



Covid-19 Emergency Relief Fund for Greater Nashua

Fact Sheet for Funders

Fund purpose: To provide immediate support for nonprofit agencies which service Greater Nashua. Support to defray extra-ordinary expenses related to prevention of coronavirus spread and maintain service to community most vulnerable. To make grants supporting front line agencies and to purchase directly supplies to support these agencies.

Fund history: Launched 3/23 with initial funding of \$5,000 each from St. Joseph Hospital, Etchstone Properties Inc., New Hampshire Charitable Foundation, and United Way of Greater Nashua. Since then, the fund has grown to over \$100K, with donations from the public, along with pledges from Eversource Energy, the City of Nashua, Connection (formerly PC Connection), Enterprise Bank, and Brady-Sullivan Properties, the New Hampshire Charitable Foundation, St. Joseph Hospital, and the Endowment for Health.

Grantmaking: By the end of the first week of it's existence, the fund has already made 11 grants to local nonprofits including: Gateways Community Services, Revive Recovery, the Boys and Girls Club of Greater Nashua, NeighborWorks Southern New Hampshire, the Greater Nashua Dental Connection, and others. Costs being covered by the fund include expenses related to deep cleanings, purchasing of PPE materials, costs of cleaning supplies, costs of unplanned overtime to clean and continue operations, and the costs to convert to online operations. These needs are immediate and unexpected... and very urgent. Funding requests are now coming in daily. By Tuesday of it's second week, the fund had already made 29 grants to local nonprofits to continue their critical work!

Other expenditures: United Way has taken on responsibility for supporting food distribution for school students during the pandemic, supporting the volunteer needs of all area nonprofits, collecting needed supplies of critical importance including toilet paper, and has even custom manufactured hand sanitizer for distribution to local nonprofits. As needs arise, the fund will continue to support these extra-ordinary activities and expenses to keep the community safe.

Our commitment to efficiency: United Way has established a very expedited process for distributing funds to fill immediate gap needs. We have also committed that 100% of the funds received will be used to support the Covid-19 response, with ZERO going to marketing or administrative expenses.

More information about the fund can be found at: www.UnitedWayNashua.org including additional community resources, how to apply for the fund, how to support volunteer and in-kind donations, etc.

Our ask of you: As a potential funder, we are asking you to commit \$5,000-20,000 to support your local community... where your employees and customers live and work. The agencies we support provide critical service including access to healthcare, food supports, childcare, and services for veterans, disabled people, and the elderly. We believe that your donation is one of the most effective ways for you to support the community immediately. PLEASE contact Mike Apfelberg as soon as possible... this is an urgent matter which we all know will not wait. Contact Mike at mapfelberg@unitedwaynashua.org or by phone at 603-864-0202.