

Broadcom Awards Charitable Gift to The City of Fort Collins

“Broadcom’s generosity will fuel community resources and relief to thousands of residents,” said Darin Atteberry, Fort Collins City Manager. **“The impact of Covid will be far reaching for all of us. And for many Fort Collins residents, it widens existing gaps in economic and educational opportunity.”**

Each of these programs and organizations demonstrate exceptional service, economic support and community impact as they respond to the devastating impact of Covid. A philanthropic partnership between Broadcom and the City of Fort Collins will provide financial support to:



CARE Housing: Eviction Prevention & On-site Learning Hubs

<https://www.carehousing.org/>

CARE develops and maintains high-quality affordable rental homes to meet the needs of individuals, families, seniors and people living with disabilities with low and very low incomes. CARE operates seven (7) affordable rental communities across Fort Collins, with a total of 324 units.

The CARE Eviction Prevention fund provides housing stability through financial counseling and payment assistance for outstanding rent balances.

Funding will also support CARE Learning Hubs which offer remote school-aged learners with on-site internet, computer access and academic support, a partnership with The Matthews House and the Boys & Girls’ Club.



Meals on Wheels for Fort Collins: Food Service to Seniors

<https://www.mealsonwheelsfc.org/>

Meals on Wheels Fort Collins provides nutritious noontime meals and social interaction to Fort Collins seniors and eligible clients in their homes five days a week. A long-standing partnership with UC Health is critical as meal preparation is overseen by PVH Dietetic and kitchen staff.

Last year, Meals on Wheels delivered over 57,000 meals through the tremendous commitment of over 200 volunteers. And, like many direct service community providers, the pandemic has created extreme increased demand for meals.

Meal delivery to seniors is more critical than ever before: clients are not only food insecure but they also represent those most vulnerable to the pandemic.



Low-Income Earning Residents + Code for America

<https://www.codeforamerica.org/>

Recently, the City of Fort Collins was selected by Code for America as a recipient of a 20/21 Fellowship to develop an online application to the City’s Digital Equity program. The application will enroll income-qualified residents in a discounted rate for Connexion internet service but also serve as a footprint for a single point of entry to all of the City’s income-qualified programs.

A partnership with Code for America will deliver a digital portal for enrollment and income verification and allow the City to more effectively serve our lowest income earners through a wide range of programs including discounted recreation access and annual grocery tax rebates.



Fort Collins Utilities Payment Assistance Fund

<https://www.fcgov.com/utilities/contact-us/payment-assistance-fund>

More families and individuals than ever before are navigating financial insecurity and are unable to pay their electric and water bills. Currently, over 3,500 Fort Collins households are in danger of having their utilities shut off. Nearly double the number of households facing disconnect this time last year.

Many organizations and agencies have been working to protect utility customers including, late and reconnection fees waived, and a State moratorium on cutoffs. However, outstanding utility debt continues to amass. The Payment Assistance Fund provides debt relief to Fort Collins’ residents with outstanding utility electric and water charges.

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“Broadcom’s gift goes far beyond a donation— it’s an opportunity for us to make a difference in the community in which we live and work,” said Carrie Pelton, senior director and Fort Collins fab manager, Broadcom. **“The impact of COVID-19 will be far-reaching and Broadcom is honored to invest in our collective recovery.”**