The COVID-19 Response Fund is the first activation of a regional emergency management and disaster response partnership between the Community Foundation, the Emergency Management Alliance of Central Virginia, and Plan RVA.

The crisis brought on by the COVID-19 pandemic continues to evolve. As it unfolds, certain needs continue to swell and take on greater urgency. The Central Virginia COVID-19 Response Fund is designed to address these continuing and underserved needs.

In March, the fund was launched by the Community Foundation for a greater Richmond, the Emergency Management Alliance of Central Virginia, and Plan RVA. Initially, $2.6 million was quickly disbursed to nonprofits and public agencies navigating the immediate economic and health impacts of the pandemic. In June, the fund expanded these initial investments by expanding priorities to include recovery strategies focused on eviction prevention and workforce support.

To date, a total of $4.7 million allocated through 152 grants has provided critical funding to trusted community-based organizations and public agencies addressing the immediate effects of the pandemic and the long-term challenges faced by those who are disproportionately affected by the consequences of the virus.

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- Emergency Response priorities to COVID-19

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23% Food Access

17% Schools

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5% Workforce Support

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3% Schools

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Formed by a coalition of philanthropy, government, business partners, and hundreds of individual and family donors through the Community Foundation and United Way, the COVID-19 Response Fund so far has galvanized over $6 million from a growing list of partners and contributors. In times of crisis, coordination is vital in getting critical resources to community members who need them most. We are grateful to everyone who has supported the Central Virginia COVID-19 Response Fund during this challenging and dynamic time.

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Long-term needs

- Safety net clinics providing medical care and behavioral healthcare for the uninsured and undocumented
- Interventions that aid those who have lost their jobs or whose employment has been affected
- Programs that assist those who are in danger of eviction
- Community-based organizations addressing food insecurity
- Public school systems as they continue to adapt to virtual modes of education and service delivery

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Community Foundation

Bob and Anna Lou Schaberg Foundation
The Cabel Foundation
Community Foundation for a greater Richmond
Essex Foundation
Jenkins Foundation
Mary Morton Parsons Foundation
Richmond Memorial Health Foundation
Robins Foundation
United Way of Greater Richmond & Petersburg
VCU Health System

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- Atlantic Union Bank
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- Capital One
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