

Hi All,

Thank you all for your continued and dedicated work on behalf of the Nantucket community. In the past few weeks we have watched fellow members of our Advisory Committee step up and work incredibly hard to protect and support the Island. Thank you.

At the Community Foundation, we see Advisory Committee members as our eyes and ears in the community. We typically rely on our annual meeting to hear about the current and future needs to help guide the strategic direction of the Foundation. However, during this pandemic we need your help now.

Below is a summary of the ways in which the Community Foundation has responded to the COVID-19 Pandemic. If you, as a community leader, know of an area of concern or need in our community please let us know. We also ask that you share any ideas or ways your organization or employer is making difference - please let us know. We have created a new email account to communicate with you all. Please reach out to us at advisor@cfnan.org.

Best,
Carlisle

The Community Foundation for Nantucket Responds to the COVID - 19 Pandemic

Nantucket Fund for Emergency Relief

We have established the **Nantucket Fund for Emergency Relief**. Currently the Foundation is actively soliciting donations to this fund. Since launching the fund, we have raised over \$250,000 which has been generously matched by ReMain Nantucket. In addition, we have a very generous donor who has committed to match an additional \$250,000 of new donations. Between both matching gifts and other incredibly generous gifts, we are on track to raise over \$1million for the **Nantucket Fund for Emergency Relief**.

The **Nantucket Fund for Emergency Relief** grants address immediate needs and long-term needs stemming from the COVID-19 crisis. Grants from this fund will focus on providing operational assistance to our Island's human services agencies. The goal of this fund is to keep critical care and services moving during this pandemic. As of Friday, we have awarded 10 grants totaling over \$253,000 from this fund.

The Foundation is committed to collaborating and coordinating with the Nantucket community to ensure we can work together to serve those who are vulnerable during this time of great need. The **Nantucket Fund for Emergency Relief** is the easiest and most efficient way to support our vital organizations and year-round community.

To give: <https://cfnan.org/give/give-now/nantucket-fund-emergency-relief-fund/>

To learn more about applying for a grant: <https://cfnan.org/receive/nantucket-fund-for-emergency-relief/>

Nantucket Fund for Emergency Relief - Food Initiative

In an effort to meet the ever-changing needs of many Nantucket residents during this COVID-19 crisis, the Community Foundation has designated funds within the **Nantucket Fund for Emergency Relief** to allow qualified nonprofits to be reimbursed for the cost of meals purchased from local restaurants to be provided to their constituents, congregation, members etc.

This food initiative encourages nonprofits and restaurants to establish partnerships, where the nonprofit purchases pre-made meals from a restaurant and distributes them to their constituents. In turn, the Community Foundation will provide the nonprofit with a grant to reimburse them for the cost of the food. The Foundation is modeling this reimbursement initiative after the successful partnership between Or The Whale and the Saltmarsh Center.

To learn more: <https://cfnan.org/receive/nantucket-fund-for-emergency-relief/nantucket-fund-for-emergency-relief-food-initiative/>

Competitive Grant Making Funds:

The Foundation is working with 2019 Nantucket Fund recipients and Nantucket Community Health Initiative recipients to ensure that grant funds are used in the best possible way for the organization. If necessary, we have released the restrictions on these funds allowing them to use the grant dollars as needed.

The ReMain Nantucket Fund is allowing for nonprofits to resubmit or submit new applications to their fund. Information regarding this change can be found on our website.

Community Support

The Community Foundation has emerged as a philanthropic leader and resource on Nantucket during this pandemic. We have been extremely fortunate to partner with local philanthropists and organizations to address many immediate needs which have emerged these past few weeks.

We have established a new designated fund to support Nantucket Food Fuel and Rental Assistance. Spearheaded by Tom McCann, the **ACK SAVES Fund** is a privately funded community initiative established by year-round and seasonal Nantucket residents to help serve the immediate and emergent financial needs of the individual islander and their family during and in the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic and subsequent Stay at Home order.

ACK SAVES is currently soliciting donations. To give: <https://cfnan.org/give/give-now/named-funds/ack-saves-fund/>

We have established the **Emergency Food Fund**. This Field of Interest Fund will support Patrick Ridge and his team at Island Kitchen. Since the closure of the Schools, Island Kitchen has been supplementing the efforts of the Public School to ensure that all children eligible for free or reduced cost meals receive them. Many Nantucket families rely on the two meals a day which the public schools typically provide, efforts are needed to ensure that those meals can continue to be provided to those children in these extraordinary times.