



COMMUNITY RESILIENCE FUND

COVID-19 ACTION ALERT | July 2021

Be a part of our efforts to rebuild a more equitable, inclusive community.

The Community Resilience Fund is dedicated to supporting Omaha-area organizations serving communities disproportionately affected by COVID-19.

As donations come in, we are offering grants to nonprofits that provide programs and resources in five focus areas to help our community recover and rebuild.



\$285,090 distributed to 21 nonprofits since the fund opened in April 2021

\$2.5 million unfunded requests from 80 nonprofits



1 IN 3 nonprofits are in danger of closing within two years due the pandemic's financial strain 1





ARTS & CULTURE

Alleviating operational uncertainty until organizations can fully reopen and restabilize earned revenue through programs, performances, and exhibits.

Impact on Artistic Livelihood

A Mid-America Arts Alliance survey from March 2021 found 80% of artists had been negatively affected by COVID-19 in terms of livelihood.

89%

A majority lost income due to diminished sales, performances, teaching opportunities, and other art-related work.

33%

One-third took on new employment since the onset of COVID-19.



HOUSING

Ensuring people can safely stay in their homes through legal assistance or financial support.



Eviction Rates

Since January, Legal Aid of Nebraska reported eviction case filings in Douglas County averaged **50 per week**, up from **20 per week** pre-pandemic.



Supporting enrichment programs and activities to reverse disparities that grew due to remote learning and other educational disruptions.



67%

10% 31%

Failing Rates

The number of Omaha area high school students who failed two or more courses tripled.

Academic Progress

Omaha Public Schools 3rd-8th graders had a 30% decline in expected growth in math.



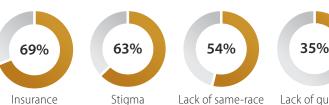
Source: Omaha-World Herald Analysis



Meeting the increased need for services and working to improve the overall mental health system.

Barriers to Accessing Mental Health Care

In a survey by The Wellbeing Partners, respondents who are Black, Indigenous, and People of Color (BIPOC) indentified the following areas as the biggest barriers to accessing mental health resources.



of same-race Lack of quality providers providers



WORKFORCE

Helping people gain new skills or education to find and secure **Unemployment Claims** stable employment. New Continued 7,179 May 2021 61,524 Source: Nebraska Department of Labor May 2020 5,794 3,209 May 2020 May 2019 ■ Both monthly claim rates continue to decline but remain two times higher than pre-pandemic numbers. 760 May 2019 1,439

coverage

May 2021