



Garfield Weston  
FOUNDATION

## Covid-19 Update

As the situation around Covid-19 continues to evolve, we appreciate that understanding is important for you as our society navigates uncertainty, disruption and unexpected financial pressures.

Please let us reassure you that we are offering flexibility to those we fund. We have robust technology which enables us to work effectively on a remote basis and we are very much open for business as usual. We are making extensive use of telephone and video conference for visits and meetings to enable grant decisions to proceed smoothly. Our online application process remains fully open for applications and you can apply in the normal way through our website. Our process is already relatively speedy and is uncomplicated and single-stage; however we will aim to be particularly responsive to those with urgent front-line operations supporting the most vulnerable in our society.

In the meantime, if you have a current grant with us please know we are fully prepared for you to:

1. **Adapt your activities** – we know that agreed outcomes may not be as originally planned
2. **Adjust your timeline** – we understand your timeline may need to change to achieve your work and will be flexible about when you report to us
3. **Adopt financial flexibility** – as the majority of our grants are for core costs we are happy for you to use the funds to meet new priorities e.g. buying essential supplies or covering staff sickness. Where grants are for capital or other specific projects please email us a succinct outline of your proposed changes and we will aim to respond to you promptly.

Please do keep an eye on our website and our Twitter feed as advice may change as we continue to respond and adapt to the changing situation. In the meantime, please stay healthy and safe.

