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The Community Foundation of Central Illinois Awards \$52,000 for Local COVID-19 Relief Efforts

July 2, 2020 – Peoria, IL: The Community Foundation of Central Illinois (CFCI) is pleased to announce the third-round grant recipients of the Central Illinois Disaster Recovery Fund. CFCI was able to fund 12 organizations to further support their efforts related to COVID-19. These grants will provide flexible financial support to nonprofit partners within the CFCI service area, who are responding to increased needs as a result of COVID-19.

Crittenton Centers – Essential items for children (diapers, formula, etc.)	\$5,000
Goodwill Industries of Central Illinois – Food, hygiene items, and PPE for clients	\$5,000
Junior League Peoria – Grocery/meal kits for partner agencies including Dream Center Peoria, Phoenix Community Development Services, and Neighborhood House)	\$5,000
Peoria Friendship House – Food pantry needs, hygiene items, and childcare services	\$5,000
Peoria Grown – Additional fresh produce at fruit stands with new community partners	\$5,000
Peoria Public Schools, District 150 – Jet pack supplies and data plans to provide internet access for PPS students	\$5,000
Peoria Public Schools Foundation – Safety sacks for students with required PPE	\$5,000
Teen Challenge Peoria – Housing needs for men including utilities and other essential items	\$5,000
The Salvation Army – Peoria – Support for food for the men’s shelter	\$5,000
Pilgrims’ Progress – Food pantry needs including food, PPE, and additional equipment	\$3,000
GLOW – Food and essential item delivery to program participants	\$2,000
Illinois Ability Sports – Weekend feeding program for children in Mason county	\$2,000

Mark Roberts, President and CEO of CFCI, states: “Through the Central Illinois Disaster Recovery Fund, we have granted over \$233,000 to our nonprofit partners. We know the need is great, and that many nonprofits need our help now more than ever. We are thankful we can support them in this way.”

About the Community Foundation of Central Illinois

Established in 1985, the Community Foundation of Central Illinois is a philanthropic resource committed to connecting people who care with causes that matter. For more information please call 309-674-8730 or visit communityfoundationci.org.

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