

United Way of Cowlitz and Wahkiakum Counties



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Emergency Food and Shelter Program: Phase 38 Announcement

Longview, WA-Cowlitz County has been awarded Phase 38 funding via the Emergency Food and Shelter Program (EFSP), which are federal funds made available through the Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency. Cowlitz County will receive a total of \$54,290 to assist Cowlitz County non-profits, faith-based or local government agencies that provide food and shelter services locally.

United Way of Cowlitz & Wahkiakum Counties manages the local funding process. A local board made up of the national required representatives is assembled to determine how the funds awarded to Cowlitz County will be disbursed.

These funds must be distributed to entities that: 1) are private voluntary nonprofits, faith-based entities or units of government, 2) are eligible to receive Federal funds, 3) have an accounting system, 4) practice non-discrimination, 5) have demonstrated the capability to deliver emergency food and/or shelter programs, and 6) if they are a private voluntary organization, have a voluntary board. Qualifying agencies are encouraged to apply!

Public or private voluntary organizations interested in applying for Emergency Food and Shelter Program Phase 38 funds should go to www.cowlitzunitedway.org for the application. Submissions are accepted by e-mail to bfisher@cowlitzunitedway.org, or can be mailed to: United Way of Cowlitz & Wahkiakum Counties, 1338 Commerce Ave., Suite 206, Longview WA 98632. The deadline to apply is Wednesday, January 20, 2021.