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Coast Central Announces \$100,000 in Grants & COVID Community Care Fund Established

Coast Central Credit Union President/CEO James T. Sessa announced that its Board of Directors has approved \$100,000 in grants through its Community Investment Program to 10 local organizations for its spring 2020 round of giving. Coast Central also supports its communities through sponsorship, college scholarship, and employee volunteer programs. Spring recipients include:

Humboldt County

- **\$24,600:** **Companion Animal Foundation** for equipment for mobile vet unit
- **\$10,000:** **Northern CA Community Blood Bank** for its bloodmobile replacement
- **\$10,000:** **Pacific Coast Fish, Wildlife, & Wetlands** for a truck for transporting materials and people
- **\$3,780:** **Willow Creek Fire Safe Council** for wildfire protection through brush removal
- **\$2,903:** **Mad River Girls Fastpitch Softball** for masks, chin replacements, and other equipment
- **\$2,417:** **Arcata School District** for a food warmer for its "Eat Well Learn Well" program

Del Norte County

- **\$20,000:** **County of Del Norte Sheriff** for establishment of a K-9 program
- **\$11,300:** **Humane Society of Del Norte** for surgery, carriers, and fuel costs
- **\$10,000:** **Redwood School** for an agility course and playground equipment

Trinity County

- **\$5,000:** **Weaverville Fire Protection District** for a hazard reduction dump trailer

"Thank you to all 50 local non-profits who submitted applications totaling \$700,000 for their tireless work to improve the quality of life throughout our service areas," Sessa stated. "We also extend appreciation to our membership for your loyalty that directly enables support of these 10 very deserving grant recipients."

CCCU COVID Community Care Fund Established

Coast Central's Board of Directors also committed an additional \$50,000 to offer support to local community organizations currently experiencing significant financial hardship as a direct result of the COVID-19 pandemic. The *COVID Community Care Fund* features a streamlined application process, with funding amounts ranging from \$500 to \$5,000. Applications can be accessed on its COVID-19 resource page at <https://www.coastccu.org/covid-19-coronavirus-updates-and-info/> and emailed to marketinginfo@coastccu.org. **Deadline to apply is Wednesday, May 13, 2020, by 5 pm.** For questions, contact VP Marketing & Communications Colleen Toste at (707) 445-8801, ext. 309 or ctoste@coastccu.org.



Sessa continued, “It’s impossible to discuss supporting the community without considering those individuals, families, businesses, and organizations currently suffering hardships in conjunction with COVID-19. Our hope is that our new Community Care Fund, in addition to our special loan and other programs for our members, can help ease some of the burden experienced to enable local organizations to continue their essential work on behalf of others.”

Founded in 1950, Coast Central Credit Union (CCCU) is the largest member-owned financial institution in the area, with over 70,000 members and 11 Member Services Branches. Anyone who lives or works in Humboldt, Del Norte or Trinity counties can bank with CCCU. Members have access to a network of 30,000 free CO-OP ATMs nationwide, Online and Mobile Banking, and a full array of personal and business products and services. More information can be found at its web site at coastccu.org and at facebook.com/coastcentral.