

# **Uptown Kenosha Recovery Fund - FAQ**

## What is the 1HOPE Uptown Recovery Fund?

The 1HOPE Uptown Recovery Fund was created in response to the recent civil unrest in the Kenosha community, affecting the Uptown community significantly. Countless shops, businesses, community centers, and other buildings were destroyed. 1HOPE seeks to unite alongside the Uptown Community to pick-up the broken pieces of the city and rebuild what has been lost, and restore hope. To date, the Uptown Recovery Fund, through the generosity of our community, has raised \$39,211.41 with all the proceeds from this fundraiser going directly to the effort of rebuilding and restoring the Uptown Kenosha community that experienced loss due to the recent events.

# Who can apply for funding?

Individuals whose property/business/residence has been directly impacted by the recent civil unrest.

# What types of assistance are eligible for funding?

The following areas are examples of areas that individuals can request financial support through the Uptown Recovery Fund: housing/rent, business re-location, property damage/repair, business rent, lost wages, business inventory, clothing /furniture, medical expenses, groceries.

#### How are the projects/grants selected for funding?

1HOPE, in partnership with local stakeholders, including Uptown and Non-Uptown business owners, property owners, and residents, have created an application process and accompanying scorecard and questionnaire to help the Committee determine where funds should be allocated and prioritized.

#### How is the money awarded?

Applications will be assessed on a rolling basis with monthly Committee meetings to ensure that applications are processed promptly. Applicants will be updated on the status of their application and can anticipate money being rewarded through check as long as their application is complete and all necessary documentation is submitted.

#### Is there a max amount each applicant can receive?

Yes, at this point in time, there is a max of \$2,500 per applicant. If approved, another application cannot be submitted for 60 days from the date of approval.

## How does the application process work?

The application for the Uptown Kenosha Recovery Fund must be filled out directly by the recipient, who has been impacted by the civil unrest. The application can be found on our website, www.1hope.community. 1HOPE is also able to mail a paper copy at the request of the applicant. Once applications are complete, they can be sent to 1HOPE at P.O. Box 1513, Kenosha, WI 53140, or emailed to info@1hope.community. The Uptown Recovery Fund Committee will meet monthly to process requests and bring recommendations to the 1HOPE Board of Directors to prompt approval of distributed funds to the applicant.

# Who is reviewing the applications?

The Uptown Recovery Fund Review Committee is a committee established to review applications for donated funds for the Uptown community members who have been impacted by the civil unrest. Membership of and recommendations made by this Committee is determined by the 1HOPE Board of Directors and 1HOPE Staff. The Committee comprises two business owners - 1 from the Uptown community and one from outside of the Uptown community, two community members trained in insurance and/or finance/accounting - 1 from the Uptown community and one from outside of the Uptown community, one to two Uptown property owners, one pastor from the Uptown community, and one attorney not from the Uptown community. Recommendations from the Committee are then shared with the 1HOPE Board of Directors for final approval, leading to the applicant's disbursement of the funds from 1HOPE.

## How are needs prioritized?

All applicants are requested to fill out the Uptown Recovery Fund application and questionnaire, which helps the Committee determine where the greatest areas of need exist while providing further understanding to the depths of each individual situation. The application has an accompanying scorecard that helps to Committee in assessing and prioritizing disbursement of funds.

How long until I hear back on the status of my application?

We will confirm with you that we have received your application. Please anticipate a final approval within 45 days of us confirming we have received your application.