



Kansas City Regional COVID-19 Response and Recovery Fund

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Kansas City Regional COVID-19 Response & Recovery Fund Surpasses Initial Goal, Raises More than \$16 Million for Local Nonprofits

***Donations Are Still Needed to Support Kansas City Area Nonprofits,
Provide Urgent Health and Human Services to Communities with Highest Needs***

Kansas City, MO: The **Kansas City Regional COVID-19 Response and Recovery Fund**, established by the **Greater Kansas City Community Foundation**, **United Way of Greater Kansas City**, **LISC Greater Kansas City (Local Initiatives Support Corporation)** and **MARC (Mid-America Regional Council)**, has raised a total of **\$16,125,724** for area nonprofits to provide housing support, food, access to health care, and other critical human services in the midst of the COVID-19 pandemic, surpassing its original goal of \$10 million.

Additionally, the **\$16,125,724** total includes \$6 million in matched donations from the Hall Family Foundation and the Sunderland Foundation, who partnered on a challenge grant to encourage gifts to the Fund.

Despite this initial success, nonprofits are realizing ongoing and additional deficits as the region faces each new phase of the crisis. As a result, the scope of support in the Greater Kansas City community continues to grow, and donations are still needed.





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Notably, of this **\$16,125,724** raised, **\$2,062,008** was a result of OneKC Day of Giving, a united one-day drive by Kansas City broadcasters, including Fox 4, KCTV-5, KMBC-TV9, KSHB-TV41, Telemundo, KCPT, Carter Broadcast, Cumulus Media, Steel City Media and a variety of other outlets, to raise donations for the Fund. Donations from all fundraising efforts go toward the Fund, 100 percent of which stays right here in the Kansas City region.

“The generosity of Greater Kansas City has been demonstrated again by the overwhelming response to the OneKC Day of Giving and the overall fundraising effort,” said Bill Hall, President of the Hall Family Foundation. “Thank you to all those who contributed to helping their neighbors in this time of need. This is yet another example of the Kansas City spirit, which has seen us through previous crises and will see us through this one.”

Initial fund grants in the amount of more than \$2.6 million were recently sent to 56 area nonprofits. The Fund provides support relief efforts in Cass, Clay, Jackson, Plate and Ray counties in Missouri; and Johnson, Wyandotte, Leavenworth and Miami counties in Kansas. Grants support 501(c)(3) public charities.

“The kindness of so many in our community is truly remarkable,” said Randy Vance, President & Chief Operating Officer of the Sunderland Foundation. “Local nonprofit organizations are facing tremendous challenges meeting the heightened demand for food, housing and health care. This fundraising effort provides critical resources during unprecedented times, and we know generous Kansas Citians will continue to give as needs evolve.”

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Nonprofits in Need:
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Individuals in Need: Contact United Way 211 by dialing 211 to reach trained, caring professionals seven days a week, 24 hours a day, or visit [211kc.org](https://www.211kc.org).

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

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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 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 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.

