

Media Relations

NEWS RELEASE

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Community Financial Support Related to the COVID-19 Pandemic

To all our community partners, organizations, non-profit agencies and to those who support the most vulnerable in our community, we would like to hear from you as to how the County of Renfrew can assist you in accessing Provincial program funding in order for you to continue to offer the best support to our community in these trying times.

On March 23, 2020, the Provincial Government announced a \$200-million province wide investment in social services for relief funding to help protect the health and safety of the province's most vulnerable people in response to the outbreak of COVID-19.

If you are providing new or enhanced support or service(s) for vulnerable persons in Renfrew County with respect to homelessness, shelter, food security, seniors, youth, etc., as a result of COVID-19, we would ask that you submit your request **by Friday, April 17, 2020**, by providing us with the following information:

- Full name of the Agency or Organization
- Primary Contact (Name, Telephone, E-mail);
- Brief description of the community service or support you provide;
- Value of financial aid request as well as a brief description of how funds would be utilized to address needs during and after the COVID-19 pandemic.

Please send your request to the attention of Laura LePine, Director of Social Services, at <u>Llepine@countyofrenfrew.on.ca</u> For any questions, call 613-735-7288. Please note that submission of a request does not guarantee funding assistance from the Province in part or in full.

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