Find out how your donation made a difference

Thanks to you, we were able to respond to the health crisis effectively. We provided equipment and psychological support to hospitals and nursing homes and we helped to make life easier for carers and health workers. We also supported vulnerable people to ensure they wouldn’t find themselves enduring hardship because of the crisis.

Here is an overview of what your generosity has achieved.

4 areas of work

1 | Support for hospitals and carers
   €10.70 m ($12.73 m)

2 | Support for medical research
   €8.3 m ($9.88 m)

3 | Support for the most vulnerable
   €11.1 m ($13.21 m)

4 | Support for non-profits
   €3.7 m ($4.40 m)

More than 700 projects supported thanks to your donations

48 hospitals supported

400,000 meals prepared for vulnerable people and carers

COVID-19 RELIEF EFFORTS

€33.8 m of donations ($40.22 m)
80% of donations already allocated to projects

Sums allocated, sums spent, as at 31st August 2020 (exchange rate 1€ = 1.19$)
Thank you for your support. None of this could have happened without you.

For more than 50 years, Fondation de France has been ensuring that your generosity provides proven and practical benefits to the community. Our teams are constantly being called upon to address social problems and crisis situations.

Tens of thousands of you responded to our call for funds in the face of Covid-19. Your generosity enabled us to meet the challenges of this health crisis, quickly and effectively. Thank you so much for contributing to this huge wave of solidarity!

Here is what some of the people we supported with your donation had to say.

“Fondation de France’s support meant that we were able to increase bed numbers in intensive care and order new ventilators.”

Yann Bubien, director of the Bordeaux University Hospital.

“The teams are coping so far. They are amazing and Fondation de France is like a huge breath of fresh air for us. The practical help provided to make life easier for us and for our residents was just what we need. It will help us cope for as long as possible.”

Vincent Rousselet, director of the Pierre et Marie Care Home in Retiers.

“Thanks to the support of Fondation de France we were able to provide a group of teens with tablets, which enabled them to communicate regularly with their key worker, access learning resources and keep in touch with friends in their age group.”

Yohann Devillers, director of a charity for disabled adults and children in French overseas territory Réunion.

“The fact that we could maintain our activity is due to Fondation de France. Thanks to the Foundation, we were able to produce meal packs for homeless people and carers.”

Gauthier Hauchart, co-founder of Food2Rue.

“Fondation de France enabled us to maintain our activity, by commissioning us on behalf of food distribution networks. This was essential for us to get through the crisis.”

Dominique Tesnière, volunteer at La Table de Cana.
Learn about three of the 700 projects you supported

**Caring for our carers**

On 14 March, Mulhouse General Hospital set up a support and resource center to care for the hospital’s carers. Mobile teams of two—a psychologist and a nurse—walked round the wards several times a day to listen, talk and advise where required. Staff were unanimous in welcoming this initiative. Some of them said they couldn’t have coped without the support. The program is being extended until the end of the year, thanks to Fondation de France.

**Supporting medical research**

Fondation de France is supporting MacCov, a project led by the Paris Molecular Radiotherapy Unit, in partnership with the French National Research Agency. The aim is to improve care protocols for patients with Covid-19, in the absence of a vaccine, by targeting the crucial stage when infection becomes serious. The patient’s condition worsens because of uncontrollable inflammation, which leads to acute respiratory syndrome. Already, two of the molecules identified as potentially able to block this inflammation look very promising. The next steps are in vivo tests and human trials.

**Helping the vulnerable**

Covid-19 strikes anyone and homeless people are some of its numerous collateral victims. The Lille-based non-profit, ABEJ Solidarité, asked for help from Fondation de France to address the sudden increase in demand for food. The provision of snacks in day centers, hot meals in hostels and emergency food supply was able to continue in the time it took for the non-profits to seek additional funding.

Crisis management is one thing, but we’re also helping non-profits to resume their work with vulnerable people

We remain actively engaged: Fondation de France focuses on helping community organizations maintain their activity. Charities have been hit especially hard by the crisis and their work with vulnerable people will be even more crucial in the coming months.
Encouraging all forms of action in the public interest

Everyone can contribute to the public interest. This belief has been the driving force behind Fondation de France’s mission for more than 50 years. We strive to encourage, support and transform each individual’s desire to act and we transform it into useful and effective initiatives to build a better and fairer society.

Fondation de France offers extensive expertise developed through interaction with leading specialists in their fields, along with hundreds of volunteers and thousands of stakeholders in all non-profit sectors. We support vulnerable people, medical research, environmental protection, culture, education, and more. Most of our activities fall into one of two categories: implementing in-house programs and working alongside our 888 donor-advised funds. Every year we support nearly 10,000 projects.

Fondation de France has a nationwide presence and is France’s leading philanthropy network. As the country’s leading non-profit organization, we also act as a gateway for international philanthropy in France. For example, US donors are able to support French projects through Friends of Fondation de France. And as a founding partner of the Transnational Giving Europe (TGE) network, we also make it easier for European donors to support our work.

As an independent private sector organization, all of our work depends solely on the generosity of our donors.

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