I'm an individual who is affected by COVID-19. Can this fund help me?

If you are a Brevard County resident in need of assistance as a result of a job loss due to COVID-19, the 211 Helpline is available 24/7 to connect you with resources. Those in need of help can dial 2-1-1 or 321-632-6688.

The health and well-being of the Space Coast community is of vital importance. We understand many individuals and families have been impacted by the outbreak and more will continue to be affected. The Brevard Relief Fund - COVID-19 will provide resources to nonprofit organizations with deep roots in supporting vulnerable communities across Brevard County.

While the Brevard Relief Fund – COVID-19 is not able to provide direct grants to individuals, it will support local nonprofit organizations that have deep experience providing people and families with services and support. If you need resources now, please contact 211 Brevard or see a list of resources available on the United Way of Brevard’s resources page.

My organization is interested in grant funding. How can we be considered?

We understand the COVID-19 outbreak is impacting nonprofits in many ways, including increased demand for services, lost revenue, as well as other challenges. We are working closely with our community partners to identify local needs and provide grantmaking for the most critical needs, particularly for communities disproportionately impacted by the coronavirus outbreak. In order to move resources quickly, we are not hosting a formal application process at this time. You may email us at info@CFBrevard.org to make sure we are aware of your needs and can keep them in mind as the granting process progresses.

What organizations and efforts will this fund support?

The fund is designed to be flexible in its focus, nimble in its action, and to complement other resources and responses at the national, state and local levels. In coordination with public
authorities and healthcare experts leading the response to this health crisis, along with community organizations and other funding partners such as United Way and Space Coast Health Foundation, the Community Foundation for Brevard is working to shape philanthropy's response to local needs.

The Brevard Relief Fund - COVID-19 will provide resources to nonprofit organizations working with communities disproportionately impacted by COVID-19. Initial grant funding will focus on the following areas:

- **FOOD SUPPORT:** Access to food will be critical with school closings, reduced hours in some families and the closure of our senior lunch sites.
- **EMERGENCY FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE:** Families and individuals struggling with basic needs due to job loss.
- **FRONT-LINE, NONPROFIT AGENCIES:** Funds will provide additional resources to those organizations that need to adapt their programs and services in this environment. The focus will be on working with Brevard’s most vulnerable residents needing assistance.

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**What will NOT be included in the first phase of funding?**

The Fund’s resources will initially be directed to 501c3 nonprofit organizations serving high-need, vulnerable populations in Brevard County.

We anticipate multiple phases of funding to address both the acute needs now and, based on funding resources, the longer-term impacts of the outbreak and recovery. In the first phase, we are prioritizing the deployment of resources to trusted, frontline community organizations to help them continue to meet the basic needs of local residents in Brevard County. The Fund’s primary purpose is to help alleviate the social and economic consequences of this global pandemic and to prevent the widening of disparities in education, employment, housing, and health.

In the initial phase of funding, we are not able to prioritize organizations outside the scope of the Fund’s primary purpose that have lost revenue or are likely to lose future revenue due to canceled events or programs. We recognize these challenges, and as the crisis and long-term impacts unfold, we will continue to assess and evolve our funding strategies.

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**Is there a geographic area of focus for the Fund?**

The Fund will prioritize community-based organizations serving residents of Brevard County. Consideration for grants from the Brevard Relief Fund - COVID-19 is limited to 501c3 nonprofit organizations, groups fiscally sponsored by a 501c3 nonprofit organization, or other charitable organizations able to receive tax-deductible contributions, such as schools, faith-based organizations serving community needs, and other public entities based in or primarily serving Brevard County communities and residents.
How do I know my entire donation will go to communities impacted by COVID-19?

One hundred percent of donations to the Brevard Relief Fund - COVID-19 will go toward nonprofits helping Brevardians impacted by the coronavirus outbreak.

What is the best way to donate to help Brevardians impacted by COVID-19?

This Brevard Relief Fund - COVID-19 is established specifically to get more targeted charitable resources into the community where needs are the highest. However, this is not the only vehicle in the region to do so. This is a critical time for countless individuals and organizations. Please continue to give to organizations you regularly support, and those that need your help at this crucial time.

Those wishing to contribute to the COVID-19 Community Response Fund can:

- Make a secure, tax-deductible [online donation](#).
- Mail a check payable to “Community Foundation for Brevard” with “COVID-19 Relief Fund” in the memo line to: 1361 Bedford Drive, Suite 102, Melbourne, FL 32940.
- Call 321.752.5505 Monday through Friday from 9:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
- For gifts of stock, please contact TheresaG@cfbrevard.org or call 321.752.5505.
- If you are a CFB donor advisor, you can request a grant by completing a [Donor Advised Fund Grant Recommendation](#) or contacting Theresa to learn more or make a grant. We encourage you to make a grant request directly to the Response Fund.

I want to donate. Can I restrict my funding to a prioritized grantee?

To ensure we move critical resources as efficiently as possible and respond to needs of nonprofit organizations serving the most impacted and vulnerable communities and residents, we are not considering restricted donations to the Brevard Relief Fund – COVID 19 at this time.

However, if you are part of our family of fund holders at the Community Foundation, you can make a restricted or specified grant recommendation at any time.

When will you share who you fund?

We have started making grants to nonprofit organizations and will publish the list of grantees on the Community for Brevard’s website or through press releases with our funding partners. We hope that this will help the community navigate to available resources.