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Emergency Grants for Non-Profits and Community-Based Organizations During COVID-19

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Emergency Grants

Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES) (Federal)

The Small Business Administration's Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) in the CARES Act provides potentially forgivable loans for 501(c)(3) nonprofits with 500 or fewer employees at 2.5 times your average monthly payroll for up to \$10M. SBA will forgive loans if all employees are kept on the payroll for eight weeks after the loan originates and the money is used for payroll, rent, mortgage interest, or utilities. The PPP funding will be administered through local SBA lenders. Although the CARES Act delineated that the application process opened on Friday, April 3rd, not all banking institutions working on this program are ready to accept these applications at this time. Website: <https://www.acf.hhs.gov/coronavirus/acf-covid-19-stimulus>

Resources for Non-Profits about Accessing Funds

- Independent Sector has teamed with Washington Council Ernst & Young, and Sheppard Mullin, a national full-service law firm with a dedicated Nonprofit Team. This resource will help nonprofit organizations understand how the CARES Act will apply to them and how to proceed with filing for assistance. Website: <https://independentsector.org/resource/caresact/>
- San Francisco Foundation: <https://sff.org/resources-for-nonprofits-about-the-coronavirus-aid-relief-and-economic-security-cares-act/>

In addition, the CARES Act provides funding towards **Family Violence Prevention and Services**: \$45 million to provide additional support to family violence shelters, and \$2 million in additional support for the National Domestic Violence Hotline.

- FAQ about allowable use of FVPSA funds: https://www.acf.hhs.gov/sites/default/files/fysb/fvpsafaq_use_of_funds_questions_sheet_supportiveservices_03_30_20.pdf
- Congressional Research Service report on Domestic Violence in the Context of COVID-19: <https://crsreports.congress.gov/product/pdf/IN/IN11323>

San Francisco Foundation (Local)

Through the San Francisco Foundation COVID-19 Emergency Response Fund, San Francisco Foundation will make a limited number of one-time grants (\$5,000 – \$25,000) to nonprofits addressing the following four issue areas, described in greater detail below: racial bias, worker protection, homelessness and renter protection/housing security, and food security. If

approved, grants will be processed within 10-15 days of application receipt. Website: <https://sff.org/for-nonprofits-apply-for-a-grant-from-the-sff-covid-19-emergency-response-fund/>

Tipping Point (Local)

Tipping Point is raising \$30 million to stabilize the non-profits working tirelessly to support low-income individuals and families hit hardest by this crisis. The majority of funding will be allocated to the non-profits in Tipping Point's existing portfolio with the greatest need. However, Tipping Point will also consider groups outside of its funding portfolio.

Website: <https://tippingpoint.org/what-we-do/initiatives/covid-19>

Resources

Philanthropy California

Philanthropy California has compiled upcoming events, information on response funds, resources, and public policies related to COVID-19.

Website: <https://www.philanthropyca.org/covid-19-response>

San Francisco Office of Economic and Workforce Development

OEWD provides a summary of financial resources, ways to support employees, and other City policies that have been enacted to support non-profits and other businesses during COVID-19.

Website: <https://oewd.org/nonprofits-impacted-covid-19>