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New matching gifts from Christine and Alan Curtis and Mary and Marvin Davidson boost Town of Palm Beach United Way COVID-19 Fund

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The Town of Palm Beach United Way will continue to distribute COVID-19 Emergency Fund grants to area nonprofits thanks to new matching gift pledges from two Palm Beach couples.

Christine and Alan Curtis and **Mary and Marvin Davidson** have offered dollar-for-dollar matching gifts of \$50,000 and \$25,000, respectively. The COVID-19 Emergency Fund has already raised more than \$1.3 million. Grants are being distributed to local nonprofits to provide food, childcare, rent assistance, baby supplies, virtual learning, mental health counseling and other support for individuals and families impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic.

“Sadly, the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic continue to impact thousands of Palm Beach County residents, as demonstrated by ever-lengthening food distribution lines, increased calls to local helplines and frequent requests for financial assistance,” said Alan Curtis. “Through the Town of Palm Beach United Way and its partner nonprofits, Christine and I hope to provide some relief to residents struggling to get by during this public health crisis.”

Through more than 280 contributions, the Town of Palm Beach United Way has already matched previous gifts from **Julie and Mike Connors**, **Christina Dennis**, the **J. Ira and Nicki Harris Family Foundation**, **Bob and Signa Hermann**, **Michele and Howard Kessler**, **Dorothy and Sidney Kohl**, **Danielle Moore**, **John and Jana Scarpa**, **Sally and Bill Soter**, the **A. Alfred Taubman Foundation**, **Susan and Dom Telesco**, **Bill and Norma Tiefel** and **Susan and Bob Wright**.

“We’re incredibly thankful for the Palm Beach donors who continue to support our community during this pandemic,” said General Campaign Chair **Gail Coniglio**. “COVID-19 will impact Palm Beach County for months to come and it’s important to have organizations like the Town of Palm Beach United Way to provide long-term support for our neighbors in need.”

COVID-19 Emergency Fund grants have so far been awarded to 26 organizations: Best Buddies, Boys & Girls Clubs of Palm Beach County, Cancer Alliance of Help & Hope, Caridad Center, Catholic Charities, Center for Child Counseling, Clinics Can Help, CROS Ministries, El Sol, Families First, Farmworker Coordinating Council, Feed the Hungry Pantry of Palm Beach County, Feeding South Florida, Habitat for Humanity, Healthy Mothers Healthy Babies, Homeless Coalition of Palm Beach County, Legal Aid Society, Milagro Center, Palm Beach County Food Bank, Palm Beach Habilitation Center, The Arc of The Glades, The Cotton Bottom Diaper Bank, The Glades Initiative, The Lord’s Place, YMCA of the Palm Beaches and YMCA of South Palm Beach County.

At YMCA of South Palm Beach County, funds are helping provide childcare for children of essential workers. Children who attend the Y participate in virtual learning, outdoor games, sports drills, arts and crafts, STEAM activities and nutrition lessons

“The Y’s mission is to meet the needs in our community,” said Kimberley Trombly-Burmeister, Director of Development. “So when COVID-19 hit, the YMCA responded by providing a safe place for the children of emergency responders and healthcare workers through our Camp Cares program.”

To donate to the Coronavirus Emergency Fund visit www.palmbeachunitedway.org/coronavirus-emergency-fund or call 561-655-1919. Checks can be made payable to Town of Palm Beach United Way with “COVID-19 Fund” in the memo and mailed to 44 Coconut Row, Suite M201, Palm Beach, FL 33480.

Donations are tax deductible and 100% will go directly to local organizations delivering services to disadvantaged and under-resourced communities most impacted by the COVID-19 outbreak.

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