

## Footbridge for Families: Eligibility Guidelines (as of July 2020)

### Referral Source

- Need is fully documented and submitted by Footbridge-approved Referral Partner

### Best Fit

- Need cannot be met by other government or community resources in a timely manner (i.e., quickly enough for the crisis to be resolved before it leads to negative outcomes that would otherwise have been avoided)

### Impact on Children

- Family has at least one child 18 years or younger
- If the family receives the financial assistance, it will significantly lessen the stress/burden on the caregivers, having a positive impact on the children in the household

### Financial Request

- The dollar amount requested is \$600 or less
- *Note—financial assistance is based on available Footbridge funds*

### Urgency (Short-term, one-time need)

- This is a *short-term* need and *one-time* financial assistance from Footbridge will be able to resolve the immediate need and have meaningful impact
- The need can be met quickly—the third-party vendor will be able to be identified and paid quickly, and will be able to resolve the issue/need quickly

### Financial Crisis / Category of Need

- If this need is unmet, it could lead to a crisis for the family
- The need fits into one of the following categories:
  - Housing and Utilities (e.g., rent or mortgage, short-term housing need, urgent home repairs, utility bills)
  - Safety and Security (e.g., physical safety and security, food security)
  - Employment (e.g., urgent expenses required to gain or maintain employment)
  - Health (e.g., expenses related to physical or mental healthcare)
  - Transportation (e.g., transportation required to maintain employment or receive healthcare)
  - Other, as identified and approved by the Referral Partner