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PFund Foundation with Community Support Begins Fund:
COVID-19 Rapid Response Funding

PFund Foundation and the many partners of the Minnesota Disaster Relief Fund recognize that COVID-19 (Coronavirus) and the necessary public health measures to address it will affect our community in many ways – in the weeks ahead and the months to come.

There are the life-threatening implications for older Minnesotans, those living with HIV/AIDS, or others facing economic and health disparities. It has and will continue to disrupt the normal operations of everyone in our community. PFund Foundation, as one of the foundations that ensures the community maintains a safety net, realizes many organizations, small businesses, and individuals may become financially vulnerable as they scramble to cover the cost ensuring their health and safety during this crisis.

As the weeks go on, the hardship will intensify. Many already on the financial edge may be pushed into crisis. The demand for emergency health services, food, rent, utility, and childcare assistance, as well as mental health services is anticipated.

With that in mind, PFund Foundation will be awarding grants to assist the LGBTQIA community during this crisis through our Rapid Response Fund. These funds are intended to reach those in need quickly to minimize the impacts of Coronavirus. Keenly aware of the urgent predicament individuals and organizations find themselves in, PFund Foundation board and staff have turned their attention to committing the time and resources necessary. PFund will review all applications on a first-come, first-served basis and distribute funds weekly until Rapid Response Funds are exhausted.

We want to thank Minnesota Council on Foundations, Saint Paul and Minnesota Foundations, and the funding partners of the Minnesota Disaster Relief Fund for their support of LGBTQIA communities.

How to Apply

PFund Foundation recognizes that both individuals and organizations (both for-profit and not-for-profit) are experiencing hardship during this difficult time; therefore, we are accepting applications from both. PFund Foundation will begin accepting funding requests Wednesday, April 1, 2020. Grant decisions will be made on a rolling basis starting April 7, 2020.

Visit www.pfundfoundation.org for more information about how to apply or to make a donation to this fund.