WE ARE ON THE FRONTLINES. ALWAYS.

Our COVID-19 Relief Efforts

For over 95 years, through hurricanes, economic depressions and now a global pandemic, United Way of Miami-Dade has been an enduring force in changing lives and creating a positive impact in our community. As this latest crisis has impacted our community, remember one thing: We are a fighting city. And we will get through this—together.

Our United Way can—and will—succeed in this new normal. We will continue to fight for the most vulnerable individuals and families in our community, who need us now more than ever. The needs of our hard-working families and the most affected in our community are more evident than ever before.

Our work for the community is more necessary because of this crisis. Individuals and families were struggling even before COVID-19, and the need is still there. But we can make a difference. This will be the most important part of our work for the foreseeable future—and there's still so much to do.

Here are our COVID-19 relief efforts by the numbers*:

- Spearheaded collaborative funders and corporate partners’ effort to establish the Miami Pandemic Response Fund through Operation Helping Hands. Nearly $3.7 million has been raised as of September 24.

- For individuals and families:
  - The fund supports those struggling with emergency needs including rent/mortgage assistance, food and medication
  - Provided more than $1 million in assistance
  - More than 5,000 individuals and households served thus far
  - More than 3,200 children served
  - More than 2,100 households aged 60+ served
  - Funds distributed through 12 partner agencies serving diverse segments of the community, dispersed geographically

- For small businesses:
  - Created the Small Business Assistance Program to help small businesses that may not be eligible for other assistance and are struggling, helping 283 businesses, totaling more than $539,000 in assistance as of September 24
Created the COVID-19 Resource Center page for the community with:

- More than 100 links to valuable information
- Informational sheets
- A Guide to Services for Small Businesses

Spearheaded the delivery of 10,200 meals to 1,700 older adults due to closure of senior meal sites/care centers

Provided meals and food packs to over 28,000 families in our community, including Early Head Start-Child Care Partnership program and Miami-Dade County Public Schools families, Mission United veterans and Impact Partner families

United Way was recently selected by Miami-Dade County to allocate $20 million in Federal CARES Act relief dollars to continue to help individuals and families with emergency financial assistance

Provided countless opportunities to help those in the community to remain involved through our online community volunteering portal, VolunteerMiami.org:

- 1,660 volunteers pledged or completed volunteer activities as of September 24
- 6,020.5 volunteer hours dedicated to relief efforts as of September 24

We are all in this together and we will continue our work supporting our city through these tough times. But we can do more for our city—with your help. Our community needs us. A stronger Miami starts with you.

*Numbers stated are as of August 4.

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