



**United Way  
Niagara**

## **REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS**

United Way Niagara is currently accepting applications in the **Poverty To Possibility** priority area for programs that meet basic human needs and move people out of poverty.

### **Important Dates:**

- The application portal will open on Monday, January 20, 2020.
- Letters of Intent are due by Monday, February 18, 2020, by 12:00 p.m.
  - All applicants must submit a Letter of Intent outlining each proposed program before submitting an application. The application portal can be accessed via the link below or [www.unitedwayniagara.org](http://www.unitedwayniagara.org)
- Applications for funding are due Monday, March 16, 2020, by 12:00 p.m.
  - Access to the application will be provided upon approval of Letters of Intent
- The application review process will be conducted between March and May 2020 by the United Way Community Investment volunteer panel.
- Successful applicants will receive funding for three years starting July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2024.

### **Eligibility:**

- Applications are welcome from registered charities and those collaborating with registered charities for the purpose of the proposed program(s).
- While applications are welcome for programs currently funded by United Way, we also encourage applications for new and innovative programs.
- Proposed programs must be delivered from, and serve, the residents within one or more municipalities in the Niagara Region.
- Proposed programs must directly contribute to one of the following aligned and related program outcomes:
  - Increasing housing stability:
    - Individuals and families have access to supports in emergency shelters
    - Individuals and families have access to support in acquiring and maintaining safe, secure and affordable housing
  - Increasing food security:
    - Individuals and families have access to emergency food
    - Individuals and families have access to affordable, nutritious and appropriate food
  - Increasing employment and financial security:
    - Individuals develop assets that increase their employability
    - Individuals and families develop the financial literacy necessary to support independence and stability

### **Applicant Drop In Support Sessions:**

- An opportunity to speak with a representative about completing the full application is available on:
  - Tuesday, Feb. 18, 2020, 1pm – 4pm, Niagara Falls Location, 7150 Montrose Rd., Unit 5
  - Tuesday, Feb. 25, 2020, 1pm – 4pm, Welland Location, 800 Niagara St., 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor
  - Tuesday, Mar. 3, 2020, 1pm – 4pm, St. Catharines Location, 63 Church St., Suite LC1

### **For More Information:**

- Visit: [www.unitedwayniagara.org/how-we-help/apply-for-funding](http://www.unitedwayniagara.org/how-we-help/apply-for-funding)
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