

Stronger Together

THIS WEEK IN OUR COMMUNITY



The professionals and volunteer leaders of the Jewish Community Foundation and Jewish Federation of Southern Arizona continue to work to make a difference in our community through strategic philanthropic efforts amidst the global pandemic.

Jewish Community Pandemic Relief Fund Update
\$385,000

We established our Jewish Community Pandemic Relief Fund in March and have worked diligently to secure commitments to strengthen our capacity to meet basic needs, to respond rapidly not only to today's problems, but also to the growing challenges that will face us as circumstances evolve.

We are deploying the funds available to us in a deliberate manner, based on a phased approach that takes into account first the immediate, pressing needs of individuals and families locally and then layers in the needs of the organizations that serve these populations - as well as needs in Israel and among Jewish communities around the world.

Jewish Community Pandemic Relief Fund Funding Priorities Over Time

- PHASE 1:** Individuals & families most impacted by the pandemic
- PHASE 2:** Agencies & organizations whose infrastructure supports those in phase 1

We have taken care to strike a balance on the continuum between immediately allocating funds to show community support and adopting a more gradual, measured approach as we watch to ensure we can meet community's evolving needs that shift and develop with time. The Jewish Community Pandemic Relief Fund operates in the dynamic tension between these poles, though we have intentionally embraced a more measured approach, knowing that the greatest needs locally may yet be ahead of us. Moreover, we work to ensure that during our Phase 1 focus on individual and family needs locally, we are designating grants toward COVID-19 related needs while working to facilitate the receipt of stimulus funds and government loans to address the broader economic impact on the non-profit sector in Southern Arizona.

Funding recommendations made by our Pandemic Relief Taskforce are brought to the joint Executive Committee/Officers of Foundation and Federation, where funding distributions are decided. We are deploying resources in a thoughtful, measured way as this complex situation unfolds, ensuring that the funds are not exhausted in the broader communal context.

By working together in concert with other local organizations, our position is able to be balanced by the different tactics of nonprofits in our region. In deep partnership with the **Community Foundation of Southern Arizona** and the **United Way**, we ensure that the needs of our community are met now and in the future. We are complementing each other's strategies, and taking care not to duplicate efforts.

Fund Allocations

- Previously Deployed**
- \$20,000 JFCS
 - \$20,000 ICS
 - \$2,075 TIHAN
- Newly Approved This Week**
- \$25,000 Community Food Bank
 - \$20,000 ICS
 - \$3,637 COVID-19 indigent burial

Areas of Anticipated Increased Need We Are Monitoring for Potential Funding

Basic human services		Healthcare	
Seniors and vulnerable populations		Homelessness	
Food scarcity		Mental health: suicide prevention	
First responders/medical community		Domestic violence	
		Native American Population	

We are proud to be here to support our community during this challenging time. The Jewish Community Pandemic Relief Fund has deployed funds to a variety of different causes thusfar, and is actively tracking evolving areas of need by staying in close contact with community leaders and organizers across Southern Arizona.

We invite you to join us as we serve the Jewish and broader community through thoughtful, deliberate philanthropic efforts by contributing to the Jewish Community Pandemic Relief Fund. If you would prefer to contribute by volunteering, or have need of assistance yourself, we are also here for you. Please visit us at jfsa.org/pandemic.

Wishing you and your family health, strength, and joy during this time,

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