GRANT GUIDELINES

The Board of Directors of the Community Foundation of the Gunnison Valley (CFGV) recognizes that the occurrence of the COVID-19 pandemic calls for grantmaking outside our regular Community Grants timeframe. The Foundation’s COVID-19 Recovery Fund will assist nonprofits and eligible public entities in addressing the health and safety needs of the people of Gunnison County, especially its most vulnerable populations. The Fund was originally set up to address immediate urgent needs. As the pandemic crisis evolves, the Fund may be used to meet longer-term issues that work toward broad community recovery with a focus on equity.

Eligible applicants are 501(c)(3) nonprofits or government entities. CFGV is receptive to applications from a cooperating group of entities, including nonprofit, government and for-profit participants, but a 501(c)(3) or government entity must be the lead applicant.

If a consortium should apply, we assume that they are planning together, however informally for now, to ensure that no vulnerable population is left unserved; and that their coordination extends at least through fall 2020, if not beyond. We will want to understand how you work together, and how it’s more effective than working separately. CFGV will not necessarily prohibit members of the collective from asking separately for funds for something that may arise that only they are in a position to address, but determination of priority will be made on a case-by-case basis, and will ultimately rest with the CFGV Board of Directors.

CFGV will continue to balance our commitment to distributing the generous support of donors with understanding that COVID-19 impacts will be long-lasting. A grantmaking Advisory Committee comprised of community members who reside across the County, as well as Community Foundation staff, will review grant applications. The CFGV Board of Directors has ultimate responsibility for all grantmaking decisions.

Grants will be awarded as funding is available through community support and will be made on an ongoing and rolling basis. Visit https://cfgv.org/covid-19-fund-application for current deadline and grant award dates.