# Application 2020 Disaster Recovery Fund

**COVID19 CARE & Derecho Fund** 



## Introduction

### United Way of East Central Iowa's (UWECI) Disaster Recovery Fund

In response to 2020's COVID-19 pandemic and the derecho storm damage seen in lowa communities, UWECI has responded to imminent needs by creating the Disaster Recovery Fund. These funds will be granted in response to the emerging needs of the most vulnerable individuals in our community. Assistance will be provided through funding local health and human service nonprofits who serve those with increased needs due to both the COVID-19 pandemic and the derecho storm damage.

Nonprofit applicants must demonstrate strong experience providing support for immediate basic needs and economic stability. The fund is designed to complement the work of local public health, nonprofit, and government entities, and to expand local capacity to support individuals and families experiencing hardship as a result of the outbreak and related closures and disruptions and storm damage to homes and communities.

Key areas could include short term needs such as: <u>COVID19 CARE Fund</u> - childcare, access to food, Personal Protection Equipment, effects of income disruption, etc.

<u>Derecho Recovery Fund</u> - childcare, access to food, medical needs, emergency housing, emergency financial assistance, assistance to vulnerable populations, home repair, storm damage clean up and repair, other storm -related community needs.

The fund will also address those unforeseen needs in the long-term recovery.

# **The Process**

### Who Can Apply:

501c3 organizations providing COVID-19 services or those services in response to outlined disaster recovery fund key areas in UWECI's five-county area are eligible to apply.

### **Grant Limits:**

UWECI limits grants to \$10,000 per program. Agencies can apply more than once. If needs are greater than \$10,000, please contact Karey Chase at karey.chase@uweci.org

### **Application Submission Deadline:**

Decisions will be made within one week and organizations will be notified immediately.

Opportunities for application will be ongoing based on available funds. The COVID19 CARE Fund will serve those directly impacted by COVID-19 pandemic. The Derecho Fund will serve those directly impacted by the derecho storm that hit Iowa August 10, 2020.

# **Questions?**

**For questions regarding the application,** please contact Karey Chase at karey.chase@uweci.org.

# **Application**

**Organization Name:** 

Contact Name: Contact Email:

**Dollar Amount Requested:** 

Fund Requested: Please Highlight

COVID19 CARE Fund Derecho Recovery Fund

Applicants who are not currently funded by United Way of East Central Iowa must submit a recent copy of your Board Approved Financial Report, W-9 and most recent 990, in addition to the narrative responses below.

### **Questions:**

Please provide brief answers to the following questions.

- 1. Briefly describe the program for which you are requesting funding. (no more than 400 words)
- 2. How many individuals/ households will your program support? (no more than 200 words)
- 3. What unmet need will your program be addressing? (no more than 500 words)

### Final Report:

A final report will be required by 90 days after notification that summarizes:

- Name of Organization
- Program Name
- Need
- The estimated number of supported individuals/households
- Outcomes/successes that have resulted
- Barriers/challenges/ needs

Submit Applications to: communitybuilding@uweci.org