RELIEF RELATED TO COVID-19 HEALTH CRISIS

The following is a list of links to access information for community foundations to access grants and food pantries, as well as information on residential and small business needs due to the current COVID-19 pandemic. You’ll find online access to get help or to donate. *Please see author’s note at end of list.*

1. [https://www.macovid19relieffund.org/](https://www.macovid19relieffund.org/) Massachusetts COVID-19 Relief Fund- established recently by First Lady Lauren Baker and One8 Foundation to ensure essential needs can be met by community foundations and local non-profit organizations.


5. [https://massculturalcouncil.org/blog/covid-19-relief-effort-for-individuals/](https://massculturalcouncil.org/blog/covid-19-relief-effort-for-individuals/) mass Cultural Council- support for individuals 18 or older, legal MA resident working in the arts discipline or one who promotes education in the arts and humanities or interpretive sciences with grants of up to $1,000. Program details and online application available online and due April 22, 2020 at 11:59 PM.


9. [https://thevineyardchurch.tv/careworks/](https://thevineyardchurch.tv/careworks/) Careworks is located at 41 Pottle St. in Kingston, MA. Careworks includes a food pantry as well as other items for people in need or those in financial crisis in our community. They can be reached at 781-585-6897 or email [careworksministry@gmail.com](mailto:careworksministry@gmail.com).

4/19/20 COVID-19 Relief Funds
10. [https://www.plymouthareacoalition.org/food-pantry/](https://www.plymouthareacoalition.org/food-pantry/) - Plymouth Area Coalition is located at 149 Bishop’s Way (Rt. 80) in Kingston, MA. They can be reached at 781-582-2010 and provide a food pantry as well as other services to our community.

11. [https://stsmaryjoseph.org/](https://stsmaryjoseph.org/) - St. Vincent De Paul Food Pantry located at St. Joseph’s Church in Kingston MA, phone 781-585-6679 provides a food pantry that is open to Kingston and Plymouth residents and is located at 227 Main St., Kingston MA. Affiliated with St. Mary’s Church in Plymouth which provides meals from Matthew’s Kitchen- please call for times and more information at 508-746-0426.

12. [https://www.needhelppayingbills.com/html/food_banks_plymouth_county.html](https://www.needhelppayingbills.com/html/food_banks_plymouth_county.html) - This site will guide you to additional resources including food pantries, that are available to Plymouth County residents.

Author’s note- *It is understandable that during this time of crisis with stay-at-home orders and social distancing, that our anxieties and worries grow- for our families and for ourselves. It is my hope that you will find some sense of relief from knowing that there is help out there for you. This list represents not only groups who offer various types of assistance, but also, it represents people who care about you. If you are in need, please reach out to them. If you can donate, either food or funds, or want to volunteer, please reach out to them.*

*If there is a group, relief fund, or food pantry not listed here that services Kingston residents, please let me know and I will add their information.*

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Stay safe, stay well. Sandy MacFarlane