

COMMUNITY UNITED

UNITED WAY COMMUNITY UPDATE 4.22.20

As the “Safer At Home” order extends to May 26, United Way of Sheboygan County (UWSC) continues to respond to evolving needs through continued efforts and new partnerships.

STAY CONNECTED

[Click here](#) or the yellow button to receive updates from United Way of Sheboygan County.

For copies of the previous community updates, [click here](#).

EMAIL SIGN UP

SHEBOYGAN COUNTY STRONG

To spread awareness for how people can give or get help, Kohler Co. created imagery that will be shared on billboards and through digital media channels.

Watch for this messaging and use #SheboyganCountyStrong when you can!

Visit sheboygancountystrong.com for up-to-date information on how to **get** and **give** help.



SHEBOYGAN COUNTY COVID-19 RELIEF FUND

COVID-19 Relief Fund

NEW PARTNERSHIP ANNOUNCED

UWSC is pleased to announce the new partnership with Sheboygan Service Club (SSC) to amplify community support during these unprecedented times. Moving forward, UWSC and SSC will co-lead the Sheboygan County COVID-19 Relief Fund, sharing the responsibilities of raising and distributing funds. [Click here for the full press release.](#)

“This partnership comes at a time when the services of our social sector are needed the most. Now more than ever, we must work together to support community members of all ages affected by this pandemic.”

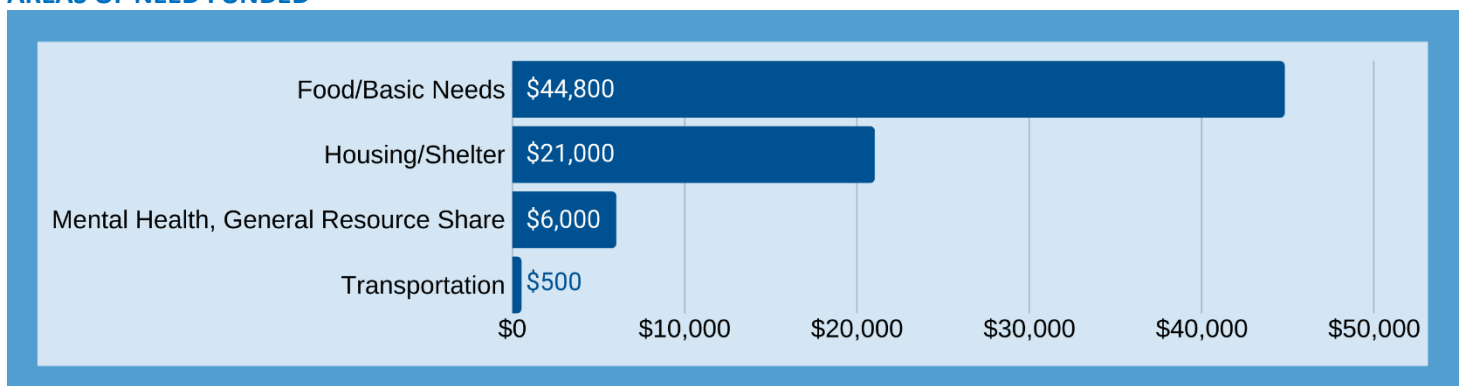
– Kate S. Baer, Executive Director of UWSC

[Click here to view a video message from SSC President, Teresa McAlpine, and Kate Baer.](#)

GRANTS AWARDED

Total Grants Awarded (as of 4.20.20): \$72,300

AREAS OF NEED FUNDED



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AGENCIES FUNDED

Sheboygan County Food Bank (\$15,000)

Purchase food and hygiene items for distributing to community members in need.

Meals On Wheels (\$10,000)

General expenses to meet increased need for services (additional food, packaging, delivery, staffing costs).

Horizons4Girls (\$300)

Provide funding for transportation to appointments.

Big Brothers Big Sisters (\$2,000)

Funds for microgrants to families in need of financial assistance but do not qualify for other assistance programs.

RCS Empowers (\$2,000)

To set up virtual wellness check ins, virtual learning, daily living skills training and employment preparation.

Sheboygan Halfway House (\$5,000)

To maintain food, safety and shelter for up to 16 individuals for the next 2 months.

Lutheran Social Services – Runaway Youth Services (RAYS program) (\$2,000)

Food, hygiene, home supplies and mileage costs for delivery to homes.

Humane Society (\$500)

To provide dog and cat food to families in need through the Companion Animal Assistance Program.

Salvation Army (\$5,000)

Support the comprehensive services program (food pantry, utility assistance) and wellness center program (prescription medication assistance) as community needs increase.

Mental Health America in Sheboygan County (\$6,000)

Funds support the marketing of community resources related to COVID-19 public health crisis.

Lakeshore CAP (\$6,000)

To provide direct 4 weeks' worth of rental assistance and case management for residents in Sheboygan County.

Safe Harbor of Sheboygan County (\$15,000)

Provide adequate shelter, with COVID-19 safety regulations in place for residents through July 2020.

COVID-19 NONPROFIT RESPONSE NETWORK

UWSC continues to host weekly virtual meetings with local nonprofits throughout the social sector. This network serves as an opportunity to convene conversations around emerging and ongoing needs, resource sharing, best practices, and to inspire collaborations that best serve residents in our county.

To receive information about the COVID-19 Nonprofit Response Network and other resources for nonprofit agencies, visit uwofsc.org/covid-19/nonprofit-support.



COVID-19 Nonprofit
Response Network

COVID-19 VOLUNTEER NEEDS



COVID-19
Volunteer Needs

Nonprofit agencies continue to utilize the Volunteer Center to list COVID-19 pandemic-related volunteer opportunities.

Community members looking to give of their time and talent during the 'Safer At Home' order can review volunteer needs online at www.uwofsc.org/volunteer. The Wish List in-kind needs (donations of tangible items, such as hand sanitizer and other cleaning products) can also be found on that website as well.

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COVID-19 COMMUNITY RESOURCES

FOR HELP

If anyone you know in need of assistance, here are a few resources you can share:

United Way 211: To connect to a specialist by utilizing 2-1-1 resource database.

CALL: 211 or 1-800-924-5514 (Available: 24/7)

TEXT: your ZIP Code to 898211 (Available: M-F, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.)

CHAT: at 211now.org (Available: M-F, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.)

You can also text COVID19 to 211-211 to receive links to CDC information about the virus.



COVID-19 Community Resource Card: Mental Health America in Sheboygan County updated their resource card to list specific resource available to those affected by COVID-19. [Click here to download the COVID-19 Community Resource Card](#) or visit mhasheboygan.org.

Other: For the latest updates on resources available to our community, visit UWSC's COVID-19 Community Resource list online at uwofsc.org/covid-19/community-resources.

TAKE ACTION

TO HELP

Over the coming weeks and months, many of our most vulnerable neighbors will need the support and help of caring community members, like you. **This is a critical time when community support and financial resources are urgently needed due to the unique effects of this pandemic.** The Sheboygan County COVID-19 Relief Fund, managed by SSC and UWSC, provides a solution.

This fund supports the immediate needs of individuals and families experiencing food insecurity, loss of household income, lack of safe shelter, and/or loss of mental well-being.

If you are in a position to give, please consider making a donation today.

ONLINE: uwofsc.rallyup.com/uwsc-covid19-relieffund

TEXT: 'COVID19-ReliefFund' to 855-202-2100 to receive a link

BY MAIL: United Way of Sheboygan County at 2020 Erie Avenue, Sheboygan, WI 53081



COVID-19 SUPPORT

Reach out to the UWSC Staff if you have inquiries.

- **Nonprofit Response Network** | Kate Baer (kate@uwofsc.org)
- **Relief Fund Applications** | Gina Covelli (gina@uwofsc.org)
- **Relief Fund Contributions** | Emily Kaiser (emily@uwofsc.org)
- **Community Resource Marketing & Outreach** | Katelyn Piper (katelyn@uwofsc.org)
- **Volunteer Opportunities** | Lee Anne Raleigh (leeanne@uwofsc.org)

For immediate questions regarding COVID-19, contact our local public health department at 920-459-0321.

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