



Kansas City Regional COVID-19 Response and Recovery Fund

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Kansas City Regional COVID-19 Response & Recovery Fund announces \$3.2 million in second round of grants

Grants continue to address urgent needs

Over \$3.2 million in aid has been announced to 72 area nonprofits as part of the second round of grant funding from the Kansas City Regional COVID-19 Response and Recovery Fund.

The Fund provides grants to nonprofit organizations that have experience supporting impacted communities—particularly those that are disproportionately affected by this public health crisis and its economic consequences. In just one month, nearly \$17 million has been donated so far to the Fund with just under \$6 million distributed through the first two rounds. OneKC Day of Giving, a one-day drive by dozens of Kansas City television and radio broadcasters, helped increase visibility of the Fund.

“By supporting critical organizations, we can ensure resources are going where needs are highest,” said Denise St. Omer, Vice President of Grantmaking and Inclusion Initiatives for the Greater Kansas City Community Foundation. “This funding will help ensure nonprofits can continue serving their communities through housing support, food assistance, access to healthcare and other critical human services.”

“This effort demonstrates our community’s resiliency, the generosity of our neighbors and the strength of the region’s nonprofit organizations,” said Geoff Jolley, Executive Director of LISC Greater Kansas City. “We are all proud to be part of a region that does not hesitate to equitably support all its residents.”

Additional grants will be released on a rolling basis as fundraising continues and needs are identified throughout all phases of the crisis.



The second-round grant recipients are:

- A Turning Point
- Amethyst Place
- Artists Helping the Homeless
- Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Kansas City
- Care Beyond the Boulevard
- Caritas Clinics
- CHWC, inc
- City of Independence Palmer Center
- CommCARE Behavioral Health
- Community Assistance Council
- Comprehensive Mental Health
- Credit & Homeownership Empowerment Services Inc
- Emmanuel Family & Child Development Center
- Foster Adopt Connect
- Friends of Recovery
- Gen Chabad Torah Center
- Greater KC Housing Information Center
- HappyBottoms
- Hillcrest Ministries, Inc. dba Hillcrest Hope
- Hillcrest Platte County (HPC)
- Hope Center
- Hope Family Care Center
- Hope House
- Hope Network of Raytown
- Jewish Family Services of Greater Kansas City
- Jewish Vocational Services
- Journey to New Life
- Kanbe's Markets
- Kansas Child Services League
- KC Tenants
- KidsTLC, Inc.
- Lawson Food Pantry/Heartland Presbytery
- Lazarus Ministries KC
- LeanLab Education
- Legal Aid of Western Missouri
- Mattie Rhodes Center
- Mid America Assistance Coalition
- MOCSA
- Morning Glory Ministries-Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception
- Mother's Refuge
- Mt. Carmel Redevelopment Corporation
- New Zion Missionary Baptist Church
- Northland Assistance Center
- Northland Health Care Access
- NourishKC
- Nurture KC
- Olathe Public School Foundation
- Operation Breakthrough
- Phoenix Family
- Pleasant Hill Lay Clergy Council
- Raytown Emergency Assistance Program
- Redemptorist Social Services Center
- Rosedale Development Association
- Second Harvest Community Food Bank
- Seton Center
- Shawnee Community Services
- Sheffield Place
- Shelter KC
- Shepherd's Center of KC Ks
- Shepherd's Staff Food Pantry
- St. Therese Little Flower
- St. Vincent de Paul at St. Therese Church
- The Leavenworth Mission Inc
- The Salvation Army
- The Whole Person
- True Light Family Resource Center
- Vaughn-Trent Community Services
- Victorious Life Church
- Village Initiative
- Visiting Nurses Association
- Westside Housing Organization
- YMCA of Greater Kansas City

Details about the Fund's Advisory Board, funders and the first and second rounds of grant funding, including funding amounts, can be found at www.growyourgiving.org/covid.

The Fund is supported by donations from foundations, corporations and the general public, including nearly 10,000 individual contributors in its first month. The Fund is organized by a partnership of United Way of Greater Kansas City, the Greater Kansas City Community Foundation, LISC Greater Kansas City and the Mid-America Regional Council.



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Institutional funders who want to participate: Contact Denise St. Omer, Greater Kansas City Community Foundation at stomer@growyourgiving.org

Individuals who want to donate: [Donate here](#)

Nonprofits in need: Complete [this form](#)

Individuals in need: Contact United Way 211 by dialing 211 on your phone to reach trained, caring professionals seven days a week, 24 hours a day, or visit 211kc.org.

Website: <https://www.growyourgiving.org/covid>

About the Mid-America Regional Council (MARC)

Mid-America Regional Council serves as the nonprofit association of city and county governments and the metropolitan planning organization for the bistate Kansas City region. Governed by a board of 33 local elected officials, MARC provides a forum for the region to work together to advance social, economic and environmental progress throughout the region.

About the Greater Kansas City Community Foundation

The Greater Kansas City Community Foundation helps donors make the world a better place. Its mission is to improve the quality of life in Greater Kansas City by increasing charitable giving, educating and connecting donors to community needs they care about, and leading on critical community issues.

About United Way of Greater Kansas City

United Way of Greater Kansas City has played a unique leading role in the philanthropic community for more than 100 years. United Way's mission is to improve lives by mobilizing Greater Kansas City's collective generosity for the greatest good. To achieve that goal, United Way uses its experience and expertise to assemble the most promising and results-driven service agencies and programs and the most generous volunteers and donors to provide the farthest-reaching network of support for those in need in the greater Kansas City area. We are Kansas City taking care of its own.

About LISC Greater Kansas City (Local Initiatives Support Corporation)

One of our country's oldest and largest community development financial institutions, LISC works together with residents and partners to forge resilient and inclusive communities of opportunity – great places to live, work, visit, do business, and raise families. LISC Greater Kansas City supports projects on the ground throughout our entire region that grow community pride and revitalize neighborhoods into healthy, sustainable communities. By responding to the visions of neighborhood partners, LISC focuses on addressing affordable housing, financial stability, and economic development through a lens of racial equity.

