

Community Investment Fund

FY2025/26 Annual Grant Funding Recommendations



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Community Investment Fund Background

- In 2019, on behalf of the Board, the County Administrator's Office initiated a Human Services Needs Assessment (HSNA) to:
 1. Identify the greatest human services needs in the County.
 2. Create a process to allocate limited county funds to effective strategies.
 3. Create a structure for monitoring the effectiveness of grants; and
 4. Show how this funding is having an impact.
- The HSNA resulted in the creation of a durable framework of desired outcomes with clearly defined indicators to support a process that directs limited county resources via a \$2 million Community Investment Fund
- In November 2023, the Board approved minor changes to the CIF for the three-year term FY2024/25 – FY2026/27, including:
 - Alignment with other current initiatives to avoid duplication
 - Grants proposed within the Legacy Programs, Annual Grants, and Deep Investments
 - Where to invest unspent and unallocated funds
 - Addition of a nonprofit emergency fund



Three-pronged Community Investment Fund

Community Investment Fund

A framework to address priority needs in Solano County through strategic grantmaking.

Legacy Programs

\$305,291 Annually

3-year commitment
Addresses many needs

Deep Programming

\$1,500,000 Annually

3-year commitment
Addresses top 3 needs

One-Time Investments

\$365,000 Annually

1-year commitment
Addresses top 6 needs

FY2025/26
Award Today



FY2025/26 Community Investment Fund

Organization	Program Description	FY2025/26 Amount
Annual Grants		\$365,000
(Determined each year)	Annual Grants	\$365,000
Deep Investment		\$1,500,000
Housing Trust Fund	Housing Trust Fund	\$200,000
Touro	SolanoConnex app; expanded navigation	\$600,000
All Home/United Way Capital Region	Homelessness Prevention Program	\$700,000
Legacy		\$305,291
CASA of Solano County	Children's advocates	\$130,325
Veteran's Court Case Manager	Collaborative court case manager	\$86,966
Food Bank of Contra Costa & Solano	Food and nutrition services	\$50,000
Children's Alliance	Child Abuse Prevention Council	\$30,000
North Bay Stand Down	Connects veterans to services	\$8,000
Grand Total		\$2,170,291



One-Time Investments- FY2025/26 Annual Grants

Goal: To support targeted, short-term programs that address urgent needs across the County. Open to a wide range of community-based organizations.

CIF Annual Investment: Up to \$75,000 for larger efforts or up to \$25,000 for smaller projects.

Top 6 Priorities

1. Mental Health
2. Homelessness
3. Housing
4. Early Education
5. Youth Development
6. Safe & Stable Environments for Children



One-Time Investments-Annual Grants FY2025/26

RFP 2025-03 Requirements & Process

Requirements:

1. Must address one or more of the top 6 needs
2. Must provide services to Solano County residents
3. Must identify concrete tasks and outcomes

52 individuals representing **23** agencies attended the mandatory proposers' conference

20 Eligible Proposals received and scored through a competitive process.



One-Time Grant Investment: FY2025/26 Recommendations

	Agency	Amount	Purpose
1	Crescent Moon Center	\$25,000	Provide arts, mindfulness, and equine-assisted mental health workshops to 300 individuals, supporting recovery and community connection.
2	Bay Area Community Resources	\$16,237	Provide support to 24 expecting or new parents through consultations, baby bundles, and follow-up services.
3	Parents by Choice	\$75,000	Deliver Triple P Positive Parenting Programs to 150 parents of youth ages 13–16 and parents experiencing separation or divorce.
4	Touro University	\$75,000	Provide mental health resources and college and career readiness workshops to 250 youth.
5	Food is Free Bay Area	\$75,000	Distribute nutritious food to 5,000 households and provide 100 families with FIFBA Family Boxes.
6	Rio Vista CARE	\$75,000	Provide mental health services, youth development programs, and family support to 200 youth.
	Total Recommended:	\$341,237	



Today's Considerations

1. Consider approval of a recommendation to allocate up to \$341,237 from the Community Investment Fund One-Time Investments to six agencies for a term of July 1, 2025 - June 30, 2026 for annual grants in response to the RFP 2025-03 – CIF Annual Grants program;
2. Delegate authority to the County Administrator, with the concurrence of County Counsel, to execute resulting contracts.