



COVID-19 Relief Efforts

We are investing in what's most important to Michigan — its people, our planet and Michigan's prosperity.

Now more than ever, the safety and health of Michigan's people and communities remains our top priority.

We are committed to assisting our neighbors in need. Since March, we have provided more than \$5.4 million to Michigan's nonprofits to care for our communities during these difficult times.

These nonprofits are providing some of the most critical and urgent needs of Michigan's people and communities hit hardest by the impacts of COVID-19.

We're proud to provide funding to organizations who share our commitment to address the challenges the pandemic presents and deliver the support needed to our residents and small businesses.

The Consumers Energy Foundation does not use funds generated from customers' energy bills. Instead, it uses shareholder funds to support nonprofit organizations across Michigan.

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Consumers Energy Foundation COVID-19 data as of Dec. 31, 2020

Caring for Our Communities: COVID-19 Relief Efforts



Basic Needs

\$1,142,000

We provided \$250,000 to The Michigan Association of United Ways who distributed the funds to United Way organizations across our service territory to assist low income and ALICE (Asset Limited, Income Constrained, Employed) residents with basic needs including household supplies, rent, child and health care, transportation, and food. Michigan 2-1-1 also received funds for additional capacity to address the higher demand as a result of COVID-19.

We awarded \$450,000 to eight community action agencies providing emergency needs to low- and moderate- income residents in 43 counties in the Lower Peninsula, including increased food distribution sites, home delivered meals and quarantine boxes of food, and hygiene and cleaning supplies.

Additional funds in upwards of \$440,000 were distributed throughout the year to 27 nonprofits serving our most vulnerable populations during this critical time of need.



Small Business Support

\$2,465,000

We donated more than \$2.4 million to 29 organizations providing a lifeline to small businesses across Michigan – focusing in particular on helping female and minority-owned businesses. These grants have helped Michigan's small businesses handle the operational challenges created by COVID-19.

Local Support \$683,000

In April, we distributed \$10,000 grants totaling \$360,000 to 36 community foundations supporting nonprofits in 59 Michigan counties with emergency relief. Throughout the year, additional grants totaling more than \$320,000 have been awarded to more than 260 local nonprofits serving their communities with COVID-19 relief.

Providing Meals \$665,000

We awarded three grants totaling \$590,000 to The Food Bank Council of Michigan to fill gaps where schools were unable to provide food for children, to support vulnerable seniors, and to support mobile food distributions to address the growing need in 19 target areas across Michigan. Funding also provided 5,000 quarantine boxes for isolated and home-bound senior citizens.

We also awarded Greater Lansing Food Bank with \$50,000 and Forgotten Harvest with \$25,000 to support their individual campaigns to build new distribution centers to address increased demand.



Healthy Michigan

\$200,000

We contributed \$100,000 in critical startup funding to Michigan State University to support the MSU Extension project utilizing commercial ovens to decontaminate used N95 respirator masks, allowing them to safely be reused.

We also contributed \$100,000 to Michigan for All, for the Rona for Real campaign aimed at reducing Michigan's coronavirus spread.

Matching Employee Donations \$260,000

We matched employee donations of any amount made to qualifying nonprofit organizations (including food banks, homeless shelters, community foundations and United Way) through July 31, 2020. Approximately \$260,000 donated by 261 employees was matched dollar-for-dollar and contributed to 110 nonprofits across Michigan. Throughout the remainder of the year additional employee donations were matched by the Foundation up to \$1,000.

BY THE NUMBERS

\$5,400,000

donated by the Consumers Energy Foundation

1,460,000

Meals the Food Bank Council of Michigan and its partners will be able to provide

68

Michigan counties with nonprofits that received funding

261

Employee donations matched

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