

The following nonprofits and nonprofit collaborations have received grants in the areas of healthcare and mental health in the first round of Open Applications to the Essex County COVID-19 Response Fund.

### **Individual Nonprofits**

**Backyard Growers (Gloucester)**, to support an increase in fresh food access for Gloucester residents.

**Beverly Hospital**, to support the Emergency Room Recovery Coach working with patients presenting with behavioral health and substance use disorder concerns.

**Blueskies Wellness, Inc. (Methuen)**, to support telehealth technology needs and increased staffing (particularly culturally relevant and multilingual mental health practitioners) to meet the mental health needs of Essex County residents, particularly in Lawrence.

**Care Dimensions (Danvers)**, to support the compassionate care of Essex County residents facing advanced or end-of-life illness.

**Express Yourself, Inc. (Beverly)**, to support increased staff hours to allow for more youth to benefit from a 1:1 youth to staff ratio.

**Family Continuity (Lawrence)**, to increase telehealth capacity.

**Greater Lawrence Family Health Center**, to support staff of the Unite Us initiative.

**Greater Lynn Senior Services, Inc.**, to support the Mobile Mental Health team.

**Justice Resources Institute, Inc., aka Children's Friend and Family Resources**, to support the expansion of telehealth services in **Lynn** and **Lawrence**.

**Link House, Inc. (Amesbury)**, to support an increase in staffing to address the growing mental health needs of clients in Salisbury and beyond.

**The North East Educational and Developmental Supports Center, Inc.**, to support services for individuals in Essex County with developmental disabilities, including Autism Spectrum Disorder.

**YMCA of the North Shore**, to increase capacity to address students' mental health needs post-COVID.

### **Nonprofit Collaborations**

**Groundwork Lawrence, The Center, Merrimack Valley YMCA, Boys and Girls Club of Lawrence and Greater Lawrence Community Action Council**, to support collaborative efforts to distribute

farmers market coupons to those experiencing food insecurity in **Lawrence** due to the impacts of COVID-19.

**Groundwork Lawrence** and **The Center**, to support the collaborative efforts to purchase 50 tablets with Wi-Fi capability that will be loaned out to elders in **Lawrence** affected by COVID-19.

**Lynn Community Health Center** and **Bridgewell's Recuperative Care Center**, to support hiring a Home Health Aide to serve the needs of homeless and housing insecure individuals impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic.

**Lynn Shelter Association**, **City of Lynn**, **My Brother's Table** and **Lynn Community Health Center** to support the building of a temporary shelter to address the needs of those experiencing homelessness in **Lynn**.