



## Lowcountry Community COVID-19 Response Fund Grant Recipients

*as of March 2021*

*The Lowcountry Community COVID-19 Response Fund was established by Community Foundation of the Lowcountry in March 2020 to rapidly deploy resources to community-based, frontline nonprofit organizations addressing the COVID-19 pandemic in Beaufort, Colleton, Hampton and Jasper Counties.*

*To date, almost \$700,00 has been awarded to 43 nonprofits in our four-county region.*

*These grants include:*

**Agape Family Life Center (*Beaufort and Jasper Counties*):** First grant – for direct emergency financial assistance (rent/mortgage and utilities) for at least 25 families who are facing hardships due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

**Agape Family Life Center (*Beaufort and Jasper Counties*):** Second grant – for emergency housing relief for residents of Beaufort and Jasper Counties who are at-risk due to COVID-19-related issues.

**Antioch Education Center (*Jasper County*):** First grant – to purchase food to be distributed to Jasper County families through the food banks operated by Antioch Education Center and/or with backpacks to Jasper County School District students during 2020 spring break.

**Antioch Education Center (*Jasper County*):** Second grant – to support education programs and food pantry, serving Jasper County residents with increased needs as a result of COVID-19.

**Antioch Education Center (*Jasper County*):** Third grant – to purchase food for Jasper County food pantries that are supporting Jasper County residents facing increased needs.

**Antioch Education Center (*Jasper County*):** Fourth grant – for emergency housing assistance to include both rental/mortgage and utility assistance for residents of Jasper County who are at-risk due to COVID-19-related issues.

**Beaufort-Jasper YMCA of the Lowcountry (*Beaufort and Jasper Counties*):** to provide funding for supplies and program staff to support the Grab-and-Go program, in April and May, for students in Northern Beaufort County.

**Bluffton Community Soup Kitchen (*Beaufort and Jasper Counties*):** First grant – to purchase food for the “Hot Stuff” Food Program, which provides meals for low-income, at-risk community members in Bluffton and Yemassee.

**Bluffton Community Soup Kitchen (*Beaufort and Jasper Counties*):** Second grant – to purchase healthy food for clients who are facing food insecurity.

**Bluffton-Jasper Volunteers in Medicine (*Beaufort and Jasper Counties*):** to purchase medication and testing supplies to meet additional needs of low-income patients in Bluffton and Jasper County, as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.

**Bluffton Self Help (*Beaufort County*):** First grant – to provide food and/or housing for clients impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic.

**Bluffton Self Help (*Beaufort County*):** Second grants – to purchase healthy food for clients facing food insecurity.

**Boys & Girls Club of the Lowcountry – Bluffton (*Beaufort County*):** to support technology expenses required for the Virtual Hub Program that provides online learning programs for students who are attending virtual school at the Club while their parents work.

**Boys & Girls Club of Lowcountry - Hilton Head Island (*Beaufort County*):** to support the Distance Learning Assistance Program that provides educational support to students who attend virtual school at the Club while their parents work.

**CCEDC Two, Inc. (Colleton Commercial Kitchen) (*Colleton County*):** to expand their services to reach an underserved segment of the Colleton County population which faces increased food insecurity caused by the coronavirus.

**Campbell Chapel Community Development Ministry (Campbell Chapel A.M.E. Church) (*Beaufort and Jasper Counties*):** to rent a refrigerated truck to transport USDA food boxes from Atlanta to Beaufort and Jasper Counties for distribution for the Farms to Families Food Distribution Program.

**The Children’s Center, Inc. (*Beaufort County*):** for an online school program created to support children who are learning virtually while their parents work, related to COVID-19 school closures.

**Christ Lutheran Church (*Beaufort County*):** for food and/or hygiene supplies to stock the Little Free Pantry for up to six months.

**Edisto Indian Free Clinic (*Colleton County*):** for cleaning and disinfecting costs and/or PPE to maintain a healthy clinic for low-income patients in Colleton County.

**First Estill Baptist Church (*Hampton County*):** First grant – for food and supplies needed to support and expand the First Estill Baptist Food Pantry, serving Hampton County families who are facing food shortages due to COVID-19.

**First Estill Baptist Church (*Hampton County*):** Second grant – to purchase food and essential products for residents of Hampton County.

**Greater Cherry Grove Food Pantry (*Hampton County*):** to purchase food and upgrade equipment needed to expand services at their new location, providing food to low-income residents of Hampton County.

**Greater Faith International Ministries (*Hampton County*):** First grant – to provide food and shelter for Hampton County residents who have been adversely affected by the COVID-19 pandemic.

**Greater Faith International Ministries (*Hampton County*):** Second grant – to purchase food and essential products for residents of Hampton County.

**Gullah Geechee Initiative Foundation, Inc. (*Beaufort County*):** for food and supplies needed for the Mandela Day Emergency Food Distribution Project for low-income, at-risk families and individuals on St. Helena Island.

**Hampton United Methodist Church (*Hampton County*):** First grant – to purchase food and supplies for the Hampton School District One Backpack Buddy Program. The grant will help the program expand to bring meals to 300 more participants.

**Hampton United Methodist Church (*Hampton County*):** Second grant – to provide food to children and families experiencing food insecurity. Food will be distributed through their Backpack Buddies Program.

**HELP of Beaufort (*Beaufort County*):** to purchase food and provide for housing-related hardships for the increased number of clients caused by the COVID-19 pandemic.

**Healing Waters Mission & Wellness Center (*Jasper County*):** First grant – for food and a walk-in cooler to expand services to low-income residents in Jasper County for their Compassionate Food Project.

**Healing Waters Mission & Wellness Center (*Jasper County*):** Second grant – to purchase food for Jasper and Beaufort County residents facing food insecurity.

**The Hilton Head Island Deep Well Project (*Beaufort County*):** to fund mortgage/rental assistance needs of clients, including food and beverage employees who have lost employment, directly relating to COVID-19.

**Hilton Head Regional Habitat for Humanity (*Beaufort County*):** to fund insurance and tax escrow payments for approximately 30% of Habitat for Humanity homeowners who have lost employment because of the COVID-19 pandemic. The grant will fund the payments for up to two months.

**Hopeful Horizons (*Beaufort, Colleton, Hampton and Jasper Counties*):** to transport, feed and/or shelter abuse victims as needed in our Beaufort, Colleton, Hampton and Jasper Counties.

**Huspah Missionary Baptist Church (Hampton County):** for a freezer, food and PPE needed to increase emergency food boxes for low-income, at-risk individuals and families participating in the Feed the Need Program.

**The LEGACY Foundation of SC (Jasper County):** for their 3<sup>rd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> grade virtual tutoring program for students in Jasper County who are attending online school due to COVID-19 school closures.

**Love Abound CDC (The Joseph Storehouse) (Hampton County):** First grant – for food pantry expenses and emergency housing relief for Hampton County residents who have increased needs due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

**Love Abound CDC (The Joseph Storehouse) (Hampton County):** Second grant – to provide food for residents of Hampton County facing food insecurity.

**Love Abound CDC (The Joseph Storehouse) (Hampton County):** Third grant – for emergency housing assistance for residents of Hampton County who are at-risk due to COVID-19-related issues.

**Lowcountry Food Bank (Beaufort, Colleton, Hampton and Jasper Counties):** First grant – to purchase additional food required as a result of COVID-19 to supply to partner agencies that are experiencing increased need.

**Lowcountry Food Bank (Beaufort, Colleton, Hampton and Jasper Counties):** Second grant – to purchase food to be distributed to partner agencies in Beaufort, Colleton, Hampton and Jasper Counties.

**Lowcountry Strong Foundation (Beaufort County):** to fund meals for unemployed or underemployed hospitality workers in Beaufort County.

**The Margaret F. Curtis Food Pantry (Colleton, Hampton and Jasper Counties):** to increase capacity due to the expanded need caused by school closings and stay at home orders in Colleton, Hampton and Jasper Counties.

**Marshview Community Organic Farm (Beaufort County):** First grant – for food and other expenses needed to resource their collaborative food distribution program on St. Helena Island.

**Marshview Community Organic Farm (Beaufort County):** Second grant – for food used in their home cooked meal and fresh produce distribution program for residents of Beaufort who are food insecure.

**Meals-on-Wheels, Bluffton-Hilton Head (Beaufort County):** for food costs related to expanding weekend meal service to low-income, infirm and homebound clients. The grant will provide one weekend meal to up to 120 individuals for 13 weeks.

**Mental Health America of Beaufort/Jasper (Beaufort and Jasper Counties):** to fund food for Island House participants in addition to cleaning, sanitation and PPE to ensure the safety of staff, volunteers and clients.

**Neighborhood Outreach Connection (*Beaufort County*):** First grant – to pay landlords on behalf of individual low-income tenant families in jeopardy of eviction as a result of COVID-19 related unemployment in the neighborhoods Neighborhood Outreach Connection serves.

**Neighborhood Outreach Connection (*Beaufort County*):** Second grant – to provide rental assistance for member families who are unemployed or underemployed due to the coronavirus.

**Neighborhood Outreach Connection (*Beaufort County*):** Third grant – for technology and cleaning supplies necessary to provide a safe environment for virtual learning for low-income students at their northern Hilton Head Island location.

**New Destiny Center (*Beaufort and Jasper Counties*):** First grant – to provide hot meals to low income, at-risk Jasper County seniors who are confined to their homes due to COVID-19.

**New Destiny Center (*Beaufort and Jasper Counties*):** Second grant – to purchase food for their distribution program helping residents of Beaufort and Jasper Counties.

**Partners in Transition, Inc. (*Beaufort and Jasper Counties*):** to purchase food for low-income residents of Jasper County.

**Programs for Exceptional People (PEP) (*Beaufort County*):** for cleaning supplies to keep members and staff safe during the COVID-19 pandemic.

**Real Champions, Inc. (*Jasper County*):** for food to be distributed to low-income families in Jasper County in collaboration with Hope Zone Resource Center.

**St. Stephens Outreach Foodbank (*Jasper County*):** to purchase food for clients in Jasper County and fuel to transport food because of substantial increased need due to COVID-19.

**Sandalwood Community Food Pantry (*Beaufort County*):** First grant – to purchase food and supplies to ensure the safety of volunteers and clients.

**Sandalwood Community Food Pantry (*Beaufort County*):** Second grant – to meet the substantial need for food for low-income residents of Hilton Head Island who face hardships due to COVID-19.

**Second Helpings (*Beaufort, Hampton and Jasper Counties*):** to employ displaced food and beverage workers to deliver food to agencies, filling the gap caused by volunteers who can no longer serve due to age or health-related vulnerability to COVID-19.

**Society of St. Vincent de Paul Holy Family Conference (*Beaufort County*):** to provide rental and/or utility assistance for Southern Beaufort County residents who are unemployed or underemployed as a result of COVID-19.

**Volunteers in Medicine (*Beaufort County*):** for personal protective equipment to ensure the safety of staff and patients who seek care when the clinic reopens to serve low-income members of the community.

**Women of Faith and Power Ministries (*Beaufort and Jasper Counties*):** for emergency assistance to homeless individuals and families.