

GRANT GUIDELINES AND APPLICATION PROCEDURES

GUIDELINES

The United Way of Central Virginia COVID-19 Response and Recovery Fund was established to support human service nonprofit organizations that are successfully responding through community-based programs to the needs of individuals affected by the COVID-19 pandemic and its economic consequences. The first round of grants were awarded in May to 20 nonprofit organizations for amounts up to \$2,000 to primarily address emergency needs such as food, shelter, health, safety, and childcare.

We are now in the process of releasing a second round of funding. With the uncertainty of how long this pandemic will last and how the community will continue to be affected, we are looking to fund projects that provide the greatest impact during the Fall and Winter of 2020. We will be funding fewer projects but the target will be \$5,000. Depending on the application, a project may be funded at a higher level.

Thanks to the release of some federal, state, and local funds we believe that resources will be more readily available to cover emergency needs such as food, utility assistance and P.P.E. The United Way of Central Virginia will also be distributing P.P.E. materials to nonprofit agencies in Central Virginia soon. These materials were purchased with a donation from one of our community business partners.

With that in mind we are looking to fund a limited number of projects. Priority will be given to projects which meet the needs individuals in the counties of Amherst, Appomattox, Bedford, Campbell and the City of Lynchburg and that:

- Address the “digital divide” and provide children and youth greater access to educational content and/or curricula.
- Address the isolation of seniors who are sheltering in place and have little or no human contact.
- Increase the capacity to serve additional clients beyond those your agency typically serves. Specific examples of new client demographics required.
- Increases the safety of your facility to minimize COVID-19 exposure risk to clients, guests, and staff.
- Address the need to provide daycare to disadvantaged working parents who need safe, quality day care during working hours and/or during after school hours.
- Provide innovative approaches to address job loss or new skills training leading to employment during COVID-19.

This is a competitive grant process and resources are limited.

ELIGIBILITY

In order to be eligible for a grant, nonprofit organizations must:

- Provide proof of existing/current 501(c)(3) tax status. (Current United Way of Central Virginia Funded Partner Agencies are exempt due to existing information on file.)
- Be in **current** operation (cannot have ceased operations due to COVID-19) and located within the aforementioned service areas.
- Comply to requests for information, including grant outcome reports.

PROCEDURES

- Nonprofit organizations seeking support must complete the following application in its entirety.
- A final report on all funded projects shall be required by 12/31/2020
- Agencies will be notified of funding decisions by email.
- If prefer direct deposit, please email tina.stanley@unitedwaycv.org the following: Banking Institution Name, Routing Number, and Account Number.
- Any questions or concerns can be directed to: Joan Phelps at unitedwaycv.org
- Deadline: September 15, 2020. Please email completed grant applications to Joan Phelps at Joan.Phelps@unitedwaycv.org.

United Way of Central Virginia COVID-19 Funding Application

Organization Name:

Mailing Address:

Contact Phone Number:

Name of Contact for Grant Funds and Outcome Report:

Email:

Employer Identification Number:

Amount Requested:

If awarded a grant, do you prefer funds to be delivered by direct deposit or check by mail?
See Grant Guidelines and Application Procedures for direct deposit information.

Additional Information

1. Briefly describe the services or project your organization is providing or will provide in response to COVID-19, and explain the need for these services over the Fall/Winter of 2020. Include specific examples of what is or will be done and/or what is needed.
2. Briefly describe what the requested funds will be used for.

Additional items to attach:

1. Project Budget
2. W-9 and 501c3 Letter (non-UWCV partner agencies only)