Announcement:
Solano Public Health is requesting applications to support self-isolation for low-resourced individuals that test positive for COVID-19 or who are at highest risk for the disease. This support may include (but is not limited to) temporary housing assistance (including hotel/motel stays), basic needs during the period of self-isolation including food and transportation, and PPE (personal protective equipment) such as face coverings, hand sanitizer, gloves, personal hygiene and related supplies. Mini-grants of up to $7,400 are available to community partners including (but not limited to) healthcare and shelter organizations to support clients with self-isolation. Organizations with more than one site may submit one application per site. Applications will be reviewed and awarded on a rolling basis through May 26th, 2023.

Goal: Provide support with self-isolation for low-resourced individuals in Solano County who test positive for COVID-19, or who are at highest risk, including older individuals (65+) and individuals living with underlying medical conditions, particularly those living in precarious housing settings (with multiple families or large groups cohabitating where it is difficult to effectively self-isolate). We aim to provide unique occasions to engage and serve community members that have been disproportionately impacted by COVID-19, which will in turn maximize public health impact and provide opportunities to disseminate information to community partners and members.

What types of activities can be eligible for funding?
New ideas and creativity are encouraged!

Allowable expenses/related resources may include (as needed): temporary housing assistance (including hotel/motel stays), basic needs during the period of self-isolation including food and transportation, and PPE such as face coverings, hand sanitizer, gloves, personal hygiene and related supplies.

Applicants proposing an approach founded in equity* will be given priority consideration.

Who may submit an application?
The mini-grants are available to community partners serving low-resourced clients that need support with self-isolation. Partners may include (but are not limited to) healthcare, shelter, and social service organizations, community groups, and businesses in Solano County. Recipients do not need to be non-profit entities such as 501(c)3 organizations.

What are the funding limits?
The mini-grants awarded under this program may not exceed $7,400. Organizations with more than one site may submit one application per site.

**How/when will the funding be awarded? Submission deadlines?**
Applications will be reviewed and awarded on a rolling basis through May 26th, 2023.

**What constitutes a complete application?**
An application describing the proposed activities/expenses to provide self-isolation support in Solano County including the specific goals of the proposal. A completed W9 and vendor application form (templates attached).

**What is the format for the written proposal?**
See attached template for mini-grant proposals.

**How will the proposals be rated and selected?**
Proposals that are fully complete and supportive of the stated goal will be rated and selected according to the criteria as listed below. The total maximum score is 50 points, and no application receiving less than 25 points will be awarded.

**Criteria and Weighting**

**Initial Screening Criteria**

10 points – Does the proposal support self-isolation for low-resourced individuals in Solano County who test positive for COVID-19, or who are at highest risk, including older individuals (65+) and individuals living with underlying medical conditions, particularly those living in precarious housing settings?

**Rating Criteria**

10 points – Is there a clear proposal and evidence of commitment to the proposal?

10 points – Are there specific, feasible plans for funds and a realistic project schedule/timeline?

10 points – Is there a clear description of the project’s potential to support self-isolation Solano County?

10 points – Is the project clearly rooted in equity*?

For more information or help with completing this application, contact COVID19@SolanoCounty.com

*Equity: just and fair inclusion into a society in which all can participate, prosper, and reach their full potential. Unlocking the promise of the nation by unleashing the promise in us all.” (Policy Link, 2018)