

Hartford Foundation for Public Giving

Basic Human Needs Emergency Assistance Grant Rubric

The Hartford Foundation Basic Human Needs Emergency Assistance Grant was created to support nonprofits as they increase access to emergency services and assistance for the most basic of human needs for vulnerable residents in Greater Hartford. This rubric will be used to help the Foundation discuss applications and make funding decisions. We will be accepting applications twice a year with grants being given in June and October.

	Yes	No	N/A
Is this request for a collaborative effort (more than one agency) or a program that will take place at multiple sites? <i>Note: If so, this request is eligible for up to \$20,000.</i>			
The organization seeking support is led by a racially/ethnically under-represented nonprofit leader (Executive Director, CEO or President). <i>Note: This question is not relevant for requests from faith-based institutions.</i>			

	0 (Lowest Score)	1	2	3 (Most favorable)
The organization does not have a current active open multiyear grant from the Foundation.	The organization has at least one open, active multiyear grant from the Foundation.	N/A	N/A	The organization does not have one open, active multiyear grant from the Foundation.
Will a minimum of 75% of the grant be spent on food?	No	N/A	N/A	Yes
In addition to, or in lieu of food provision, does this request primarily focus on emergency aid directly distributed to clients (e.g. rent/mortgage assistance, transportation assistance, personal care items, medical aid/expense assistance)?	In addition to or in lieu of food provision, this request does <i>not</i> primarily focus on emergency aid directly distributed to clients.	N/A	N/A	In addition to or in lieu of food provision, this request <i>primarily</i> focuses on emergency aid directly distributed to clients.



<p>The proposed program makes a concerted effort to lower barriers for various populations of clients. For example, multilingual staff, early morning, evening or Saturday hours, easy bus access or bus passes.</p>	<p>Little or no effort is being made to lower barriers for various client populations to be served.</p>	<p>Some effort is being made to lower barriers for various client populations to be served.</p>	<p>Adequate effort is being made to lower barriers for various client populations to be served.</p>	<p>Significant effort is being made to lower barriers for various client populations to be served.</p>
<p>What ALICE/Federal Poverty Level Tier is the town in where most of the items will be distributed and/or services will be provided?¹ <i>See the addendum</i></p>	<p>The town is in Tier IV.</p>	<p>The town is in Tier III.</p>	<p>The town is in Tier II.</p>	<p>The town is in Tier I.</p>

¹ Multitown requests will be scored using the town with the highest ALICE/Federal Poverty Level percentage.