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We help reduce the stress they feel from their family's sudden hardship.





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Our program honors the sacrifices first responder families make by extending a financial lifeline when misfortune strikes.

Life can take unexpected turns, and the heroes who show up to save us are not immune from misfortune. Unforeseeable events such as a child's unexpected health issues, emergency household bills and unanticipated childcare needs can take a financial toll on first responder families. The resulting financial hardships all too often affect children the most.

FRCF awards one-time emergency grants to first responder families faced with these unanticipated circumstances. Hardship program funds cover expenses associated with child-care emergencies, expenses related to a child's sudden illness or housing insecurity due to circumstantial events such as fires or pandemics.

As the COVID-19 pandemic showed us, we live in a world where large-scale, nationwide emergencies are more and more likely, adversely impacting first responders. In addition to supporting those currently in need, this program can help ensure our heroes and their families are supported when the next large-scale emergency happens.

9,692

Covid-19 emergency grants awarded in 2020 and 2021



74

financial hardship grants awarded in 2022



“I was working at the hospital and had to give up my job because I feared bringing COVID home to my seven children. My car was about to be repossessed, and we had no gas or food. The money came right on time and it was the only help we received when waiting for unemployment. I can't thank you enough.”

– Cessalea, recipient of a COVID-19 emergency grant

