



30 DAY IMPACT REPORT | 11.01.2020

EMERGING INTO OUR POWER



I tested positive for the virus during Ramadan. I am a single mom who has a lot of mouths to feed. Black Resilience Fund helped me pay for my bills and I am really thankful.

IDHILL, BRF RECIPIENT





When Covid hit, I went from working two part time jobs to being without a job... Just when I was ready to throw in the towel, the Black Resilience Fund reminded me to keep fighting and that someone else cares.

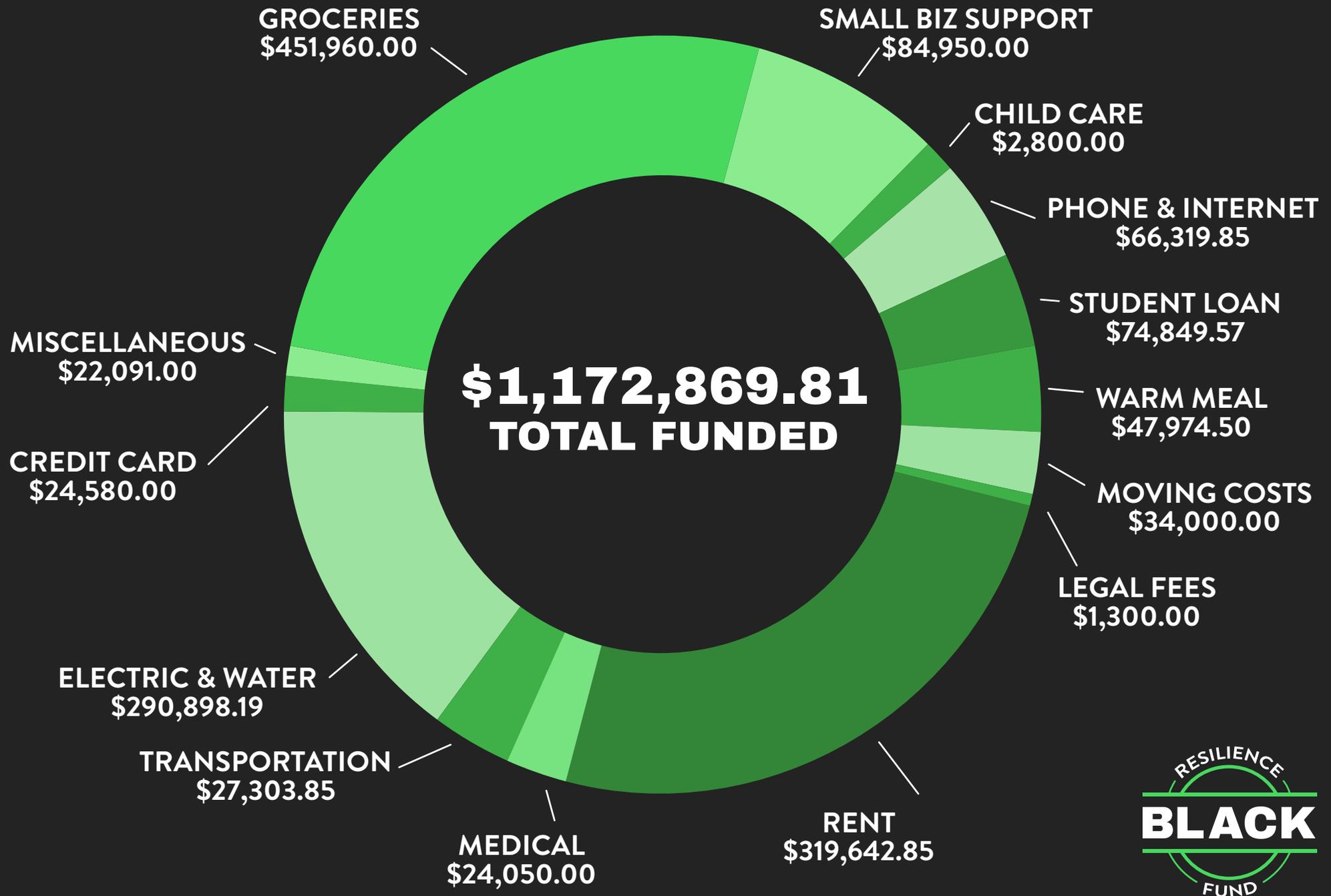
ADAM, BRF RECIPIENT

TOGETHER WE ARE POWERFUL

- » \$1,981,000+ raised**
- » 17,600+ individual donations**
- » Funded 4,800+ Black Portlanders across five counties and counting**
- » 4,000 grocery boxes delivered to more than 1,500 households**
- » Launched emergency food relief partnership with Hood to Coast**
- » Launched Black Resilience Fund recipient survey**



OUR IMPACT BY THE NUMBERS



RESILIENCE IS TRANSFORMATIVE CHANGE

I recognized at a young age that there was a deep and long overdue **need for transformative change**.

I would ask myself, “would there ever be a day when we all, as a society, would see **our collective humanity** more than our differences?”

As I’ve grown into adulthood, headlines continue to depict the ugly and senseless oppression that Black communities have endured for generations. However, in the past few months **I’ve been struck by the solidarity of Portlanders from all backgrounds** to fight courageously for transformative change.

The late Reverend Dr. Howard Therman spoke of the relationship between **hope, faith, and love** as the forces vital to the healing our world so desperately needs. I’m not certain when we will see the day of truly lived equality, but I believe **love is the antidote to division and hate**.

Our daily actions are the only hope we have to find relief from the pain of systemic oppression. Our work has just begun, **and by standing on the shoulders of our ancestors**, we must commit to resilience.

The Black Resilience Fund has shown that by hoping for a **better future, strangers can become neighbors**. And through that profound connection of love, **we can mobilize for transformative change**— even in the most uncertain of times.

With Gratitude,

Alexander T. McPherson

Black Resilience Fund Program Manager

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.

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





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

