

BLEAF ELIGIBLE HARDSHIP EVENTS

PLEASE CIRCLE ONE; SEE GUIDELINES FOR ELIGIBLE FAMILY MEMBER LISTS

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| Acts of nature/ government declared disaster that affect an associate's primary residence | Federal or state declared natural disaster or emergency | House fire | Terrorist or military action disaster |
| Accident <i>(unless caused by associate's or applicable family member's negligence, recklessness or intent)</i> | Crime victim (non-violent or violent) | Death of associate or qualified family member | Domestic/physical abuse victim |
| Loss of child support Payments <i>*Associate's inability to pay child support is not eligible</i> | Military deployment | Short-term illness or other short-Term medical, dental, vision or hearing condition | Spouse/partner loss of job/income |
| Experiencing homelessness <i>(see guidelines for eligible situations; can't be in violation of lease agreement)</i> | Residential disaster <i>(ownership required)</i> | Non-routine vehicle repairs | |

Please answer the following questions regarding your situation. Please note: Documentation of your hardship and expenses is REQUIRED.

1 Please provide a description of your emergency that led to your request for help. Use additional pages if necessary. You will be required to document the event. Examples include doctor's excuses, police or fire reports, news stories, professional estimates, letters from landlords or social workers.

2 Please describe the needs that have resulted from the event. Use additional pages if necessary. Attach supporting documentation, such as paystubs, mortgage/rent statements, utilities, medical bills, etc.

I attest that the information provided above is true to the best of my knowledge and that the grant for which I am applying will be used for needs that are not met by any other source for assistance. Further, I acknowledge that my receipt of the requested grant is dependent upon whether I am eligible for such grant and the availability of funds.

ASSOCIATE SIGNATURE

DATE

All information shared in this application will remain strictly confidential. The Columbus Foundation will contact a Big Lots Human Resources representative for the sole purpose of verifying employment. Big Lots will receive confidential reports that share the fund's balance and number of associates served. These reports have no personal identifying information.