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## Nonprofit News: October 2024

We hope this newsletter finds you and your loved ones well after the events of both Hurricanes Helene and Milton. Our foundation is actively fundraising for our Suncoast Disaster Recovery Fund and Season of Sharing.

### ***Suncoast Disaster Recovery Fund***

The Suncoast Disaster Recovery Fund is a local resource for the long-term, ongoing needs that emerge over time, so communities can heal holistically after a catastrophic weather event. See further below about our emergency grant cycle opening due to Hurricane Milton. Future grant cycles will open in 2025.

### ***Season of Sharing***

Our Season of Sharing fund has been a trusted, time-tested safety net for people in Charlotte, DeSoto, Manatee, and Sarasota counties to access immediate resources with the help of a case worker to cover emergency financial needs. If you or your clients are in need of assistance, dial 2-1-1 on your phone or [click here to learn more](#) about the process of receiving Season of Sharing funds.

## The Giving Partner

### *Add Disaster Relief Needs to Your Profile*

Use [The Giving Partner](#) to seek help and inform the community about your needs during this challenging time.

### ***How to Share Your Needs:***

1. Update Your Profile: Add your disaster-related needs in the "Tell Your Story" section and use keywords like "disaster relief," "Hurricane Helene," or "Hurricane Milton" for better visibility.
2. Financial Needs: Include your administrative needs under the Financials tab.
3. Volunteer Needs: List any volunteer and

engagement opportunities related to your post-storm efforts.

4. Fundraising: Set up a Peer-to-Peer Fundraiser for storm relief and collect donations.

For questions or assistance, please contact [Nonprofits@CFSarasota.org](mailto:Nonprofits@CFSarasota.org).

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## Volunteer Florida

### *Recruit Volunteers for Hurricane Relief*

After Hurricane Andrew hit Florida, [Volunteer Florida](#) evolved to serve as the state's lead agency for mobilizing volunteers and coordinating donations before, during and after disasters.

Organizations across the state can post volunteer opportunities on the site throughout the year but have a specific volunteer search tool after disaster strikes. Add your volunteer clean ups for statewide visibility.

[See Disaster Resources Listed on Their Site](#)



Volunteers  
needed



## UPCOMING GRANT CYCLES



### Suncoast Disaster Recovery Fund

#### *Emergency Capital Grants for Human Services Organizations*

The Suncoast Disaster Recovery Fund is currently accepting applications for emergency capital needs projects resulting from hurricane Helene and Milton. Requests will be considered for the organizations that meet all of the following eligibility criteria:

1. Be a 501(c)(3) public charity focused on human services with a location in Sarasota, Manatee, Charlotte, or DeSoto County.
2. Have a capital needs request under \$50,000 aimed at restoring services to clients or reopening doors to operations.
3. Have an approved and current profile in The Giving Partner.

At this time the Community Foundation of Sarasota County cannot support requests for

deductibles or a full rebuilding effort of your building or facility.

Apply Today

## Masala Giving Circle



### Masala Giving Circle Grants *Opens October 31, 2024*

The Masala Giving Circle Grant (up to \$10,000) is awarded to organizations that benefit African American/Black communities in Sarasota, Manatee, Charlotte, and/or DeSoto counties.

The Masala Grant opens October 31, 2024, and closes December 31, 2024.

For more information contact [info@masalagivingcircle.org](mailto:info@masalagivingcircle.org).

## Capacity Building Grants



### Capacity Building Grants *Opens November 1, 2024*

Capacity Building grants help improve a nonprofit's ability to fulfill its mission by strengthening its capacity. Capacity strengthening areas include data gathering, evaluation, learning, assessment, advocacy, planning, fundraising, leadership, and emergency needs.

The next grant cycle opens November 1, 2024, and closes on December 1, 2024.

## Animal Welfare Grants



### Animal Welfare Grants *Opens November 22, 2024*

Animal Welfare Grants (up to \$25,000) support organizations that serve animals and promote their humane care in Sarasota, Manatee, Charlotte, and DeSoto Counties.

The application opens November 22, 2024, and closes on January 10, 2025.

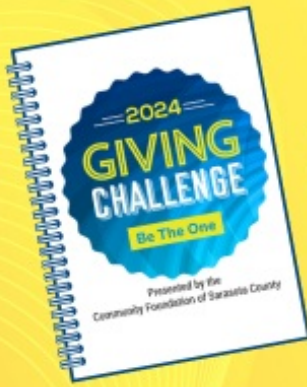
## Programmatic Grants



### Programmatic Grants *Opens December 1, 2024*

Programmatic grants support organizations and programs that provide access to education, health care, or basic human needs for people who face systemic barriers in our community.

The next grant cycle opens December 1, 2024, and closes on January 5, 2025.



# 2024 Giving Challenge

## Nonprofit Survey & Summary Report

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Now Available

The 2024 Giving Challenge Nonprofit Survey & Summary Report is now available.

With added insights and data from GiveGab, see how your organization performed compared to other organizations in your sector and budget class. Get insights on donor participation as well.

[View the Interactive Report](#)

[Download the PDF Version](#)



## Nonprofit Job Bank

Whether you're seeking a new nonprofit position or you want to post an open position at our organization, your local resource is the Association of Fundraising Professionals Southwest Florida Chapter's [Job Bank](#), supported by the Community Foundation of Sarasota County.

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