

2021

Solano Disaster Relief Grants Eligibility & Application Instructions

The 2021 Solano Disaster Relief Fund (SDRF) grant application cycle is open, and SCF is accepting funding requests from through June 30, 2021. Qualified 501(c)(3) nonprofits and charitable faith-based organizations serving Solano residents are eligible to apply.

FUNDING GOALS & OBJECTIVES

The Solano Disaster Relief Fund was established to help nonprofit agencies and faith-based organizations provide direct services to individuals and families affected by disasters. Funding will assist in the recovery and rebuilding efforts of their communities.

- A. Nonprofits may apply for **grant awards up to \$50,000 each** to provide relief and recovery support to meet the most urgent needs of those impacted (food, clothing, temporary shelter, counseling, and emergency medical needs).
- B. Funding is also available for organizational disaster preparedness and planning efforts. Grants will support those agencies that must continue to provide ongoing basic needs, (i.e., case management, healthcare, transportation, mental health support), and the medium and longer-term needs (employment and training) of those impacted directly by the disaster.

All applicants must use the SDRF Grant Application Form to request funding.

FUNDING FOCUS & GUIDING APPROACH

Grant monies will be available into the recovery-rebuilding phase as resources allow. Grants will support the direct relief efforts of nonprofit agencies and faith-based organizations providing services and resources to those in need. Grants will prioritize reaching marginalized populations and those in under-served communities.

- A. SCF believes that disaster response and recovery work is short-term, intermediate-term and long-term, and we will provide funding for the longer term if possible.
- B. We believe in partnering with trusted nonprofits and generous donors to address the gaps that emerge; to reach those in need, and in supporting nonprofits to accomplish this important work that requires tremendous effort and focus.
- C. We believe in transparency and collaboration, and in helping others. We balance compassion with due diligence to ensure fairness.

ELIGIBILITY

- A. An organization applying for a Disaster Relief Fund grant must be a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, faith-based organization or government agency. Private, for-profit businesses are not eligible for funding. SCF does not make grants directly to individuals or families.
- B. Funding can only be used to pay for (or reimburse) ongoing disaster response efforts, or for relief and recovery services that will be provided (or that have been provided) to people who live or work in Solano County and who have been adversely affected by fires.

FUNDING MAY NOT BE USED FOR

- A. Grants to offset revenues which may have been lost during the disaster (because of business interruption, for example) by nonprofits, faith-based organizations or government agencies
- B. To pay for structural damage to the property, plant and equipment of nonprofits, faith-based organizations or government agencies.
- C. Fundraisers or other fundraising events to benefit those affected by the disaster.
- D. Ongoing operating or program expenses not connected to the disaster.
- E. To help for-profit businesses who may have suffered physical damage or economic injury as a result of the disaster.

APPLICATION DEADLINE & NOTIFICATION PROCESS

- A. The Application Form is a fill-in-the-blank PDF and content must be typed and electronically signed by the head of the nonprofit organization.
- B. Applications must be submitted via email to grants@solanocf.org (preferred method) or by regular mail, no later than June 30, 2021.
- C. SCF will send each applicant an email to confirm receipt of their application.
- D. SCF will notify applicants of their funding status by email within 5 to 7 business days after a request is received.
- E. If funded, Grantee award letters and checks will be processed and mailed within 7 to 10 business days after a request is approved.

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

- A. Only one application per organization will be funded at a time. A subsequent grant may be awarded if the need continues and funding exists.
- B. Incomplete or handwritten applications will not be considered.
- C. All applicants must provide a current email address and phone number.
- D. The budget is a required application component.
- E. Receiving a grant implies the Grantee will submit a required Grantee Final Report to SCF.