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## NWI COVID-19 COMMUNITY ECONOMIC RELIEF FUND

Supporting human service needs during economic distress associated with COVID-19

Lake Area United Way has launched the NWI COVID-19 Community Economic Relief Fund to raise much needed resources to support the immediate and emerging needs of those struggling due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

**About the Fund:** The NWI COVID-19 Community Economic Relief Fund was launched on March 18, 2020, to help ensure individuals, children and families in need are supported during this pandemic. Lake Area United Way and a coalition of partners are working with the human services sector to identify these immediate needs and make emergency funds available to organizations working directly with vulnerable populations.

Check out our [Coronavirus Resource page](#), where you can learn more about the pandemic and how it is effecting services Lake County.

**Other Ways to Give:**

To support families in Lake County, click the orange GIVE NOW button to the right.

**Mail a check:** ATTN COVID-19 Fund, Lake Area United Way, 221 W. Ridge Rd., Griffith, IN 46319.

**Volunteer:** Please [click here](#) for local opportunities.

To support other communities in Northwest Indiana click: [Porter County](#) or [LaPorte County](#).

### Donate to Community Economic Relief Fund

Your generous contribution supports Lake County's human service needs during economic distress associated with COVID-19.

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Other Possible Resources:

- [www.resourceroundup.com](http://www.resourceroundup.com) This website is a great compilation of resources in Lake County from rent/mortgage/utility assistance to childcare and everything in between.
- Indiana 2-1-1: Can dial 2-1-1 from any phone or visit <https://in211.communityos.org/>. Similar to resource roundup, this resource can connect folks to a variety of assistance programs
- Catholic Charities: Mortgage/Rent/Utility assistance. They are working remotely at this time, so folks needing assistance need to email [outreach@catholic-carities.org](mailto:outreach@catholic-carities.org)
- Hardest Hit Fund: Mortgage Assistance up to \$30,000. Folks can apply directly at <https://www.877gethope.com/>, but we suggest working with a community partner to navigate the process.
  - Hardest Hit Fund Community Partner in Gary: City of Gary-Judith Samson 219-881-5075
  - Hardest Hit Fund Community Partner NWI: Northwest Indiana Reinvestment Alliance-Toyia Moore 219-750-1206 or [toyiamoore@nwira.org](mailto:toyiamoore@nwira.org)

We also have a Family Career Navigator that can help any members navigate through the different processes and systems. Her name is Talisa Rogers-Hall and I have cc'd her on this email. Her email is [trogers-hall@lauw.org](mailto:trogers-hall@lauw.org) and her number is 708-337-3246.