

# UNITED WAY OF GREATER PLYMOUTH COUNTY COVID-19 RESPONSE FUND OUTCOMES

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• Food assistance

- Housing, shelter, & utility assistance
  - Basic needs assistance
  - Transportation assistance

As of August 8th, the funds have been distributed to help with the following urgent needs:

#### **Associates for Human Services**

has been able to assist 151 families in the Brockton & Middleboro Early Intervention and Head Start programs. These families received diapers, wipes, formula, disinfectant and groceries.

#### BAMSI

Helpline has been able to respond to urgent help calls from residents who needed short term shelter, food assistance, diapers, cleaning products, rental assistance and personal hygiene products.

Dorn Davies Senior Center to distribute food to seniors in need.

## **Beth Israel Deaconess Hospital- Plymouth**

purchased needed PPE for their front line staff: 7,000 Isolation gowns, 5,000 Procedure masks, 1,250 Face shields and N95s.

# **Boys & Girls Club of Marshfield**

purchased masks, gloves, and disinfectant to keep the club clean and hygienic while it hosts meal distribution and blood drives in partnership with the American Red Cross.



#### **Brockton Area Arc**

has been provided with additional funding to help 31 families who are out of work and are taking care of children and family members who are developmentally or physical disabled. These families received help for groceries and personal care items. Additional funds were granted to supply families with needed personal protective equipment (masks, gloves, and hand sanitizer).

## **Brockton Day Nursery**

20 families with young children received gift cards from local

grocery stores so that their low income families with limited means could buy groceries and cleaning supplies. Also received funds to purchases personal protective equipment and cleaning supplies for facility while providing emergency childcare preparing to open for regular care.

# **Brockton Salvation Army**

received additional funding for 125 families to receive nutritious food boxes (5 to 7 day supply in each box) to meet their growing needs.

# **Cardinal Cushing Centers**

has been provided with sanitation supplies and personal protective equipment for staff as well as **100** students and adults with intellectual disabilities who call Cushing home.

# **Catholic Charities South**

received food resources to meet the increased demand of more than 350 households at the pantry.

# **Cape Verdean Women United**

received funding to purchase grocery store gift cards for families in need.

# The Charity Guild

received food assistance and personal care items for individuals and families.

# Family & Community Resources

received grocery store gift cards that were distributed to 20 families in need to access items such as food, baby formula, and cleaning supplies.







#### Father Bill's & MainSpring

emergency Shelter serving our homeless neighbors in Brockton serving more than 130 people each night were supplied with personal protective equipment, cleaning products, personal care and hygiene products on several occasions.

#### **New England Village**

used the funding to purchase personal protective equipment for individuals served, as well as staff who are considered essential frontline Health Care Workers.

### **Old Colony YMCA**

with the additional funding, were able to provide over 50 individuals with 30 days of food.

#### **Plymouth Salvation Army**

helped families experiencing food insecurity by providing each family with bagged lunches and bus passes for those in need of transportation. Funding also assisted families with housing and fuel needs.

#### **Quincy College Plymouth Campus**

purchased grocery store gift cards for 40 vulnerable students who have lost their jobs, are single parents, veterans and/or students with disabilities.

## **Road to Responsibility**

provided sanitation and medical supplies for 18 residential homes serving 77 individuals with development and cognitive disabilities as well as cleaning and sanitation for three day programs in Plymouth, Middleboro and Marshfield serving 76 individuals.

#### **School on Wheels**

provided school supplies to complete fully stocked, grade level backpacks to be distributed to children facing homelessness.

## **Signature Healthcare**

purchased Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) to help meet the extraordinary need during this crisis.

## The Arc of Plymouth & Upper Cape

purchased needed grocery store gift cards for families experiencing food insecurity.





# **RESPONSE FROM UNITED WAY OF GREATER PLYMOUTH COUNTY PARTNER AGENCIES:**

"Thank you so much for this great news. This will go a long way to help our community."

"This is amazing! On behalf of the College, I would like to thank you all for a wonderful work that you do to support communities and its residents in needs, during such a difficult time."

"Amid this COVID-19 pandemic, many of the vulnerable individuals and families that we serve do not have safety nets and are disproportionately impacted by this crisis. With your help, the Brockton Corps is continuing to reach out to the community during this crisis and will continue to be a steady and uninterrupted resource for our citizens over the coming months. We are so grateful for friends like you who are willing to make a sacrifice for the sake of others in need. Thank you for supporting our efforts to be a source of encouragement and hope to those who need us most during these difficult times. "

"Thank you to the United Way of Greater Plymouth County for providing FBMS with critical assistance during the COVID-19 crisis. Grant funding from UWGPC's COVID-19 Response Fund allowed our agency to purchase cleaning products, personal care and hygiene products, and personal protective equipment for use at MainSpring House, our emergency shelter in Brockton."

"Thank you so much for your generosity. Our Early Head Start and Early Intervention greatly appreciate this...it has been so challenging for so many people but even more challenging for our families that don't have the financial means to purchase these basic necessities for their families."

"Thank you so much from all of us at Brockton Day Nursery. This money will really help the families we serve."

"Thank you. I was able to get a grocery gift card to a family yesterday."

"Thank you, United Way of Greater Plymouth County again for your generosity. It's amazing how happy our families are when they see one of our staff dropping off diapers and formula or even just healthy snacks for the children."

"I just wanted to take a minute and thank you, your staff and your volunteers for the very generous donation of SHAWS gift cards from the United Way. As you can imagine, this is a very difficult time for everyone, but even more so for survivors of domestic violence as they struggle with two dangers on a daily basis - COVID19 and the offender.

One mom yesterday reported that our advocate saved her life with the non perishable food from our emergency pantry and a gift card, as that meant she did not have to contact her abuser for assistance. She felt helpless and did not know where else to turn. I'm so glad we have the United Way as our partner."

"Thank you so much for your prompt response- we greatly appreciate United Way and each of you for all your efforts to support our families, this is tremendous!"

"We are grateful to have the funding to have our day programs professionally cleaned at least twice a week as it provides extra safety in light of the COVID situation. If we did not have the program cleaned during off hours, staff would be responsible for doing so during their scheduled hours, hence taking their time away from the individuals that they support."

"The donations came just at the right time. Thank you so much."