



ICF Border Health Fund
Invitation to Request Project Funding
for COVID-19 Response in Baja California

About the International Community Foundation

The International Community Foundation is a nonprofit organization that seeks to increase health, education, and environmental grantmaking to local organizations abroad, with the goal of strengthening civil society and promoting sustainable communities. For over 30 years, ICF has distributed over \$98 million to projects that respond to challenges in the regions that our donors care about.

Fund Purpose: to support organizations responding to the immediate and long-term needs of communities in the state of Baja California as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. From March 15- June 15, 2020 all donations to the ICF Border Health Fund will go towards organizations and initiatives that advance the following goals:

1. Provide health services and other basic needs during and in the aftermath of the pandemic.
2. Ensure every person living in the state of Baja California has access to food during the pandemic, and after.
3. Ensure access to critical health services such as preventative care, treatments for illness, surgeries, or medications during and after the COVID19 pandemic.
4. Strengthen the resilience of vulnerable communities to mitigate long-term impacts of the pandemic, particularly low-income families; children & youth; migrants, asylum seekers, deportees or refugees; elderly, chronically ill or disabled populations; any marginalized populations.

About This Invitation:

This funding opportunity is thanks to ICF's generous donors and a \$50,000 matching donation from the This is About Humanity Fund! ICF is inviting nonprofit partners to submit a Concept Note for projects up to \$10,000. Grants are intended to be "Rapid Response" and will be awarded in 2020 to meet the above objectives.

All donations will support vulnerable communities of Baja California with urgent needs as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic including health supplies and services, food, hygiene and basic supplies, as well as general support to nonprofit organizations providing critical health services.

Guidelines and Review Process:

To be eligible for a grant from the Border Health Fund for COVID-19 Response, organizations must provide services in Baja California, Mexico. Organizations must have nonprofit status in Mexico or the United States or be partnering with a fiscal sponsor who does. To apply, **please submit a one page summary of your project and a proposed budget by May 1st, 2020. If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Eliza Brennan at eliza@icfdn.org.**

The ICF program team evaluates proposals based on relevance of the proposed project, organizational capacity and leadership, sustainability/impact, feasibility of success, scope/scale, and budget. ICF adheres to a strict conflict of interest policy and other internal controls to ensure that grant funding is distributed in a methodical and objective manner, based on the merits of each proposal.

Timeline

May 1, 2020: One-page concept notes and budgets due to ICF. Please send them to eliza@icfdn.org

May 15, 2020: Grants announced and awarded

By May 30, 2020: Funds received by nonprofit partners