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**Chatham Rallies to Raise Funds for Those Affected by the
Coronavirus Community asks for donations to help aid year-round
residents in town**

CHATHAM, MASS- This past week, the *Chatham Coronavirus Impact Fund (CCIF)* was introduced to the public. CCIF is comprised of 12 advisory board members who are raising money for year-round residents of Chatham who have been affected by the Coronavirus. The group is trying to raise \$300,000 for the fund.

“I’m fearful of what Covid-19 will do to these people, to these families, to the fabric of our town we each so love,” said Co-Founder Stephen Daniel, who started CCIF with his wife, Mary Beth Daniel. “While the Town is working on re-forecasting its budget, looking for ways to preserve liquidity, curtail spending and enacting a hiring-freeze, there is more to do.”

The fund has raised over \$200,000 due, in part, to a generous donation of \$100,000 from The Chatham Fund/Cape Cod Foundation. CCIF is seeking more donations to help reach its goal of \$300,000.

“Our unprecedented commitment to CCIF demonstrates our desire to help our friends and neighbors in need during this crisis,” said Chair of The Chatham Fund, Hank Holden.

CCIF partnered with both Monomoy Community Services and Lower Cape Outreach Council to work under their 501c3 non-profit status. To donate to the fund, make checks payable to Monomoy Community Services with “CCIF” in the memo and mail to Chatham Coronavirus Impact Fund, c/o Monomoy Community Services, 166 Depot Road Chatham, MA 02633. Or you can donate online [here](#) through Monomoy Community Services’ CCIF-related PayPal account.

Applicants seeking financial assistance must apply through Lower Cape Outreach Council, 19 Brewster Cross Road, Orleans. Applications are available from both Lower Cape Outreach and Monomoy Community Services. The funds, of which families could potentially be granted up to \$800 and individuals up to \$400, will be dispersed directly to a billing vendor for housing security and bills—an energy bill, car repairs, or a medical invoice. For more information, contact Monomoy Community Services, 508-945-1117, Lower Cape Outreach Council, 508-945-0694, or visit the website www.ChathamImpactFund.com.

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