



THE NGP IS A SMART FISCAL INVESTMENT ENSURING THAT NONPROFITS MEET DEMAND FOR SERVICES DURING COVID-19

Community nonprofits are on the front lines of the COVID-19 pandemic, delivering services to Connecticut's most vulnerable populations

RECOMMENDATION

The State should continue investing \$25 million in each year of the biennium to the Nonprofit Grant Program to support community nonprofits.

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PROTECT THE NONPROFIT GRANT PROGRAM

ENHANCING SERVICE DELIVERY, EFFICIENCY AND EFFECTIVENESS

The Nonprofit Grant Program (NGP) provides bond-funded grants-in-aid to community health and human service nonprofits to enhance service delivery and address health, safety and accessibility issues. Every year since the program was established in 2013, applications to the NGP have been overwhelming, highlighting the need to support the nonprofit workforce, especially now as they are on the front lines of the coronavirus pandemic.

NGP funds allow community nonprofits to invest in capital and infrastructure projects, such as renovations to facilities and telehealth systems critical to service delivery during the coronavirus pandemic, that allow quality programs and services to continue for people in need.

A SUCCESSFUL FISCAL INVESTMENT

Below are a few examples of projects that have had a positive impact in communities across the state:

- The installment of a Voice Over Internet Protocol (VOIP) telephone platform that has helped more than 30,000 patients, professionals and community members served each year. The VOIP system has reduced service interruptions due to equipment failures, increased patient and staff safety and reduced operating costs.
- The repair of an emergency shelter for female victims of domestic violence and their children. The shelter has operated at more than capacity for each of the past five years and a lack of funding has prevented much needed renovations necessary for making the space a safe and welcoming environment.
- The development of a new training and conference center to train individuals and families struggling with mental illness, substance abuse, HIV/AIDS, release from incarceration and homelessness with job trainings and preparation for careers in the trades and other highly employable fields.