

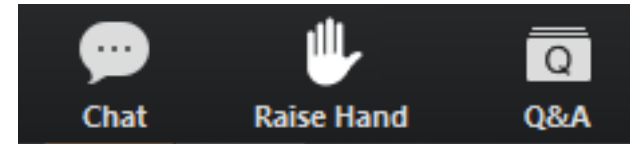
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# **COVID-19 & Latinx Community in NC**

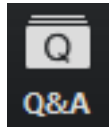
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# Webinar Items

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# Webinar Agenda

## COVID-19 and Latinx Community in NC

Topic	Presenter
1. Welcome/Introduction	Frankie Miranda, Hispanic Federation
2. How local City and County governments can respond	Emily Yaffe, City of Charlotte
3. How Latinx nonprofits are being impacted and responding	Pilar Rocha, El Centro Hispano
4. How out grassroots groups are coping and responding	Iliana Santillan, Poder NC
5. Statewide advocacy efforts to address the emergency	Alexandra Sirota, NC Justice Center
6. Updates on Federal advocacy efforts & emergency relief package	Laura Esquivel, Hispanic Federation
7. Wrap-up and Next Steps	Daniel Valdez, Hispanic Federation



**FRANKIE MIRANDA**  
*HISPANIC FEDERATION*

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# Hispanic Federation

## Who we are

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Hispanic Federation (HF) is the nation's premier Latino nonprofit membership organization. Founded in 1990, HF seeks to empower and advance the Hispanic community, support Hispanic families, and strengthen Latino institutions through work in the areas of education, health, immigration, civic engagement, economic empowerment, & the environment.

# Our services

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**Membership services** to fortify our members through capacity-building and technical assistance

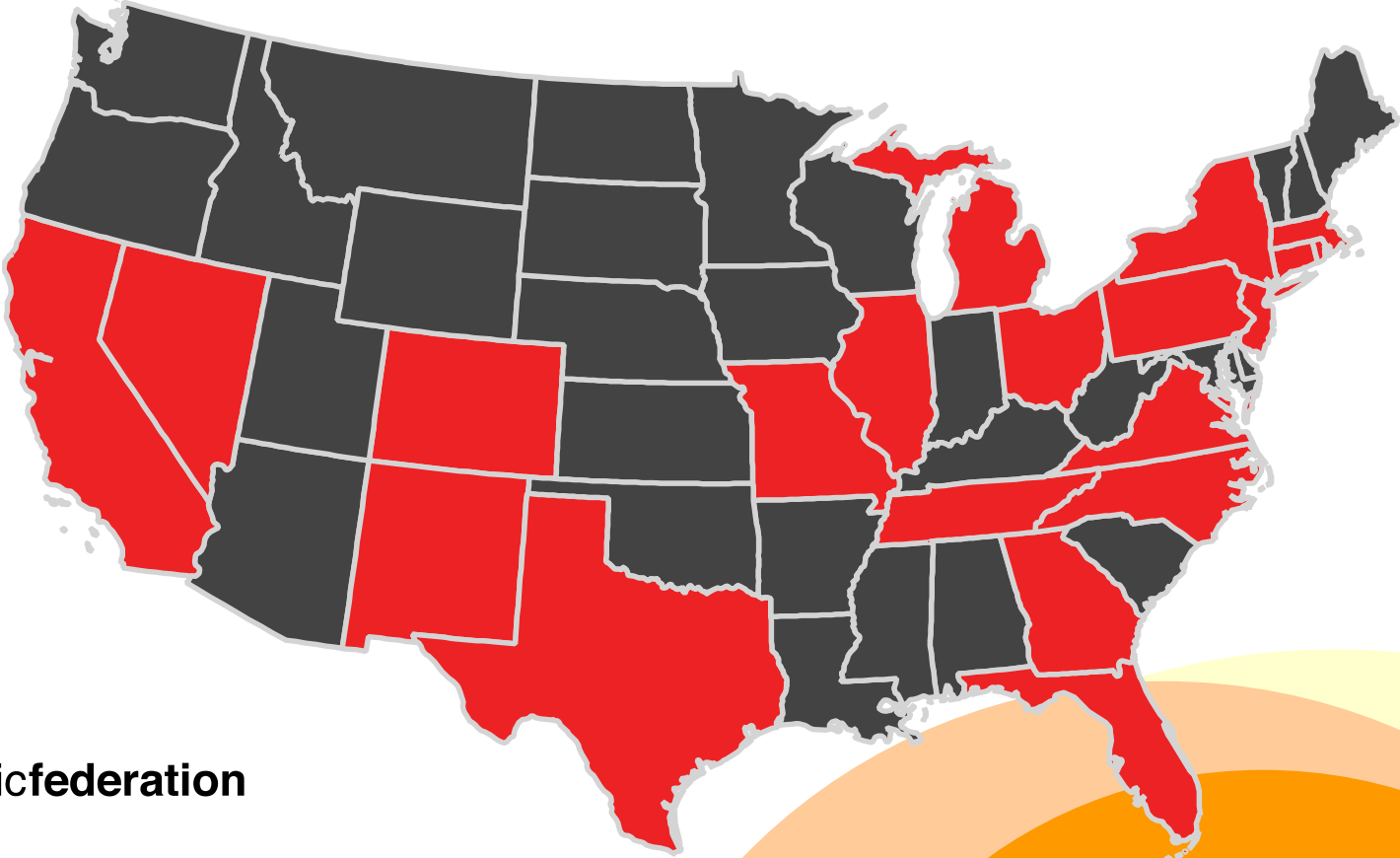
**Advocacy services** to advance the interests and aspirations of Latinos and their community-based organizations

**Community assistance programs** to support and uplift children, youth and families through the provision of direct social services

# Our reach

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**A new home** - In 2019 we opened a new office in North Carolina to serve the growing and vibrant Latino community in the state and surrounding region



# Our response to COVID-19

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**Latino Nonprofit Stabilization fund** to support our members during this time

**Expanded capacity building** to provide information and learnings on time-sensitive and relevant topics to our community

**Advocating for our community** to ensure that lawmakers, funders, and partners know what the needs of our communities are and help us address those needs



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# Latinos in NC

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9.6% of population or close to 1 million Latinos in the state

1 in 4 live in Mecklenburg and Wake County. Other counties with large Latino population include Forsyth, Guildford, and Durham

77% speak another language other than English at home

54% of adults have health insurance

37% of child poverty rate

# COVID-19 in NC

## Latest stats

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A statewide stay at home order when into effect on March 30<sup>th</sup> through April 30<sup>th</sup>

K-12 public schools in the state closed through May 15<sup>th</sup>

1,498 cases with 8 deaths

Mecklenburg, Wake and Durham county with the highest number of cases

<https://www.ncdhhs.gov/covid-19-case-count-nc>

# Challenges up ahead

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Language access

Shortcomings in relief support from State and Federal governments

Unemployment benefits

Public charge confusion

Increase in predatory practices



**Emily Yaffe**  
**CITY OF CHARLOTTE**

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# Local Government Response

## In the Emergency

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Equity in Emergency management

Translate everything that ensures safety

Community engagement challenges make local orgs even more important

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[Health](#) (MCPH) considers novel coronavirus (COVID-19) to be a very serious public health threat and has declared a [State of Emergency](#). The declaration allows the County access to state and federal resources to assist in the efforts of fighting the pandemic.

For more information, please contact the [Department of Health and Human Services \(NCDHHS\)](#) for statewide information or the [Centers for Disease Control \(CDC\)](#) for national and international information.

For more information on the stay-at-home order, you can be directed to the Stay at Home Order Call Center at 800-458-7273.

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## What You Need To Know

Illness due to a new type of coronavirus (novel coronavirus). Symptoms include fever, cough, and difficulty breathing.

Transmission occurs from person-to-person among close contacts of individuals infected with this virus. Many respiratory illnesses, including COVID-19, can make anyone sick regardless of their race or ethnicity.

More information is available on the [CDC website](#).

### Multilingual Resources

- [Signed Order](#)
- [Stay at Home Order FAQ](#)
- [Stay at Home Order FAQ \(Spanish\)](#)
- [Arabic Translation](#)
- [French Translation](#)
- [Hindi Translation](#)
- [Mandarin Translation](#)
- [Nepali Translation](#)
- [Portuguese Translation](#)
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- [Telegu Translation](#)
- [Tigrinya Translation](#)
- [Vietnamese Translation](#)



Ourbridge kids

17 hrs · 🌐



300 CMS lunches and breakfasts distributed today!

We implemented new and improved distancing and sanitizing procedures to keep staff, volunteers and our community safe and healthy.

Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools





# Local Government Response

## Rebuilding

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Rebuild together:

- Inclusive rebuilding
- Flexibility of local dollars

Plan ahead: structure emergency management procedures for equitable and inclusive practices.

Evaluate all programs for structural barriers as they are re-started.

Ensure access to funding

Understand the power of nonprofit partners



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**EL CENTRO HISPANO**

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# El Centro Hispano

## Internal Response to COVID-19

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El Centro Hispano is a Nonprofit organization dedicated to strengthen the community, build bridges and advocate for equity and inclusion for Hispanics/Latinos in the Triangle Area of North Carolina.

Areas of focus: Education, Health & Well-being, Economic Development and Community Engagement and Advocacy

- Creativity to change deliver method for our programs
- Restructure of tasks and responsibilities

# El Centro Hispano

## External Response to COVID-19

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### Food and other assistance

- Connecting community members with resources
- Fund

### Community Support Services

- Phone lines: (919) 687-4635 or (919) 945-0132
- Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/elCentroHispanoNC/>
- Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/elcentrohispanonc/>
- Twitter: <https://twitter.com/CentroHispanoNC>

Education support: Virtual

Medical Care: Referrals

Advocacy: Coalitions



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**PODER NC ACTION**

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# In community

## Grassroots

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- Support
  - Financial
    - Non-profits
    - Community website
  - Resources
    - Transportation
      - Drivers License
    - Nutrition
  - Health
    - Information
    - Mental Health
      - Domestic Violence
      - Child Abuse
      - Depression & Anxiety



# In community

## Next Steps

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- Financial Help Website
  - De mi, para ti
- Resources
  - Nonprofits/Grassroots/Local Leaders
- Information
  - Petition for Government Officials to translate/provide interpretation
    - Drivers License Issue during “Stay at Home”
  - Facebook Page “La Cuarentena”
- Additional Resources
  - #YoMeQuedoEnCasa Netflix watch parties



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# Congressional Action

## Covid-19

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### Three phases of Congressional Coronavirus Funding

- March 6, 2020 [Coronavirus Preparedness and Response Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2020](#)
- March 18, 2020 [Families First Coronavirus Response Act](#)
- March 27, 2020, the [Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security \(CARES\) Act](#) \$2.3T
- Estimated Total Cost: \$2.8 Billion

# Stimulus Payments

## Direct Assistance to Most individuals

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- **\$1200 if income under \$75k** *or* if filing Head of Household and income under \$112k
- **\$2400 per married couple** if earn less than \$150k
- Amount goes down as your income goes up
- **Everyone in family must have an SSN**
- **Not be available to ITIN filers**
- **Not available to adult children claimed as dependents**
- Adjusted gross income on Line 8B of the 2019 1040 tax return.
  - If you have not yet filed 2019 (filing extension to July), your 2018 return will be used.

# Housing Assistance

## \$12 billion for HUD programs

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- **\$5 billion in Community Development Block Grants**
- **\$4 billion for homelessness assistance** (Emergency Solutions Grants)
- \$1.25 billion for the Housing Choice Voucher program
- \$1 billion for project-based rental assistance
- **\$685 million for public housing**
- \$300 million for tribal nations
- **\$65 million for Housing for Persons with AIDS**
- **\$50 million for Housing for the Elderly** (Section 202)
- **\$15 million for Housing for Persons with Disabilities** (Section 811)

# Housing Assistance

## Moratoriums

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- **Moratoriums on evictions and foreclosures for 60 days beginning on March 18, 2020 on federally-backed mortgages**
- **Forbearance up to 180 days for borrowers with federally-backed mortgage experiencing financial hardship due to coronavirus** (*may be extended for another 180 days*).
- **Forbearance for up to 30 days for multifamily housing owners with a federally-backed mortgage - on the condition they don't evict tenants or charge tenant late fees.** (*60 day extension possible*).
- **Moratorium for 120 days on filings for evictions for renters in homes covered by a federally-backed mortgage, and for most residents of federally subsidized apartments.**

# Small Business and NonProfits

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- Small businesses, nonprofits, and self-employed workers will receive loans of up to \$10 million
  - 500 employees or less
  - Up to 25% of payroll
- If you keep all employees loan can be forgiven
  - If you keep 50% of employees – 50% of loan is forgiven
- Medium and large businesses will have loan guarantees with strict guardrails – no stock buybacks, bonuses and strong worker protections

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# Next Steps

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Continue to coordinate with partners to address the needs we heard on this call

- Funding support
- Coordination among Latinx organizations
- Language access

Continue to advocate at the federal and state level for additional support for our Latinx community, particularly those that are currently not eligible for relief

Create and disseminate up to date information to our partners



# Resources

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Hispanic Federation has set up a page with up to date information on COVID-19, as well as links to our webinar series.

[https://hispanicfederation.org/resources/Resources for Non-Profits During COVID-19 Emergency/](https://hispanicfederation.org/resources/Resources_for_Non-Profits_During_COVID-19_Emergency/)



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