



Blandin Foundation™
STRENGTHENING RURAL MINNESOTA

COVID-19 grant awards

Awards as of March 31, 2021

Local Grants

Advocates for Family Peace

Project support for domestic violence prevention during the COVID-19 health and economic crisis in Itasca County **\$20,000**

Bigfork Valley Foundation

Project support for community and hospital emergency response needs and to establish a low-interest Business Loan Program during the COVID-19 health and economic crisis in Itasca County **\$35,000**

Cohasset Economic Development Authority

Program Related Investment to provide small businesses loans during the COVID-19 health and economic crisis in Itasca County **\$50,000**

Edge of the Wilderness Community Center

Project support for virtual art events during the health and economic crisis in Itasca County **\$5,000**

First Call for Help of Itasca County

Project support for supplies and equipment during the COVID-19 health and economic crisis in Itasca County **\$10,000**

Grand Itasca Foundation

Project support for the Keep Itasca Healthy Campaign during the COVID-19 health and economic crisis in Itasca County **\$8,000**

Grand Itasca Foundation

Project support for the second phase of the Keep Itasca Healthy Campaign during the COVID-19 health and economic crisis in Itasca County **\$8,000**

Grand Rapids Area Community Foundation

Project support for continuation of the Sharing Fund to help low-income residents with essential needs during the COVID-19 health and economic crisis in Itasca County.

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Project support for the *Sharing Fund* to help low-income residents with essential needs during the COVID-19 health and economic crisis in Itasca County. **\$137,000**

Grand Rapids Area Community Foundation

Project support for strengthening access to mental health supports during the COVID-19 health and economic crisis in Itasca County. **\$13,000**

Grand Rapids Area Community Foundation

Project support for the *Community Response Fund* for basic needs relief, short-term response, and longer-term recovery during the COVID-19 health and economic crisis in Itasca County. **\$150,000**

Grand Rapids Economic Development Authority

Program-Related Investment to establish a small business *Emergency Working Capital Loan Fund* during the COVID-19 health and economic crisis in Itasca County **\$650,000**

Great Minds Learning Center

Project support to implement specialized online learning for children during the COVID-19 health and economic crisis in Itasca County **\$8,300**

Independent School District 2

Project support for virtual graduation assistance during the COVID-19 health and economic crisis in Itasca County **\$500**

Independent School District 316

Project support for emergency assistance to address the inequities in the use of technology for students across School District 316 during the COVID-19 health and economic crisis in Itasca County **\$75,000**

Independent School District 317

Project support for a summer food distribution program during the COVID-19 health and economic crisis in Itasca County **\$30,000**

Independent School District 318

Project support for emergency assistance to address the inequities in the use of technology for students across School District 318 during the COVID-19 health and economic crisis in Itasca County **\$150,000**

Independent School District 318

Project support for emergency assistance to address the inequities in the use of technology for students across School District 318 during the COVID-19 health and economic crisis in Itasca County **\$150,000**

Independent School District 319

Project support for essential technology infrastructure to support distance learning during the COVID-19 health and economic crisis in Itasca County **\$10,000**

Itasca Area Schools Collaborative

Project support for Invest Early to care for children of medical and service industry workers during the COVID-19 health and economic crisis in Itasca County. **\$15,000**

Itasca County Family YMCA

Project support for essential technology infrastructure to support distance learning during the COVID-19 health and economic crisis in Itasca County **\$5,000**

Itasca County Housing/Redevelopment Authority

Project support for housing assistance during the COVID-19 health and economic crisis in Itasca County. **\$60,000**

Itasca Economic Development Corporation

Program-Related Investment to establish the *Itasca Small Business Relief Fund* during the COVID-19 health and economic crisis in Itasca County **\$500,000**

Itasca Economic Development Corporation

Program-Related Investment to establish the *Itasca Small Business Relief Fund II* during the COVID-19 health and economic crisis in Itasca County **\$150,000**

Itasca Economic Development Corporation

Project support for the *Itasca Strong* campaign to support local businesses during the COVID-19 health and economic crisis in Itasca County. **\$5,000**

Itasca Hospice Foundation

Project support for operating and training during the COVID-19 health and economic crisis in Itasca County **\$10,000**

Itasca Life Options

Capital support to provide remote learning for clients during the COVID-19 health and economic crisis in Itasca County. **\$11,850**

KOOTASCA Community Action, Inc

Project support for local families in need throughout the winter during the COVID-19 health and economic crisis in Itasca County **\$80,000**

KOOTASCA Community Action, Inc

Project support for computers and internet service for families to ensure immediate access to new, state-mandated online K-12 education during the COVID-19 health and economic crisis in Itasca County. **\$25,000**

MacRostie Art Center

Project support for operations during the COVID-19 health and economic crisis in Itasca County **\$30,000**

City of Nashwauk

Capital support for virtual city-led meetings during the COVID-19 health and economic crisis in Itasca County **\$5,000**

Northern Community Radio KAXE

Capital support for remote operating equipment during the COVID-19 health and economic crisis in Itasca County. **\$19,314**

Northland Counseling Center Inc

Project support for technology and internet upgrades to serve mental health needs during the COVID-19 health and economic crisis in Itasca County. **\$25,000**

Northland Foundation

Project support for the Emergency Child Care Grant Program during the COVID-19 health and economic crisis in Itasca County. **\$30,000**

Reif Arts Council

Donation in support of drive-in concerts during the COVID-19 health and economic crisis in Itasca County. **\$500**

Second Harvest North Central Food Bank

Project support for emergency food packaging and distribution during the COVID-19 health and economic crisis in Itasca County. **\$10,000**

Rural Minnesota

Bois Forte Band of Chippewa Indians

Project support for food distribution to meet essential needs of Tribal members during the COVID-19 health and economic crisis in rural Minnesota. **\$50,000**

Fond Du Lac Band of Lake Superior Chippewa

Project support for food distribution to meet essential needs for Tribal members during the COVID-19 health and economic crisis in rural Minnesota. **\$50,000**

Grand Portage Reservation Tribal Council**Grand Portage Reservation Tribal Council**

Project support for food distribution to meet essential needs for Tribal members during the COVID-19 health and economic crisis in rural Minnesota. **\$50,000**

Headwaters Foundation for Justice

Project support to help meet essential needs across black, Indigenous, and communities of color during the COVID-19 health and economic crisis in rural Minnesota. **\$50,000**

Initiative Foundation

Project support for emergency community wellness efforts during the COVID-19 health and economic crisis in rural Minnesota. **\$25,000**

Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe

Project support for distribution of food and essential needs to Tribal members during the COVID-19 health and economic crisis in rural Minnesota. **\$100,000**

Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe

Project support for food distribution assistance during the COVID-19 health and economic crisis in rural Minnesota. **\$75,000**

Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe

Project support to Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe for families in need during the COVID-19 health and economic crisis in Itasca County and Leech Lake in rural Minnesota **\$45,000**

Lower Sioux Indian Community

Project support for distribution of food and essential needs to Tribal members during the COVID-19 health and economic crisis in rural Minnesota. **\$50,000**

Lutheran Social Service of Minnesota

Donation for the Range Together for Youth LGBTQ+ program during the COVID-19 health and economic crisis in rural Minnesota. **\$1,000**

Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe

Project support for distribution of food and essential needs to Tribal members during the COVID-19 health and economic crisis in rural Minnesota. **\$50,000**

Northland Foundation

Project support for access to childcare for critical workers during the COVID-19 health and economic crisis in rural Minnesota. **\$25,000**

Northwest Indian Community Development Center

Project support for food and wellness access during the COVID-19 health and economic crisis in rural Minnesota. **\$50,000**

Northwest Minnesota Foundation

Project support for its emergency response fund during the COVID-19 health and economic crisis in rural Minnesota. **\$25,000**

PFund Foundation

Project support to assist nonprofits and small businesses owned and/or operated by LGBTQIA people during the COVID-19 health and economic crisis in rural Minnesota. **\$50,000**

Red Lake Band of Chippewa Indians

Project support for food distribution to Tribal members during the COVID-19 health and economic crisis in rural Minnesota. **\$50,000**

Saint Paul & Minnesota Foundation

Project support for Connected MN internet access for low-income Indigenous and families of color during the COVID-19 health and economic crisis in rural Minnesota. **\$50,000**

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Project support for the Minnesota Disaster Recovery Fund during the COVID-19 health and economic crisis in rural Minnesota. **\$50,000**

Southern Minnesota Initiative Foundation

Project support for an emergency response fund during the COVID-19 health and economic crisis in rural Minnesota. **\$25,000**

Southwest Initiative Foundation

Project support for access to childcare for critical workers during the COVID-19 health and economic crisis in rural Minnesota. **\$25,000**

Springboard for the Arts

Project support for two rural recovery funds for arts organizations and artist-led community projects during the COVID-19 health and economic crisis in rural Minnesota. **\$50,000**

Upper Sioux Community

Project support for emergency food distribution and storage capacity for Tribal members during the COVID-19 health and economic crisis in rural Minnesota. **\$50,000**

West Central Initiative Foundation

Project support for its emergency response fund during the COVID-19 health and economic crisis in rural Minnesota. **\$25,000**

White Earth Tribal Council

Project support for emergency assistance for food distribution to Tribal members during the COVID-19 health and economic crisis in rural Minnesota. **\$50,000**

Women's Foundation of Minnesota

Project support for Women and Girls Emergency Response Fund during the COVID-19 health and economic crisis in rural Minnesota. **\$50,000**