

Dear Community Partner,

I hope you are keeping yourself and your loved ones safe and healthy during this COVID-19 situation. This year due to COVID-19 Common Spirit Health, Dignity Health parent company, is allowing our local Dignity Health Community Grants program to offer your organization the opportunity to apply for a Coronavirus Pandemic Support Grant. Criteria for applying for these funds are the following:

- Applicant must be a 501©3 tax-exempt organization
- Applicant's annual operating budget must be \$500,000 or less
- Grant requests can range from \$5,000 to \$20,000
- Applicant delivers programs and services that address one or more significant health needs in the hospital's most recent Community Health Needs Assessment
- Applicant demonstrates that the coronavirus pandemic has negatively impacted or put at risk the organization's ability to continue some of all such programs and services; and
- Applicant commits to use grant funds for expenses (e.g., rent, salaries/benefits, utilities, supplies, and direct program costs) that directly support the continuation of programs or services that meet the definition of "community benefit" in the Internal Revenue Service's Form 990, Schedule H (Hospitals), including but not limited to community health improvement services.

If your organization is interested in applying for these funds please contact me and I will forward you the Request for Full Proposal (RFP) application. Completed RFP applications are due July 31, 2020 by 5pm to me. Notification of applicants of whether they have been selected for funding will be October 1, 2020. Funds will be distribute in November 2020.

If you have any questions please contact Patty Herrera, your local Dignity Health Community Grant representative.

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Thank you,

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