

COVID-19 Community Support Fund

Grantseeker FAQ

Is my organization eligible for a grant?

- Together Fund Grants are meant to support organizations that are responding to needs due to the COVID-19 pandemic or are affected by the pandemic.
- Grantee organization must be designated as a 501(c)3, or be fiscally sponsored by a 501(c)3
- Grantee organizations must primarily serve Olmsted County

What will NOT be funded by a Together Fund grant?

Requests will not be considered from:

- Political campaigns, candidates, parties, partisan activities, or lobbying efforts
- Religious organizations whose proposals support theological functions
- Youth and adult sports leagues
- Labor or fraternal groups
- Projects that discriminate

Funding will not be provided for the following:

- Expenditures incurred by the grantee prior to the opening date of the Together Fund application
- Capital campaigns
- Fundraisers
- Entry Fees/Pledges
- Funding that solely benefits an individual or individual family

What grant request amounts will be considered?

Minimum Together Fund grants are \$200, and the maximum award is \$100,000.

When is the Together Fund grant application due?

Together Fund Grants will be evaluated on a rolling basis with the following priority deadlines:

April 10th, 5pm CT

April 24th, 5pm CT

Additional deadlines may be announced based on funding availability.

If my organization is not awarded a Together Fund grant after the first priority deadline, am I still eligible to receive a grant after the next deadline?

Yes. Your organization's application will be retained and considered at each subsequent priority deadline.

When will Together Fund grants be awarded?

Together Fund Grants will be awarded one week after each application deadline on a rolling basis. Together Fund grants must be expended by grantees prior to December 15, 2020.

Who decides which applicants are awarded grants?

Together Fund Community Partners will make up a distribution committee to review, prioritize, and approve funding requests.

Could my organization be awarded less money than we request?

Yes. Together Fund Community Partners will take a number of factors into account when determining which applications to approve and at what level.

What reporting is required if my organization receives a grant?

In an effort to minimize the burden on direct service partners, a modest may be requested by December 15, 2020.

Will receiving a Together Fund Grant make me ineligible or hurt my chances when applying for future grants from Together Fund Partners?

No. Together Fund Partners have all committed to ensuring Together Fund Grants DO NOT affect their individual grant programs.

My agency applied for and received funding. Since then, we have identified a new need in the populations we serve. Am I eligible to apply for additional funding?

We are not explicitly prohibiting you from applying again. However, we have limited resources that we hope to distribute broadly among the community.