

2020 Community Impact Grants

The Community Foundation’s annual community impact grant program is supported primarily through charitable funds established by individuals and families as permanent endowments for our community. Grants support local nonprofits whose strategies and outcomes align with the Foundation’s four focus areas: community vibrancy, economic prosperity, educational success, and health and wellness. Within these focus areas, the Foundation’s annual grant program will prioritize a few key strategies – quality education, affordable and sustainable housing, and workforce development – that have the greatest potential to increase access and opportunity for low-income residents in Richmond.



The Community Foundation together with its donors, is pleased to announce Community Impact grant awards for 2020, totaling \$3.9 million to 100 organizations across the region.

Due to the generosity of our donors, and regional corporations and other foundations, we have managed the regional COVID-19 Response Fund. Donations have reached nearly \$7 million and grants have exceeded \$5.5 million. The grants have focused on emergencies related to access to healthcare, food for children and their families, and shelter for homeless individuals. The fund has also generously supported technology to support the virtual school environment in 10 school districts, in addition to support of rental assistance for those in peril of eviction, and assistance for those who have lost their jobs as a result of the pandemic. The Community Foundation has aligned their discretionary grants with those of the COVID-19 Response Fund, to ensure that there has been an efficient distribution of grants to the many organizations in need.

The Foundation actively collaborates with leaders across all communities and sectors, as we align our work to regional priorities. By working with the Community Foundation, our donors not only achieve their personal giving goals, but also become part of something larger by joining a community that nurtures and grows generosity to do more good.

Contact your Philanthropic Advisor to learn more about the Community Foundation’s recent grant awards and opportunities to leverage the impact of your charitable giving.

Community Vibrancy

Afrikana Film Festival
American Civil War Museum
ART 180
Black History Museum & Cultural Center of Virginia
Blue Sky Fund
Capital Trees
Children's Museum of Richmond
CultureWorks
James River Association
Leadership Metro Richmond
Lewis Ginter Botanical Garden
Maymont
Metropolitan Richmond Sports Backers
Oakwood Arts
Richmond Ballet
Richmond Community Toolbank
Richmond Performing Arts Alliance
Richmond Symphony
RVA On Stage
Science Museum of Virginia
SPARC (School of the Performing Arts in the Richmond Community)
Swift Creek Mill Theatre
The Valentine
Virginia Center for Inclusive Communities
Virginia Museum of History & Culture
Virginia Repertory Theatre
Virginia Community Voice
Visual Arts Center of Richmond

Economic Prosperity

Better Housing Coalition
CARITAS
Central Virginia Legal Aid Society
CHAT Richmond
Cristo Rey Richmond High School
Habitat for Humanity of Powhatan
HomeAgain
Homeward
Housing Families First
Housing Opportunities Made Equal
HumanKind
J. Sargeant Reynolds Community College
Neighborhood Resource Center
Partnership for Housing Affordability
Plan RVA
project:HOMES
RE:Work Richmond
Richmond Metropolitan Habitat for Humanity
RVA Rapid Transit
Sacred Heart Center
St. Joseph's Villa
Startup Virginia
The READ Center
Urban Hope, Inc.
Virginia Housing Alliance
Virginia Local Initiatives Support Corporation
Virginia Supportive Housing

Educational Success

Boys & Girls Clubs of Metro Richmond
Chesterfield Public Education Foundation
Communities in Schools of Chesterfield
Communities in Schools of Petersburg
Communities in Schools of Richmond
FRIENDS Association
Girls For A Change
Henrico Education Foundation
Higher Achievement
Legal Aid Justice Center
Literacy Lab
NextUp
Partnership for the Future
Peter Paul Development Center
Petersburg Public Schools
Podium Foundation
Smart Beginnings RVA
Smart Beginnings Southeast
SOAR365
St. Andrew's School
United Way of Greater Richmond & Petersburg
Virginia Early Childhood Foundation
Virginia Excels
Virginia Literacy Foundation
Voices for Virginia's Children
YMCA
YWCA

Health & Wellness

Assisting Families of Inmates
CARITAS
Central Virginia Health Services
ChildSavers
Conexus
Family Lifeline
FeedMore
Free Clinic of Powhatan
Greater Richmond Fit4Kids
Greater Richmond SCAN (Stop Child Abuse Now)
James House Intervention/Prevention Services
REACHcycles
Richmond City Health District
Safe Harbor
Senior Connections
Shalom Farms
Side by Side
