Amherst H. Wilder Foundation
Connections 2021 Cash Offer
Frequently Asked Questions

What is this offer?
- $2,800 for households in Twin Cities, Minnesota.
  - The money will be distributed quarterly over 24 months.
  - You can use it however you wish and you do not have to pay it back.
- The offer is available for up to 150 households.
- Selection is based on a randomized lottery. The application will open March 22 and close April 2.

What are the requirements to receive this offer?
To receive this offer, you must:
1. Live in one of the following zip codes: 55101, 55102, 55103, 55104, 55105, 55106, 55107, 55108, 55114, 55116, 55117, 55118, 55119, 55130.
2. Be new to the Amherst H.Wilder Foundation Fund. Can not be a legacy member.
3. Have a child in your household.

How will I know if I received the offer?
Selected households will see the offer in the “offer” section of the UpTogether Financials section. They will also be notified about this offer via the contact method they used when signing up (email or text message). If you would like to opt out of receiving funds, you can terminate your offer contract.

How are households going to be selected?
Selection will be determined through a randomized lottery. The application will open March 22 and close April 2. 150 people will be randomly selected to receive the cash offer. Selected families have one week from the time the offer posts on UpTogether to terminate the offer contract if they no longer want to receive the funds, otherwise the offer will automatically accept.

How much money can I receive?
The cash offer is $2,800 distributed in 8 payments of $350 over 24 months. The first payment will be made upon approval of the application in April. The remaining payments will be distributed on the first of each quarter starting July 1.

How do I receive the money?
It’s up to you! The money will be deposited into your UpTogether Personal Fund Account. When you withdraw the money, you have the option of receiving the cash through a direct deposit right into your bank account or a physical or digital UpTogether Card. Click here to see how to withdraw your funds.

How does this cash offer affect my public benefits?

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Because each person's situation is different, and because rules may be different for each state, we cannot determine if receiving cash offers from UpTogether will impact your public benefits. Please speak with someone in your benefits office to find out if and how you may be impacted.

**Why wasn't this cash offer made available to me?**
If you did not receive the offer, it may be because you did not meet the requirements or because 150 households have already accepted the offer and funds are no longer available.

**What can I do to become eligible for future cash offers?**
To be eligible for future cash offers from UpTogether, please take the following steps*:

- Join UpTogether.
  - Click here to sign up.
- Add your address to your UpTogether profile.
  - Most offers are location-based.
- Create or join an UpTogether group.
  - Click here for a helpful tutorial.
- Share your bank account(s) to our Financials section.
  - Note: Sharing accounts to the Financials section allows UpTogether to view your transaction-level data. Read more about why we request this information here. This DOES NOT link your account to receive a direct deposit for your funds. You do that in your dashboard.
- Complete the surveys on your UpTogether homepage.

*All of these steps are optional. However, completing them will increase your chances of receiving a cash offer.

**What if I don’t have anyone to start a group with?**
Groups can include friends, extended family members, colleagues, neighbors, or acquaintances. Anyone who wants to join together to support each other with your respective goals would make a great group member! Groups can be as small as two, but most offers have a minimum group size of four.

**I have a question that's not answered here.**
If your question wasn’t answered here, please visit our UpTogether Support Center for answers to frequently asked questions about UpTogether. If you don’t find your answer there, you can chat with, or send a message to, a member of our support team by clicking the purple help bottom on the bottom of the Support Center page.