

# Coronavirus Emergency Relief Fund (CERF)

July 7, 2020 – Weekly Update

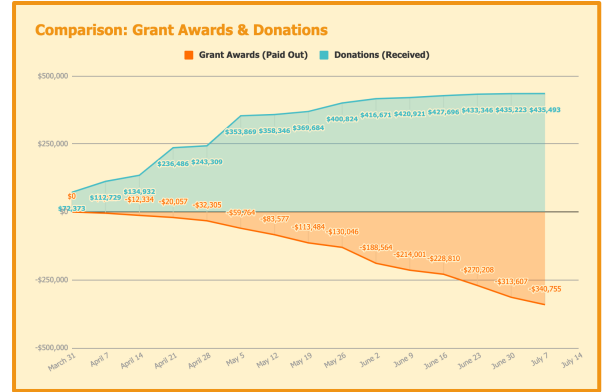


## CERF ETHOS

Our goal is for residents to be able **to stay in their homes** and to maintain access to utility service that enables **students to be connected to school** and enables **all residents to be connected to food resources** and other necessities during this crisis.

## FUNDRAISING – \$435,493 as of July 7<sup>th</sup>

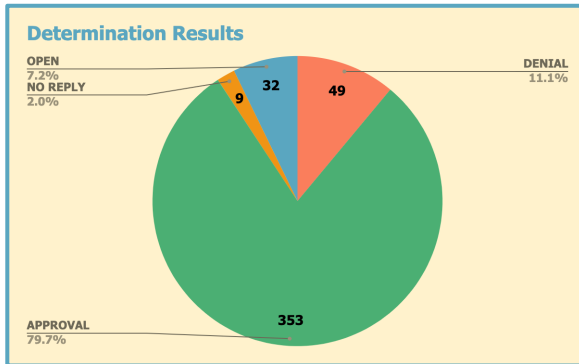
The CERF is supported in part with grants from the **Princeton University Relief Fund** and the **Covid-19 Relief & Recovery Fund** of **Princeton Area Community Foundation**. We are grateful to the over **830 donors** who have contributed.



## APPLICATIONS – 443 as of July 7<sup>th</sup>

Of the 443 applications received, 235 are renewals and 353 grants have been awarded. The 353 approved applications have received grants totaling over **\$340,000**. The current average award remained just over **\$1,000** per applicant this week.

We estimate that we have only **enough funds to meet rental assistance needs in Princeton until August**. The **New Jersey COVID-19 Emergency Rental Assistance Program (NJCOVERAP)** application window has been extended through July 17<sup>th</sup> and we are urging eligible CERF applicants to apply. If selected, NJCOVERAP applicants will then need to meet additional application requirements to qualify for up to six months of rental assistance through this program.



	Grant Award Total	Average Award	CERF Households Served
<b>April</b>	\$41,767.39	\$696.12	60
<b>May</b>	\$99,609.67	\$930.93	107
<b>June</b>	\$182,392.63	\$1,079.25	169

## CERF TEAM

**Intake Coordinators** – this team answers the Human Services phone number and helps potential applicants navigate the application process.

- Katherine Cardona\* – Princeton Recreation Department (PRD)
- Kimberly Figueroa-Martinez\* – Human Services
- Sindy Sandoval\* – Corner House

**Steering Committee** – in addition to processing intakes, members check to see if applicants have access to reliable sources of food and refer them to available resources when appropriate.

- Emily Becker\* – friend of PCF
- Zoe D'Eugenio-Pinel\* – friend of PCF
- Andrea Dinan\* – Princeton High School & PCF
- Jordan Goodwin – Princeton Community Village
- Sharon Hurley – Princeton Senior Resource Center
- Christian Martin\* – friend of PCF
- Diane Paulsell\* – Solidaridad Princeton
- Nicole Paulucci – PRD
- Trinidad Rodriguez\* – JW Middle School & PCF
- Angie Vargas\*/Cecilia Avila\* – Arm in Arm

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