

Community Investment Fund

FY2026/27 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.
4. Demonstrate how 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.
- 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

FY2026/27
Award Today



FY2026/27 Community Investment Fund

Organization	Program Description	FY2026/27 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		\$297,291
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
Grand Total		\$2,162,291



One-Time Investments- FY2026/27 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. Housing
3. Homelessness
4. Early Education
5. Youth Development
6. Safe & Stable Environments for Children



One-Time Investments-Annual Grants FY2026/27 RFP 2026-02 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.

95 individuals representing 75 agencies attended the mandatory proposers' conference

32 eligible proposals received and scored through a competitive process.



One-Time Grant Investment: FY2026/27 Recommendations:

Agency	Amount	Purpose/Outcome
Food Bank of Contra Costa and Solano	\$75,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Deliver free, locally sourced fresh produce at 20 countywide sites. • Serve 10,000+ individuals monthly through 480 annual distributions • Improving food security and support local agriculture.
Planned Parenthood Northern California	\$75,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide coordinated behavioral health services, counseling, therapy, and referrals to improve mental health outcomes. • Serve 50 crisis counseling clients, deliver 400 therapy sessions, connect 100 patients to supportive services, and reach 1,000 community members through outreach and partnerships.
Innovative Health Solutions	\$65,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support 25 Black pregnant individuals and families experiencing housing insecurity through housing navigation, basic needs assistance, mental health support, and nutrition education. • Goals of achieving housing stability for 100% of participants and reducing stress for at least 60% of families.



One-Time Grant Investment: FY2026/27 Recommendations:

Agency	Amount	Purpose/Outcome
Food is Free Bay Area*	\$75,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide food, nutrition education, and community resource connections to Solano County families. • Serve 2,500 households through food distributions and reaching 400 households through Family Health Hub events. • 80% of participants will report improved food security or access to resources.
Rio Vista Care*	\$75,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide counseling, substance use support, case management, family resource services, and school-based mental health education for underserved youth and adults. • Serve 50 households and 150 students, improving access to essential resources, and achieving measurable improvements in mental health, coping skills, family stability, and awareness of behavioral health resources • 75% or more of participants will demonstrate positive outcomes in those domains.
Total Recommended:	\$365,000	

*Agency has successfully implemented prior CIF Annual Grant.



Today's Considerations

1. Consider approval of a recommendation to allocate up to \$365,000 from the Community Investment Fund One-Time Investments to six agencies for a term of July 1, 2026 - June 30, 2027, for annual grants in response to the RFP 2026-02 – CIF Annual Grants program;
2. Delegate authority to the County Administrator, with the concurrence of County Counsel, to execute resulting contracts.