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Attachments: CARES Act Overview Sheet (002).pdf; Coronavirus-Relief-Fund-Frequently-Asked-Questions.pdf; Coronavirus-Relief-Fund-Guidance-for-State-Territorial-Local-and-Tribal-Governments.pdf; CARES 25% Initial Allocation - Counties.pdf

County EMs:

We wanted to make sure you all had visibility into this funding opportunity. There will be a single initial payment to each County. The announcement yesterday was sent to Chairman of your BOCC and usually the County Administrator. This is not limited to EM expenses, so not going through EM offices, typically.

When the CARES Act was passed in March 2020, Congress earmarked \$150 billion to be provided to States, Tribal Governments, and units of local government. From this appropriation, counties in Florida with a population greater than 500,000 received a direct allocation totaling \$2.47 billion. Governor DeSantis has announced that the State of Florida will begin disbursing up to \$1.275 billion to counties with a population below 500,000. The Florida Division of Emergency Management is excited to lead this effort to help communities respond to COVID-19.

For counties that did not receive a direct allocation from the federal government, the Division will begin with a disbursement of funds under Section 5001 of the CARES Act. If have any questions, email Wesley Sapp, Program Manager at FLCares@em.myflorida.com.

QUESTIONS ABOUT ELIGIBLE COSTS

Refer to <https://home.treasury.gov/policy-issues/cares/state-and-local-governments>

- This is the website for the US Department of Treasury
- There is a 10-page FAQ document that walks through eligible expenses

QUESTIONS ABOUT REPORTING

- Counties will be asked to submit a quarterly report on expenditures incurred and projected spending- first report due 9/30 and a template will be provided later.
- These reports will be submitted through the Division's grant management system. More info to follow.

QUESTIONS ABOUT TIMELINE

- Once the county registers on the Division grant management site, they should review the US Treasury Guidance above
- The Division will send out a package of information including
 - o Funding agreement, once finalized
 - o One-page summary about the program
 - o Guidance from the US Department of Treasury
- Once the county reviews and approves the agreement, a signed copy should be submitted through the grant management portal or email to FLCares@em.myflorida.com
- Along with the agreement, the county should submit a designation of authority, if needed, that can be uploaded to the grant management portal or emailed to FLCares@em.myflorida.com

ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS

Additional questions can be emailed to FLCares@em.myflorida.com or call me or Wes Sapp.

Thank you,



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