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Verisign Commits Major Donation to Northern Virginia COVID-19 Response Fund

Community Foundation for Northern Virginia will direct funds to nonprofit programs supporting individuals and families affected by COVID-19.

March 31, 2020 (Oakton, VA) – In an effort to support the fast-emerging public health needs resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic, VeriSign Inc. of Reston, Virginia [announced](#) that it is donating \$500,000 to the [COVID-19 Response Fund for Northern Virginia](#) as part of a broader effort to support those in the region who are experiencing hardship due to the novel coronavirus pandemic.

“When the business community and nonprofits partner, we can make a huge difference in offering relief to those experiencing uncertainty due to the rippling effects of COVID-19,” said Eileen Ellsworth, President and CEO at Community Foundation for Northern Virginia. “This generous donation will provide our grantee partners critical resources necessary to help our most vulnerable residents during these uncertain times.”

The Community Foundation for Northern Virginia launched the COVID-19 Response Fund to provide flexible funding resources for nonprofit organizations and other programs in our region responding to COVID-19 and its impacts.

"We are grateful to Verisign for partnering with funders and donors so quickly, to help individuals and organizations throughout our region," said Ellsworth.

Questions about the fund can be directed to covid19@cfnova.org and more information is available at www.cfnova.org/community-leadership/covid-19-response-fund-for-northern-virginia.

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About Community Foundation for Northern Virginia

The Community Foundation for Northern Virginia grows philanthropy to respond to critical need, seed

innovation and lead and convene the community. Comprised of donor advised funds, permanent funds, giving circles, and other charitable endowments, the Community Foundation connects donors to community and promotes a more equitable and inclusive prosperity that marries our economic strength with the full breadth of our diverse community. In 2019 the Community Foundation awarded more than \$5.4 million in grants and scholarships and reported more than \$72 million in managed philanthropic assets. For more information please visit us at www.cfnova.org, follow up on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), and [Instagram](#)

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