Hood Relief fund has been re-activated for the third time in Robin Hood history to address Coronavirus and related effects. The fund will support the work of New York's top social service organizations that are on the front lines of this crisis supporting New York's under-resourced and vulnerable communities. Robin Hood will be providing support to nonprofit organizations in two areas of relief response:

1. General operating support to continue to run their organizations and provide services
2. Emergency cash assistance provided to individuals in need as identified through its community partners

Robin Hood will also continue to collaborate with its partners and the community to speak out to protect the disadvantaged while ensuring that community-based organizations can rely on public funding to continue their critical operations. Robin Hood will continue sharing resources, hosting virtual convening and connecting with the community as it adapts and evolves in a time of crisis.

- **Women in Need (Win)**

**Operating Budget:** \$84 million

**Contact:** [info@winnyc.org](mailto:info@winnyc.org)

**About:** Win is the largest provider of family shelter and supportive housing in New York City, running 11 shelters and more than 300 supportive housing units throughout the city. Win offers transitional shelter housing and permanent supportive housing that's coupled with programs and services developed to support long-term housing stability. All of Win's services are guided by its mission—to transform the lives of New York City homeless women and their children by providing the safe housing, critical services, and the ground-breaking programs they need to succeed on their own—so the women can regain their independence and their children can look forward to a brighter future.

**COVID-19 Response:** Win is kindly asking donors and community partners to make in-kind donations via Amazon wish lists. The wish lists have been compiled in close collaboration with onsite staff to provide Win's families exactly what they need, and will be updated periodically based on changing needs. Purchasing items directly from the lists ensures that items are delivered directly to the shelter.

# Rural America Resources

- **[Arkansas Community Foundation](#)**

**Operating Budget:** \$46 million

**Contact:** [arcf@arcf.org](mailto:arcf@arcf.org)

**About:** Arkansas Community Foundation is a nonprofit organization that promotes smart giving to improve communities. The Community Foundation offers tools to help Arkansans protect, grow and direct their charitable dollars as they learn more about community needs. By making grants and sharing knowledge, the Community Foundation supports charitable programs that work for Arkansas and partners with others to create new initiatives that address the gaps.

**COVID-19 Relief Fund:** Arkansas Community Foundation has established a statewide COVID-19 Relief Fund. In the short term, the fund will provide rapid-response grants to nonprofit organizations working on the front lines. This critical funding will enable them to maintain operations and support the increased demand for services. In the intermediate term, the fund will focus on addressing the ongoing economic needs of Arkansans affected by the pandemic and shoring up critical systems in our state, such as healthcare, emergency food distribution, schools, etc.

- **[Christian Appalachian Project](#)**

**Operating Budget:** \$120 million

**Contact:** Lauren Bell, Philanthropy Recruitment Manager, [lbell@chrisapp.org](mailto:lbell@chrisapp.org)

**About:** Christian Appalachian Project's provides basic needs and services for children, their families, and seniors living in unimaginable poverty in Appalachia. Christian Appalachian Project operates 16 human service programs in 11 counties across 13 Appalachian states through the distribution of food and durable goods through their Operation Sharing Program.

**COVID-19 Response:** In response to COVID-19, Christian Appalachian Project is raising money to keep food pantry shelves stocked across Appalachia. Donations will help to provide urgently needed food and critical care to the poorest families in Appalachia.

- **[Community Foundation of the Ozarks](#)**

**Operating Budget:** \$22 million

**Contact:** Louise Knauer, Chief Operating Officer, [lknauer@cfozarks.org](mailto:lknauer@cfozarks.org)

**About:** The mission of Community Foundation of the Ozark's (CFO) mission is to enhance the quality of life in the region through resource development, community grantmaking, collaboration and public leadership.

**COVID-19 Response & Recovery Fund:** The Community Foundation of the Ozarks, Community Partnership of the Ozarks and United Way of the Ozarks are working together to convene nonprofit agency partners and coordinate the nonprofit community's response to the COVID-19 outbreak in Springfield and Greene County. Grants to the fund will support

nonprofit agencies in providing services for vulnerable populations affected by the coronavirus outbreak and in supporting their long-term throughout the recovery process.

- **Community Foundation of Western North Carolina**

**Operating Budget:** \$20 million

**Contact:** Ms. Lindsay Hearn, Communications Director, [hearn@cfwnc.org](mailto:hearn@cfwnc.org)

**About:** The Community Foundation of Western North Carolina inspires philanthropy and mobilizes resources to enrich lives and communities in Western North Carolina. CFWNC was established in 1978 to build a permanent pool of charitable capital for the 18 counties of Western North Carolina. CFWNC works with individuals, families and corporations to create and manage charitable funds and make grants to nonprofits or public agencies in the region.

**Emergency and Disaster Response Fund:** CFWNC's Emergency and Disaster Response Fund (EDRF) is supporting nonprofit organizations serving individuals and families whose needs have been exacerbated by the COVID-19 pandemic. Through this fund, CFWNC, regional funding partners, businesses and individuals are joining together to quickly provide effective and flexible resources for immediate and urgent needs.

- **Foundation for the Carolinas**

**Operating Budget:** \$435 million

**Contact:** Mrs. Alyssa Federico, VP—Finance, [afederico@fftc.org](mailto:afederico@fftc.org)

**About:** Foundation for The Carolinas serves as a catalyst for philanthropic activity and as a driver for major civic efforts in the Carolinas 13-county region. The foundation offers unique solutions that help individuals, nonprofits and companies bring their charitable visions to life. FFTC supports personal and corporate philanthropy through a range of innovative fund and giving options. FFTC also drives nonprofit sustainability through endowment management, customized solutions and grantmaking.

**COVID-19 Response Fund:** The COVID-19 Response Fund, a partnership between United Way of Central Carolinas and Foundation for The Carolinas, will support a range of nonprofits assisting the people most affected by the coronavirus pandemic. Importantly, this fund will help not just those who get sick but also those who are economically impacted. The initial round of awards was distributed as direct grants to ensure rapid funding for organizations on the front lines meeting basic needs for those affected by the pandemic: food, shelter, housing and emergency financial assistance.

- **Project C.U.R.E**

**Operating Budget:** \$69 million

**Contact:** Liz Murphy, Grants Manager, [lizmurphy@projectcure.org](mailto:lizmurphy@projectcure.org)

**About:** Project C.U.R.E. bridges health resource gaps across the world by matching medical supplies and modern equipment with facilities in need to empower doctors and nurses with the tools they need to treat disease, deliver vaccines, perform life-changing surgeries and ensure safe childbirth. While Project C.U.R.E.'s mission is to strengthen health systems in under-resourced countries, their first priority is to the United States. Project C.U.R.E. is already working with local EMS in the C.U.R.E. communities of Colorado, Tennessee, Texas, Arizona, Illinois, and Pennsylvania where they operate distribution warehouses.



**COVID-19 Response:** Project C.U.R.E. is making its resources available to the hospitals and first responders in the C.U.R.E. Communities of Denver, Nashville, Phoenix, Houston, Philadelphia, Kansas City, and Chicago. Project C.U.R.E is donating all of its masks, gloves, PPE's and other items needed to fight COVID19 to the brave men and women on the front lines of this fight in our communities here in the U.S. At this critical time, Project C.U.R.E. is being asked to step up as never before and needs help now more than ever. A donation of \$25 will sponsor a box of medical supplies, and a contribution of \$500 could sponsor an entire pallet.

- **Rural Local Initiatives Support Corporation (LISC)**

**Operating Budget:** \$146 million

**Contact:** Ms. Meghan Kyle-Miller, [mkmiller@lisc.org](mailto:mkmiller@lisc.org)

**About:** Together with residents and partners, LISC forges resilient and inclusive communities of opportunity across America—great places to live, work, visit, do business and raise families. LISC was first conceived in 1979 by the Ford Foundation as a nimble non-profit that would connect hard-to-tap public and private resources with underinvested places and people working to access opportunities every one of us deserves. Through 35 local offices, a rural program that reaches more than 2,100 counties in 45 states, and LISC-founded affiliates and entities, LISC work with a vast network of community-based partners to make investments in housing, businesses, jobs, education, safety and health.

**LISC Rapid Relief & Resiliency Fund:** The LISC Rapid Relief and Resiliency Fund will inject much-needed, flexible resources into historically under-invested communities. These are the places that are suffering most from the economic fallout gripping the nation due to the COVID-19 pandemic. To assist small businesses to stay afloat and to support community organizations to meet unprecedented client demand, the LISC Fund will provide grants and patient, flexible loan capital to meet expenses such as rent and utilities, payroll, outstanding debt, technology upgrades for remote delivery of services, and emergency cash assistance.

# Seattle Resources

- **ArtsFund**

**Contact:** Sue Coliton, interim President & CEO, [suecoliton@artsfund.org](mailto:suecoliton@artsfund.org)

**Operating Budget:** \$4 million

**About:** ArtsFund strengthens the community by supporting the arts in King and Pierce Counties through leadership, advocacy and grant-making. ArtsFund's grants provide general operating support—typically the most difficult yet critical funding for arts groups to access.

**COVID-19 Response:** ArtsFund, in collaboration with the arts and culture community and its supporters, is creating the Covid-19 Arts Emergency Relief Fund to provide unrestricted general operating grants to arts organizations. The fund is designed to provide short-term relief in the form of unrestricted one-time emergency funding to meet immediate needs, including payroll and occupancy costs.

The ArtsFund Foundation has seeded the fund with \$1 million. Additional gifts have pushed to total to almost \$1.5 million, and partners hope to grow the fund over the next few weeks. A group of external advisors from the arts community will help develop grant-making policies and make decisions on providing immediate relief so organizations can retain the core functions and staff they need to reopen when possible. Ongoing fundraising will continue to support for additional rounds of grants as the longer-term impacts become known and arts and culture organizations begin their recovery efforts.

- **Big Table**

**Contact:** Kristi Trainer, Operations and Development Coordinator, [kristi@big-table.com](mailto:kristi@big-table.com)

**Operating Budget:** \$800,000

**About:** Big Table is a nonprofit organization that cares for the restaurant and hospitality industry in Seattle, Spokane, and San Diego by building community around shared meals and caring for those in crisis, transition or falling through the cracks.

**COVID-19 Response:** Big Table is providing resources for hospitality employees and helping provide money for restaurant workers affected by the crisis to pay rent. Big Table is utilizing its existing referral system to offer support to an expansive network of hospitality workers. The group only takes referral requests from managers, owners or other employees and customers submitting an urgent need for workers they know.

- **El Centro de la Raza**

**Contact:** June Liu, Donor Relations Coordinator, [jliu@elcentrodelaraza.org](mailto:jliu@elcentrodelaraza.org)

**Operating Budget:** \$8 million

**About:** As an organization grounded in the Latino community, El Centro de la Raza's mission is to build unity across all racial and economic sectors; to organize, empower and defend the most vulnerable and marginalized populations; and to bring justice, dignity, equality and freedom to all the peoples of the world.

**COVID-19 Response:** The Emergency Respond Fund will help El Centro de la Raza continue to provide as many of their 43 programs and services as possible. This includes the food bank, child development centers, meals for the elderly and scholarship assistance.

- **FareStart**

**Contact:** info@farestart.org

**Operating Budget:** \$19 million

**About:** FareStart provides job training programs that transform homelessness, poverty and hunger into human potential.

**COVID-19 Response:** Fare Start is continuing to support students with housing, meals, counseling and other services. They are also working to extend support to former FareStart graduates who have been laid off due to this crisis. In response to emerging community demands, FareStart is rapidly increasing community meal production to deliver nutritious meals to shelters, quarantine and isolation centers, and other facilities housing those most at-risk for COVID-19. Fare Start has had to shut down their catering, restaurants and cafes, which provide FareStart with 40% of their revenue, making donations more crucial than ever.

- **The Seattle Foundation**

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**Operating Budget:** \$137 million

**About:** Seattle Foundation strengthens the health and vitality of its community by connecting generous people with well-informed philanthropic strategies.

**COVID-19 Response:** Hosted by the Seattle Foundation, the COVID-19 Response Fund will provide flexible resources to nonprofit organizations working with communities who are disproportionately impacted by coronavirus and the economic consequences of the outbreak. The fund is designed to complement the work of public health officials and expand local capacity to address all aspects of the outbreak as efficiently as possible.

Working with United Way of King County, King County's Pandemic Community Advisory Group and the Response Fund's philanthropy, government and business partners, the Seattle Foundation will administer rapid-response, one-time general operating groups to address:

- Economic impact of reduced and lost work due to the outbreak,
- Immediate needs of economically vulnerable populations caused by closures and cancellations related to the outbreak,

- Increased demand for medical information and support,
- Fear and confusion about the outbreak among the region's most vulnerable residents.

100% of donations will go to community groups and leaders on the ground as the Seattle Foundation is covering the cost of approximately 10 staff leading this effort. The Response Fund will shift gears from immediate resources for triage to recovery resources for community resilience, if needed throughout the course of the outbreak. The Response Fund is committed to prioritizing the communities most impacted.

- **Seattle Chinatown International District Preservation and Development Authority**  
**Contact:** Joseph Guanlao, Development & Communication Manager, [joseph@scidpda.org](mailto:joseph@scidpda.org)  
**Operating Budget:** \$275,000

**About:** The Seattle Chinatown International District Preservation and Development Authority (SCIDpda) is a community development organization whose mission is to preserve, promote and develop the Seattle Chinatown International District (CID) as a vibrant community and unique ethnic neighborhood. SCIDpda is a leading force for the economic health of Seattle's Chinatown International District, implementing strategies that range from support for individual businesses to marketing the entire neighborhood's lively retail and cultural environment to promoting community improvements and public safety.

**COVID-19 Response:** The CID Restaurants and other Small Businesses Relief Fund—managed and disbursed by the Chinatown International District Business Improvement Area, Friends of Little Saigon and the Seattle Chinatown International District Preservation and Development Authority—will give direct dollars to the small businesses in the CID to help them mitigate the impacts of this pandemic.

The fund was seeded by a generous \$100,000 donation from Vulcan. This initial contribution will focus on restaurants in the neighborhood, which have seen a severe decline in business since early February. Additional donations raised by this fund will continue to be distributed directly to small businesses in the CID as it continues to learn the impacts of this situation on its neighborhood. 100% of the seed money from Vulcan and your individual donations will go directly to small businesses.

# South Florida Resources

- **Community Foundation for Palm Beach and Martin Counties**

**Contact:** Vicki Pugh, Vice President for Philanthropic Giving, [vpugh@cfpbmc.org](mailto:vpugh@cfpbmc.org)

**Operating Budget:** \$14 million

**About:** Together with its donors, the Community Foundation for Palm Beach and Martin Counties (CFPBMC) serves as the leading catalyst for building vibrant communities through meaningful philanthropy. CFPBMC does this by connecting donors to community needs and causes that are meaningful to them; investing charitable dollars prudently to achieve lasting results and leading collaborative solutions to community issues.

**COVID-19 Response:** CFPBMC initiated a COVID-19 Response Fund and funders collaborative, working together with other philanthropists and funders in the area to ensure no nonprofit organization is left out of critical funding and that no nonprofit is “over funded.” Community Foundation has conducted a comprehensive assessment to identify critical real-time needs as well as longer-term recovery challenges. Foundation staff is working to quickly deploy grants to organizations providing food, computers for distance learning, housing assistance, and access to health care as they respond to the global crisis. Longer-term needs are being researched for future funding.

The Community Foundation is also part of a COVID-19 grant-making consortium that is coordinating grants to local nonprofit organizations responding to and/or affected by the pandemic, specific to Martin County. As we join with the United Way of Palm Beach County, Children’s Services Council, Allegheny Franciscan Foundation, Quantum Foundation, Bank of America and Lost Tree Village Charitable Foundation, approximately \$4 million has been made available.

- **Farm Share**

**Contact:** Dennis Maytan, Chief Operating Officer, [Dennis@farmshare.org](mailto:Dennis@farmshare.org)

**Operating Budget:** \$104 million

**About:** Farm Share was established in 1991 based on the simple idea to distribute fresh food free of charge to families, children, seniors and individuals in need throughout Florida. This simple but innovative idea has now grown into an organization that feeds millions of people and distributes more than 88 million pounds of healthy and nutritious food annually.

**COVID-19 Response:** Farm Share has promised to ensure Floridians remain fed as workers continue to be laid off and children are forced to stay home from school—where two meals a day would normally be served. With shoppers hoarding during the COVID-19 pandemic, it makes it difficult for low-income families to find necessities, like food, toiletries, cleaning

supplies and more. Donations can be made via [FarmShare.org](https://www.farmshare.org) or by texting “EAT” to 41-444.

Farm Share is prepared to support hungry families and individuals during this time of need and uncertainty by hosting drive-thru food and grocery distributions. Recipients should expect to receive fresh produce, nonperishable canned goods, proteins and bottled waters. Farm Share has also partnered with Lyft for those who may be wishing to attend these drive-through events but lack a way to drive themselves. Lyft will offer to pick up one individual per household and give a credit for rides up to \$25. The offer is currently valid for rides taken through the end of April.

- **[Feeding South Florida](#)**

**Contact:** Sari Vatske, VP of Community Relations, [svatske@feedingsouthflorida.org](mailto:svatske@feedingsouthflorida.org)  
**Operating Budget:** \$99 million

**About:** Feeding South Florida's mission is to end hunger in South Florida by providing immediate access to nutritious food, leading hunger and poverty advocacy efforts, and transforming lives through innovative programming and education. Feeding South Florida serves 25% of Florida's food insecure population.

**COVID-19 Response:** To help provide food and services to all who need it during this rapidly evolving and unprecedented time of increased need, Feeding South Florida launched a COVID-19 Response Fund. Thanks to the generosity of Ultimate Software, Inc. and other friends, donations will be matched dollar for dollar up to \$250,000.

- **[The Miami Foundation](#)**

**Contact:** Janell Kaplan, Senior Director of Development, [jkaplan@miamifoundation.org](mailto:jkaplan@miamifoundation.org)  
**Operating Budget:** \$61 million

**About:** Established in 1967, The Miami Foundation is the foundation for people who are passionate about Miami. The Miami Foundation connects that passion with efforts to enhance quality of life for everyone who calls Miami home through civic leadership, community investment and philanthropy.

**COVID-19 Response:** The Miami Foundation seeded and launched the [Community Recovery Fund](#) to provide critical help to Miami-Dade nonprofits whose operations are severely impacted and supports their long-term recovery, resilience and financial stability. The Miami Foundation has seeded the Fund with a \$300,000 contribution. To support Miami-Dade County's vital network of nonprofit institutions and the residents they serve, [click here to give now](#).

- **[SOBEWFF & FIU Chaplin School Hospitality Industry Relief Fund](#)**

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**Operating Budget:** Not applicable (newly launched fund)



**About:** The Food Network & Cooking Channel South Beach Wine & Food Festival presented by Capital One (SOBEWFF®) is a national, star-studded, five-day destination event showcasing the talents of the world's most renowned wine and spirits producers, chefs and culinary personalities. Historically, all proceeds from the Festival benefit the Florida International University (FIU) Chaplin School of Hospitality & Tourism Management.

**COVID-19 Response:** The Food Network & Cooking Channel South Beach Wine & Food Festival presented by Capital One (SOBEWFF®) launched the SOBEWFF® & FIU Chaplin School Hospitality Industry Relief Fund to provide immediate financial support to independently owned and operated restaurants and bars impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic in Miami-Dade, Broward and Palm Beach counties. To support its relief efforts by contributing to the fund, [click here](#) or text FIUSOBEWFF to 41444 to donate.

Grants will be provided to independently owned and operated restaurants and bars that have had to temporarily cease operations, lay off employees or whose businesses have been severely diminished due to locally mandated closure orders. Financial support will enable those owners to provide continuity of compensation and other benefits to employees who have been furloughed, laid off or whose incomes have been significantly reduced due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The fund will initially support the hundreds of restaurants and bars that have participated at SOBEWFF® within the past five years. After that community has been served and as the fund continues to collect donations to finance local relief efforts, it will open up support to any independently owned and operated restaurant or bar in Miami-Dade, Broward and Palm Beach counties that have been negatively impacted by COVID-19-related shutdowns.

- **[South Florida Theatre League](#)**

**Contact:** Andie Arthur, Executive Director, [andie@southfloridatheatre.com](mailto:andie@southfloridatheatre.com)

**Operating Budget:** \$150,000

**About:** South Florida Theatre League is an alliance of theatrical organizations and professionals dedicated to nurturing, promoting and advocating for the growth and prestige of the South Florida theatre industry.

**COVID-19 Response:** The South Florida Theatre League has started a brand new program, The South Florida Theatre League Relief Fund, in light of how the COVID-19 pandemic has affected live theatre workers in South Florida. The purpose of the fund is to help theatre companies provide compensation to artists and other employees that had to be laid off because shows and events were canceled. To donate, [click here](#).

The League is seeding the fund with money that was originally budgeted for their annual Soiree, informally called the After Party, a major networking event that normally happens right at the end of the annual Carbonell Awards. The board hopes that between this funding and donations from people in the community, including those who have donated to the South Florida Theatre League before, that a sizable fund can be created for those in need.

The application process will be for theatre companies only with the intent for them to pay laid-off artists and other employees during this epidemic. The board of the League and executive director Andie Arthur are currently putting it together and will release it once there is a sizable fund to allocate for this purpose.

- **United Way of Miami-Dade**

**Contact:** Norie Del Valle, Senior VP of Development, [delvalle@unitedwaymiami.org](mailto:delvalle@unitedwaymiami.org)

**Operating Budget:** \$62 million

**About:** Since 1924, United Way of Miami-Dade has been an innovative force in the community, successfully responding to emerging needs and transforming people's lives. Today ITS work is focused on education, financial stability and health—the building blocks for a good life. United Way of Miami-Dade invests in quality programs, advocates for better policies, engages people in the community and generates resources.

**COVID-19 Response:** The United Way of Miami-Dade [Miami Pandemic Response Fund](#), in partnership with the Miami Herald/el Nuevo Herald, The Miami Foundation and other supporters, will focus on working through a network of nonprofits to provide immediate, direct financial assistance to families. Specifically, the fund will support struggling families with emergency needs including rent/mortgage assistance, food and medication as well as issue microgrants to small businesses.

Support is accomplished through Operation Helping Hands, a platform for bringing collective efforts together to begin to address the short-term impacts on vulnerable families and small businesses as well as build long-term economic resilience in Miami-Dade. Partners include a philanthropic funder collaborative as well as participating corporate organizations.