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Brazos Valley COVID-19 Community Relief Fund Phase I Round II Award Recipients Announced

BRYAN, TX (Apr. 10) – The Brazos Valley COVID-19 Community Relief Fund is pleased to announce the grant recipients for Phase I Round II of funding. During this round of funding, the Brazos Valley COVID-19 Community Relief Fund is granting \$222,400 to four nonprofits for programs to help Brazos Valley residents and 17 small businesses to assist with payroll or rent.

The review committee will continue to review applications from Phases I and II, and will make further grant award announcements late next week. Grant recipients are being contacted via email with further instructions on claiming their grant funds.

Phase I Round II nonprofit grant recipients of the Brazos Valley COVID-19 Community Relief Fund include:

- Boys & Girls Club of the Brazos Valley
- Bridge Ministry of Burton Texas
- Faith Mission and Help Center, Inc.
- St. Vincent de Paul Society of Bryan-College Station

Phase I Round II small business grant recipients of the Brazos Valley COVID-19 Community Relief Fund include:

- 4.0 Cuts Barber Salon
- 7F Lodge and Events
- Adult & Teen Challenge
- And Sew On
- Awards & More
- Bird's Nest Gifts & Antiques
- Briarcrest Cleaners
- Carney's Pub
- Downtown Uncorked
- Global Event Group
- Hallmark Cleaners
- Kolache Rolf's Bakery
- Longhorn Tavern Steakhouse
- Mallet Brothers
- Screened Images
- Sweet Paris Creperie & Café
- Witt's End

As of Apr. 10, the Brazos Valley COVID-19 Community Relief Fund has granted a total of \$432,700 to eight nonprofits and 31 small businesses impacted by COVID-19 response and containment efforts. Of the funds

awarded thus far, \$100,510 are from the City of Bryan's match. For a full list of grant recipients, visit uwbv.org/covid19.

This grant funding is designed to help existing nonprofit organizations and small businesses, therefore individuals are not eligible to receive monies from this fund. Individuals can contact 2-1-1 Texas, by dialing 2-1-1 or by visiting 211texas.org, to receive referrals to nonprofit organizations receiving a grant from the Brazos Valley COVID-19 Community Relief Fund.

The goal of the Brazos Valley COVID-19 Community Relief Fund is to provide funds to nonprofits for assistance measures such as food, rent and utility relief for residents along with small business relief as the community follows social distancing and isolation measures to curb the spread of the illness within the community. Small businesses could apply for payroll assistance programs with these funds to help keep workers employed.

The Brazos Valley COVID-19 Community Relief Fund has raised over \$390,000 through local businesses and philanthropic donors. The City of Bryan will match these funds 1:1 up to \$500,000 for organizations operating in Bryan city limits.

Anyone can donate to the Brazos Valley COVID-19 Community Relief Fund by texting BVCOVID19 to 41444 or by donating online at uwbv.org/covid19.

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