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Looking Back at 2020

As I sit to write this and think how this year has been one of change, I realize the old adage that the only thing constant is change. I recall the sense of security I felt at the beginning of 2020 and relate it to the similar period before 9-11. How I took things for granted that now cause everyone to pause or simply can't do.

I do have to take a minute and show gratitude for some of the great work that was done and continues to happen as this pandemic forges on. At the onset of the pandemic, we were panicked and sorely lacking resources. Our agencies really came together and stepped up to help one another by providing PPE equipment. I am also proud to share that our Board of Directors was very responsive to the needs of our agencies, working with them to modify their grant contracts in these unprecedented times.

One of the biggest impacts we made during this year was our involvement in the Fox Valley Grantmakers COVID-19 Response Fund. Our partnership with the Aurora Women's Empowerment Foundation, Community Foundation of the Fox River Valley, Dunham Fund, and Fox Valley United Way was important to help combat the effects of COVID-19 in our communities. Following a rapid assessment and response, we were able to collectively award \$595,480 to 50 community nonprofits to help obtain critically needed resources. Examples included safety gear for workers, equipment for telehealth, and basic necessities for individuals and families throughout the Fox Valley area. The average grant amount was \$11,909, with 11 of INC's funded agencies receiving funding through this emergency response fund. Our \$25,000 contribution truly made an impact when it was most needed.

In this year like no other, I am grateful to have seen so much good in our community. I wish you all a very Happy and Safe Holiday Season and an even better New Year!

Dalila Alegria
Executive Director

Now Hiring

The INC Board is hiring for the Operations Manager position. We are looking for a driven, passionate individual to help us make a greater impact in our community. Please see attached job description by clicking [here](#) and reach out to Dalila (dalila@incboard.org) with any questions or concerns.

