

JOHN J. LYDON HELP FUND

TACKLING IMMEDIATE CRISES



Dearest Supporter and Friend,

When families in your community need a safe and productive space for their children, COMPASS has a reputation as the leading provider of comprehensive support, stabilization and special education. This winter, **we need YOUR help.**

COMPASS families and students continue facing economic challenges, requiring more resources than ever to thrive. Our staff utilize **The John J. Lydon Help Fund** to provide emergency assistance primarily for groceries, clothing, housing and other one-time costs based on immediate needs and budget planning support to ensure future self-sufficiency.

The John J. Lydon Help Fund has provided urgent support including cleaning services for a newborn baby's arrival, initial child care so dad can start a second job, unexpected car repairs, one week of groceries during initial unemployment, and an overdue electricity bill for a struggling family after a parent was laid off from their job.

In 2025, our commitment to equity proudly provided **over \$45,000 in financial assistance** throughout the year. The John J. Lydon Help Fund received more than 150 requests, a 52% increase in just two years. WE NEED YOUR HELP to continue supporting students and families.

We aim to raise \$25,000 for the winter season, when the need is greatest.

Sometimes all it takes is covering one last cost or an outstanding bill before our families can finally begin their journey towards success. Your contribution ensures that our families can persevere through a financial crisis and find hope.

Thank you for investing in a future full of possibilities!

With sincere gratitude,

Laura Lajewski
Executive Director
COMPASS

**P.S. Please consider a \$100 gift
to support families in need!**



**Make a difference
in your community!**

- \$1,000**
- \$750**
- \$500**
- \$250**
- \$100**
- \$50**
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