

RESILIENCE
BLACK
FUND



30 DAY IMPACT REPORT | 09.01.2020

A LASTING VISION FOR COMMUNITY



I have been trying to get through each day with no job, and unemployment is like hitting the lottery. With the help of the Fund I was able to get a glimpse of light. That is so desperately needed.

MALCOLM, BRF RECIPIENT





This is the very first time in my 70 years here on earth that someone told me 'to qualify for funding all I had to do was be Black.' That alone made my day. It may not be a lot of money for some folk, but to me it meant the world. God bless you all!!

OLIVIA, BRF RECIPIENT

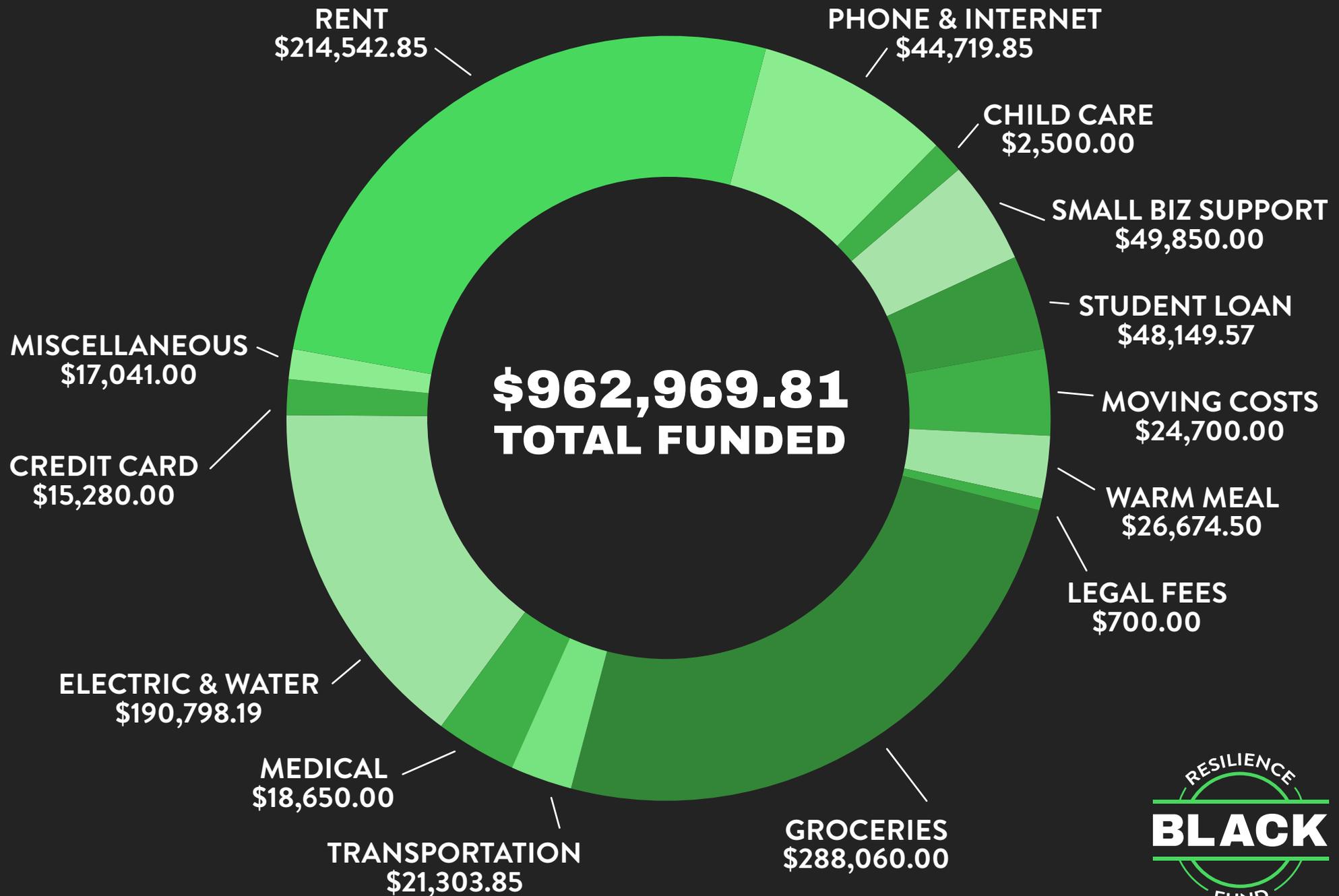


TOGETHER WE ARE POWERFUL

- » **\$1,650,000+ raised**
- » **15,900+ individual donations**
- » **100% volunteer-driven by more than 300 volunteers**
- » **Funded 3,100+ Black Portlanders across five counties and counting**
- » **150 recipients of mutual aid services and items, including: clothing, appliances, mattresses, and yard work**
- » **2,590 grocery boxes delivered to more than 1,393 households**
- » **A National Movement for Resilience Webinar on September 17: [RSVP HERE](#)**



OUR IMPACT BY THE NUMBERS



RESILIENCE IS MY COMMUNITY

We are living during a time of so much hate, upset, and uncertainty in our world. I've been heartbroken from witnessing injustice after injustice, and because of the pandemic, **I felt overwhelmingly disconnected.** I wanted to find a way to plug in and support my local community, but I didn't know where to start.

Fortunately, **I found the Black Resilience Fund.**

As an intaker, I help my neighbors get the support they need. I listen to their stories. I've cried with mothers who are mourning a loss in their families. I've laughed with babies popping up in Zoom chats. And I've discovered new Black businesses to support once they've reopened their doors.

We provide financial support, but sometimes support looks like just seeing Black Portlanders— **and accepting them without judgment.**

I'm amazed with all the services the Fund provides. Immediate funding, groceries, meals and other supports like yard work. Every day is an opportunity to show the community that we love them, support them, **and they are not alone in this journey.**

I know we're expected to talk about how BRF impacts the people we serve, **but it's also had a profound impact on my own life.**

The Black Resilience Fund has been one of the most powerful opportunities I've ever experienced. With each person BRF supports, I gain a new auntie, uncle, brother, and sister. **It's like reuniting with family.**

Thanks to this family, I am truly excited for the future. The needs are daunting, but I believe in this team. We will continue to take each challenge and transform it into an impactful opportunity to help our neighbors.

I didn't know it at the time, but the Black Resilience Fund was **exactly** the community I was looking for.

With Gratitude,

Mireaya Medina,
Intake Volunteer, Black Resilience Fund

ABOUT BLACK RESILIENCE FUND

OUR MISSION:

Black Resilience Fund is an emergency fund dedicated to healing and resilience by providing immediate resources to Black Portlanders.

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ABOUT BROWN HOPE

OUR MISSION:

Brown Hope leads community-grounded initiatives to make justice a lived experience for Black, Brown, and Indigenous people in Oregon.

» **brownhope.org**

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The Black Resilience Fund is in the process of becoming a formal program of Brown Hope, a 501(c)3 charitable nonprofit.





We need healing.
We need justice.
And that requires
action.

