



CARES ACT LOCAL GOVERNMENT FUNDING

OVERVIEW

The State of Florida, through the Florida Division of Emergency Management (Division), will disburse CARES Act funds to Counties with populations under 500,000.

The Division will make an initial disbursement of 25% for each County's State-determined allocation. As part of the second Phase of the Program, they may request additional funds beyond the initial 25% on a reimbursement basis, as needed.

Following initial disbursement, Counties are required to complete quarterly reports on expenditures and projected spending of their initial allocation. These reports are due no later than the 15 days after the end of the quarter. The first report will be due 9/30/2020.

FUNDING AGREEMENT

Counties are required to enter into a Funding Agreement with the Division to receive funds.

The Division will create a Funding Agreement and send it by email to County Applicants for e-signature. Once a County Applicant signs the agreement, the Division will then execute the agreement.

ELIGIBLE EXPENSES

Expenses must be eligible under the CARES Act and Treasury Guidance. Examples of eligible expenses include, but are not limited to:

- Public health expenses
- Payroll expenses for public safety, public health, health care, human services, and similar employees whose services are substantially dedicated to mitigating or responding to the COVID-19 public health emergency
- Expenses of actions to facilitate compliance with COVID-19 related public health measures
- Expenses associated with the provision of economic support in connection with the COVID-19 health emergency
- Any other COVID-19 related expenses reasonably necessary to function of government that is to satisfy the fund's eligibility criteria

RESOURCES

Counties can access CARES Act grant frequently asked questions through the FDEM Grants Management website:

<https://fdemgrantsmanagement.force.com/fdemcovid/s/fdem-recovery-faq>

or send an email with questions to FLCares@em.myflorida.com

Link here to info from US Treasury regarding this funding:

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