

## ***Community Foundation responds to COVID-19***

The Community Foundation of Pulaski County (CFPC) has always been committed to serving our community, and through these unprecedented times that commitment remains steadfast. Our goal is to stand together in following directives laid out by our state and local health officials, to support community organizations responding to the COVID-19 crisis, and to come out stronger when this is over.

Through the **Pulaski County Care Fund**, CFPC will respond to emerging community needs as a result of COVID-19. The fund was established several years ago by the CFPC Board for urgent and unexpected needs. It is designed to help answer the question “How Can I Help?” The Pulaski County Care Fund will simplify giving for local COVID-19 response, allowing funds to be directed where the need is greatest.

Donations to the Pulaski County Care Fund are being accepted at <https://www.cfopc.org/covid-19response>. Donors may also send checks payable to CFPC for the Pulaski County Care Fund. The fund will support community organizations responding to COVID-19 related needs.

Local nonprofit organizations are encouraged to seek funding for virus-related needs by contacting CFPC or filling out a very brief application at <https://www.cfopc.org/covid-19response>.

Pulaski County Care Fund grants will be made to 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations and other charitable organizations able to receive tax-deductible contributions such as schools and other public entities. The fund is not able to fund businesses or provide grants to individuals. A list of grantees will be published on the Community Foundation website.

Donors are encouraged to continue their regular support of area nonprofits during this challenging time. Gifts to the Pulaski County Care Fund may not be restricted to a specific organization or purpose. If you prefer to support a specific organization, please give to them directly.

While the CFPC office is currently closed until further notice, staff are working remotely and remain available through email: [info@cfopc.org](mailto:info@cfopc.org) or voicemail: 574-946-0906. We are continuing to process scholarship applications and will award scholarships this spring. We continue to serve grant needs of nonprofits with information available at: [www.cfopc.org/grants](http://www.cfopc.org/grants).

The Community Foundation is committed to protecting the community’s resources, and while the Coronavirus has also brought about a financial crisis, this is when the power of endowment shines through. Our endowment funds are governed by a policy to even out the highs and lows of the market so that in good years our funds don’t overspend and in lean years there are still dollars to grant. Our investment horizon is forever!

CFPC remains ready to serve our communities, neighbors and families. You can support COVID-19 response efforts through the Pulaski County Care Fund with a donation of any size. Together with our caring and generous community, we will weather these uncertain times.

For more information, contact CFPC at 574-946-0906; [info@cfopc.org](mailto:info@cfopc.org); or visit [www.cfopc.org](http://www.cfopc.org).