United Way of East Central Iowa’s (UWECI) COVID-19 CARE Fund

UWECI created the COVID-19 CARE Fund 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 the pandemic. Key areas include childcare, access to food and effects of income disruption. The fund will also address those unforeseen needs in the long-term.

Who Can Apply:
501c3 organizations providing COVID-19 services in UWECI’s five-county area are eligible to apply.

Grant Limits:
UWECI limits grants to $5,000 per organization.

Application Submission Deadline:
UWECI will have multiple rounds of funding. The first round of applications will open on Friday, May 1. Application submissions for this round will be due Friday, May 15. Decisions will be made within one week and organizations will be notified immediately. Opportunities for application will be ongoing based on available funds. The CARE Fund will serve those directly impacted by COVID-19 pandemic. 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.

Examples of activities that may be funded include:

- Food support
- Healthcare
- Emergency housing
- Emergency financial assistance
- Assistance for vulnerable seniors
- Childcare
Organization Name: 
Contact Name: 
Contact Email: 
Dollar Amount Requested: 
Applicants who are currently not a funded partner of United Way of East Central Iowa must submit a recent copy of your Board Approved Financial Report 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)

3. What unmet need will your program be addressing?  
   (no more than 500 words)

4. Describe your program timeline to utilize funding?  
   (no more than 300 words)

Final Report:
A final report will be required by August 1, 2020 that summarizes:
- Name of Organization
- Program Name
- Unmet Need
- The estimated number of supported individuals/households
- Outcomes/successes that have resulted
- Barriers/challenges/unmet needs

Submit Applications to: communitybuilding@uweci.org

Questions?

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