



COVID-19 COMMUNITY COMPASSION FUND

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The Heartland United Way and the Greater Grand Island Community Foundation have collaborated to launch a relief fund, the COVID-19 Community Compassion Fund, to help organizations and individuals most in need of assistance.

An ad hoc committee of representatives from Greater Grand Island Community Foundation, Heartland United Way, and community representatives will review applications and make funding decisions to ensure that the Funds have maximum impact.

What fees are being taken from the Fund?

The COVID-19 Community Compassion fund will be regranting 100% of the funds that are donated, less any processing fees associated with online donations. Donors have the option to cover these fees during the checkout process.

My organization would like to be considered for funding. How do we apply?

The Heartland United Way and Greater Grand Island Community Foundation have developed a simple application to receive funding from the COVID-19 Community Compassion fund. Eligible organizations can access the application [here](#).

How do I know if my organization is eligible for funds from the COVID-19 Community Compassion Fund?

The COVID-19 Community Compassion Fund is able to support organizations meeting the following criteria:

- Nonprofit organizations with a 501(c)3 designation or church programs providing direct relief in good standing with the Internal Revenue Service
- Directly serving organizations of Heartland United Way and Greater Grand Island Community Foundation's service areas.
- Conduct business without discrimination with regard to age, race, color, religion, sex, national origin, ancestry, political beliefs, disability, veteran status, marital status, sexual orientation, gender expression or identity, or any other category protected by law.

What are the Funding Priorities for the COVID-19 Community Compassion Fund?

The COVID-19 Community Compassion fund provides nonprofit organizations with flexible resources to address the impact of the COVID-19 public health crisis on our community, including immediate basic needs, gaps in service, and operational challenges. Preference is to the provision of direct relief services.



Is there a geographic area of focus for the Fund?

The geographic focus of the COVID-19 Community Compassion fund is Hall, Hamilton, Howard, and Merrick county non-profit organizations. Sherman county organizations may also be considered for funding from the Greater Grand Island Community Foundation.

Who will not be eligible to apply for funds from the COVID-19 Community Compassion Fund?

The COVID-19 Community Compassion fund is not able to directly provide funding to individuals or businesses, labor unions, 501(c)4, 501(c)5, or 501(c)6 organizations. Grants for religious or political purposes will not be considered for funding.

How quickly are funding decisions being made?

The ad hoc committee is committed to releasing grants and moving resources on a rolling basis, as needs emerge, and funds are available. Our goal is to notify applicants of granting decisions as expeditiously as possible.

Where can I find other resources?

<https://www.heartlandunitedway.org/covid-19-community-response>
<https://www.legalaidofnebraska.org/2020/03/24/covid-19-information-resources/>
<https://disasterloan.sba.gov/ela/Information/Index>

What if I'm an individuals in need of help?

Dial: 2-1-1 or visit ne211.org

For any questions or to submit the fund application please email:
relief@greaterheartlandfund.org
or visit:
greaterheartlandfund.org

