

UCB Community Health Fund – Frequently Asked Questions

What is the UCB Community Health Fund?

The mission of this newly established Fund is to address health disparities amongst vulnerable populations, starting by contributing to understand and reduce the medium- and long-term impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on their physical, mental and social well-being. More specifically, the Fund wants to support vulnerable people, such as racial and ethnic minorities, children, older people, socio-economically disadvantaged persons, un(der)insured or those with certain medical conditions (not related to UCB therapeutic areas nor assets) in the communities where UCB is active. As a purpose-driven company, we believe it is important to support our communities and care for those most in need.

What is the commitment of UCB to vulnerable populations? Are they part of the populations we are serving in our daily business and what will be the role of the Fund?

For us as a company – and as a group of people committed to advancing health – the pandemic has reinforced our commitment to UCB purpose to “create value for patients, now and into the future”. We realize that it is through our strategic choices and our daily business that we can contribute the most to improve the health of people with severe diseases around us including those within vulnerable groups. The Fund is a new step to support organizations that are active in our communities and contribute to better understand and address issues that are outside of our business scope.

What financial commitment is UCB making towards the Fund?

UCB has committed 3 million Euro (~\$3 million) as an initial endowment to the Fund. Additionally, UCB commits to match donations until the end of 2020 up to 1 million Euro (~\$1 million)

How will donations to the UCB Community Health Fund be used?

Your financial contribution will be used to support vulnerable groups who are facing health issues. The UCB Community Health Fund will support two types of requests: (1) we will fund organizations that request financial support for impact-driven projects and initiatives that aim to improve the health of vulnerable people in the communities where UCB is active (2) we will fund academic research teams to pursue cutting-edge social sciences and/or medical research outside of UCB therapeutic areas regarding the consequences of hazards and emergencies on vulnerable populations' health.

What is the focus of the first Call for Projects?

This first Call for Projects intends to understand and reduce the medium- and long-term impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on the health of vulnerable young people (15-24 years old) in the communities where UCB operates. Concretely, we aim to support programs and services with a focus on young people from the most vulnerable communities including racial and ethnic minorities, refugees and asylum seekers, those with disabilities and certain health conditions, and those who are socio-economically disadvantaged.

Following the World Health Organization, we adopt a holistic view of health, namely a state of complete physical, mental, and social well-being. The fund will support existing and new support projects/initiatives and social science research.

What type of organization can apply for funding during this Call for Projects?

For Support requests: organizations that design, implement and evaluate impact-driven projects and initiatives to improve the health of young people from the most vulnerable communities including racial and ethnic minorities, refugees and asylum seekers, those with disabilities and certain health conditions, and those who are socio-economically disadvantaged. This may include projects and initiatives that aim to address one or more intervention areas, such as education, living conditions, healthy food and active lifestyle, participation to the job market, participation in social, cultural, and spiritual activities, etc.

For Research requests: academic research teams or non-profit organizations which pursue cutting-edge social sciences research outside of UCB therapeutic areas regarding the consequences of the Covid-19 pandemic on young people's health.

Where application forms can be found?

Applications can be made through the [King Baudouin Foundation platform](#).

How can I support the UCB Community Health Fund?

Countries	How can I donate? (UCB Support)
Belgium	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. KBF portal: https://donate.kbs-frb.be/b?cid=167&lang=en EN 2. By Bank transfer using the account BE10 0000 0000 0404 with the following structured communication 020/0810/00119
Denmark	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. KBF portal: https://donate.kbs-frb.be/b?cid=167&lang=en EN 2. By Bank transfer using the account BE10 0000 0000 0404 with the following structured communication 020/0810/00119
France	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. KBF portal: https://donate.kbs-frb.be/UCBCommunityHealthFund/~mon-don?context_form_id=form_94.224.13.116_5eda744e917c65.22154855 2. By Bank transfer using the account BE10 0000 0000 0404 with the following structured communication 020/0810/00119
The Netherlands	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. KBF portal: https://donate.kbs-frb.be/UCBCommunityHealthFund/~mijn-donatie?context_form_id=form_94.224.13.116_5eda744e917c65.22154855 2. By Bank transfer using the account BE10 0000 0000 0404 with the following structured communication 020/0810/00119
US	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. KBF portal: https://kbfus.networkforgood.com/projects/29608-u-kbfus-funds-ucb-community-health-fund 2. By check: Write your check to KBFUS, write "UCB Community Health Fund" in the memo section of the check, and send it to KBFUS, 10 Rockefeller Plaza, 16th Floor, New York, NY 10020. 3. By wire transfer: Email KBFUS at: info@kbfus.org or phone (212) 713 7660
Canada	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. KBF portal: https://www.kbfcanda.ca/en/projects/ucb-community-health-fund/ 2. By check: Mail the cheque to the KBF Foundation CANADA, mention 'Project G604 –UCB Fund' in the 'For' section and send it to: KBF Foundation CANADA, 1 Place Ville Marie, Suite 1670, MONTREAL, QC, H3B 2B6 – CANADA. 3. By Direct Deposit: Send an email to the KBF Foundation CANADA info@kbfcanda.ca or call +1 514.481.2000.

Germany	1. KBF portal: https://donate.transnationalgiving.eu/landing/UCB_Community_Health_Fund?lang=en_EN 2. By Bank transfer using the account DE89 1003 0500 1061 0007 01 with the following free communication: TGE – UCB Community Health Fund – "Belgium"
Hungary	1. KBF portal: https://donate.transnationalgiving.eu/landing/UCB_Community_Health_Fund?lang=en_EN 2. By Bank transfer using the account HU83 1160 0006 0000 0000 7891 0845 with the following free communication: TGE – UCB Community Health Fund– "Belgium"
Italy	1. KBF portal: https://donate.transnationalgiving.eu/landing/UCB_Community_Health_Fund?lang=en_EN 2. By Bank transfer using the account IT45 1030 7501 603C C151 0750 719 with the following free communication: TGE – UCB Community Health Fund– "Belgium"
Romania	1. KBF portal: https://donate.transnationalgiving.eu/landing/UCB_Community_Health_Fund?lang=en_EN 2. By Bank transfer using the account RO26 OTPV 2610 0020 7775 RO01 with the following free communication: TGE – UCB Community Health Fund– "Belgium"
Slovakia	1. Bank Transfer to BE10 0000 0000 0404 with the following free communication: TGE – UCB Community Health Fund– "Belgium"
Spain	1. KBF portal: https://donate.transnationalgiving.eu/landing/UCB_Community_Health_Fund?lang=en_EN 2. By Bank transfer using the account ES79 0234 0001 0490 3028 5466 with the following free communication: TGE – UCB Community Health Fund– "Belgium"
Sweden	1. Bank Transfer to BE10 0000 0000 0404 with the following free communication: TGE – UCB Community Health Fund– "Belgium"
Switzerland	1. KBF portal: https://donate.transnationalgiving.eu/landing/UCB_Community_Health_Fund?lang=en_EN

Bank transfer options are advised for higher donations. More countries will be added throughout the month of July.

Is there a threshold amount or limit to how I can contribute?

No, there is no predetermined threshold, nor limit to contributions. If you wish to contribute, any financial contribution is welcome.

Do donations to the UCB Community Health Fund qualify for a tax deduction?

Countries	Tax Reduction
Belgium	The UCB Community Health Fund managed by the KBF is recognised in your country. In order to benefit from tax reduction, there is a minimum of 40 Euro per gift. The aggregate value of the gifts cannot exceed 10% of the taxable income, with an absolute maximum of 392.000 Euro for the total of the gifts. The tax benefit will be 45% of the value of the gift, which means that the net value paid out of pocket is 55%.

Denmark	The UCB Community Health Fund managed by the KBF is recognised in your country. Donations to the fund will be tax deductible.
France	The UCB Community Health Fund managed by the KBF is recognised in your country. Donations to the fund will be tax deductible.
The Netherlands	The UCB Community Health Fund managed by the KBF is recognised in your country. Donations to the fund will be tax deductible.
Canada	The UCB Community Health Fund managed by the KBF is recognised in your country. Depending on your tax situation, you might be entitled to a tax reduction on your donation.
US	The UCB Community Health Fund qualifies as a 501(c)(3). Depending on your tax situation, you might be entitled to a tax deduction on your donation
Germany	The UCB Community Health Fund managed by a KBF partner is recognised in your country. Donations to the fund will be tax deductible.
Hungary	The UCB Community Health Fund managed by a KBF partner is recognised in your country. There are no tax incentives for individual (only for corporate donors).
Italy	The UCB Community Health Fund managed by a KBF partner is recognised in your country. Donations to the fund will be tax deductible.
Romania	The UCB Community Health Fund managed by a KBF partner is recognised in your country. Donations to the fund will be tax deductible.
Slovakia	No tax incentives.
Spain	The UCB Community Health Fund managed by a KBF partner is recognised in your country. Donations to the fund will be tax deductible.
Sweden	No tax incentives.
Switzerland	The UCB Community Health Fund managed by the KBF is recognised in your country. Depending on your tax situation, you might be entitled to a tax reduction on your donation.

More information regarding other countries is coming soon.

How does the Fund work?

The Fund is managed by the King Baudouin Foundation. A management committee within the Fund will act as the main decision-making body. It is composed of representatives from UCB, the King Baudouin Foundation, and independent members including an independent chair. All management committee members will fulfil their duties on a *pro bono* basis, i.e. they do not receive any compensation or remuneration for their work with the Fund. The management committee will periodically launch Calls for Projects and will appoint an independent selection committee with broad geographical representation to assist in the selection of projects and award of funding. The Fund will award funding in different geographies around the world where UCB operates.

Who is the King Baudouin Foundation?

The King Baudouin Foundation's (KBF) mission is to contribute to a better society in Belgium, in Europe, and in the world. The Foundation is an actor for change and innovation throughout the world, serving the public interest and increasing social cohesion. It seeks to maximise its impact by improving skills in organizations and for individuals. It also stimulates effective philanthropy by individuals and corporations. The Foundation's most important values are integrity and transparency, promoting solidarity, respect for diversity, and independence.

The King Baudouin Foundation was set up in 1976, on the occasion of the 25th anniversary of King Baudouin's reign in Belgium. The KBF also operated accredited non-profits internationally including KBF U.S. and KBF Canada.

How will we measure the impact of the Fund?

We want to use our funding to make a positive impact on the life of vulnerable people. Therefore, we have made a commitment to assess the effectiveness of our funding, taking into account the complexities of any effort to improve the lives of people in need. We will communicate transparently and respectfully about the Fund's achievements and share learnings with partners and stakeholders.

Where can I get more information about the Fund?

Any question about the UCB Global Community Health Fund can be directed to [Corporate Communications](#).

For questions specifically related to the call for projects platform and information, please contact the KBF Contact Center for general information and technical questions (contactcenter@kbs-frb.be; +32-2-500 4 555) or Elke Briers for specific information related to the call (briers.e@mandate.kbs-frb.be; +32-2-549 03 78).