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$150,000 in Grants Awarded from the COVID-19 Response Fund
Cumulative grantmaking reaches $475,000 to support frontline nonprofit organizations

SPRINGFIELD – The Community Foundation for the Land of Lincoln and United Way of Central Illinois announced today the sixth round of COVID-19 Response Fund grant recipients. In total, $150,000 was awarded to the following organizations:

- Helping Hands of Springfield - $23,000
- C.E.F.S. Economic Opportunity Corporation - $20,000
- Mu Delta Lambda Charitable Foundation - $15,000
- Hispanic Women of Springfield - $10,000
- West Central Illinois Health Corporation - $10,000
- Boys & Girls Clubs of Central Illinois - $7,500
- Hope Clinical Care - $7,500
- Educational Center for the Visually Impaired - $5,000
- Faith Ministries International Inc. - $5,000
- Fresh Visions Community Church - $5,000
- Loami Area Community Pantry - $5,000
- Menard County Food Pantry - $5,000
- Union Baptist Church - $5,000
- Third Presbyterian Church - $2,000

The Fund also partnered with United Way of Logan County and United Way of Christian County to identify the following grant recipients in those regions:

- Christian County YMCA - $3,750
- Senior Citizens Center of Christian County - $3,750
- Community Action Partnership - $3,750
- The Salvation Army -- Lincoln Extension - $3,750

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A partnership of:
• SHADOW Home - $1,575
• Academic Development Institute - Lincoln Parents' Center - $1,000
• CTF Illinois - $1,000
• Humane Society of Logan County - $1,000
• Lincoln Elementary School District #27 - $1,000
• Oasis Senior Center - $1,000
• Community Mission Center - $818
• Midland Area Food Pantry - $818
• Camp New Hope - $656
• Five Loaves And Two Fish Food Pantry - $564
• Taylorville Ministerial Association Emergency Vouchers - $475

Thus far, $475,000 in grants have been awarded since the first grant was awarded from the COVID-19 Response Fund six weeks ago.

Grants are administered in partnership with the Pandemic Community Advisory Group consisting of funding partners and representatives from community, health and government sectors across the Springfield, IL region.

Donors have now contributed and pledged over $530,000 to the COVID-19 Response Fund, including $50,000 in seed funding from the Community Foundation and United Way and $250,000 from the Illinois COVID-19 Response Fund. To view a complete list of individuals and corporations who have contributed to the Fund, visit www.CFLL.org or www.springfieldunitedway.org.

The Fund cannot provide grants to individuals, however, it does support community-based organizations that have experience providing essential services and support to local residents.

Local nonprofits serving individuals and families affected by the coronavirus outbreak are encouraged to apply for COVID-19 Response Fund grants by completing the online application at www.CFLL.org.

The COVID-19 Response Fund is designed to complement the work of public health officials and expand capacity in Sangamon and surrounding counties by strategically and efficiently addressing impacts from the coronavirus outbreak.

For more information or to donate to the Fund, visit the Community Foundation at www.CFLL.org or the United Way by texting “HELPNOW” to 40403 or at www.springfieldunitedway.org.

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