

San Diego Foundation

San Diego COVID-19 Community Response Fund

San Diego, CA

Challenge

To address the communitywide impact of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Innovation

With financial support from across the community, the fund provided nonprofit organizations with “rolling rapid response grants” to address the needs of those disproportionately affected by the pandemic.

Overview

In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the foundation partnered with the County of San Diego to raise \$65 million from more than 3,700 donors for its COVID-19 Community Response Fund. The partnership resulted in more than \$58 million in grants “to help stabilize and bolster the nonprofit community.” More than 200 nonprofit partners have received grants, ensuring that vulnerable communities receive the support they need in the form of internet access, childcare, food security, financial assistance, medical support, workforce training, and other pandemic-related emergent needs.

PARTNERS

San Diego County, San Diego Gas & Electric, United Way of San Diego County, San Diego & Imperial Counties Labor Council, CBS News 8, and Alliance Healthcare Foundation.

