

United Way
of Central Carolinas



COVID-19 Response Fund FAQs

Who is eligible to receive COVID-19 Funding?

The COVID-19 Response Fund is open to any 501 (c) 3 organization providing assistance to individuals and families through education, health and mental health, food security, workforce development, shelter, financial security or other related services. Agencies may apply under a fiscal sponsor.

Faith based organizations may apply, but services must be available to all without regard to religious beliefs or affiliation.

The committee reserves the right to prioritize funding to meet the most pressing community needs that have emerged as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic's health, economic and social impacts.

Is the funding restricted to Mecklenburg County?

Yes. Funding must be used to serve Mecklenburg County residents. Organizations must be based in Mecklenburg County. Organizations that serve multiple counties must be able to restrict grant funding to Mecklenburg County residents. Applications that cannot restrict funding to Mecklenburg County residents will not be considered.

What steps can an agency take strengthen its application?

Answer each question in the application thoroughly, using data to illustrate the need for funding, and what will be achieved with funding.

Specify the number to be served with the funding requested, the outcome to be achieved, and the time period within which you will expend funding.

Use the budget template provided, and edit it to reflect the revenue and expenditures for your project. Be sure that the expenditures in the budget match the narrative description in the written application. Be sure that revenue matches expenses. The grants committee wants to understand clearly how the agency plans to spend the money requested.

Can I submit more than one application?

Submit only one application in each round. Two applications from a single agency in a single grant cycle will not be considered.

Agencies may submit one application in each new grant cycle.