### THE NEED

In the months leading up to the COVID-19 crisis, Tipping Point conducted a comprehensive study of poverty in the Bay Area in partnership with Dr. Bill Rankin of UC Berkeley. The data serves as a critical reminder of the poignant reality of the region’s economic challenges: when the economy was strong, Bay Area residents were twice as likely to meet the state’s income requirement for housing than Black households. During the crisis, Black households in the Bay Area did have more than $400 in savings (compared to only 18% of White households).

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### OUR IMMEDIATE RESPONSE

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### THE Tipping Point Community Foundation Team

Tipping Point’s Executive Director, Jared Collins, has been closely following the effects of the pandemic on the Bay Area and the nation. He has been working closely with our Chronic Homelessness Initiative team to adopt a three-pronged approach to immediate needs: providing customized resources and solutions to the primary needs of our ~60 grantee leaders, we were able to make timely and strategic investments inside and outside our portfolio to provide essential assistance to those low-income people most in need, and the non-profits they rely upon.

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