



BEACHES COMMUNITY FUND SEEKING GRANT APPLICATIONS

Apply Now for 2020-2021 Grant Cycle

Jacksonville, FL – November 16, 2020 – The Beaches Community Fund, an initiative of The Community Foundation for Northeast Florida, is pleased to announce that it is accepting applications for grant funding available in 2021. The Beaches Community Fund makes grants to nonprofit organizations serving the Beaches communities from Mayport to Guana, east of the Intracoastal Waterway. Last year, the Beaches Community Fund granted \$280,000 to Beaches nonprofits.

In the 2020-2021 grant cycle, priority will be given to applicants meeting Beaches residents' basic needs, especially those created or exacerbated by the COVID-19 pandemic (food, emergency financial assistance, housing, shelter, transportation, health care, and behavioral health support). Other grant priorities include support for low-income and at-risk students in kindergarten through 12th grade and early learning programs for low-income children under the age of 5.

“More than ever, we are so proud to support the thoughtful, committed Beaches Community Fund families as they work to improve the lives of their neighbors,” noted Joanne E. Cohen, Vice President, Philanthropic Services at The Community Foundation. “Because they have immersed themselves in their community’s issues, they are poised to help their fellow Beaches residents through the devastating effects of the COVID-19 crisis.”

Applications will be accepted from November 16, 2020 through April 2, 2021. To learn more and to apply, visit www.jaxcf.org/receive/beaches-community-fund.

About the Beaches Community Fund

In its first five years of grantmaking, the Beaches Community Fund has made 64 grants totaling more than \$1,250,000 to 30 nonprofit organizations addressing needs in the Beaches communities.

The 30+ generous families who pool their charitable giving dollars to tackle community issues continue to focus on areas where pressing needs can be influenced by thoughtful grantmaking. In addition to addressing basic needs, past grantmaking has helped to provide transportation to jobs, food, medical care, and essential services; early childhood literacy and development; afterschool and enrichment opportunities for students; and helping Beaches nonprofits grow stronger and be more collaborative.

About The Community Foundation for Northeast Florida

The Community Foundation for Northeast Florida (www.jaxcf.org), Florida’s oldest and largest community foundation, works to stimulate philanthropy to build a better community. The Foundation helps donors invest their philanthropic gifts wisely, helps nonprofits serve the region effectively, and helps people come together to make the community a better place. Now in its 56th year, the Foundation has \$483 million in assets and has made more than \$550 million in grants since 1964.

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