



Community Needs and COVID-19 Responses: Other Organizations

ACLU of Nevada

The ACLU of Nevada is a non-partisan organization that works to defend and advance the civil liberties and rights of all Nevadans. Grounded in the principles of liberty, justice, democracy, and equality, the ACLU of Nevada works in three areas: public education, advocacy, and litigation.

COVID-19 has impacted our fundraising, as we can no longer have our in-person fundraising events in Las Vegas and Reno. We are still actively defending civil liberties in areas like homelessness, criminal justice reform, police reform, immigrants' rights, and voting rights. We need financial support to continue our important work. Staff is still hard at work, just remotely until it's safe. We have a goal of raising \$100,000 to make up for the loss of fundraising attributed to COVID-19.

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Dress for Success Reno – Northern Nevada

The mission of Dress for Success is to help women achieve economic independence by providing a network of support, professional attire, and the development tools to help them thrive in work and in life. Your financial support will help a woman affected by the COVID-19 pandemic gain access to not only clothing, shoes, and much needed undergarments, but also the virtual resources and tools that will assist in her economic stability.

Event income has always been a large percentage of our fundraising campaign. At this time, Dress for Success is at a loss of thousands of dollars due to the cancellation of two events. Our largest fundraiser, Kentucky Derby in the West, rescheduled to September 5th will be a virtual event and we are working hard to make this a great fundraising success.

Dress for Success is experiencing additional challenges at this time because the building that our organization is in was sold last month. The previous owner donated all rent and utilities to our organization. Unfortunately, with the new landlord, Dress for Success must pay rent in order to stay at this property. This is not something that we had anticipated or budgeted for this year.

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English Language Learners In-Home Program

The ELL In-Home Program is unique in that it offers a "lifeline" to adult immigrants/refugees who are unable to attend formal classroom settings due to physical disabilities, limited or no transportation, lack of funds for childcare, job constraints, or intimidation. We are the only organization in the area that teaches underserved adult students, at no cost, on an individual basis.

Due to the COVID-19, our English teaching community volunteer tutors are now assisting their learners via online programs and/or by mobile phone. Join our program as a community volunteer tutor to assist our intermediate students with English Conversation practice so that they do not regress from what has been learned.

Needs: (1) \$10,000 to purchase instructional materials for our students who do not have the equipment to keep learning so they do not regress from what has been learned. With over 900 adults on our wait-list, funding would enable us to purchase the materials needed for 100 new students and 50 new tutors, and perform background checks on incoming tutors; (2) \$12,000 to hire a part-time Program Director to manage all ELL programs in Nevada.

We will be happy to complete a report detailing the program outcomes and budget information.

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Guinn Center

Our team is now working from home. We are working on collecting and publishing more frequently data points that are directly relevant to COVID-19. We are also working more directly with nonprofits and government agencies to provide direct technical assistance around grant writing. We have already lost \$100,000 from our traditional corporate sponsors who have canceled or postponed their annual contributions to our nonprofit.

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Little Flower Catholic Church

We closed the church and school and we have just virtually operated with parishioners and students. Providing financial help for rent or bills, financial help for food, food baskets for families, distant learning, spiritual and moral support for individuals and families.

Immediate needs: Salaries, benefits for teachers and employees, the daily running of our buildings.

Future needs: 450,000.00

Volunteers are needed to help us reach out to more people that might have any needs.

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National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges

The NCJFCJ is working remotely and renegotiating funded deliverables for remote and virtual meetings, trainings, and webinars. The NCJFCJ is maintaining remote office meeting schedules and focused on self-care and well being by offering daily yoga breaks, webinars, and wellness challenges for our team and national membership.

Current needs: Diversity of funding and donations.

Future needs: The ability to deliver services to meet grant-funded deliverables and to draw down grant funds. Balancing strategic fundraising for our nonprofit organization and the immediate needs facing our local and national communities during this time.

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Nevada Optometric Association

We are the professional organization for Optometrists in Nevada and the state affiliate of the American Optometric Association (AOA). We've been providing updates to both doctors (including non-members) and the public on eye care, CDC recommendations, CMS guidelines, continuing education, help with securing PPE, resources for SBA loans and HHS grants, etc. Members even -

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signed up with Battle Born Med Corps to help with COVID-19 testing and other medical needs. We have 40 doctors available to volunteer.

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Terry Lee Wells Nevada Discovery Museum

The museum closed as a result of the Governor's non-essential business closure order in mid March and only partially reopened on July 11th. We have moved some resources online, have had to cancel a major exhibition, and are currently retooling the rest of our plans for the year.

We estimated a \$400,000 shortfall by losing spring break and all of our spring programs and revenues including field trips. On top of that, we are modeling a 25-65% earned revenue loss for the rest of the year. We expect that we will need to raise an ADDITIONAL \$500K this calendar year to make up for earned income deficits and to avoid major alterations to our near-term plans and prevent talent loss.

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Truckee Meadows Parks Foundation

Moved programs to virtual bringing the outdoors to the home. To help the mental and physical health during a stressful time we are bringing the outdoors to you through virtual hikes. This can be done in your home as well as give you a guide to explore the benefits of nature on your own using social distancing.

Immediate needs: \$30,000 to provide at home kits for kids and families

Future needs: \$40,000 in operating funds

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University Studies Abroad Consortium

COVID-19 forced USAC's more than 1,500 study abroad students (including 96 UNR students) to return to the U.S. from our global programs, spanning 50+ locations worldwide during their Spring 2020 semester abroad (January - April). USAC immediately issued pro-rated refunds to all affected students, including up to \$500 to cover flight change fees.

Despite this massive academic disruption, USAC quickly transitioned most of our courses to an online format to ensure academic continuity.

Our priorities continue to be student health and safety while providing exceptional international education.

Immediate Need: \$50,000 for the upcoming 2020-2021 Student Scholarship Cycle.

Estimated Total Losses: \$7-\$8 Million, impacting –

- \$3M in losses for both the 2020 Spring and 2020 Summer semesters (in-person summer programming was cancelled entirely).
- \$4M in losses due to continued restricted travel, likely to significantly impact the upcoming 2020 Fall semester.
- \$1M in USAC-sponsored student scholarships.
- (All 75 central office staff continue to be employed at our Reno-based headquarters; however, staff are taking 2 days per month furlough, extended through December 2020. Additionally, our program staff stationed abroad have taken significant salary reductions through December - equating to \$1.5-\$2M in payroll savings.)

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