

Jewish Community COVID-19 Emergency Fund

AUGUST 2020

\$2.3m raised

\$1.9m deployed

370+ funders

73 grants and loans

\$14m leveraged from government

Experts on the frontlines tell us:

- Due to record unemployment, basic needs have multiplied exponentially.
- Families face immense pressure for childcare support from school disruptions.
- Child and domestic abuse rates are increasing while also under-reported.
- Depression, suicide, and substance abuse are increasing disproportionately.
- Organizations pivoting service delivery are making both devastating and highly creative decisions about staff and programming.

Within 30 days of the Stay-At-Home Order

- Interest-free bridge loans awarded to organizations to keep staff employed and avoid crisis decisions.
- Technical support and resources provided for CARES Act and other funding applications.
- Emergency funding helped individuals and families with critical basic needs.
- Healthcare expenses covered for those affected by furloughs or layoffs.

Safe Reopening

- Support for community organizations to create safe environments for staff and external stakeholders.
- Funding covered unbudgeted, COVID-19-related costs of protective gear, cleaning supplies and equipment, janitorial services, safety training, and security for outdoor services.

Living with a New Normal

- The pandemic uniquely presents many unknowns, especially with timelines for reopening businesses and a potential second wave of COVID-19. The path to recovery is not a straight one.
- We need to remain malleable and shift from responsive to recovery services as needs emerge. The imperative to address basic needs will remain constant.
- As schools resort to distance learning this fall, families struggle with alternate options for care. Out-of-work parents are losing viable employment opportunities, working parents lack resources for childcare, and those without flexibility face complex challenges. Single parents struggle even more.

Grant Story: Lawrence Family Jewish Community Center

Responding to the need for high-quality childcare brought on by school closures, the JCC is offering *All Day at the J*, a safe space for students to learn virtually through their respective schools while maintaining the normalcy of being in a space with friends. Credentialed and experienced educators and programmers will follow the curriculum provided by a student's school to ensure progress. Socially distant activities occur when students are not participating in classes, with COVID-19 safety protocols carefully followed.

The San Diego Jewish COVID-19 Emergency Fund provided a grant to the JCC for *All Day at the J* for scholarship support, with priority given to the families of those working in the Jewish community.



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Responding to immediate needs, understanding emerging challenges, and planning for the future.

ORGANIZATIONS FUNDED

Aish San Diego
Beth Jacob Congregation
Camp Mountain Chai
Chabad of Bonita – Beth Eliyahu Torah Center
Chabad of Carlsbad North
Chabad of Carmel Valley
Chabad of Chula Vista
Chabad of Downtown
Chabad House of the College Area
Chabad of East County
Chabad of Encinitas
Chabad La Costa
Chabad Oceanside
Chabad of Pacific Beach
Chabad of San Marcos/Alef Center

Chabad of UC San Diego
Chabad of University City
Coastal Roots Farm
Congregation Adat Yeshurun
Congregation Beth Am
Congregation Beth Israel
Friends of the IDF
G'mach
Hillel of San Diego
Hope Village (Chesed House)
Jewish Collaborative of San Diego
Jewish Family Service of San Diego
Lawrence Family Jewish Community Center
Ner Tamid Synagogue
Ohr Shalom Synagogue

San Diego Jewish Academy
San Diego Outreach Synagogue
SCY High
Seacrest Village Retirement Communities
Soille San Diego Hebrew Day School
Temple Adat Shalom
Temple Beth Shalom
Temple Emanu-El
Temple Etz Rimon
Temple Solel
Tifereth Israel
The Elijah Minyan
Torah High School

PURPOSES AND USES

Helping Community Members in Crisis

- Food, housing, basic needs
- Domestic violence prevention, intervention
- Bridge loans
- Extended medical benefits
- Funeral expenses

Confronting a New Reality

- Case Management
- Mental health counseling
- Job search support
- Employment retraining
- Parenting skills coaching
- Financial assistance for preschool, camp and school

Safe Work and Community Spaces

- Cleaning, sanitization supplies
- Personal protective equipment
- COVID-19 testing
- Safety training, capacity
- Desk shields, workplace partitions

Virtual and Outdoor Programming Support

- Streaming technology
- Workspace technology
- Tents and shade structures



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