



## Frequently Asked Questions

### **Should I give to this fund instead of making donations to nonprofits?**

This fund was not created to be the only way to get needed resources into the community, but to help channel resources that will have the highest immediate impact and to help facilitate coordination among entities.

We encourage you to connect with and give directly to any local nonprofit to which you are drawn. This is a critical time for many nonprofits and the broader business community. Please continue to give to the organizations you regularly support and those that need your help at this critical time. Local businesses are finding creative ways to continue to serve the community – support them how you can!

### **My organization is interested in resources from this fund. Can we be considered or apply?**

The fund was created to meet urgent health, mental health, safety and other basic needs. We understand that how we are meeting needs is evolving and we are receptive to applications that may have a longer timeframe. The short application is found [here](#).

### **I want to apply. What are the deadlines, and when will I hear whether I am awarded funds?**

As of July, applications are being reviewed on a rolling basis and generally reviewed on the Friday following each posted deadline, with results emailed to applicants early the following week. You can learn when the next deadline is [here](#).

**We are part of a group that is considering applying. What do you expect from us?** Hopefully, the result of a group effort is that no vulnerable population goes unserved. CFGV hopes working together on a COVID-19 Recovery grant can be a step to a long-term collaborative relationship since serious social needs cannot usually be met by a single group working in isolation. We recognize that formalized plans may not be totally complete at the time of an application, however, we would like to know how you're working together now as well as your expectations for results.

**If we are part of a group, does one of us have to serve as the manager of the funds?** No. You will state the dollar needs of each participant and, if funds are awarded, we will make a grant directly to each entity.

### **We have had to lay off staff. Can I apply for funds to help them with their basic expenses?**

CFGV cannot fund specific individuals. We fully recognize the urgent needs of many people in the Valley who are jobless right now. Instead of assisting the staff of any given nonprofit, we

fund the groups that serve all of the people in the Valley, such as the Department of Health & Human Services, the Gunnison Country Food Pantry, the Center for Mental Health and others, and urge all people who need help with rent, food, medical supplies or other basic needs to contact the relevant agency.

**I want to donate. How can I do that?**

There are many ways to donate.

1. Credit card: CFGV website COVID page ([www.cfgv.org/covid-19](http://www.cfgv.org/covid-19)). You'll find the Donate button at the bottom of the page.
2. Check: Make out to CFGV. Put COVID-19 in the memo line. Mail to CFGV, PO Box 7057, Gunnison, CO 81230
3. Stock: Email Lauren Kugler at [lauren@cfgv.org](mailto:lauren@cfgv.org) for instructions

**I want to donate and restrict my gift to a particular grantee. Can I?**

To ensure we move resources as efficiently as possible and respond to the needs of communities most impacted, we're not considering restricted donations to this fund. The COVID-19 Recovery Fund was created to provide a way to coordinate as many resources as possible. If you have a passion for a specific nonprofit, please consider donating to them directly.

**When will you share who receives a grant?**

A list of all COVID-19 Recovery grantees is published on CFGV's website (<https://cfgv.org/covid-19/>), along with a short description of the services and support they are providing through the grant.

**What are the reporting requirements of a grant?**

All grant recipients will be asked to submit a brief, final report within three months of receipt of their grant for each award received. The final report form can be found [here](#).

**How long does an awardee have to use a grant?**

You will include your expected project timeframe in the application. If these grant funds are NOT utilized within that timeframe, please contact [maryo@cfgv.org](mailto:maryo@cfgv.org) to discuss whether an extension is feasible.

**Can an agency submit more than one proposal?**

Applicants may submit applications at different deadlines. Even if funds are received via separate grants for the same project, a separate report will be required for each award.

**More questions?** Please direct all general questions about the Fund to Maryo Ewell at [maryo@cfgv.org](mailto:maryo@cfgv.org).