ALICE RECOVERY FUND A PROGRESS REPORT

United Ways of Northern New Jersey and Hunterdon County launched the ALICE Recovery Fund to address the immediate and long-term impact of the COVID-19 pandemic. ALICE[®] (<u>Asset L</u>imited, <u>Income C</u>onstrained, <u>E</u>mployed) essential workers were already living paycheck to paycheck, one emergency from financial disaster. The pandemic is that one emergency. Help us meet our fundraising goal. Give at UnitedWayNNJ.org/ALICErecovery

\$250,000

first donation from New York Jets

475 individual donors

corporate and foundation donors

GOAL: \$2 MILLION

million raised (as of 7/16/2020)

\$5 TO **\$5,000** span of individual donations

MEETING NEEDS: THE LONG VIEW

The post-COVID-19 economy cannot return to "normal." For ALICE, going back to normal means still struggling paycheck to paycheck. We are determined to reimagine a future where economic and racial inequities are erased and ALICE families can achieve financial stability.

Providing Emergency Assistance



1,074 applications



569 families helped

\$800,000 in direct financial assistance distributed



Unmet need: 556 applications waiting for funding

"Help doesn't just pay bills or fill a stomach; it gives hope that things are going to be ok." – Hair stylist and ALICE Recovery Fund recipient

Offering Critical Supports



400 tax returns prepared and filed remotely



450 online views of education and self-care webinars for family caregivers



226 volunteers mobilized to stock pantries, provide virtual companionship, etc.

"Providing food to pantries has helped me feel like I am doing something positive to help those impacted by the pandemic." – Tocqueville donor and volunteer

Building an Equitable Future



- Expanding access to assistive technology and training so family caregivers can safely care for loved ones virtually
 - Launching a pilot community network of quality center-based and home-based child care to ensure ALICE can return to work
 - Providing reemployment assistance, financial stability training
- Advocating for racial and economic equity for ALICE

"In these days of quarantine and separation from your loved ones ... [with the help of United Way's assistive technology program] I can still see them and get immediate help if needed." – Unpaid family caregiver





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