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\$350K to Support Food Programs, Other Basic Needs

Photos courtesy of A Place of Grace, one of the recipients of the Hartford Foundation's recent Basic Human Needs grants.

Hartford Foundation Awards More Than \$350,000 in First Round of Basic Human Needs Emergency Assistance Grants

When people are unable to afford food and other basic necessities, it's difficult to do anything else. Kids can't perform to their best ability in school and adults can't focus on work. That's why the Hartford Foundation is committed to supporting basic human needs in our region — because it lays the foundation for success in all other areas of our work.

Earlier this month, we announced a series of **44 grants totaling more than \$350,000 to support basic human needs** in Greater Hartford. The nonprofits receiving these grants provide vital services including food assistance, personal care items, emergency case management, emergency financial assistance and more. The critical work being done by these nonprofits will help prevent residents from losing their jobs or

facing another day without food. It also builds the groundwork for residents to fulfill their potential.

“Providing the most basic of human needs helps individuals and families stabilize themselves on their way toward upward social and economic mobility,” according to Hartford Foundation Senior Community Investments Officer Cierra Stancil.

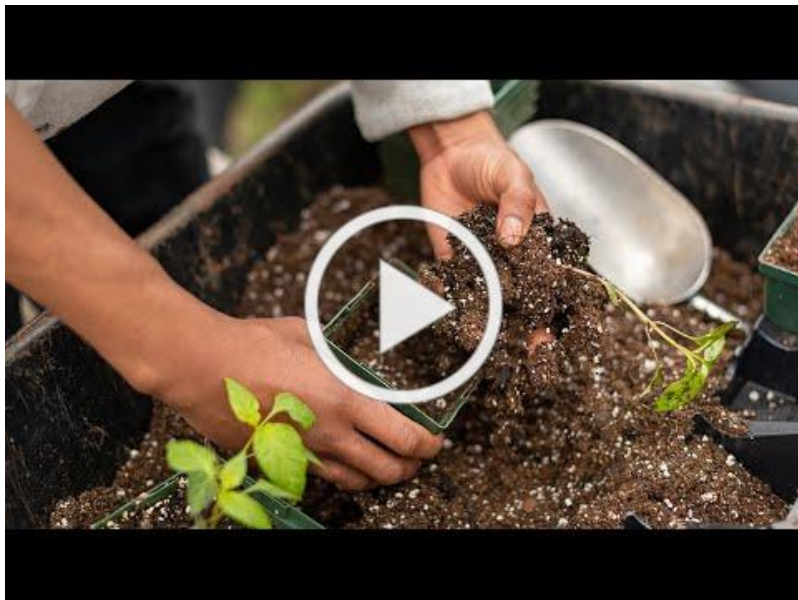
[See a list of the 44 grants and the projects they'll support.](#)

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CT Insider: The need for food in the Parkville area is growing. This church has stepped up.

Hartford Public Schools Back-to-School Event: Photos

On August 15, Hartford Foundation staff participated in Hartford Public Schools' Back-to-School event at the XL Center. Thousands of Hartford students and families came out for the event, which featured backpack giveaways, along with food, arts and crafts, and other fun things to do. The Hartford Foundation also supported the event through a grant. Here are a few photos.



Annual Report 2022: Food Security

How can we increase food security for Greater Hartford residents while also creating systems change? Watch our video or [read our story in the Foundation's 2022 Annual Report](#) to learn more.

Grant Opportunities

We currently have several open Requests for Proposals, offering grant opportunities for nonprofits that can contribute to our strategic priorities in specific ways. Here are some of the proposals we are currently seeking:

Housing Policy & Advocacy: This opportunity focuses on supporting policy and advocacy activities aimed at preventing/addressing homelessness and creating pathways to more accessible, affordable, stable and higher quality housing. **Deadline: September 11**

Basic Human Needs Emergency Assistance Grants, Round 2: Services provided may include food, personal care items, emergency financial aid, one-time medical device or medical aid assistance, immediate or informal case management services, or other critical basic needs. **Deadline: September 19**

More Requests for Proposals:

- **Black Giving Circle Fund**
- **Community Organizing**
- **Resident Engagement**

Visit our [Grant Opportunities](#) page to learn more, or [sign up to be notified](#) when new opportunities are released.



Celebrating Black Philanthropy Month

August is Black Philanthropy Month! Earlier this month, in partnership with Fairfield County's Community Foundation, The Community Foundation for Greater New Haven and The Prosperity Foundation, we hosted a virtual event celebrating Black Philanthropy. The event focused on this year's Black Philanthropy Month theme, "Black Love in Action," exploring its true essence. [Watch a recording of the full event here.](#)

The Hartford Foundation is a long-time supporter of Black Philanthropy Month. We appreciate the efforts of local donors and nonprofits who have worked tirelessly to improve the Black community in Greater Hartford.

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