



Cumberland County Awarded Federal Funds Under Phase 39 & Phase ARPA-R of the Emergency Food and Shelter Program

Cumberland County has been awarded \$124,180 under Phase 39 and \$383,811 under Phase ARPAP (American Rescue Plan Act-Regular EFSP). These funds appropriated by Congress are to supplement and expand existing emergency food and shelter programs in Cumberland County and to respond to the continuing COVID-19 impact on communities. Local Recipient Organizations use EFSP funds for mass shelter, mass feeding, food distribution through food pantries, food banks and food vouchers, pass due utility payments to prevent service disconnections, past due rent/mortgage assistance to prevent evictions and to assist people that are leaving shelters with establishing stable living conditions. Residents in need of assistance must contact the agency directly to check for availability of funds.

Cumberland County Local Recipient Organizations under Phase 39 are the following:

Action Pathways Second Harvest Food Bank (Weekend Back Pack Feeding Program)	\$29,174
Catholic Charities of the Raleigh Diocese (Emergency Food Assistance Program)	\$29,174
D'Vine Concepts A-Z, Inc. (Emergency Food Assistance Program)	\$ 5,000
Fayetteville Urban Ministry (Emergency Food Assistance Program)	\$29,174
The Salvation Army (Emergency Meals Program)	\$29,174
United Way of Cumberland County (Administration of EFSP Program)	\$ 2,484
Total	\$124,180

Cumberland County Local Recipient Organizations under Phase ARPA-R are the following:

Action Pathways Second Harvest Food Bank (Weekend Back Pack Feeding Program)	\$27,682
Connections of Cumberland County (Utility Assistance-\$40,000; Shelter-\$35,000; Rent-\$42,626)	\$117,626
Fayetteville Urban Ministry (Rent Assistance-\$18,987 & Utility Assistance-\$18,987)	\$37,974
Operation Blessings of Fayetteville (Rent Assistance-\$32,000 & Utility-\$10,626)	\$42,626
The Salvation Army (Emergency Shelter)	\$150,227
United Way of Cumberland County (Administration of EFSP Program)	\$ 7,676
Total	\$383,811

About Emergency Food & Shelter Program:

The Emergency Food & Shelter Program is a Federal program administered by the U.S Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency (DHS/FEMA). It has been entrusted through the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act (PL 100-77) "to supplement and expand ongoing efforts to provide shelter, food and supportive services" by local social service organizations for people across our Nation who are hungry, homeless, and in economic crisis. The EFSP National Board designated United Way of Cumberland County to serve as the administrator to the Local EFSP Board. Representatives from the following organizations are mandated to comprise the Local EFSP Board: American Red Cross; Catholic Charities USA; The Jewish Federations of North America; National Council of Churches of Christ in the USA; The Salvation Army; United Way of Cumberland County; Homeless or formerly homeless Agency/ Representative; Native American Agency Representative; Government Agency Representative; and Council on Aging Agency Representative.

About United Way of Cumberland County:

United Way of Cumberland County's mission is to improve the quality of lives in Cumberland County by addressing critical human needs. United Way of Cumberland County strives to advance the common good by focusing on the building blocks for a good life: education, financial stability, health and support of critical basic needs. At United Way, we recognize that lasting changes are achieved by addressing the underlying causes of problems. United Way partners with other nonprofit agencies to improve lives right here in Cumberland County.