



Three Rivers Community Foundation serves Benton and Franklin counties bringing together individuals, families, and businesses with the desire to help nonprofit organizations whose missions are to serve those in need.

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**Three Rivers Community Foundation Announces Additional Grants
from COVID-19 Response Fund**

Three Rivers Community Foundations COVID-19 Response Fund continues to grow, and to date 16 grants have been made to support critical nonprofit services. Earlier this month Three Rivers Community Foundation (3RCF) launched the fund to provide a quick-turnaround grant opportunity for 501c3 nonprofits who are responding to the various needs in our community due to the impact of COVID-19. The fund was seeded with \$50,000 from anonymous fundholders and has grown with additional donations to almost \$74,000. 3RCF is pleased to announce that with two rounds of funding totaling over \$45,000 has been distributed in Benton and Franklin counties. At least one more round of funding is available. The fund is open for contributions and additional grants will be made on a rolling basis as long as funds are available and 100% of funds raised will be used locally.

“As we receive applications it is clear that in Benton and Franklin counties nonprofits are responding with creativity and resourcefulness during this difficult time. Many more individuals and families need help than ever before, and organizations are adapting and going above and beyond to meet the growing needs. We thank our donors and fundholders for their gifts and their trust in Three Rivers Community Foundation. We are proud to support these organizations, who support us all” says Abbey Cameron, Executive Director.

Grants Totaling \$45,310 from Three Rivers Community Foundation’s COVID-19 Response Fund:

- [Columbia Industries](#) – Columbia Industries has adapted their Opportunity Kitchen program to use students in their job training program to provide meals for families in need. This grant supports food and supplies.
- [Heartlinks Hospice and Palliative Care](#) – Provides funds for for Personal Protective Equipment Supplies for hospice and palliative care workers.
- [Prosser Boys & Girls Club](#) – Supports the costs of adapting their program to provide emergency care for children of essential workers.
- [Communities in Schools of Benton-Franklin](#) – Communities in Schools has adapted their program to help families in need across the school system and beyond. This grant supports food and supplies for care boxes for families.
- [Support, Advocacy, & Resource Center](#) – Supports temporary housing costs for survivors transitioning to restorative care or needing to safely quarantine.
- [Chaplaincy Health Care](#) – Provides hospice medical supplies and personal protective equipment for Hospice House.
- [Senior Life Resources](#) – Meals on Wheels has seen a large increase in demand and has had to adapt their meals and delivery schedule. This grant supports food and supplies.
- [Kennewick Police Foundation](#) – Supports KPD’s Community Care Program, giving officers access to funds to assist community members with urgent needs.
- [Safe Harbor Support Center](#) – This grant support one month of supplies for the Family Assistance Program, providing hygiene and household supplies.
- [Combat Veteran’s Motorcycle Association 11-6](#) – Supports food cards for veterans in need.
- [Family Resource Center](#) – Supports the delivery of food boxes to families without transportation as well as mask distribution.
- [KC Help](#) – Supports the supplies and equipment to adapt their medical supply lending program to meet CDC COVID-19 disinfecting standards.
- [ARC of Tri-Cities](#) – Supports purchase of “no-touch” thermometers and other supplies to be used throughout their facility and transportation program upon reopening.
- [Academy of Children’s Theater](#) – This grant supports purchase of equipment and training to adapt programing to a virtual format.
- [Partners for Early Learning](#) – Supports operating costs so that programs can be ready to resume upon reopening.
- [Blue Mountain Council, Boy Scouts of America](#) – This grant supports food and supplies to support the troops Islamic and Refugee support projects.

The Board of Directors has established that the fund will support the following priorities:

- First priority – 501c3 organizations that provide critical services in the areas of food insecurity, housing, health, childcare, and mental health who are seeing an increase in demand for their services due to COVID-19
- Second priority – 501c3 organizations who have experienced significant loss in revenue due to COVID-19 which has impacted their ability to deliver programs and services

The application is available [here](#). Information about contributing to the fund is available [here](#).

Three Rivers Community Foundation assists charitably minded individuals with plans for perpetual giving as well as facilitating annual grantmaking to support our local nonprofit community. To learn more visit www.3rcf.org.