



## **Support for Nonprofit Organizations During the COVID-19 Pandemic**

Considerations for CFL Fundholders

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A survey of hundreds of local nonprofits after the COVID-19 pandemic began revealed that almost every nonprofit organization was, and continues to be, impacted by COVID-19 in some way: lost revenue from cancelled events/programs/fundraisers, strained staff capacity due to social distancing and illness, and increased demand for services. Therefore, ongoing support for your favorite nonprofit organization is critical at this time, including the performing arts.

Please consider making your grants flexible (i.e. do not place restrictions on how the funds can be used), so that organizations may use funds to pay for their own operations/overhead and provide emergency services, meals, and supplies to their clients.

We have also observed the emergence of new, grassroots nonprofit organizations, or charitable projects fiscally sponsored by other nonprofit organizations during this time. In many cases, these organizations are closer to those individuals/families most impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic and may be advancing solutions that fill gaps in available services. In short, small/new organizations should be considered for support alongside larger, well-known organizations.

What follows is a sample of organizations providing immediate response during this time - it is not exhaustive:

**Arts:** ArtThrust, Louisville Orchestra, StageOne Family Theatre, Kentucky Shakespeare, Looking for Lilith, Louisville Visual Arts, Squallis Puppeteers, West Louisville Women's Collaborative

**Employment:** Goodwill Industries, Jewish Family and Career Services, Louisville Urban League

**Food Assistance:** Bates CDC, Change Today Change Tomorrow, Children Shouldn't Hunger, Dare to Care, Feed Louisville, Neighborhood House, St. Vincent DePaul

**General Household Assistance:**

Association of Community Ministries (or to a specific community ministry in your ZIP code):

<http://www.louisvilleministries.org/directory/>

**Healthcare (including mental health):** Centerstone, Wellspring, Minority Mental Health Project, Smoketown Family Wellness, Shawnee Christian Healthcare

**Small Business Support:** Black Business Association, Jewish Family & Career Services' Navigate Enterprise Center, LHOME, One West

**Vulnerable Populations**

Domestic & Family Violence Survivors: The Center for Women and Families, Family & Children's Place

Homeless: Coalition for the Homeless, St. John Center, Sweet Evening Breeze, UP for Women and Children

Immigrants: Americana Community Center, Colectivo Esperanza, Kentucky Refugee Ministries, La Casita Center

Incarcerated or recently released: Center for Employment Opportunities, The Bail Project Louisville

Seniors: ElderServe, SeniorCare Experts

Struggling with Addiction: Beacon House, Kentucky Harm Reduction Coalition, The Healing Place, The Morton Center

Youth: AMPED, Louisville Youth Group (LGBTQIA-youth), Free2Hope (youth in foster care), Lighthouse Academy at Newburg, Play Cousins Collective, Steam Exchange, St. George's Scholar Institute, Evolve502 (community learning hubs for JCPS students), MOLO Village, Sowing Seeds With Faith, Youth Build Louisville

Veterans: Active Heroes, USA Cares, Salvation Army, Volunteers of America