Community Crisis Fund Grants

In response to the local impact of the COVID-19 pandemic, United Way of Greater Rochester and Rochester Area Community Foundation activated the Community Crisis Fund to raise flexible resources to support organizations in our region working with communities disproportionately impacted by coronavirus and the economic consequences of this outbreak. 

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Phase 2 funding begins August 3. The goal of this new phase will be to support nonprofit organizations experiencing severe financial hardship because of costs associated with reopening or maintaining safe operations with a focus on equity. Priority status will be given to grant requests from organizations led by people of color as well as those with staff and board leadership reflecting the communities they serve, and those that can demonstrate at least 75 percent of the recipients fall within the priority populations (Black, Latinx, refugees, migrants, rural communities, people with physical and/or cognitive disabilities, and older adults).

To apply for a Phase 2 grant: Log into the grant portal Asana, or at bit.ly/CrisisFunding2 to get additional details on this funding. Applications will need to be submitted by the rolling monthly deadlines on the third Friday of every month (August 21, September 18, October 26, etc.) until the Crisis Fund is depleted.
Phase 1 funding was distributed from March through July 31. It focused on the economic impact of the COVID-19 outbreak and immediate needs of economically vulnerable populations caused by pandemic-related closures (food, shelter, clothing, childcare, hygiene products, cleaning supplies, etc.). Phase 1 funding is still available during Phase 2, with applications accepted on a rolling basis through the Asana portal.

The following nonprofit organizations received Phase 2 grants in August totaling $1,593,975:

- Anthony L. Jordan Health Corporation (Monroe County)
- Arc of Genesee Orleans (Genesee and Orleans counties)
- Beyond the Sanctuary, Inc. (Monroe County)
- Big Brothers Big Sisters of Greater Rochester (Monroe, Ontario, Wayne and Yates counties)
- Cameron Community Ministries (Monroe County)
- Celebration of Life Community Inc. (Monroe County)
- Community Food Cupboard of Rochester (Monroe County)
- Empire Justice Center on behalf of The Telesca Center for Justice Partners (Livingston, Monroe, Ontario, Seneca, Wayne and Yates counties)
- First Genesis Baptist Church (Monroe County)
- Friendship Children’s Center (Monroe County)
- Heritage Christian Services (Genesee, Livingston, Monroe, Ontario, Orleans, Seneca, Wayne and Yates counties)
- Hope Hall School (Livingston and Monroe counties)
- Hope Lutheran Church (Monroe County)
- House of Mercy (Monroe County)
- Ibero-American Action League (Monroe County)
- Living Word Urban Christian Institute, Inc. (Monroe County)
- Nativity Preparatory Academy of Rochester (Monroe County)
- Ontario ARC (Ontario County)
- Open Door Mission (Monroe County)
- Rochester Area Interfaith Hospitality Network (Monroe County)
- Refugees Helping Refugees (Monroe County)
- Saint’s Place (Monroe County)
- School of the Holy Childhood (Monroe County)
- University of Rochester, School-Based Health Centers (Monroe County)
- Urban League of Rochester (Monroe County)
- Villa of Hope (Livingston, Monroe, Ontario and Wayne counties)
- Wilson Commencement Park (Monroe County)

The following nonprofit organizations have received Phase 1 grants:

**During August (and totaling $130,397):**

- Beta Chi Chi, Inc. (Monroe County)
- Carolyn’s Cupboard at Abundant Grace Church (Monroe County)
- Catholic Charities of Buffalo (Genesee and Orleans counties)
- Catholic Family Center (Monroe County)
- Dimitri House, Inc. (Monroe County)
- Jordan Health Center (Monroe County)
- Lifespan of Greater Rochester (Monroe County)
- Newark Emmanuel Free Lunch Program (Wayne County)
- Project Stork, Inc. (Genesee and Orleans counties)
- Rochester Jewels Inc. (Monroe County)
- St. Peter’s Kitchen (Monroe County)
- Seneca Falls Library (Seneca County)
- Volunteers of America (Monroe County)
Weeks of July 20 and 27:

- Ability Partners (Monroe and Ontario counties)
- Agape Haven of Abundance (Monroe County)
- Arc of Monroe (Monroe County)
- Catholic Charities (Monroe, Ontario, Seneca, Wayne, and Yates counties)
- East Rochester Youth Activity Center (Monroe County)
- Family Promise of Wayne County (Wayne County)
- Family Service Communities (Monroe County)
- Nativity Preparatory Academy (Monroe County)
- Victor Association of Cultural and Performing Arts (Livingston, Monroe, Ontario, Seneca, Wayne, and Yates counties)
- Villa of Hope (Livingston, Monroe, Ontario and Wayne counties)

Week of July 13:

- Cameron Community Ministries (Monroe County)
- Lifespan of Greater Rochester (Monroe and Seneca counties)

Week of July 6:

- Agape Haven of Abundance (Monroe County)
- Coordinated Care Services, Inc. (Genesee, Livingston, Monroe, Ontario, Orleans, Seneca, Wayne, and Yates counties)
- Venture Compassionate Ministries, Inc. (Monroe County)
Week of June 29:

- Carolyn’s Cupboard at Abundant Grace Church (Monroe County)
- East Rochester Community Resource Center (Monroe County)
- Jewish Community Center of Greater Rochester (Monroe County)
- Rochester Black Nurses Association (Monroe County)
- Rochester General Hospital (Genesee, Livingston, Monroe, Ontario, Orleans, Seneca, Wayne, and Yates counties)
- Victim Resource Center of the Finger Lakes (Monroe, Ontario, Seneca, Wayne, and Yates counties)

Week of June 22:

- Anthony L. Jordan Health Corporation (Monroe County)
- Boys & Girls Clubs of Rochester (Monroe County)
- Children’s Institute (Monroe County)
- Endless Highway (Genesee, Livingston, Monroe, Ontario, Orleans, Seneca, Wayne, and Yates counties)
- Judicial Process Commission (Monroe County)
- Lifespan (Monroe County)
- South Wedge Food Program (Monroe County)
- Willow Domestic Violence Center (Monroe County)

Week of June 15:

- American Red Cross, Greater Rochester Chapter (Genesee, Livingston, Monroe, Ontario, Orleans, Seneca, Wayne, and Yates counties)
- Community Food Cupboard of Rochester (Monroe County)
- Eastern Services Worker Association (Monroe County)
• Empire Justice Center (Genesee, Livingston, Monroe, Ontario, Orleans, Seneca, Wayne, and Yates counties)
• Ibero-American Action League (Monroe County)
• REACH Advocacy (Monroe County)
• Ronald McDonald House Charities of Rochester (Genesee, Livingston, Monroe, Ontario, Orleans, Seneca, Wayne, and Yates counties)

Week of June 8:

• Center for Employment Opportunities (Monroe County)
• Empire Justice Center C.A.S.H. program (Genesee, Livingston, Monroe, Ontario, Orleans, Seneca, Wayne, and Yates counties)
• Goodwill of the Finger Lakes (Livingston, Monroe, Ontario, Seneca, and Wayne counties)
• House of Mercy (Monroe County)
• Loop Ministries (Monroe County)
• Monroe Community College Foundation (Monroe County)
• Volunteer Legal Services Project of Monroe County, Inc. (Monroe County)

Week of June 1:

• Hope Lutheran Church (Monroe County)
• Jewish Community Center of Greater Rochester (Monroe County)
• Legal Aid Society of Rochester (Genesee, Livingston, Monroe, Ontario, Orleans, and Wayne counties)
• Mary Cariola Center (Genesee, Livingston, Monroe, Ontario, Orleans, Seneca, Wayne, and Yates counties)
• Medical Motor Service (Monroe County)
• Mt. Hope Family Center (Monroe County)
- Patrick Place—A Comfort Care Home (Livingston and Monroe counties)
- Planned Parenthood of Western and Central New York (Genesee, Livingston, Monroe, Ontario, Orleans, Wayne, and Yates counties)
- St. Ann’s Foundation on behalf of St. Ann’s Community (Monroe County)

**Week of May 25:**

- Center for Community Alternatives (Monroe County)
- Gananda Education Foundation (Wayne County)
- Interlaken Public Library (Seneca County)
- Lodi Whittier Library (Seneca County)
- Mary’s Place Refugee Outreach (Monroe County)
- Project Stork, Inc. (Genesee and Orleans counties)
- Rochester Regional Health’s Hill Haven Rehabilitation & Transitional Care Center (Monroe County)
- Safe Harbors of the Finger Lakes, Inc. (Ontario, Seneca, and Yates counties)

**Week of May 18:**

- Edith B. Ford Memorial Library (Seneca County)
- Family Counseling Service of the Finger Lakes (Wayne County)
- Lifespan (Monroe County)
- Mozaic – formerly ARC of Seneca-Cayuga and ARC of Yates (Seneca and Yates counties)
- Ontario ARC (Ontario County)
- Waterloo Library and Historical Society (Seneca County)
- YMCA of Greater Rochester (Monroe County)
Week of May 11:

- AutismUp (Monroe County)
- GLOW YMCA (Genesee, Livingston, Orleans, and Wyoming counties)
- Pathway Home of the Finger Lakes (Seneca County)
- Venture Compassionate Ministries, Inc. (Monroe County)

Week of May 4:

- Asbury First United Methodist Church (Monroe County)
- Foodlink (Genesee, Livingston, Monroe, Ontario, Orleans, Seneca, Wayne and Yates counties)
- Golisano Autism Center (Genesee, Livingston, Monroe, and Ontario counties)
- Rochester ChildFirst Network (Monroe County)

Week of April 27:

- Alzheimer’s Association, Rochester & Finger Lakes Region (Monroe, Genesee, Livingston, Ontario, Orleans, Seneca, Wayne, and Yates counties)
- Boys & Girls Club of Geneva (Ontario County)
- Child Advocacy Center of the Finger Lakes (Ontario, Seneca, and Yates counties)
- Keeping our Promise Rochester (Monroe County)
- Mary Cariola Children’s Center (Monroe, Genesee, Livingston, Ontario, Orleans, Seneca, Wayne, and Yates counties)
- Suzanne’s Comfort Care Home, Inc. (Wyoming County)
Week of April 20:

- Boys & Girls Clubs of Rochester (Monroe County)
- St. Joseph’s Neighborhood Center (Monroe County)
- Heritage Christian Services (Monroe County)
- Jewish Family Services of Rochester (Monroe County)
- St. Peter’s Kitchen (Monroe County)
- Wolcott Council of Churches (Wayne County)

Funds also were allocated for purchase of personal protective equipment (PPE) for staff members at nonprofit organizations.

Week of April 13:

- Action for a Better Community (Monroe County)
- Baden Street Settlement (Monroe County)
- Care Net Pregnancy Center of Canandaigua (Ontario County)
- Catholic Family Center (Monroe County)
- Celebrate! Family Church (Livingston County)
- Center for Youth Services (Monroe County)
- Charlotte House, Inc. (Multi-County)
- Community Action for Wyoming County (Wyoming County)
- Empire Justice Center (Monroe County)
- Finger Lakes Counseling & Referral Agency (Ontario, Seneca, Wayne and Yates counties)
- Independent Living of the Genesee Region (Genesee and Orleans counties)
- Livingston County (Livingston County)
- REACH Advocacy (Monroe County)

Week of April 6:
- ARC of Livingston-Wyoming (Livingston County)
- BluePrint Geneva, Inc. (Ontario County)
- Catholic Charities Community Services (Livingston, Monroe, Ontario, Seneca, Wayne, and Yates counties)
- Center for Employment Opportunities (Monroe County)
- DePaul (Genesee, Monroe, and Orleans counties)
- Finger Lakes Community Schools – linked to Family Counseling Service of the Finger Lakes (Wayne County)
- Goodwill of the Finger Lakes (Monroe County)
- Jewish Home of Rochester (Monroe County)
- Lifespan (Monroe County)
- Project URGE, Inc. (Monroe County)
- Refugees Helping Refugees (Monroe County)
- Rural & Migrant Ministry, Inc. (Wayne County)
- Springwater Community Food Pantry (Livingston County)
- Urban League of Rochester (Monroe County)
- YWCA of Greater Rochester (Monroe County)

**Week of March 31:**

- Arc Wayne (Wayne County)
- Boys & Girls Club of Geneva (Ontario County)
- Catholic Charities of Buffalo (Orleans and Genesee counties)
- Catholic Charities of Livingston County (Livingston County)
- Charles Settlement House (Monroe County)
- Community Place of Greater Rochester (Monroe County)
- Epilepsy-Pralid (Monroe and Ontario counties)
- Heritage Christian Services (Monroe County)
- House of Mercy (Monroe County)
- Joint Heirs Kingdom Ministries (Monroe, Ontario, and Wayne counties)
- Judicial Process Commission (Monroe County)
- Living Well Mission (Yates County)
Pro Action of Steuben and Yates (Yates County)
- Rochester Refugee Resettlement (Monroe County)
- Salvation Army (Monroe, Genesee, Livingston, Ontario, Orleans, Seneca, Wayne, and Yates counties)
- Salvation Army: Empire State Division (Upstate New York)
- Sent By Ravens Food Pantry (Livingston County)

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Week of March 23:

- Bridges for Brain Injury (Ontario County)
- Beyond the Sanctuary (Monroe County)
- Community Hygiene Bank of Concordia Lutheran Church (Monroe County)
- Healthy Baby Network (Monroe County)
- Ibero-American Action League (Monroe County)
- Meals on Wheels (Monroe County)
- Newark Food Closet (Wayne County)
- St. Peter’s Kitchen (Monroe County)
- Trillium Health (Monroe County)
- Veteran’s Outreach Center (Monroe, Genesee, Livingston, Ontario, Orleans, Seneca, Wayne, and Yates counties)
- Villa of Hope (Monroe, Genesee, Livingston, Ontario, Orleans, Seneca, Wayne, and Yates counties)
- Volunteers Of America Upstate New York (Monroe County)
- Wayne County Action Program (Wayne County)
- Worker Justice Center of NY (Monroe, Genesee, Livingston, Ontario, Orleans, Seneca, Wayne, and Yates counties)