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Community Coalition Grants Second Round of Immediate Funds to Local Organizations
Local organizations provide additional immediate funding to area nonprofits on the front line of crisis

Grand Haven, Mich. – The community coalition created to respond to the COVID-19 crises has granted an additional \$87,700 from the Emergency Human Needs Fund to thirteen area nonprofit organizations that are helping our community in this time of crisis. Funding is provided on behalf of the Community Foundation of the Holland/Zeeland Area (CFHZ), the Grand Haven Area Community Foundation (GHACF), and the Greater Ottawa County United Way.

\$30,750 was awarded earlier this week.

Nonprofit agencies in Ottawa County have committed to keeping people fed, housed, and healthy as best as they can. But these organizations face challenges as they balance their missions with the additional workload of managing the threat of COVID-19. In response to this need, the following funds have been granted to assist with food, housing (or shelter), and health:

- \$2,700 to City on a Hill
- \$5,000 to Community Action House
- \$5,000 to Coopersville Cares
- \$5,000 to Four Pointes Center for Successful Aging
- \$20,000 to Good Samaritan Ministries
- \$5,000 to Harvest Stand Ministries
- \$10,000 to Holland Rescue Mission
- \$5,000 to Love in Action
- \$5,000 to Love Inc Allendale
- \$5,000 to Love Inc Hudsonville
- \$7,500 to The People Center
- \$5,000 to Resilience

- \$7,500 to The Salvation Army (Grand Haven)

The community coalition has created a website to help with the rising need for volunteers, donations of both goods and funds, and ongoing updates: www.careottawacounty.com. Donations have already begun coming in, and the generosity of our community will allow us to continue to respond to this crisis.

As our community prepares for an uncertain next few weeks and months, we know the steps we can take to reduce infection and prevent spread: wash your hands often, avoid/reduce close contact with others, & clean/disinfect your home frequently.

This is a time of great need, and the natural human impulse is to help our neighbors, so join us in helping in any way that you can.

ABOUT THE GHACF

The Grand Haven Area Community Foundation is a public, charitable organization serving the Northwest Ottawa County community since 1971. GHACF is regularly recognized as a top 100 Community Foundation in the nation and is the 8th largest community foundation in the State of Michigan. It encourages philanthropy by individuals, families, corporations, and organizations, and serves as a steward of their charitable funds and legacies. In addition to awarding grants, the Foundation offers technical support to nonprofits, convenes community leaders on issues of importance, and advocates for the nonprofit sector. For more information visit ghacf.org.

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