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Greene County Commission approves 59 additional CARES Act Relief Fund grants

Today the Greene County Commission reviewed and voted to approve funding for 59 CARES Act Relief Fund applications with allocations of more than \$10 million.

The CARES Act Citizens Advisory Committee - the 30 member volunteer group that was created July 21 –meets in subcommittees to review applications by categories. Once reviewed, the subcommittee recommendations are taken to the full Advisory Council for a vote and then passed to the Greene County Commission for final approval. Applications will continue to be reviewed on a rolling basis.

Information related to the CARES Act funds is being made available on the “CARES Act Relief Fund” tab of greenecountymo.gov. This portion of the website also includes a transparency dashboard that shows the total dollar allotments by category and how much has been approved in those areas. An additional tab on this dashboard shows a list of the entities that have been awarded grants. These graphs will be updated as awards are made.

To date, the Commission has approved more than \$19 million of the \$34.4 total CARES Act Relief Funds allotted for Greene County.

Below are the funding allocations by category approved today by the Commission:

Nonprofit/community organizations

- Lost and Found - \$10,098 for technology upgrades, sanitary supplies and distancing needs.
- Diaper Bank - \$5,000 for diapers.

- Kirby Wilcox American Legion - \$4,446 for utility assistance, rent and after-school program.
- New Hope International Ministries - \$10,000 for food and backpacks.
- Men's Chorus - \$3,463.99 for personnel and supplies.
- Habitat for Humanity- \$20,000 for construction supplies.
- James River Basin Partnership - \$10,000 for distance learning.
- Breast Cancer Foundation of the Ozarks \$60,000 for client assistance.
- Girl Scouts - \$76,756.84 for staffing and technology.
- Connecting Grounds - \$27,203.59 for supplies for a mobile outreach vehicle.
- Springfield Victory Mission - \$26,700 for personnel and meals.
- United Way of the Ozarks - \$235,319 for technology, supplies to agencies, PPE and staffing.
- Boys and Girls Club - \$214,938 for personnel.
- The Gathering Tree - \$137,500 for homeless quarantine.
- Good Samaritan Boys Ranch - \$138,303 for staffing.
- Great Circle - \$105,508 for payroll and supplies.
- Pregnancy Care Center - \$109,279.72 for COVID related expenses, half or personnel.
- Abu Ben Adhem Shriners - \$85,790 for COVID-related payroll.
- Pedalers Bicycle Museum - \$3,325 for operations.
- Ronald McDonald House - \$16,000 for meals.
- Big Brothers, Big Sisters - \$44,403 for staffing and mentoring program.

Total: \$1,344,034.14

Education

- Fair Grove School District - \$89,804.85 for technology, PPE, furniture, staff and transportation supplies.
- Walnut Grove School District - \$61,181 for payroll and technology.
- Summit Prep - \$16,050 for wellness program.
- Strafford School District - \$152,574.73 for technology, PPE and supplies.
- Dayspring Christian School - \$63,007 for salary, sanitation and PPE.
- Drury University - \$87,067 for Zoom subscriptions, student licenses for SPSS Inc., technology for distance classrooms and COVID-19 testing.
- Infiniti Academy - \$3,470.59 for technology and supplies.
- Logan-Rogersville School District - \$35,492.22 for daycare and food service workers.
- Republic Schools - \$310,108.39 for PPE, technology and supplies.
- Ash Grove School District - \$120,350 for technology, supplies and custodian.
- St. Agnes Catholic School - \$10,000 for PPE.
- Redeemer Lutheran Church - \$8,015.92 for cleaning supplies and PPE.
- Greene County Extension - \$957.00 for shields, masks and scanning thermometer.

Total: \$955,778.70

Taxpayer supported entities

- Greene County/Office of Emergency Management - \$1,797,301.54 for PPE for 14 entities.
- Southwest Missouri Council of Governments - \$3,463.93 for work station dividers, hand sanitizer and face masks filters.
- City of Republic - \$26,263.39 for operations and payroll.
- Fair Grove - \$1,246.45 for payroll and disinfectant.
- Ebenezer Fire District - \$25,258.37 for utilities and PPE.
- Springfield Public Library - \$31,542.09 for PPE and cleaning.
- City of Battlefield - \$2,376.51 for payroll and PPE supplies.
- Greene County Clerk - \$189,332.91 for COVID supplies, cleaning, automatic mail opener.
- Willard Fire District - \$880.06 for PPE.
- Battlefield Fire District - \$6,327.50 for reusable face masks and water bottle refill stations.
- City of Springfield - \$2,170,227.41 for payroll and COVID-related expenses.

Total: \$4,254,220.16

Health care

- Cox Hospital - \$1,990,734 for reimbursements/front line health expenditures.
- Mercy Hospital - \$1,435,871 for reimbursements/front line health expenditures.

Total: \$3,426,605

Small business*

- Blend Creative, LLC - \$5,000 for payroll, rent and utilities.
- Dining By Design Gourmet, Inc. - \$10,000 for payroll.
- Julie's Chewies - \$5,000 for payroll and operational expenses.
- Osborn's School of Tae Kwon Do - \$5,000 for rent, utilities and insurance.
- Locke & Stache Media, LLC - \$5,000 for rent and payroll.
- 4 by 4 Brewing - \$5,000 for label machine.
- Center for Music Therapy - \$5,000 for supplies.
- Dance With Me-Savoy Ballroom - \$5,000 for operations.
- Itty Bitty City - \$5,000 for payroll.
- Adore Home Store - \$5,000 – for payroll, supplies and rent.
- The Hill SGF, LLC - \$10,000 for payroll.
- Georgia Mac's - \$5,000 for rent.

Total: \$70,000

*More than 70 percent of the applications in this category were small businesses in the 1-10 employee range.

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Greene County is the State of Missouri's fourth most populous county, serving more than 275,000 people (2010 census). Its mission is to provide all citizens of Greene County, including those in its cities, a safe and thriving community through excellent customer service, unparalleled dedication, and the efficient use of taxpayer dollars. The Greene County Commission is the executive body of Greene County operating under guidelines established in the Revised Statutes of the State of Missouri. Within that authority the Commission enacts ordinances, resolutions and policies, supervises the activities of county departments, fixes salaries, adopts the annual budget, provides for construction and other services, and conducts hearings on planning and zoning matters.

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