

Melrose Emergency Fund

Annual Report

Fiscal Year 2021

July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2021

The Melrose Council on Aging as the administrator of the Melrose Emergency Fund (MEF) respectfully submits this annual report for the fiscal year of 2021.

Highlights:

- The MEF supported "Melrose Helps" with weekly groceries delivered to an average of approximately 62 homes per week free of charge from July 1st through the second week in April.
- Phone intakes and modified in-person interviews continued for the dissemination of information and resources. The top needs were housing options, homelessness, mental health counseling, legal assistance, protective services, community based homecare, transportation options, childcare options, ombudsman services, and caregiver supports.
- Benefits assistance was provided through SNAP applications, food pantry info, community meals info, fuel assistance applications, broadband benefits, MASS Hire referrals, and money management referrals.
- Financial Assistance was provided for utilities, rent, mortgage, and necessities according to the policies and procedures of the MEF.

Melrose Emergency Fund Annual Financial Report Fiscal Year 2021

| Emergency Fund Balance //1/2020 | \$196,182.69 |
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| Donations Received Q1 (7/1/2020-9/30/2020) | \$7,100.00 |
| Donations Received Q2 (10/1/2020-12/31/2020) | \$28,595.00 |
| Donations Received Q3 (1/1/2021-3/31/2021) | \$11,814.50 |
| Donations Received Q4 (4/1/2021-6/30/2021 | \$530.00 |
| Disbursements during the time period of 7/1/2020-6/30/2021 | \$151,993.89 |

Classification of Assistance

| Food Bank Assistance | (\$77,077.08) |
|---------------------------|---------------|
| Miscellaneous Assistance | (\$10,698.50) |
| Rent/Mortgage Assistance | (\$59,323.06) |
| Utilities | (\$2,745.15) |
| Temporary Housing | (\$2,150.10) |
| Closing Balance 6/30/2021 | \$92,228.30 |