

Frequently Asked Questions

Please explore the following frequently asked questions for additional insight about this funding opportunity.

Can we apply to COVID-19 Fund if we already have a grant or plan to apply for an LICF/LIUU grant this year?

Yes. Organizations currently receiving or applying for funding from LICF's community response grants and LIUUF are eligible to apply to the COVID-19 Long Island Fund if they meet eligibility guidelines.

How will my application be reviewed?

Applications will be screened and reviewed by the grants committee. Requests for support will be evaluated on the immediacy of the request, severity of the impact on residents, and resources available.

What are the post grant requirements?

Grantees will be expected to submit a brief final report with outcomes and budget review.

What does Phase I grantmaking cover?

Emergent needs of the organization or of the population it serves that can be addressed within a four-week timeframe.

Can we apply in multiple rounds of funding?

We recognize that there are immediate needs and longer-term recovery needs. Organizations can apply for funding in multiple phases; however, our decisions will be informed by the availability of funding.

What is your timeline from our application to receiving a grant?

Proposals will be reviewed bi-weekly and we are working to award grants shortly thereafter. Given the fact that we are working remotely, funding will be awarded via wire transfer.

Can the funding be used to purchase equipment?

Yes. However, the equipment must be vital to the organization's ability to be effective remotely or to deliver critical services to its constituents at this unprecedented time.

If an application is not awarded funding during the first phase of funding, will it be automatically reconsidered for second phase funding?

All applications that do not meet funding guidelines will be declined and applicant/organization will receive email notification. All applications that are not approved nor declined during the first phase, will be reevaluated by the committee on an ongoing basis. Corresponding organizations will not be asked to resubmit their applications.

Can the COVID-19 response funding be used to cover motel stays for the growing homeless population on Long Island?

The Fund does not have the capacity to provide support for individual needs.

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What is the award size of the grants?

First phase grants will be rapid-response, short-term grants (four-week time frame) and are expected to be between \$1,000 - \$25,000. Organizations requiring larger grants will be considered on a case-by-case basis.

Can organizations that do not have a regional office on Long Island apply?

Organizations must be able to show long term service delivery to Long Island residents.

Can this funding be used to support individuals?

No. Grants are limited to 501(c)3 organizations, groups fiscally sponsored by a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization, or other charitable organizations able to receive tax-deductible contributions such as faith-based organizations located in or primarily serving Nassau and Suffolk Counties' communities and residents.

Note: This list will be updated periodically to include additional questions as they arise.