

Provide Remote Core Operating Support for Front-Line Services

Community Impact: Empower Latinx community and families by providing them with the foundation for systematic change that has long-term effects.

Organization Statement: Enhance the health and well-being of Louisville's Hispanic/Latinx community through education, empowerment, advocacy, wellness, and mutual support.

Major Recent Successes:

- 22% increase in services from 2018 to 2019
- ❖ 433 free legal consultations connecting families with pro-bono legal services
- 3,122 families welcomed and given multiple services
- ❖ 8,343 meals served

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La Casita Center is Louisville's only organization that is Latinx-led and focuses on the unique needs of the Latinx community. We are a safety net organization for some of Louisville's most vulnerable people. All of La Casita's programming is founded on the idea of mutual support – when we lift up our most marginalized neighbors, our whole community can thrive.

Our grant proposal is for core operating support of our most impactful front-line programs including hospitality, emergency basic needs and children's programming. These programs provide a safety net ensuring that our most vulnerable Latinx neighbors do not fall through the cracks.

When the impacts of COVID-19 surfaced in March 2020, we restructured La Casita Center's direct services to a virtual model offering remote services. Over the past 10 weeks, while the Center has been closed to the community, we have assisted over 300 individuals with emergency food distribution, transitioned our weekly pro bono legal clinic to Zoom, launched our virtual summer camp for at-risk teens and extended our hours for phone assistance. Many new community partnerships were born from the crisis facing our community. We know our core programming will continue to meet critical needs and we are committed to adapting it to be the most culturally relevant for our community.

Our programs are designed to improve the overall quality of life and address the health, social, educational, emotional, and basic needs of children, women, and families. This grant will enable us to expand and meet demand with services such as further development of kindergarten readiness programs, support for our intake and case management work, delivering COVID-19 health and food supplies for families, expanding partnerships with the health department, and assisting newly arrived immigrants.

Wish List

Diapers (all sizes) | White rice | Dry Black beans | Spaghetti & Spaghetti sauce in jar Fruit and Vegetables(fresh and canned) | Canned Tuna | Coffee | Maseca (corn flour)