

WHY IS YOUR SUPPORT NEEDED NOW?

A hallmark of MCRF and the Needy Fund is our ability to respond quickly and efficiently to the most urgent needs in our communities. Today, we continue to assist our neighbors hit hardest by the coronavirus. At the same time, we are preparing for a potentially catastrophic storm. While we on the Cape have averted major hurricanes the last few years, it's a matter of when "the big one" hits, not if.

Accordingly, we need to bolster our preparedness plans now, before it's too late...whether it's a spike in the pandemic, a devastating hurricane, another future health crisis, a blizzard, or terrorism.

Indeed, we on the Cape live in increasingly vulnerable and unpredictable times. But one thing we have always been able to count on is the spirit of neighbors helping neighbors.

So, let's not be short-sighted and put our heads in the sand. Let's learn lessons from communities that weren't well-prepared and are still paying the price. Let's protect our precious peninsula, islands, and our families.

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WHAT IS THE MCRF?

The Major Crisis Relief Fund (MCRF) was created in 2016 as an arm of the Cape Cod Times Needy Fund, a well-established 501(c)3 nonprofit organization. Our mission is to fill existing gaps in preparing for and responding to disasters on the Cape and the Islands, helping individuals and families with urgent and longer-term needs

Our much-needed assistance includes funding to address basic needs unmet by traditional forms of disaster aid provided by the state and federal government (MEMA and FEMA) and first responders (such as the American Red Cross). Our support includes helping our neighbors with shelter, sustenance, work, medical and mental health services, transportation, child care, emergency relief supplies, and more. Disasters requiring our assistance include:

- Natural (hurricanes, blizzards, earthquakes, fires)
- Man-made (public health epidemics, blackouts, plane crashes, terrorist activity)

MCRF Managing Director Judy Walden Scarafie heads a group of experienced, dedicated volunteers, including a Leadership Team and an Advisory Committee.

HOW DO WE WORK?

Unlike many traditional funding sources that are unable to respond to disasters in a timely fashion and don't provide long-term assistance, we are poised to address immediate urgent and ongoing needs.

- Immediately following a major crisis, we will disburse funds, regardless of economic circumstances, to maintain survival and well-being as needed.
- To support longer-term recovery efforts, MCRF funds are available to help affected individuals and families who have demonstrated economic need.

MCRF has formed critical community partnerships to enhance an integrated response to disasters. We are partners with Barnstable County's Multi-Agency Coordination Center, Eversource, National Grid, Cape & Islands United Way, Cape Cod Foundation, and the American Red Cross. Routinely, we provide preparedness tips to the public through traditional and social media.

HOW CAN YOU MAKE A DIFFERENCE?

While we have received generous donations from businesses, foundations, and individuals, we need your support to reach our fundraising goal of \$1.5 million.

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TO VOLUNTEER:
If you're interested in volunteer opportunities in fundraising, marketing, IT, or administration, contact Joseph Gordon at jgordoh@bsheriff.net.

TO APPLY FOR FUNDING:
To see if you qualify, see contact information on back of this brochure and fill out form on our website at:
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