

# DO MORE WITH IMPACT

In powerful ways, **DuPage Foundation** is connecting donors to local service organizations who need their support. Because of generous gifts from more than 300 philanthropists, DuPage Foundation was empowered to grant \$1 million to those who required immediate help to manage the COVID-19 pandemic. In this first in a series, we are sharing their stories below. The DuPage Foundation COVID-19 Response Fund is still accepting gifts, as we anticipate even more need in the months to come. Learn how you can help at [dupagefoundation.org/NOW](https://dupagefoundation.org/NOW).



**360 Youth Services**  
Provided personal “virtual” support to 100s of teens and parents; Welcomed new residents; Provided countless basic-needs items, supplies, and meals to 44+ housing residents.  
[360youthservices.org](https://360youthservices.org)



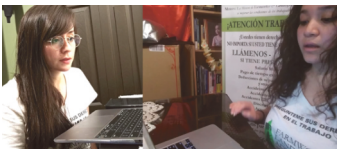
**B.R. Ryall YMCA**  
Provided free virtual health and wellness classes—viewed 22,000 times—for members and the community (non-members) during the Y’s COVID-19 closure.  
[bryallymca.org](https://bryallymca.org)



**Catholic Charities, Diocese of Joliet**  
Continued providing emergency services, shelter for the homeless, and counseling to DuPage County individuals and families who are in crisis during the pandemic.  
[catholiccharitiesjoliet.org](https://catholiccharitiesjoliet.org)



**DuPagePads**  
Provided more than 8,000 nights of emergency housing helping 130+ people including 2,700 meals per week and wellness calls every 48 hours.  
[dupagepads.org](https://dupagepads.org)



**Farmworker and Landscaper Advocacy Project**  
Provided information and resources, via phone, US mail and online to over 1,500 very low-income Latino seasonal workers about surviving the pandemic plus cash assistance to benefit 36 families.  
[flapillinois.org](https://flapillinois.org)



**Access Community Health Network**  
Acquired masks and gowns for ACCESS health centers to provide safe and quality health care to over 6,000 DuPage County residents.  
[achn.net](https://achn.net)



**Bridge Communities, Inc**  
Enhanced and upgraded technology access for the homeless families residing in all of Bridge Communities’ 24 buildings so they have reliable internet access, empowering them to work and learn remotely.  
[bridgecommunities.org](https://bridgecommunities.org)



**College of DuPage Foundation**  
More than 500 students recently received financial assistance totaling more than \$120,000 through the COVID-19 Student Relief Fund which allowed all of them to continue their educational journey.  
[foundation.cod.edu](https://foundation.cod.edu)



**Easterseals DuPage & Fox Valley**  
Expanded tele-therapy program to help children with disabilities continue their progress at home. More than 800 tele-therapy sessions are delivered each week.  
[eastersealsdfvr.org](https://eastersealsdfvr.org)



**Glen Ellyn Children’s Resource Center (GECRC)**  
Delivered 5th grade graduation gifts to students of after school tutoring and mentorship program and expanded a virtual summer academic enrichment program.  
[gecrc.com](https://gecrc.com)



**Alive Center**  
Delivered 10 virtual programs with over 90 sessions to increase teen confidence by 34% and sense of belonging by 35%. June’s Park, Paint and Play event gave kids a needed in-person social outlet.  
[alivecenter.org](https://alivecenter.org)



**Career & Networking Center**  
Waived membership requirement/ fee and completely transformed to virtual workplace even while accommodating a 60% increase in client attendance at webinars and networking meetings.  
[careernetworkingcenter.org](https://careernetworkingcenter.org)



**DuPage Health Coalition**  
Subsidized ACA health insurance premiums for 73 low-income individuals, providing access to care, making medications more affordable, and giving peace of mind during these unsettling times.  
[accessdupage.org](https://accessdupage.org)



**Educare West DuPage**  
Delivered gift cards for basic household needs to 192 families, many of whom have lost jobs and access to resources, with children, ages 0 to 5, in Educare West DuPage’s Head Start/Early Head Start school.  
[educarewestdupage.org](https://educarewestdupage.org)



**HCS Family Services**  
Ordered thousands of pounds of extra food and supplies for our food pantry clients, which increased by 80% in the weeks immediately following the COVID-19 lockdown, in DuPage County.  
[hcsfamilyservices.org](https://hcsfamilyservices.org)



**Almost Home Kids**  
Provided emergency nursing services to children with medical complexities. We deliver 3,500 days of care to 80 children and train 160 parents/caregivers annually.  
[almosthomekids.org](https://almosthomekids.org)



**Caring Network**  
Acquired needed Personal Protective Gear, (N-95 masks, shields, gloves, institutional grade sanitizing materials) to keep staff, like nurse/sonographer Carla (pictured), and the 120 women to whom medical care was provided free of charge during the lockdown, safe and healthy.  
[caringnetwork.com](https://caringnetwork.com)



**DuPage Senior Citizens Council**  
Expanded home meal delivery program to include safe delivery by volunteers of “shelf-stable” meals and 5-packs of frozen meals to ensure older adults always have a meal.  
[dupageseniorcouncil.org](https://dupageseniorcouncil.org)



**Family Focus**  
Provided rent assistance and gift cards to 66 families with children in DuPage County who had lost income due to COVID-19.  
[family-focus.org](https://family-focus.org)



**Northeast DuPage Family and Youth Services**  
Certified five clinicians in telehealth and converted 70% of clients from in-person counseling sessions to virtual sessions which allowed for uninterrupted services during a very stressful time.  
[nedfys.org](https://nedfys.org)

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