

Impact Update: June 2021

Addressing COVID-19 Vaccine Equity and Hesitancy

The Community Foundation is awarding a total of \$433,567 from our SouthCoast Emergency Response Fund to address COVID-19 vaccine equity and hesitancy. We have partnered with city health officials and leaders to invest strategically in Brockton, Fall River, and New Bedford to ensure that all community members become aware of the benefits, gain access, and get vaccinated. Read more about the grant.



26th Annual Meeting - Don't forget to Register!

We hope you will join us for our **26**th **Annual Meeting** on **Tuesday, June 8**th starting at **5:00 pm**. We will reflect on our efforts this past year, look to the future, and then wrap up with an important announcement.

A Community Responds





Spring Appeal

It's a time when our youth make plans for their future. Accordingly, the Community Foundation turns its focus toward scholarships and helping the next generation of community leaders gain access to post-secondary education. We hope you will consider a **gift** to the **SouthCoast Community Foundation Annual Fund**, a donation that will support our ongoing operations and our work to serve students in Southeastern Massachusetts.



Meet Me for Coffee

During the next **Meet Me for Coffee** on **June 11th**, we will host a session to honor Pride month and talk to panelists about the **breadth and scope of LBGTQIA+ work** being done in the region. The zoom meeting begins at **9:00 am**. If you are a nonprofit from the Southeastern MA region and would like to join us and future meetings, email **Kim Heard** to be added to our invite list and receive a meeting link.

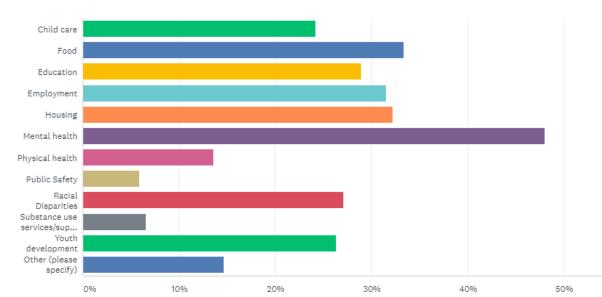


Survey Results - Ongoing Impacts of COVID-19 on Nonprofits

We thought you would find the survey results of the MNN - Philanthropy Massachusetts joint survey: "Ongoing Impacts of COVID-19 on Massachusetts Nonprofits" of interest. The survey received 275 responses from nonprofits (many of you) of all sizes and from all sub-sectors and regions. The results demonstrate that nonprofits across Massachusetts and in all fields continue to experience significant financial and programmatic impacts one year since the onset of the pandemic. We recognize the lingering impact and will continue to issue grants from our Emergency Response Fund well into 2021. You can find the full recap here.

What are the greatest unmet needs you see among the people you serve? Please choose up to 3.





Upcoming Events & Opportunities



Cohort Learning Program

We encourage you to apply to the Massachusetts Community Foundations Partnership's free Nonprofit Strong Cohort Learning Program. The program is available to 30 participants for each cohort, including Centering Equity, Strategic Thinkers & Planners, and Virtual Nonprofit Operations. Please complete this application

before **11:59 PM, Sunday, June 6th**, to be considered for participation in the program. Reach out to Madeleine Morgan at mmorgan@massnonprofitnet.org if you have any questions.

Summer in the Seaport

So much is planned this summer from the vibrant **arts and culture** community in **New Bedford**. We encourage you to visit the dedicated <u>website</u> to learn about exciting events through Labor Day!



Staff News

Hockomock YMCA Chair Award

We were honored to recently receive the **Hockomock YMCA Chair Award** for outstanding leadership, dedication, and passion working with the YMCA and enriching the quality of life in the Hockomock community, which encompasses Foxboro, Franklin, Mansfield, and North Attleboro. The award was presented to President John Vasconcellos during their **Annual Meeting on May 19**th. Hockomock Board Chair Mary Clermont commented, "Our impact in 2020 would not have been possible without (the Community Foundation's) incredible partnership."



Last year, the <u>Hockomock Area YMCA</u> received **\$300,000** from our **SouthCoast Emergency Response Fund** to support their innovative response to families challenged with food insecurity.

Welcome!

Nhamaa Cortes joined the organization in late April as our new **Accounting Clerk** and will be responsible for preparing various financial reconciliations and



maintaining the Foundation's database. This position is a key liaison to the finance and development areas of the Foundation. Nhamaa was born and raised in New Bedford and graduated this Spring from Bridgewater State University with a degree in Accounting and Finance.

Now Hiring - Scholarship Program Intern

Join the team this summer and help us with our **Scholarship Program**. We will be conducting an intensive review of the current Scholarship Program to evaluate the application process, measure the impact of scholarships on student persistence and graduation, and collect quantitative and anecdotal information on the overall effectiveness of the Scholarship Program. Read more about the intern position and how to apply.









