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COVID-19 RESOURCES FOR FLORIDA NONPROFITS AND SMALL BUSINESSES

Region-Specific Resources

Escambia County Small Business COVID-19 Recovery Grant Program	Grants to assist for-profit businesses located in Escambia County with their immediate cash flow needs as a result of a demonstrated economic injury due to COVID-19. The max grant award is \$2,500 per applicant or business. The opening date to apply is Monday, April 20 at 8 a.m. CST with a deadline of Monday, April 27 at 5 p.m. CST. The application will be available online starting Monday, April 13, but applications will not be accepted until Monday, April 20 at 8 a.m. Please note that complete applications will be reviewed in the order they are received. https://www.myescambia.com/covid-19-information-for-escambia-county/small-business-covid-19-recovery-grant-program
Orange Cares Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security	Orange County Government has created four funding categories and one replenishment category to ensure that the funds are able to meet the immediate and personal need of residents, business owners, nonprofits, municipal and community partners. Includes small business grants for home-based businesses, as well as grants for small businesses with less than 100 employees. https://ocfl.net/EconomicDevelopment/OrangeCARES.aspx#.XzG23ChKiUk
United Way of Central Florida: United Community Relief Fund	With children out of school, businesses temporarily closing, community events being canceled, and workers being laid off, there has never been a time where community support and financial resources have been more critically needed. The new fund will support local nonprofit organizations serving those most vulnerable to the economic and health-related impacts triggered by a community crisis. https://uwcf.org/united-community-relief-fund/
Orange County Rental Assistance	Orange County, Florida, Government will offer rental assistance to low-income households starting March 1, 2021. https://www.ocfl.net/EmergencySafety/Coronavirus/EmergencyRentalAssistance.aspx
Central Florida Resources from the Orlando Business Journal	The Orlando Business Journal has compiled a list of resources available to Central Florida businesses. https://www.bizjournals.com/orlando/news/2020/03/25/coronavirus-a-local-resource-guide-for-orlando.html
Hillsborough County R3 Program	The Hillsborough County Rapid Response Recovery Assistance Program (R3) directs CARES Act funds to programs that assist residents and businesses. https://www.hillsboroughcounty.org/en/residents/public-safety/rapid-response-recovery-assistance-program-r3-funding
Community Foundation of Tampa Bay: <u>COVID-19 Nonprofit Needs</u> <u>Request Form</u>	The impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on our nonprofit community has been immediate and continues to grow. The Nonprofit Needs Request Form is one new way that the Community Foundation of Tampa Bay is working to help nonprofits in our community. If your nonprofit's request is matched with a donation, we will notify you and transmit funds to address the request as quickly as possible. https://cftampabay.org/nonprofitneed/

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Tampa Bay Resiliency Fund	A unique partnership has been launched to help the critical organizations that provide assistance to the most vulnerable of our local residents being affected by the COVID-19 public health crisis. The Tampa Bay Resiliency Fund is a new strategic collaboration of the Pinellas Community Foundation, Allegany Franciscan Ministries, Foundation for a Healthy St. Petersburg and United Way Suncoast with nearly \$1 million of funding assistance available to nonprofit 501(c) organizations and governmental agencies. https://pinellascf.org/TBRF/
Penny for Pinellas Affordable Housing Program	The new Penny for Pinellas Affordable Housing Program will use revenue from the voter approved 1-percent sales tax with public and private investment to preserve and develop more affordable housing. The County is looking for a variety of applicants, including developers who specialize in affordable housing and those who traditionally build market-rate developments as well as municipal and nonprofit partners. Apply for funds by August 31, 2020. https://www.homesforpinellas.org/
Tampa Area Resources from the Tampa Bay Business Journal	The Tampa Bay Business Journal has compiled a list of resources available to Tampa area businesses. https://www.bizjournals.com/tampabay/news/2020/03/24/here-are-resources-to-aid-tampa-bay-businesses.html
Sarasota County Economic Development Corporation: COVID- 19 Resource for Business	The Sarasota County EDC has a page with links to various resources. https://www.edcsarasotacounty.com/business-assistance/covid-19/
Lee CARES	Lee County Government is investing in Human & Business Services to provide immediate assistance for individuals, families and businesses. Funds are available through the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act federal stimulus package. http://www.leeflcares.com/
Lee County Economic Development Office Small Business, Nonprofit, and Employee Resources.	This infographic compiled by the Lee County (Florida) Economic Development Office helps guide you to which resources may be right for you as an individual, a nonprofit, or a small business. https://infogram.com/small-business-not-for-profit-and-employee-resources-1h7g6kdn181j4oy?live
Palm Beach County: COVID-19 Relief and Recovery Grant	United Way and many other funders in Palm Beach County have joined together to establish a coordinated Coronavirus (COVID-19) Relief and Recovery application process. This funding process will provide assistance to nonprofit organizations in Palm Beach County and Martin County whose staff, services and clients have been impacted by this disaster. Funding priorities include emergency food, shelter, access to healthcare and other basic needs. Info: https://unitedwaypbc.org/nonprofit-resources/#Disaster%20Relief%20and%20Recovery%20Grants/ Application: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfDCxmTZHHelBdO7DtmIdYRHHrBBPxESedFiC ORIpbaxOHwg/viewform



Allegany Franciscan Ministries: COVID-19 Funding for Palm Beach, Martin & St. Lucie Counties	Allegany Franciscan Ministries has joined together with other funders in the Palm Beach region to establish a coordinated Coronavirus (COVID-19) Relief and Recovery application process. This funding process will provide assistance to nonprofit organizations across Palm Beach, Martin and St. Lucie Counties whose staff, services, and clients have been impacted by a disaster. https://afmfl.org/index.php/2020/03/20/coronavirus-covid-19-relief-and-recovery-funding/
RISE Miami-Dade	The RISE Miami-Dade Fund was created to help small businesses in Miami-Dade County that were impacted by COVID-19. Loans under the program will be for a maximum of \$30,000. https://risemiamidade.com/
Axis South Florida, Resources for Miami-Dade and Broward County	Axis South Florida has compiled a comprehensive list of resources to help Miami-Dade and Broward residents weather the coronavirus crisis and emerge from it with stability and strength. Information for individuals, small businesses, and nonprofits that have been negatively impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. https://www.axishelps.org/
Partners for Self Employment COVID-19 Small Business Loan Program (Miami-Dade)	Partners for Self Employment has a forgivable loan program for small businesses in Miami. Loans will be up to \$25,000 with a 0% interest rate and no origination fees. Eligible borrowers will have no more than 25 employees. The company must retain employees in their permanent jobs. https://www.pseinc.org/application/
City of Miami Emergency Rental Assistance ERA Program 2021	City of Miami Emergency Rental Assistance Program (ERA) 2021 https://www.miamigov.com/Residents/Housing/ERA-Program applications opened March 29, 2021
South Florida Resources from the South Florida Business Journal	The South Florida Business Journal has compiled a list of resources available to South Florida businesses. https://www.bizjournals.com/southflorida/news/2020/03/27/a-resource-guide-for-south-florida-businesses.html

Federal and State Funding Resources: Loans and/or Grants

Federal SBA Coronavirus Relief Options	The SBA offers multiple funding options for those facing an unprecedented economic disruption due to the Coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak. https://www.sba.gov/funding-programs/loans/coronavirus-relief-options
SBA Shuttered Venue Operators Grant SVOG	Application portal opened April 27, 2021. Eligible applicants may qualify for grants equal to 45% of their gross earned revenue, with the maximum amount available for a single grant award of \$10 million. https://www.sba.gov/funding-programs/loans/covid-19-relief-options/shuttered-venue-operators-grant
Small Business Owner's Guide to the CARES Act	The US House and Senate Small Business Committees circulated a document entitled "The Small Business Owner's Guide to the CARES Act. https://documentcloud.adobe.com/link/track?uri=urn%3Aaaid%3Ascds%3AUS%3A5c079d15-ad71-47f9-9cbd-ab7540622238
Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) Loan Forgiveness	The Paycheck Protection Program closes May 31, 2021. The SBA has Frequently Asked Questions about PPP Loan Forgiveness on its website https://www.sba.gov/document/support-frequently-asked-questions-ppp-loan-forgiveness



Florida DEO Rebuild Florida Business Loan Fund	The Rebuild Florida Business Loan Fund focuses on creating and enhancing the diversification and resiliency of Florida's economy. Its purpose is to address the current gap in available, affordable capital for businesses by providing longer term loans with higher funding levels at market interest rates. https://deosera.force.com/RebuildFloridaBusinessLoanFund/s/loan-programs?program=florida-resiliency-loan
Florida Housing Finance Corporation Coronavirus Relief Fund	The Florida Housing Finance Corporation has 2 programs: FHFC Coronavirus Relief Fund for Impacted Homeowners and Renters https://www.floridahousing.org/about-florida-housing/coronavirus-relief-fund-for-florida-housing-s-impacted-homeowners-and-renters and the FHFC Coronavirus Relief Fund for Florida Housing's Property Owners and Managers https://www.floridahousing.org/about-florida-housing/florida-housing/s-coronavirus-relief-fund
FEMA: COVID-10 Public Assistance Application	FEMA is simplifying the Public Assistance application process. FEMA is developing a simplified online form applicants can complete, and on which they may explain work activities, answer basic questions, provide limited supporting documentation, and provide a cost estimate. Recipients are states, tribes, or territories that receive and administer Public Assistance awards. Applicants are state, local, tribal and territorial governments, or eligible private nonprofits, submitting a request for assistance under a recipient's federal award. https://www.fema.gov/news-release/2020/03/23/coronavirus-covid-19-pandemic-public-assistance-simplified-application
USDA COVID-19 Federal Rural Resource Guide	The USDA COVID-19 Federal Rural Resource Guide is a resource for rural leaders looking for federal funding and partnership opportunities. It includes a section on resources for nonprofit organizations. https://rd.usda.gov/sites/default/files/USDA_COVID-19_Fed_Rural_Resource_Guide.pdf

Resources from State and National Associations, Nonprofit Associations, Charitable Organizations

CDFA Resource Center: COVID-19	The Council of Development Finance Agencies has put together a resource page that includes a state-by-state response map. Click on your state to see a list of available resources. https://www.cdfa.net/cdfa/cdfaweb.nsf/resourcecenters/COVID-19.html
Florida Housing Coalition: COVID- 19 Housing-Related Resources	The Florida Housing Coalition hosts weekly webinars on Thursdays at 1:30pm to share experiences from housing providers across the state. This website also includes links to other resources. https://www.flhousing.org/covid-19-housing-related-resources/
Florida Coalition to End Homelessness: COVID-19 Disaster Plans	The Florida Coalition to End Homelessness has a resource page with links to various resources. http://fchonline.org/disasterplans/
FRA, Florida Redevelopment Assn: Responses to COVID-19 Issues	The Florida Redevelopment Association has a resource page with links to various business associations, local and government resources and updates. https://redevelopment.net/covid19/
Florida SBDC: COVID-19 Business Disaster Recovery Assistance	The Florida SBDC, Small Business Development Center, has a list of resources, including a link to local SBDC offices. http://floridasbdc.org/disaster/loan-assistance/



Florida Behavioral Health Association	The Florida Behavioral Health Association has important updates for those of you who are behavioral health providers. https://www.floridabha.org/covid-19/
NCRC, National Community Reinvestment Coalition: COVID-19 Resources	The coronavirus has quickly spread into a global pandemic. Governments have taken drastic measures to encourage social distancing. Along with anxieties about contracting and spreading disease, millions of people who were already struggling or living paycheck-to-paycheck face new uncertainties about their financial security. Many organizations and governments have responded with resources and services to help individuals, small businesses and institutions cope with these challenges. Here is some information about how and where to obtain these resources. https://ncrc.org/covid/
NLIHC, National Low-Income Housing Coalition: Coronavirus and Housing/Homelessness	The NLIHC has a page that lists webinars along with other links and a list of state-by-state resources and news. https://nlihc.org/coronavirus-and-housing-homelessness
NACEDA, Natl Alliance of Community Economic Dev Assns: COVID-19 Resources for Community Developers	The NACEDA has a page with resources for community developers, including national, state, regional, and general communications. https://naceda.memberclicks.net/covid-19-resources
Natl. Council of Nonprofits, Loans Available in CARES Act	The National Council of Nonprofits has put together a chart showing what loans are available to nonprofits as part of the CARES Act. https://www.councilofnonprofits.org/sites/default/files/documents/cares-act-loan-options-for-nonprofits.pdf
Southern Opportunity and Resilience Fund, SOAR	SOAR provides flexible, affordable capital and free business support to small businesses and nonprofits in the South and Southeast to help them navigate and rebuild from the COVID-19 economic crisis. Less than 50 full time employees, may apply for up to \$100,000. Created by a group of nonprofit lending institutions / CDFIs. https://www.connect2capital.com/p/soar-fund/
TD Charitable Housing for Everyone	The annual TD Charitable Housing for Everyone competition is officially open until 4pm on October 30 th , 2020. Applicant organizations must be tax-exempt 501(c)(3) or state/local government entities. The theme for this year is direct relief and supportive services for renters affected by COVID-19; which will seek to fund programs that provide access to safe, clean, physically accessible affordable rental housing units and needed wraparound services for families, individuals, the elderly, new Americans, Veterans, the disabled, women and youth. To access the online application and to learn more about this year's theme and guidelines, please visit the program's webpage https://www.tdbank.com/corporate-responsibility/the-ready-commitment/funding-opportunities/



Information for Employees and/or Individuals

Reemployment Assistance through FloridaJobs.org	DEO says anyone who has been negatively affected by COVID-19 could be eligible to receive reemployment assistance. A new website was launched on April 8, 2020: https://gfqzmsyakwuervaQ%28%28*/!STANDARD And for more information on the program, including eligibility, visit https://www.floridajobsresources.com/
Food Stamps, Cash Assistance, Medicaid	Florida DCF ACCESS offices are closed so applicants must apply on-line. To apply for food assistance (SNAP), cash assistance (TANF) or Medicaid, individuals should go to https://www.myflorida.com/accessflorida/ .
Florida Department of Education: Resources for Families	In accordance with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention guidance, schools throughout Florida and the United States are on extended breaks in an effort to curb the spread of COVID-19. The Florida Department of Education has compiled a list of free resources, offered by state and federal agencies, private companies, and non-profit organizations to help school districts, colleges, educators and families ensure continuity of learning during this time. http://www.fldoe.org/em-response/resources-families.stml
Federal Housing Finance Agency, Coronavirus Assistance Information	Fannie Mae, Freddie Mac (the Enterprises) and the Federal Home Loan Banks are taking steps to help people who have been impacted by the coronavirus. If your ability to pay your mortgage is impacted, and your loan is owned by Fannie Mae or Freddie Mac, you may be eligible to delay making your monthly mortgage payments for a temporary period. https://www.fhfa.gov/Homeownersbuyer/MortgageAssistance/Pages/Coronavirus-Assistance-Information.aspx
U.S. Dept of Labor, Families First Coronavirus Response	The Families First Coronavirus Response Act (FFCRA) requires certain employers to provide employees with paid sick leave or expanded family and medical leave for specified reasons related to COVID-19. https://www.dol.gov/agencies/whd/pandemic/ffcra-employee-paid-leave

General Nonprofit Resources: Management • Technology • Working from Home • Mental Health • & Other Miscellaneous Tips

National Housing Conference COVID-19 Resources	National Housing Conference's COVID-19 resource webpage has lots of good tips on taking care of yourself so you can then help support others. https://covid19.nhc.org/oxygen-mask-rule/
Nonprofit Resources List: #NPCOVID19	This is a google doc (you may need to have a Google or Gmail account to access it) curated by several nonprofit professionals. A work in progress, it is updated frequently with resource links on topics such as public health information, fundraising tips, self-care, working from home, and more. https://docs.google.com/document/d/1k5pC-R1V4SK4bRPN7cqh9WpIxubXP5tt8qpF5hinMoQ/preview
TechSoup COVID Recovery Fund	The TechSoup COVID Recovery Fund provides eligible NGOs with up to US\$2,000 in microgrants to reimburse costs on specific technology solutions available through TechSoup. https://page.techsoup.org/en/covid-19-ngo-recovery-fund-2021



Wired Impact: Resources for Responding to COVID-19	This blog post from Wired Impact includes links to topics varying from the CDC's latest news to fundraising for nonprofits to tech tools. https://wiredimpact.com/blog/coronavirus-nonprofits-resources-for-covid-19/
AFP COVID-19 Resource Guide	The Association of Fundraising Professionals has put together a resource page including lots of tips for nonprofits on fundraising, digital events, working from home, and other topics. https://afpglobal.org/covid19resourceguide

