

Corporate Partnership for Durham – COVID-19 Recovery Fund

Mission

The mission of the Corporate Partnership for Durham – COVID-19 Recovery Fund (“The Fund”) is to respond to the needs of our most vulnerable Durham residents as a result of the pandemic. The Fund will do so by investing in non-profits responding to immediate COVID-19 Recovery needs.

Priorities

The Fund will start by providing grants to organizations working to deliver large-scale community-wide projects in the areas of food security and emergency housing assistance. The Fund will also evaluate community needs like education, support for healthcare workers, and other issues that arise as the response to the pandemic evolves. Speed is critical right now, so the Fund will look for projects that can deliver on grant objectives within 120 days.

Process

The Fund is a business-led campaign that makes critical resources available to fight the pandemic. The Fund brings together corporations, Duke University, local government and community leaders to identify and respond to our community’s acute needs. The Fund is hosted and administered by Duke University. Grant decisions are made by funders and Fund community representatives.

Additional Considerations

The Fund will give priority consideration to:

- Organizations that can illustrate a commitment to racial equity, 1. in how they impact and serve communities, and 2. within their own organizational leadership and partnerships.
- Organizations that have built strong Durham community partnerships.
- Organizations seeking to solve more than one problem at a time (e.g. food security and employment).

Grant Size

Grants will range from \$25,000-\$75,000 with an opportunity for grantees to reapply.

Eligibility

501(c)(3) nonprofits based in Durham or doing work to support vulnerable Durham residents will be considered. Other organizations collaborating with a 501(c)(3) tax-exempt nonprofit may apply through the lead nonprofit. The application and grant responsibility rests with the 501(c)(3) nonprofit.

To Apply

The application period will open up the week of April 20th. Monitor the [Duke Office of Durham & Community Affairs](#) for the application.