

Press Release

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Philanthropy coalition forms across Northwest Indiana to respond to the coronavirus pandemic

As coronavirus (Covid-19) takes an unprecedented toll on the health and financial well-being of the residents in our communities, Northwest Indiana's philanthropic foundations respond with a message of solidarity. In Lake, Porter and LaPorte counties, Legacy Foundation, Crown Point Community Foundation, Foundations of East Chicago, Porter County Community Foundation and Unity Foundation are working together to support organizations serving those disproportionately impacted by the outbreak.

The Foundations have established emergency funds to respond to the coronavirus pandemic and direct grants within the communities where they are located. With the emergency response funds, the foundations will coordinate efforts to meet needs as they arise and reduce duplication.

"We felt a sense of urgency as community-based funders to work together. The impact of this pandemic crosses county lines and our relief effort needs to do the same. We are asking for the public's support in helping us raise funds for our neighbors who are facing a lot of uncertainty and hardship," the community foundations said in a joint statement.

Each foundation will distribute grants on a rolling basis to ensure dollars are deployed in the community responsively. Grants from the funds will complement the work of nonprofits, public health officials and other organizations to expand local capacity to address all aspects of the pandemic.

All donations to these funds are tax deductible to the extent allowed by law.

How to Donate

Donate Online

- Crown Point Community Foundation: theccpf.org
- Legacy Foundation of Lake County: <http://engage.legacyfdn.org/>
- Porter County Community Foundation: <http://www.pccf.gives/weareporter>
- Unity Foundation of LaPorte County: <https://uflc.net/la-porte-county-disaster-relief-and-recovery-fund/>

Donate by Check

Indicate Emergency Response Fund in the memo line and mail to:

- Crown Point Community Foundation: 214 S Court St, Crown Point, IN 46307
- Foundations of East Chicago: 100 W Chicago Ave, Suite G, East Chicago, IN 46312
- Legacy Foundation, 370 E. 84th Drive, Suite 100, Merrillville, IN 46410
- Porter County Community Foundation: 1401 Calumet Ave, Valparaiso, IN 46383
- Unity Foundation: 422 Franklin St Suite C, Michigan City, IN 46360