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MINNESOTA COUNCIL ON FOUNDATIONS AND SAINT PAUL & MINNESOTA FOUNDATION AWARD FINAL ROUND OF \$2.3 MIL IN GRANT FUNDING TO ORGANIZATIONS FOR MINNESOTA NONPROFIT RECOVERY EFFORTS

MINNEAPOLIS, MN – (August 24, 2020) – The Minnesota Council on Foundations (MCF) and the Saint Paul & Minnesota Foundation (the Foundation) and a cross-sector advisory committee have selected the expected fifth and final round of grantees, awarding \$2.3 million in funds from the Minnesota Disaster Recovery Fund for coronavirus.

Twenty-six organizations were awarded a total of \$2.3 million to support general nonprofit recovery as organizations work to re-build communities across the state. These organizations included Asian American Organizing Project (\$150,000), Asian Media Access (\$100,000), Battered Women's Legal Advocacy Project dba Standpoint (\$150,000), Chisholm Community Foundation (\$20,000), Grand Rapids Area Community Foundation (\$20,000), Greater Twin Cities United Way (\$100,000), Hibbing Foundation (\$20,000), Initiative Foundation (\$50,000), Lake Street Council (\$150,000), Lao Assistance Center of Minnesota (\$150,000), Metropolitan Alliance of Connected Communities (\$150,000), Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe (\$150,000), Minnesota Homeownership Center (\$150,000), Minnesota Organization for Habilitation and Rehabilitation (\$100,000), Minnesota State Bar Foundation (\$100,000), Northland Foundation (\$200,000), Northwest Minnesota Foundation (\$68,980), Propel Nonprofits (\$250,000), Rice County Area United Way (\$20,000), Southwest Initiative Foundation (\$100,000), United Way of Douglas & Pope Counties (\$20,000), United Way of Northeastern Minnesota, Inc. (\$20,000), United Way of Steele County (\$20,000), United Way of the Brown County Area, Inc. (\$20,000), Waseca Area Foundation (\$20,000) and United Way of Cass-Clay (\$40,000).

The Minnesota Disaster Recovery Fund for coronavirus has supported 93 organizations and awarded over \$11.4 million to support community intermediaries who have been dedicated throughout the coronavirus pandemic and community impacts of the murder of George Floyd to sustain Minnesota's residents, businesses and nonprofits.

The Minnesota Council on Foundations and the Foundation would like to thank the donors who generously contributed toward this effort to support relief, recovery, and resilience in Minnesota communities. Together, we will continue to work in collaboration to build a strong and healthy sector for a prosperous and equitable Minnesota.

To learn more about the history of the Minnesota Disaster Recovery Fund for coronavirus, contributors and grantees, please visit the Minnesota Council on Foundations website at www.mcf.org/MDRF.

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About the Minnesota Council on Foundations

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