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Lewis County Non-Profit Grants

Lewis County Economic Development Council (EDC) in partnership with Lewis County Together, will be providing non-profit grants to qualifying organizations located in Lewis County. The Board of County Commissioners has allocated a portion of the Coronavirus Relief Funds received from the Washington State Department of Commerce for business and economic recovery, The Commissioners have set aside \$200,000 to assist non-profits as they bounce back from the economic damage caused by the COVID-19 pandemic.

Under direction of the Lewis County Commissioners, the County has entered into a memorandum of understanding with the EDC, providing the framework to distribute \$200,000 in grant funds to area non-profit organizations.

A committee made up of representatives from throughout the county has been appointed to decide how to most effectively roll out the non-profit grant program.

County Commission Chair Gary Stamper said, "We see an opportunity to assist our non-profits that provide critical services to our communities across Lewis County."

EDC Chair Dan Rich stated, "We look forward to cooperating with Lewis County to lift our non-profits during these challenging times."

In order to qualify, non-profits must be located in the County, have no more than 20 employees, and have been negatively impacted by COVID-19. Consideration will be given to those non-profits that were most impacted by a suspension of operations. Grants will be accepted until September 3, 2020. There are other factors that will be considered. For the application and to apply go to <https://lewiscountytogether.com/grant>