United Way of Central Ohio

COVID-19 Community Response Fund – Round 1

Approved Requests - March 30, 2020

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| **Organization** | **Purpose Statement** | **Approved Amount** |
| Action for Children | To create and distribute 1,500 Columbus Cares Kid Kits for under-resourced families using local Nationwide Children’s Hospital Close to Home locations.  | $10,000 |
| Alvis | To support operation expenses and rental assistance for clients unable to pay rent. | $20,000 |
| Catholic Social Services | To offset the costs to procure computers to sustain the social work efforts of the organization. | $10,000 |
| Charitable Pharmacy | To support additional short-term professional staff, to purchase medication, protective equipment, thermometers, and to temporarily install two tents for triage. | $15,000 |
| Columbus Early Learning Centers | To support the increased cost of cleaning supplies and to meet payroll and benefits for employees across all childcare center sites. | $20,000 |
| Community Shelter Board | To help underwrite the operation of the temporary 40 West Long St. Shelter facility, including food, housing and shelter for 200 men. | $50,000 |
| Direction for Youth and Families | to provide payroll for staff delivering needed counseling services to families and for food to provide meals. | $20,000 |
| DOMA (Freedom a la Cart) | To keep workforce development participants engaged and pivot to providing sack meals to victims and survivors of human trafficking. | $8,000 |
| Furniture Bank of Central Ohio | To provide furniture to 200 families in need typically funded through surplus from thrift store operations. | $10,000 |
| Legal Aid | To maintain staff attorneys to meet increased demand.  | $20,000 |
| LifeCare Alliance | To support the increased numbers of seniors receiving home delivery of meals. | $50,000 |
| Lutheran Social Services | To support the Champion Avenue food pantry including increased cost with maintaining stricter sanitation standards.  | $20,000 |
| NNEMAP | To support additional staff payroll and cover increased food costs. | $10,000 |
| South Side Early Learning | To provide Care Kits to families and provide support to meet staff costs and needs.  | $20,000 |
| Star House | To support food and clothing costs due to stricter sanitation standards as well as to supplemental transportation to essential services. | $10,000 |
| YMCA | To provide essential services, operations and programming. | $50,000 |
| YWCA | To meet payroll for essential services at the pandemic child care, homeless center and permanent supportive housing. | $30,000 |

**Total Invested Round 1 – COVID Community Response Fund Grants: $373,000**

United Way of Central Ohio

COVID-19 Community Response Fund – Round 2

Approved Requests - April 13, 2020

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| **Organization** | **Purpose Statement** | **Approved Amount** |
| Alvis |

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| To support increased staff salaries due to the addition of clinical case manager to provide virtual support to 125 families in the “After Alvis” program. |

 | $15,000 |
| American Red Cross |

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| To support increased expenses related to safety measures for American Red Cross clients, volunteers and staff, all of which have increased due to COVID-19. |

 | $25,000 |
| Catholic Social Services | To meet the increased food expenses of serving more families more food, increased price of food, and operational needs of the Our Lady of Guadalupe Center Food Pantry. | $10,000 |
| Central Community House | To meet the increased costs of youth and family supportive services, delivering supplies and resources to families, senior weekly wellness checks and increased staff time due to volunteers now staying home. | $25,000 |
| Charitable Pharmacy | To fund increased staffing needs due to sidelining of volunteers and medication inventory needs not covered through donated medication. | $15,000 |
| City Year | To support AmeriCorps members with food and supplies, stipends and health benefits. | $15,000 |
| Clintonville Community Resource Center | To provide 3 days of shelf-stable food for both pick-up and delivery, established of “friendly phone line” to support people dealing with isolation and Necessity Boxes of household supplies. | $20,000 |
| Community Development for All People | To support operations and staffing costs for our Healthy Eating and Living (HEAL) program and the All People's Fresh Market. | $10,000 |
| Community Kitchen, Inc. | To sustain core operational infrastructure and shifting from prepared to grab-and-go meals. | $3,200 |
| Community Shelter Board | To support slowing the spread of COVID-19 among emergency shelter populations and caring for people experiencing homelessness who need isolation and quarantine. | $50,000 |
| EthiopianTewahedo  Social Services  | To support the creation and distribution of multi-lingual materials through diverse channels to provide pertinent COVID-19 information and support services for Immigrants and Refugees in central Ohio. | $10,000 |
| Gladden Community House | To support emergency supplemental support for basic and essential services through Gladden Food Pantry. | $21,500 |
| Goodwill  | To support PPE and sanitation supplies for Goodwill Columbus Direct Support Professionals who provide residential care services to individuals with disabilities. | $15,000 |
| Huckleberry House | To support Telehealth, cleaning and protective equipment. | $20,000 |
| LifeCare Alliance | To provide critical health and nutrition services to seniors and individuals with an existing medical challenge. | $25,000 |
| Local Matters | To respond to urgent issues of food access and insecurity with mobile, no-contact meal and grocery delivery for individuals and organizations without access. | $10,000 |
| Lutheran Social Services | To help cover the costs of increased staffing needs due to high community demand and increased call volume at LSS HandsOn 211 Call Center. | $10,000 |
| NNEMAP | To cover increased costs for housekeeping service; increased costs for hourly staff, food purchases and delivery fees; and to replace lost event revenue. | $10,000 |
| Moms2B | To provide critical services, such as food, utilities and rent assistance to at-risk expectant, new mothers and their families during the COVID-19 crisis. | $20,000 |
| Salvation Army | To support purchase of food, boxes, bags and gloves for food delivery operations in Franklin County. | $15,000 |
| St. Stephen’s Community House | To cover the increased costs of operating the Food and Nutrition Center during COVID-19. | $20,000 |
| St. Vincent | To support preparation of rooms for youth living in residential unit who test positive for COVID-19. | $10,000 |
| YMCA | To support increased, unplanned expenses of operations due to COVID-19 closures of facilities and increased expenses related to home-schooling the 100 school-age children living at Van Buren Center. | $25,000 |

**Total Invested Round 2 – COVID Community Response Fund Grants: $399,700**

**Total Invested as of April 13, 2020 to support COVID Community Response Fund Grantees: $772,700**

United Way of Central Ohio

COVID-19 Community Response Fund – Round 3

Approved Grants - April 27, 2020

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| **Organization** | **Purpose Statement** | **Approved Amount** |
| Action for Children  |

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| To support the creation of a Pandemic Child Care Scholarship Fund to aid essential workers’ families. |

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| Alvis  |

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| To provide laptops for mothers in Amethyst counseling and recovery programs and Chromebooks for their children for educational purposes.  |

 | $10,000 |
| American Red Cross | To cover the unique disaster relief expenses incurred while sheltering in place and caring for clients during COVID-19 pandemic.  | $20,000 |
| Asian-American Community Services[[1]](#footnote-2) | To support organizational overhead, interpreting services, staff and senior outreach program. | $6,000 |
| Bhutanese Community of Central Ohio | To strengthen and increase wraparound services to the Bhutanese community. | $10,000 |
| Boys and Girls Clubs of Columbus  | To support trainings for program staff on trauma-informed care and best practice development pathways. | $10,000 |
| Catholic Social Services  | To provide monthly personal protective equipment for front-line staff, as well as toiletries, cleaning supplies and food boxes for vulnerable seniors.  | $10,000 |
| Center for Employment Opportunities  | To support continuity of operations, personal protective equipment and operational costs.  | $10,000 |
| Clintonville-Beechwold Community Resource Center | To support increased staff time, food distribution, hand-washing stations, gloves, and face masks for staff and volunteers. | $10,000 |
| Columbus Early Learning Center | To support technology to work remotely, professional development subscription fees and to maintain staff qualifications.  | $10,000 |
| Columbus Housing Partnership dba Homeport  | To create a Resident Assistance Fund to Thrive (RAFT) to provide emergency rental assistance to those facing economic hardship.  | $10,000 |
| Columbus Urban League  | To provide emergency assistance and intervention, financial counseling and targeted outreach to families facing eviction, re-entering citizens and under-resourced people of color and communities.  | $30,000 |
| Communities in Schools | To purchase hygiene kits, school supplies, food and internet access for students, and increased technology for staff.  | $15,000 |
| Community Refugee and Immigration Services[[2]](#footnote-3)  | To provide COVID-19 public service announcements to immigrants and refugees in their native languages.  | $15,270 |
| Community Shelter Board  | To purchase 400 mattresses and cots for sheltering activities to slow the spread of COVID-19.  | $25,000 |
|  Dominican Sisters of Peace | To provide rental assistance and immediate, temporary relief to immigrant families.  | $10,000 |
| Economic Community Development Institute on behalf of Service!  | To alleviate hunger within the service industry by preparing meals and delivering to satellite pickup locations in the Short North and South Side. | $5,000 |
| Economic Community Development Institute  | To provide loans to underserved small businesses that are struggling to survive due to COVID-19. | $25,000 |
| Ethiopian Tewahedo Social Services  | To support capacity building of the organization including fund raising, community awareness and communication strategies. | $10,000 |
| Furniture Bank  | To support services for 20 families per week who are sheltering in place with little to no furniture.  | $15,000 |
| Godman Guild  | To support remote programming across adult and youth programs. | $10,000 |
| Goodwill Columbus  | To support transportation expenses for 38 custodial employees who can no longer travel to work due to reduced COTA bus service.  | $10,000 |
| Kaleidoscope Youth Center  | To support staff operations and costs to services that have moved to online and social media platforms to keep engagement with youth. | $20,000 |
| Legal Aid  | To support translation of 18 flyers with legal information for limited English-speaking clients in Spanish, Somali, Arabic and Nepalese. | $11,800 |
| LifeCare Alliance  | To provide critical health and nutrition services to seniors and individuals with an existing medical challenge.  | $15,000 |
| Muslim Family Services Inc.  | To support basic needs distribution, housing, food, utilities and case management for families impacted by COVID-19. | $10,000 |
| My Project USA[[3]](#footnote-4) | To support 600+ families in the Wedgewood community with food, rent, utility and other essential services.  | $10,000 |
| Nationwide Children’s Hospital/The Center for Family Safety and Healing | To support 25 families affected by violence and abuse by providing food, toiletries, cleaning supplies and other necessary household items.  | $10,000 |
| NNEMAP, Inc.  | To support purchase of food to meet increased demand and additional staff to replace volunteer shortages.  | $5,000 |
| Ohio Hispanic Coalition  | To provide public benefits assistance and rental housing support to low-income Latino/Hispanic residents.  | $10,000 |
| The Ohio State University Foundation/One Linden School Initiative | To improve access to education through technology for students in the Linden feeder pattern.  | $20,000 |
| Star House | To purchase hygiene items and food for guests and pay for increased transportation expenses for clients.  | $10,000 |
| The Center for Healthy Families  | To provide for an increased need for essentials and resources for vulnerable pregnant and parenting teens, and young adults.  | $10,000 |
| US Together, Inc.  | To support a communication pilot to streamline accurate authoritative information about COVID-19 to underserved limited-English proficiency communities.  | $15,000 |
| Westerville Area Resource Ministry  | To provide six days of essential food and household supplies for adult nutrition programs and weekend meals for children. | $10,000 |
| YWCA  | To support operations of the homeless family shelter and permanent supportive housing for women. | $20,000 |

**Total Invested Round 3 – COVID Community Response Fund Grants: $463,070**

**Total Invested as of April 27, 2020 to support COVID Community Response Fund Grantees: $1,235,770**

United Way of Central Ohio

COVID-19 Community Response Fund – Round 4

Approved Grants – May 11, 2020

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| **Organization** | **Purpose Statement** | **Approved Amount** |
| African American Male Wellness Walk[[4]](#footnote-5) | To purchase and distribute masks in partnership with The Ohio State University Wexner Medical Center in vulnerable low-income neighborhoods.  | $9,500 |
| Africentric Personal Development Shop  | To support staff capacity, PPE, and technology needs.  | $7,500 |
| Alvis | To professionally sanitize 46 residential locations to promote health and safety for clients and staff on the front line. | $12,040 |
| Big Brothers Big Sisters of Central Ohio, Inc.  | To support one-to-one mentoring relationships by transitioning to a virtual summer camp and provide emergency assistance to families in the program. | $15,000 |
| Broad Street Presbyterian Church | To support housing stability for low-income working families with late rental fee support.  | $5,000 |
| Catholic Social Services | To provide emergency financial assistance to low-income students enrolled in the Stay the Course program while attending Columbus State Community College. | $10,000 |
| City Year | To provide virtual programing for Columbus City Schools students and to continue to provide AmeriCorps members with stipends and supplies. | $10,000 |
| Columbus Diaper Bank | To meet the increased demand from local community based social agencies for clean disposable diapers to Central Ohio families in need.  | $5,000 |
| Columbus Speech and Hearing Center | To purchase cleaning supplies, PPE, computer equipment and upgraded infrastructure required for implementation of telemedicine services. | $20,000 |
| Columbus Urban League | To support increased staff to serve requests for eviction prevention/homeless assistance, purchasing of PPE for client-facing services and expand outreach in underserved communities.  | $20,000 |
| Community Mediation Services of Central Ohio, Inc. | To hire part-time mediator to help with increased eviction related tenant/landlord disputes and acquire capacity to conduct on-line eviction prevention training. | $15,000 |
| Community Properties Impact Corporation | To establish an emergency fund to aid families experiencing housing and other challenges created by COVID-19. | $5,000 |
| Halt Violence[[5]](#footnote-6) | To help black youth understand and embrace COVID-19 safety practices and address concerns about wearing masks in public.  | $5,000 |
| Hardy Center | To provide on-line educational assistance to students who are struggling academically.  | $5,000 |
| Impact Community Action | To provide rental assistance to decrease the number of individuals and families at risk of homelessness due to an eviction and to prevent overwhelming our homeless shelter system. | $20,000 |
| Jewish Family Services | To expand service navigation, counseling and case management and provide emergency financial support to people in crisis due to the pandemic.  | $32,000 |
| LifeCare Alliance | To provide clinical health and nutrition services seniors and individuals with an existing medical condition.  | $15,000 |
| Making A Difference | To support rent and utilities to small minority owned businesses and individuals on the Near East Side. | $4,100 |
| My Project USA | To protect and empower families with food, rent, utilities and other essentials during pandemic.  | $7,500 |
| New Direction Career Center | To provide emergency assistance to clients in need during pandemic.  | $5,000 |
| NNEMAP | To purchase disposable masks and gloves for volunteers and customers to use when shopping at the pantry.  | $2,500 |
| Ohio Hispanic Coalition | To provide food and emergency assistance to low-income, Latino/Hispanic Franklin County families during pandemic. | $10,000 |
| Physicians Care Connection | To provide rent and/or utility assistance to prevent eviction and/or utility shut off for people waiting for public support | $7,500 |
| The Salvation Army | To purchase a new commercial freezer for the food pantry at the Citadel to replace one that no longer works. | $5,900 |
| Serving Our Neighbors Ministries Inc. | To provide basic needs and financial assistance to families experiencing suburban poverty during the pandemic | $15,000 |
| St. Stephen’s Community House | To support the Food and Nutrition Center, emergency assistance to families and infrastructure needs for virtual connection.  | $15,000 |
| The King Arts Complex  | To purchase tablets and internet access for 70 youth to attend virtual summer youth camp.  | $10,000 |
| Westerville Area Resource Ministry | To provide six days of essential food and household supplies for adult nutrition programs and weekend meals for children during pandemic.  | $12,000 |
| YWCA Columbus | To support services at the homeless family shelter including PPE and cleaning supplies.  | $15,000 |

**Total Invested Round 4 – COVID Community Response Fund Grants: $320,540**

**Total Invested as of May 11, 2020 to support COVID Community Response Fund Grantees: $1,556,310**

1. Gray indicates Community-based organizations not currently funded by United Way receiving COVID-19 Community Response Grants. [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
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