

We are excited to announce the Family Legacy Summer 2026 \$50,000 Matching Grant, a special opportunity to help provide much-needed poverty relief to single mothers, children, the elderly, the handicapped and working poor families in our communities.

Thanks to the generosity of this caring family who believe in giving back, every dollar donated to The Time Is Now to Help will be matched dollar for dollar, up to \$50,000. Together, we can turn \$50,000 in donations into \$100,000 in poverty relief.

The need for assistance has been consistent throughout the summer. Our fellow creations can find themselves facing unexpected expenses they simply cannot afford. A medical emergency, car repair, utility bill, rent payment or even the rising cost of groceries can quickly become a crisis, especially for the elderly and the disabled.

Your donation can help provide food, rent and emergency shelter assistance, utility payments, transportation, car repairs, household necessities and other essential assistance to people who are struggling to make ends meet. This is an opportunity to make a lasting difference for our neighbors who need a helping hand up.

Since beginning the Family Legacy Summer 2026 \$50,000 Matching Grant, we have already been able to help 13 people facing desperate circumstances. Each request represents a person or family who has reached a point where they simply cannot overcome their financial crisis alone. Because of this generous matching grant and the people in our community who are responding to it, we were able to provide help when it was needed most.

The first person we helped was a grandmother who had recently been given custody of her grandchildren. Suddenly responsible for the care and well-being of her grandchildren, she was facing overwhelming financial challenges. Thanks to the Family Legacy Summer 2026 \$50,000 Matching Grant, we were able to provide emergency assistance with food, rent, clothing, utilities and gas. This proud, hardworking grandmother cried tears of relief because of the assistance that allowed her to continue caring for her grandchildren. She wasn't asking for a handout; she was asking for a helping hand during an extraordinary circumstance.

A father of two young children contacted us after an illness caused him to lose wages and fall behind on his rent, putting his family's secure housing at risk. When illness affects a family's income, the bills don't stop. Rent is still due, utilities still need to be paid, and children still need food. Together, we were able to help this family remain in stable housing while the father recovered and worked toward getting his family back on solid financial ground.

We were also able to provide food, rent assistance and gas gift cards to a single mother going through a medical crisis. Her inability to work long hours because of a debilitating condition had caused her to fall behind on her rent and experience food insecurity. We were able to provide the temporary assistance she and her children needed to get through this financial crisis while she works toward restoring her health. Sometimes a little help at the right moment can prevent a temporary setback from becoming a long term crisis.

These are just three examples of who we have already helped since beginning this matching grant. Behind every number is a real person, a family, a child, a senior citizen or a neighbor who needs someone to care.

For more than 37 years, The Time Is Now to Help has worked to provide direct assistance to people facing poverty and financial hardship. Every request for assistance is researched, and donations are used to provide help where it is needed most. We understand that asking for help is not easy. It often takes tremendous courage for someone to admit that they cannot do it alone. Our goal is to meet people with compassion, dignity and a helping hand when they need it most.

We invite you to be part of this special summer of giving made possible by the Family Legacy Summer 2026 \$50,000 Matching Grant. Whether you give \$10, \$50, \$100 or whatever amount you can afford, your gift will be matched dollar for dollar and will help provide twice the assistance to someone in need. Every penny of your donations will be used to provide poverty relief.

We are grateful that we could step in when these fellow Americans needed our help. There are many more people in our communities facing difficult circumstances. They may be our neighbors, friends, relatives or even people we pass every day without knowing the challenges they are carrying. We may not always know who is struggling, but together we can make sure that people who reach out for help are not forgotten.

Thank you to the Family Legacy Summer 2026 \$50,000 Matching Grant donors and to all of “You” for allowing The Time Is Now to Help to be there for hundreds of our fellow Americans each year. Because of you, lives are changed, families are strengthened and futures are made brighter.

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