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The North Valley Community Foundation has opened a grant program to support organizations still doing recovery work more than five years after the Camp Fire.

NVCF operated the Butte Strong Fund for five years with funding partners Sierra Nevada Brewing Co. and NFL quarterback Aaron Rodgers. The Butte Strong Fund awarded its final grants in December.

The new Camp Fire Fund Grant Program will utilize what remains of Camp Fire donations to NVCF. The Camp Fire Fund will be focused on smaller grants than most of the Butte Strong Fund awards. Grants will typically range from \$500 to \$10,000.

Nonprofits working with fire survivors and government agencies are eligible to apply for grant assistance with their projects. Grant applications must be focused on one of five areas of emphasis: health and wellness, housing, education, community development or economic development.

"We know that even after five years, much work remains to be done," said Kim DuFour, NVCF's director of strategic grantmaking. "We don't have a lot of money left from donations – about \$800,000 – but we hope that by strategically granting out those funds, we can help address vital community needs.

"We have strong collaborative relationships with so many organizations and agencies doing recovery work. It will be a pleasure to continue to help them in this critical work."

More information on program guidelines and how to apply is available at <a href="https://nvcf.org/campfirefund">nvcf.org/campfirefund</a>.

NVCF continues to support Camp Fire recovery work as the main funder for the case management system, which is still serving more than 100 fire survivors and their families.

NVCF has awarded more than \$67 million for Camp Fire relief and recovery since the devastating fire on Nov. 8, 2018.