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## **Kane County Health Department Announces New Funding Opportunities to Address Root Causes of Behavioral Health Challenges**

**Media Release – (10/29/24)** The Kane County Health Department (KCHD) announces new funding opportunities to support innovative projects aimed at addressing the root causes of behavioral health challenges and improving behavioral health services and outcomes in Kane County. This funding reflects KCHD’s ongoing commitment to public health and community resilience, focusing on critical behavioral health needs, expanding access to care, and promoting overall well-being.

The deadline for applications is November 6, 2024, at 11:59 p.m. CST.

Eligible organizations are invited to apply for these grants and collaborate with KCHD in building a healthier, more resilient Kane County. These funding opportunities offer a unique chance to contribute to transformative projects that directly impact the well-being of community members. Applications are now being accepted for the following initiatives:

### **Nourishing Lives: Kane County Food Access Initiatives**

This funding is designed to improve access to nutritious food and tackle food insecurity, which has profound effects on both mental and physical health. The initiative seeks to create sustainable food access solutions that support healthier lifestyles and reduce the behavioral health impacts of food scarcity.

### **Kane County Transportation Assistance Program**

This program provides funding for transportation solutions that improve access to essential services, including behavioral health care. By reducing transportation barriers, the initiative supports individuals in accessing the care and resources they need to thrive.

### **Strengthening Behavioral Health Through Meeting Basic Needs**

By supporting projects that meet basic needs, KCHD aims to enhance the overall well-being and resilience of Kane County residents. Eligible expenditures include, but are not limited to, payments for medication, hearing aids, glasses, medical equipment, utility assistance, rent/deposit assistance, respite costs, legal aid, housing/property improvements for access and stability, costs associated with reliable transportation, filing vital paperwork, childcare, and medical visits. Interested applicants are encouraged to submit their applications and direct any questions to Kim Peterson at [petersonkim@kanecountyil.gov](mailto:petersonkim@kanecountyil.gov).

“By addressing the underlying factors that contribute to behavioral health challenges, these funding opportunities will support sustainable, community-centered solutions that promote well-being and expand access to critical services,” said Michael Isaacson, Executive Director of the Kane County Health Department. “We look forward to partnering with organizations that share our vision of a healthier, more resilient Kane County.”

For more information on these funding opportunities, visit: <https://www.kanehealth.com/Pages/BH-Funding.aspx>.

