

# County of Fairfax, Virginia

# MEMORANDUM

**DATE:** March 12, 2021

TO: **Board of Supervisors** 

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County Executive FROM:

**SUBJECT:** CARES Act Stimulus Funding Update – March 2021

This memorandum is intended to provide the Board of Supervisors with an update of the receipt and allocation of stimulus funds to support the County's response to the COVID-19 pandemic. County staff have continued to work diligently to pursue funding, track expenses, and determine eligibility of these expenses to maximize outside funding sources.

As of March 2021, the County has received, or is anticipated to receive, \$473.7 million, which includes the \$200.2 million from the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF), \$8.2 million anticipated as a result of approved FEMA reimbursements discussed on page 20, and \$265.3 million in grants and other awards outlined beginning on page 25. Per the stimulus package passed in December, the deadline for the Coronavirus Relief Fund was extended from December 30, 2020 until December 31, 2021.

Yesterday, President Biden signed the American Rescue Plan into law. This bill includes approximately \$350 billion as part of the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund and will provide direct federal assistance to states and localities. Fairfax County is projected to receive \$222.56 million in direct assistance, with a first tranche of approximately \$111 million expected within 60 days and the second payment no earlier than 12 months following the first payment. The deadline to spend funds would be December 31, 2024. Funds can be used for response efforts related to the COVID-19 pandemic, including assistance to residents, businesses, and nonprofits. Additionally, funds will be allowed to offset reductions in revenues due to the public health emergency as compared to the most recent full fiscal year prior to the emergency. The bill also notes that funds can be used to provide premium pay for essential workers, as well as to make necessary investments in water, sewer, or broadband infrastructure. Funds cannot be used to offset revenue losses resulting from tax rate reductions or to make pension plan payments.

Although the bill outlines some parameters regarding allowable uses, as with the Coronavirus Relief Fund, the U.S. Department of Treasury is anticipated to release specific guidance regarding eligible uses of the funds, as well as how revenue loss should be calculated, in the weeks following the bill's approval. Once this guidance is posted, staff will provide additional information to the Board and will begin incorporating information regarding the County's American Rescue Plan allocation into this monthly memorandum.

It should also be noted that the stimulus package also includes additional funds for the Emergency Rental Assistance Program, with 40 percent of the award to be paid out within 60 days. Based on the timing of the specific award notifications, it is anticipated that formal Board acceptance of stimulus funds will occur as part of the Board's approval of the *FY 2021 Third Quarter Review* on April 27, 2021.

Coronavirus Relief Fund allocations as of the March update are shown in the table below, which reflect no change from the January allocations. It is anticipated that modest shifts to these allocations will be included as part of the April memorandum in order to right-size allocations based on expenses to-date and as some programs have posted their final expenses.

	March Allocation	
Community and Business Support		
Basic Needs Support – CBO Distribution	\$28,000,000	
Other Basic Needs Support	\$1,000,000	
Nonprofit Sustainability Program	\$5,150,000	
Fairfax RISE Grant Program*	\$52,000,000	
Contribution to Towns	\$7,217,426	
Public Health Programs		
Contact Tracing Program	\$16,700,000	
Non-Congregate Sheltering	\$8,500,000	
Public Health Response	\$8,000,000	
Federally Qualified Health Centers Support	\$1,750,000	
Position Redeployments	\$6,000,000	
County Support and Operations		
IT Needs for County Operations	\$13,500,000	
Personal Protective Equipment	\$1,768,059	
Expanded Cleaning Supplies and Services	\$1,000,000	
Facility and other County Modifications	\$2,000,000	
Pandemic Administrative Leave	\$17,250,000	
FFCRA Leave	\$800,000	
Hazard Pay	\$10,000,000	
Schools Support		
Support for FCPS Virtual Learning	\$19,600,000	
Total Allocations	\$200,235,485	
Unallocated	\$0	

<sup>\*</sup> Does not include \$1 million from Town of Vienna which is included in the Contribution to Towns

Monthly stimulus updates to the Board are planned for the second Friday of each month. The next update is planned for April 9, 2021. However, it is anticipated that stimulus funding may be included on the April 6 Budget Committee agenda for the Board's discussion. Following that meeting, the timeline for the April memo may be shifted.

#### **FEMA Public Assistance Update**

To date, the County has submitted and has been approved for three reimbursements through FEMA, including:

- \$6.86 million for personal protective equipment (PPE) submitted on October 8, which was approved in-full;
- \$0.90 million for disinfectant and cleaning supplies submitted on November 6, which was approved with only a slight modification; and
- \$0.45 million for communications expenses submitted on December 14, which was approved with only a slight modification.

These approved requests total \$8.21 million, for which FEMA is now – per the Executive Order signed by President Biden – expected to reimburse at 100%. Additionally, staff submitted a reimbursement request for PPE and Plexiglass expenses on February 19 for \$3.31 million and is expecting to submit a reimbursement request by the end of March for Non-Congregate Sheltering for \$17.78 million. Staff will be continuing to identify eligible expenses and submit requests as appropriate in the coming months.

Detailed information regarding projected FEMA-eligible expenses begins on page 20.

#### **General Fund Coronavirus Pandemic Reserve**

The Coronavirus Pandemic Reserve in the General Fund currently totals \$15.95 million. In the January 2021 memorandum, \$12.50 million was allocated for the anticipated 25% local cost share for FEMA reimbursements. However, as FEMA is now expected to provide reimbursements at 100%, this allocation is no longer needed. Balances in the reserve will be available for expenses not eligible for stimulus funds or to offset additional potential revenue losses.

Of the \$15.95 million currently available, \$2.28 million has been allocated as follows:

- \$900,000 has been allocated to support residents who are behind in their rent payments in properties that are owned or managed by the Fairfax County Redevelopment and Housing Authority (FCRHA). Based on CRF guidelines, Coronavirus Relief Funds cannot be utilized to assist these residents as the funds would be directed to the County. Provision of these funds will assist residents and help to ensure the financial strength of the FCRHA. It should be noted that staff is in the process of determining if the newly approved Emergency Rental Assistance Program funds could also be used for this purpose.
- \$345,000 has been allocated for Fairfax RISE grants for organizations which have been deemed ineligible for CARES Coronavirus Relief Funds.
- \$630,000 has been allocated for the Fairfax County Excluded Workers Direct Assistance Program, as first detailed in the June memorandum. This funding, along with a \$500,000 grant from a philanthropic donor, will support the provision of direct assistance up to \$1,000 (depending on family size) to low-income immigrant individuals and families, and in particular, those workers excluded from other relief sources. The \$630,000 from the

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County's General Fund will support direct assistance as well as the staffing and administrative functions necessary to dispense the funds.

\$400,000 has been allocated to support the Service Navigation Support Team (SNST). The SNST is a partnership between the Health Department, the Department of Neighborhood and Community Services (NCS), and contracted community-based organizations (CBOs) to ensure COVID-positive residents are successful in accessing basic needs when isolation or quarantine is necessary. To be eligible to receive services under the SNST, individuals must reside in Fairfax County and have been identified by the Health Department or QPID (Quarantine, Protection, Isolation and Decompression) shelter staff as COVID-positive and in need of services. Service Navigation supports will be short-term (up to 90 days) and interventions can be done virtually or in-person depending on CDC-recommended guidelines. Funding will be used to support the CBOs contracted to provide service navigation as part of this initiative. The CBOs will be responsible for supporting COVIDpositive residents during isolation and/or quarantine by connecting them to available wraparound services, to include linking patients and family members across all areas of human services including basic needs. The CBOs will provide seamless and efficient service navigation by helping to remove barriers to accessing services, while increasing residents' engagement and active participation in care. Service navigation will be provided in a culturally and linguistically competent manner, ultimately enabling residents to improve their capacity for self-management and wellness.

The following tables summarize programmatic and funding information related to the Coronavirus Relief Fund allocations, anticipated FEMA reimbursements, and other funds anticipated to be received or for which applications have been submitted.

### **Coronavirus Relief Fund Allocations**

The full \$200.2 million received from the CARES Coronavirus Relief Fund has been allocated to various programs and expenditures, as outlined below. To date, \$175.30 million has been encumbered or expended in the following programs. This figure represents funding against the CRF Funds only, whereas previously this total also included expenses supported by other resources. It should be noted that this total does not include sizeable expenditures such as those for hazard pay or the additional tranche of funding for basic needs, as those expenses have not yet posted against the fund. Where appropriate, staff will continue to pursue other funding opportunities.

Community and Business Support		
Basic Needs Support – CBO Distribution		
Current Allocation: \$28,000,000	Spent/Encumbered YTD: \$20,000,000	Balance: \$8,000,000

Description: As outlined in the April 24, 2020 memorandum to the Board of Supervisors on updated FY 2020 Third Quarter Review recommendations, \$20 million is allocated to be utilized for increased support to the County's non-profit partners to support basic needs in the community. With the extension of the Coronavirus Relief Fund, an additional \$8 million has been allocated for this purpose. The County's long-established Coordinated Services Planning (CSP) hotline (703-222-0880) for residents facing emergency need difficulties has seen significant call volume increases since the start of the COVID-19 public health crisis. To address the community's need, funding will be allocated for the purpose of distribution to the existing network of CBOs directly connected to the CSP model. Funds will be awarded to existing CSP community-based organizations (CBOs) providers because they have the capacity and protocols in place to disburse funding quickly and are able to comply with necessary data requirements. The CSP model serves community members in a multilingual call center environment and is a screening agency for referral to local CBO partners for access to needed resources.

Funding will support direct client assistance and staff directly supporting food and financial assistance. Financial services funding will provide assistance to meet the following needs: rent, mortgage, security deposits, housing fees (late, condo, HOA, etc.), utilities, and prescription assistance.

*Update:* All payments from the original \$20 million allocation have been made to CBOs and staff is closely monitoring utilization of the funds provided. Staff is currently examining the guidance regarding the Emergency Rental Assistance Program to determine how these funds may support the Basic Needs Assistance program. It is anticipated that the next tranche of allocations to the CBOs will be a combination of funds from the Coronavirus Relief Fund and the Emergency Rental Assistance Program.

The program was implemented, and CBOs started disbursing funding on May 26, 2020. Through January 19, 4,694 households have been provided housing assistance, 910 households have received utilities assistance, and 3,735 referrals have been made for food assistance. Of the allocation, \$18.86 million has been utilized by the CBOs, representing direct assistance to help vulnerable residents.

*Other Funding Sources:* Other funding sources are being utilized to provide other basic needs support, as described below. In addition, staff is currently examining the guidance regarding the Emergency Rental Assistance Program to determine how these funds may support the Basic Needs Assistance program.

Other Basic Needs Support		
Current Allocation: \$1,000,000	Spent/Encumbered YTD: \$857,504	Balance: \$142,496

*Description:* These funds will support basic needs requirements in addition to the \$20 million allocated to specific community-based organizations, as described above. Support will be provided to organizations that do not provide direct assistance but serve as the backbone for the basic needs infrastructure, such as food banks who supply food to CBOs at reduced costs.

*Update:* To date, funding has been provided in support of food services both for the purchase of food at a local food bank and emergency food services through the One Fairfax initiative. Funding has also been provided for short-term respite services for low-income kinship caregivers. Staff is continuing to work with County partners to determine additional needs.

Other Funding Sources: Funding from the General Fund Coronavirus Pandemic Response Reserve has been leveraged to expand the reach of the basic needs support to all residents who are part of the County's diverse community.

Additionally, Community Development Block Grant and Community Services Block Grant funds received are being used to supplement Coronavirus Relief Funds to provide basic needs support to County residents in need.

<b>Coronavirus Relief Fund Allocations</b>		
Nonprofit Sustainability Program		
Current Allocation: \$5,150,000	Spent/Encumbered YTD: \$5,026,704	Balance: \$123,296

Description: As outlined in the April 24, 2020 memorandum to the Board of Supervisors on updated FY 2020 Third Quarter Review recommendations, with the amount slightly increased from the original proposal based on applications received, an amount of \$5.15 million is allocated to support non-profit organizations in the County. Nonprofits are experiencing an increasing demand for services while withstanding organizational challenges which are limiting their capacity to fulfill their missions – balancing the need to devise new operating plans to serve as many clients as possible while also grappling with how to maintain operations and payroll and protect and care for employees. Although this funding will not produce direct client outcomes, an investment in the operations and systems of non-profits will support improved or continued high-quality service to beneficiaries by strengthening the core capacities of non-profits to carry out their missions.

Non-profits that function as a part of Fairfax County's social safety net in the areas of Financial Stability, Food and Nutrition, Literary/Educational Attainment, Health, Housing, Positive Behaviors and Healthy Relationships, and/or Support/Community/Social Networks were eligible to apply for funding to address immediate organizational and operational needs. The program will support projects that address an identified area of organizational capacity constrained related to the impacts of COVID-19, to include, but not limited to: Employee Retention; Equipment and Materials; Rent Payments; Debt Payments; and Technology Upgrades.

Allocations will be made based on the number of employees the organization has serving Fairfax County residents, with an additional allocation possible for organizations with significant operating expenditures. Grants are being provided in the amounts of \$25,000, \$50,000, and \$75,000.

*Update:* A total of 149 non-profits have been awarded funding and funding has been distributed to these grantees. The year-to-date spending figure listed above reflects these awards. No additional payments are anticipated; therefore, the remaining balance will be shifted to other needs as part of a future update.

Other Funding Sources: Currently, no other funding sources have been identified; however, General Fund resources may be utilized to provide support for community-based organizations who specifically support the needs of the County's diverse community.

<b>Coronavirus Relief Fund Allocations</b>		
Fairfax RISE Grant Program		
Current Allocation: \$52,000,000	Spent/Encumbered YTD: \$51,543,422	Balance: \$456,578

*Description:* The primary purpose of the Fairfax RISE (Relief Initiative to Support Employers) grant program is to provide immediate relief to small businesses and non-profits impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. The program is intended to help small businesses and nonprofit organizations remain in business through the COVID-19 emergency and address gaps that may exist among complementary programs. The grant will not have to be repaid.

The grant program also establishes a minimum allocation of 30% (or \$7.5 million) of total funding towards awards for women-owned, minority-owned, and/or veteran-owned businesses.

Grant funds will be allocated based on the number of full-time-equivalent (FTE) employees:

Employees, 1-10: \$10,000 Employees, 11-25: \$15,000 Employees, 26-49: \$20,000

To be eligible, applicants must be established and have one or more location(s) in Fairfax County, including the principal place of business. Fairfax County includes businesses and organizations located in the Towns of Herndon, Vienna, and Clifton. Additionally, awardees must have at least one full-time-equivalent (FTE) and less than 50 FTE total employees across all locations, in operation over 1 year, and, with the exception of nonprofits, have a valid Business, Professional and Occupational Licenses (BPOL).

The program is also increased with an additional allocation of \$1,000,000 in funds from the Town of Vienna. (This funding is included below in the Contributions to Towns category.) The collaboration with the Town of Vienna allows for an expansion in the number of businesses who can be served by the RISE Grants. Vienna's contribution increases the total RISE Grant award amount to \$53,000,000, with a commitment that a minimum of \$1,000,000 will be allocated to businesses located within the Town of Vienna. Town of Vienna businesses, along with those within the Town of Herndon and the Town of Clifton, are eligible for RISE Grants.

*Update:* All 4,809 RISE awards have been approved and processed for a total of \$52.57 million. It should be noted that 32 RISE grants for a total of \$345,000 have been provided to organizations not deemed to be eligible for CARES Coronavirus Relief Funds. Those grants will be paid out of the County's General Fund pandemic reserve. The remaining 4,777 RISE grants, totaling \$52,225,000, utilize the CARES Coronavirus Relief Funds, which includes \$51,225,000 against County funds and \$1,000,000 against Vienna funds. In addition, \$318,422 has been expended for administrative costs to-date. The balance of funds will be used to pay for final administrative costs and audit expenses.

*Other Funding Sources:* RISE grants provided to organizations not eligible for CRF funds are funded out of the County's General Fund pandemic reserve.

	Contributions to Towns	
Current Allocation: \$7,217,426	Spent/Encumbered YTD: \$7,217,426	Balance: \$0

*Description:* Based on population, the County has provided funding to the towns of Herndon, Vienna and Clifton to support expenses relative to their pandemic response. The towns are subject to the same limitations on the usage of Coronavirus Relief Fund as the County and are required to maintain the appropriate documentation.

*Update:* Funding was provided to the towns on April 28 with Herndon receiving \$4,279,441, Vienna receiving \$2,886,552, and Clifton receiving \$51,433.

Fairfax County staff continues to hold weekly meetings with the towns' Finance Directors to discuss uses of the funds, any new guidance issued, and to answer general questions.

As noted above, the Town of Vienna has agreed to provide \$1,000,000 of their allocation to supplement the Fairfax RISE Grant program.

Other Funding Sources: While the towns are expected to utilize their Coronavirus Relief Funds in line with the County's current allocations, it should be noted that they may also be able to apply for FEMA reimbursements for eligible expenses.

Public Health Programs			
Contact Tracing Program			
Current CARES Allocation: State Funding: FEMA	\$16,700,000 \$17,180,202 \$12,000,000 \$45,880,202	Spent/Encumbered YTD: \$45,853,227	Combined Balance: \$26,975

Description: The Health Department has contracted with the Institute for Public Health Innovation (IPHI) to implement the County's contact tracing and case investigation program.

IPHI will hire up to 484 employees, who will be employees of IPHI and deployed to the Health Department to support contact tracing efforts. These employees, along with existing Health Department staff, will be utilized for the contact tracing and case investigation program which includes interviewing individuals who are confirmed or probable COVID-19 patients along with reaching out to individuals who have come in contact with the COVID-19 patient. Public health staff on this team reach out to and warn these contacts of their potential exposure as rapidly and

sensitively as possible. As staff speak with contacts, they help individuals assess risk and share information and instructions for self-monitoring, isolation and staying healthy.

Additionally, IPHI will be providing up to 70 Community Health Workers. The Community Health Worker collaborates with contact tracing teams, the Health Department Outreach Team, and the community to provide culturally competent supports and communication to individuals and families in following COVID-19 related self-isolation or quarantine protocols, through health education, coaching, modeling and reinforcing recommended health messages, and identifying and addressing barriers to programs and services needed to safely self-isolate and quarantine. The Community Health Worker facilitates connections between individuals and families in diverse communities to community-based programs, services and resources for food, transportation, shelter, physical and mental healthcare, child and elderly care, and other social supports by utilizing neighborhood or community-level knowledge and familiarity.

In addition to the IPHI contract, the Health Department has added 35/35.0 FTE new Public Health Nurse positions. These positions are supporting case and contact investigations and public health interventions in high-risk settings and communities. Full year funding for these positions totals \$4.4 million. After the pandemic is over, these positions will be redeployed to the School Health program to address the nurse to student ratio. Based on modest Fairfax County Public Schools enrollment growth, this will bring the nurse to student ratio to 1:1,990. This is just under the 1:2,000 target.

The Health Department has received \$17.2 million from the state in support of the contact tracing and case investigation program. The state funding includes the original allocation of \$11.4 million and an additional \$3.1 million that was requested by the County and approved by the state, as well as \$2.7 million in funding for the community health workers. The CRF allocation remains \$16.7 million and \$12.0 million has been added so staff can pursue FEMA reimbursement. Staff is currently reviewing funding requirements and will reallocate as appropriate in the coming months.

Update: Since June 2020, over 600 individuals have been hired and trained. In response to rising infection rates early in calendar year 2021, a new target of 484 filled positions was set. Currently, a total of 469 positions are filled and all positions are fully deployed. At this time, additional cohorts are planned for onboarding in late March 2021; those are currently planned to fill vacancies, unless additional need is identified. All of the 35 new Public Health Nurse positions have been filled and are fully engaged in the response. Additionally, per the update provided to the Board of Supervisors at the Health and Human Services Committee meeting on June 30, 2020, staff has determined that in order to effectively implement contact tracing, additional workspace is needed. The County has entered into a short-term lease agreement through April 2021 to accommodate the day-to-day activity of the contact tracers and case investigators. The lease agreement allows for one-month extensions as long as space is available.

Other Funding Sources: The County has received \$17.2 million in funding from the Virginia Department of Health (VDH) to support the contact tracing and case investigation program. The state funding has been fully expended. Staff will continue to work with VDH staff to see if additional funding is available. If additional funding is not provided by VDH, the County will pursue FEMA reimbursement.

General Fund resources will also be utilized to provide wrap-around support services for individuals identified through the contact tracing program who may need financial or other assistance in order to follow public health guidelines without creating a hardship for their families. These funds would provide an additional layer of support for the County's diverse community.

Non-Congregate Sheltering			
Current CARES Allocation: ESG COVID-19 Grant: FEMA Reimbursement	\$8,500,000 \$8,281,368 <u>\$27,000,000</u> \$43,781,368	Spent/Encumbered YTD: \$31,345,914	Combined Balance: \$12,435,454

Description: The Medical Isolation Program provides non-congregate sheltering in hotel rooms to people who are experiencing homelessness and are either confirmed to be positive for COVID-19; waiting to be tested or know they were exposed to COVID-19; or are at the highest risk of severe complications from COVID-19. It also provides overflow capacity to accommodate homeless shelter decompression (to reduce crowding) and increased shelter demands. In addition, the program provides shelter for individuals who are not experiencing homelessness but cannot safely isolate at home, such as individuals living in an overcrowded dwelling. Referrals to the hotels are sent by homeless service providers, hospitals, Healthworks of Northern Virginia, Neighborhood Health, Fairfax-Falls Church Community Services Board and Department of Family Services. Local nonprofits and businesses are contracted to replace most of the hotel operations, including on-site management and guest services, cleaning and laundry, meal delivery, and security, as well as medical- and non-medical transportation to the hotels.

*Update:* As of March 9, there are 455 hotel rooms under contract at six hotels. Ten rooms are reserved for use by the City of Alexandria through a cost sharing agreement. The occupancy rate for the remaining 445 rooms is 80 percent with 355 rooms in use. Of the 445 individuals currently residing in the hotels, 89 percent were referred by homeless services providers; nine percent of the individuals were referred by various Fairfax County Government departments; two percent were referred by hospitals; and less than one percent were referred from local Federally Qualified Health Clinics. Five of the guests were not homeless at admission.

According to the demographic information reported by the guests at admission, 52 percent are Black or African American; 39 percent are White non-Hispanic, Hispanic or Latino ethnicity; four percent are Asian; and two percent are American Indian or Alaska Native. Less than one percent are Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander. Three percent are unknown.

The current allocation is based on anticipated needs through calendar year 2020 and has been updated to reflect the County's ability to claim FEMA reimbursement for a majority of the non-congregate sheltering expenses. It should also be noted that the ESG COVID-19 dollars will be used to implement Rapid Rehousing strategies in an effort to quickly transition individuals and families into permanent housing with appropriate supports.

*Other Funding Sources:* In addition to the \$8.5 million allocation in CARES funding, this program is also anticipated to be supported with \$8.3 million in Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) COVID-19 funding as well as \$27.0 million in FEMA reimbursements. It should be noted that the costs to-date are those for the total program across all three funding streams.

Public Health Response		
Current Allocation: \$8,000,000	Spent/Encumbered YTD: \$5,712,253	Balance: \$2,287,747

Description: Public health emergency responses can challenge the Health Department's (HD) ability to meet the surge demands required to simultaneously respond to public health outbreaks and continue to provide services. In order to quickly mobilize the workforce to assist in a response to a public health outbreak, the HD has a policy designating all employees as Emergency Responders critical to a public health emergency response should the need arise. The policy outlines the processes by which the HD may stand up an internal Incident Management Team and leverage staff from throughout the HD, redeploying them to a variety of roles to support a response. The COVID-19 response has been managed consistent with this policy. An Incident Management Team has been established and many services have been reduced (e.g., clinical services, including Immunizations, Vital Records, Sexually Transmitted Infection clinics) or suspended (e.g., Speech and Hearing, Dental and Refugee services, the School Health Program, and some Environmental Health Services). This has allowed more than 400 staff (both merit and benefits-eligible) to be re-deployed and/or partially detailed to assist in the County's public health response. These staff are assisting in the call centers, on a Case and Contact Investigation Team, on a Rapid Response and Prevention Team, or a Point

Prevalence Survey Team as well as administrative activities. Costs associated with the Incident Management Team will be charged to FEMA and costs associated with existing staff redeployments will be charged to CRF Position Redeployments.

In addition to the redeployment of existing staff, the Health Department's response also includes the five positions included in the *FY 2020 Third Quarter Review*, eight positions included in the *FY 2021 Adopted Budget Plan*, nine positions included in the *FY 2020 Carryover Review* and 13 positions included in the *FY 2021 Mid-Year Review* Two positions were also approved as part of the *FY 2020 Carryover Review* for the Office of Emergency Management and 11 positions for the Department of Neighborhood and Community Services. All of these positions will address important operational and support roles necessary in a response of this size and will charge the Public Health Response category.

It should be noted that the nine positions added to the Health Department as part of the *FY 2020 Carryover Review* will allow the Fairfax County Public Health Laboratory (FCPHL) to expand testing capacity from 500 COVID-19 samples per day to 1,000 COVID-19 samples per day. These positions will initially be funded with the COVID-19 Health Department Lab – PPP and Health Care Enhancement Act grant preliminarily awarded by the state. Any shortfalls in state funding will be covered by the Public Health Response category through December 31, 2021.

Lastly, this category also includes other activities the County has undertaken in order to effectively respond to the pandemic. Examples of these types of activities include:

- Media and communication expenses, not covered by FEMA, related to messaging and enforcement of public health orders related to COVID-19.
- Equipment and supply rental such as tents and HVAC in order to screen clients prior to entering facilities operated by the Fairfax-Falls Church Community Services Board.
- Upgraded telecommunications and web accessible systems in order to allow the General District Court to process online payments rather than in person.
- Purchase of a modular laboratory, located at the Burkholder building, which will allow the County to increase COVID-19 testing capacity from 500 to 1,000 tests per day. The modular laboratory was completed on January 26, 2021 and is operational.

*Update:* As the response progresses, additional existing staff will most likely need to be "activated" and deployed to the response, to augment existing response teams and to provide respite to other staff working long hours in a high paced environment. A total of 35 new positions have been added to the Health Department to help address the County's public health response to the pandemic. All but eight of these positions have been created and 18 positions have been filled. The majority of positions that remain vacant were approved by the Board as part of the *FY 2021 Mid-Year Review*. Recruitment continues for the remaining positions and are anticipated to be filled in 2021. Both of the positions in the Office of Emergency Management have been filled. Eight of the CSP call center positions are filled and the remaining three positions will be filled beginning March 13, 2021.

Other Funding Sources: Many of the expenses are eligible for FEMA reimbursements and staff will maximize this funding stream prior to charging to the CRF allocation. Additionally, in accordance with federal guidance, staff redeployed in support of the Public Health Response will be charged against the Position Redeployments category.

Federally Qualified Health Centers Support		
Current Allocation: \$1,750,000	Spent/Encumbered YTD: \$750,000	Balance: \$1,000,000

Description: This funding is intended to provide support to the County's two nonprofit Federally Qualified Health Centers (Neighborhood Health and Health Works) so they can continue to safely and effectively provide healthcare services to low-income individuals and families in the community, including testing and treatment and follow-up care of COVID-19 patients.

*Update:* The initial contracts with Neighborhood Health and Health Works allowed each FQHC to request up to 50% of their allocation up-front and these payments were made. Neighborhood Health and Health Works expended the initial allocation in calendar year 2020; therefore, the allocation has been increased by \$1.0 million for a total allocation of \$1,750,000. Ongoing funding will be made on a reimbursement basis. The County is in the process of updating the contracts to reflect the additional funding.

Other Funding Sources: It is not anticipated that other funding sources will be identified for this purpose. Staff will continue to evaluate all funding opportunities and will utilize other sources if they become available.

	Position Redeployments	
Current Allocation: \$6,000,000	Spent/Encumbered YTD: \$2,655,279	Balance: \$3,344,721

Description: Based on additional guidance released by the Department of Treasury, only salary expenses of positions whose duties have been substantially changed to respond to the COVID-19 pandemic are eligible. Position redeployments are the result of a combination of facility closures, which necessitated the redirection of employees to support the County's COVID-19 response, as well as Health Department positions that were redeployed to specifically support the agency's response. Please see the Public Health Response category above for information on actions taken by the Health Department in support of this effort.

*Update:* Staff will continue to examine the duties and responsibilities of individual positions throughout the County to determine eligibility. CRF can be used for position redeployments through December 31, 2021.

Other Funding Sources: It is not anticipated that other funding sources will be identified for this purpose. Staff will continue to evaluate all funding opportunities and will utilize other sources if they become available.

County Supports and Operations		
IT needs for County Operations		
Current Allocation: \$13,500,000	Spent/Encumbered YTD: \$11,869,755	Balance: \$1,630,245

*Description:* This allocation supports information technology investments to support enhanced teleworking, including laptops and software licenses, as well as remote technical support licenses to allow IT staff additional capabilities to assist with technical support for remote users.

*Update:* In addition to 3,900 laptops, 1,000 Citrix licenses and 1,000 Zscaler licenses, the County has also purchased 1,000 mobile phones which were distributed to agencies on the front line of the County's COVID-19 response. Additionally, the County has procured enhanced Microsoft licenses to allow for improved collaboration tools and integrated telephonic capabilities and additional laptops.

Other Funding Sources: It is not anticipated that other funding sources will be identified for this purpose. Staff will continue to evaluate all funding opportunities and will utilize other sources if they become available.

Personal Protective Equipment			
Current Allocation: \$1,768,059	Spent/Encumbered YTD: \$1,321,801	Balance: \$446,258	

*Description:* This category includes masks and other protective equipment for employees who interact with the public (excluding healthcare workers and first responders whose PPE is eligible for FEMA reimbursement).

*Update:* Expenses shown in this category represent those ineligible for reimbursement through FEMA.

Other Funding Sources: Eligible expenses will be pursued for reimbursement under FEMA. Only those expenses deemed ineligible based on FEMA's September updated guidance – which limits expenses eligible for reimbursement – will be charged against the CRF funds.

<b>Coronavirus Relief Fund Allocations</b>				
Expanded Cleaning Supplies and Services				
Current Allocation: Spent/Encumbered YTD: Balance: \$1,000,000 \$114,975 \$885,025				

*Description:* This category includes cleaning supplies and hand sanitizer for employees who interact with the public (excluding healthcare workers and first responders whose PPE is eligible for FEMA reimbursement) and other public County spaces.

*Update:* Expenses shown in this category represent those ineligible for reimbursement through FEMA.

*Other Funding Sources:* Eligible expenses will be pursued for reimbursement under FEMA. Only those expenses deemed ineligible based on FEMA's September updated guidance – which limits expenses eligible for reimbursement – will be charged against the CRF funds.

Facility and other County Modifications			
Current Allocation: \$2,000,000	Spent/Encumbered YTD: \$1,817,838	Balance: \$182,162	

*Description:* The Facilities Management Department (FMD) is coordinating facility modifications to install CDC-recommended safety barriers to physically separate and increase the distance between customer service employees and customers/clients. This category has been expanded to also include pedestrian improvements to enable social distancing.

*Update:* FMD is in the process of installing plexiglass and tempered glass protection barriers at 23 County buildings and the Courthouse. Expenses are also related to systems furniture door sliders to close off staff workspaces from paths of travel, floor signs to encourage social distancing, and other signage to communicate mask requirements.

*Other Funding Sources:* Staff has been able to shift some expenses to pursue reimbursement through FEMA. Staff will continue to evaluate all funding opportunities and will utilize other sources if they become available.

<b>Coronavirus Relief Fund Allocations</b>				
Pandemic Administrative Leave				
Current Allocation:         Spent/Encumbered YTD:         Balance:           \$17,250,000         \$17,109,712         \$140,288				

Description: CARES guidance indicates that Coronavirus Relief Funds can be used to cover unanticipated administrative leave costs of public employees who could not telework in the event of a stay-at-home order or a case of COVID-19 in the workplace.

In mid-March, County employees were granted up to 6 weeks of administrative leave if they could not telework due to a lack of childcare or elder care in their household, an inability to work due to being quarantined, sickness due to exposure to COVID-19 virus, a compromised immune system, a lack of work due to a facility closure, a serious health condition, or being age 65 or above. After May 9, 2020, this leave is granted only for those who are under quarantine per County medical advice due to an on-the-job COVID exposure.

*Update:* Through June 30, 2020, just over \$17 million was expended across the County for pandemic administrative leave. Because this leave is now limited to workplace exposures, additional expenses will not be of similar magnitude to those expenses through June 30.

Other Funding Sources: It is not anticipated that other funding sources will be identified for this purpose. Staff will continue to evaluate all funding opportunities and will utilize other sources if they become available.

FFCRA Leave			
Current Allocation: \$800,000	Spent/Encumbered YTD: \$750,719	Balance: \$49,281	

Description: As required by the Families First Coronavirus Response Act (FFCRA), the County is providing emergency paid sick leave or emergency family and medical leave for a variety of situations, including: if an employee was advised to quarantine, was ill due to COVID-19 exposure, had a lack of childcare, or needed to care for another person in quarantine. These leave types vary in terms of how long they can be used and in the maximum rate of pay.

CARES guidance specifically allows for covering expenses of providing paid sick and paid family and medical leave to public employee to enable compliance with COVID-19 public health precautions.

FFCRA leave expires on December 31, 2020.

*Update:* Through June 30, 2020, just over \$750,000 was expended across the County in the FFCRA leave categories. Staff will continue to pull data for the use of this leave and the CRF allocation may be adjusted as part of a future memo accordingly.

Other Funding Sources: It is not anticipated that other funding sources will be identified for this purpose. Staff will continue to evaluate all funding opportunities and will utilize other sources if they become available.

Hazard Pay			
Current Allocation: \$10,000,000	Spent/Encumbered YTD: \$0	Balance: \$10,000,000	

*Description:* To recognize the risks and sacrifices that employees have made in response to the pandemic, staff recommends setting aside funds for a one-time hazard pay bonus. Eligibility parameters will be developed and are recommended to be based in part on risk assessments currently being finalized as required under the Virginia Department of Labor and Industry's Emergency Temporary Standard relating to COVID-19.

*Update:* The Board of Supervisors approved a one-time \$2,000 hazard pay bonus for employees meeting certain eligibility requirements on February 9, 2021. These requirements included being classified as being in a high or very high COVID-19 exposure risk category as defined by the Virginia Occupational Safety and Health Risk Assessment. These bonuses will be paid out on March 12, 2021, and costs will be reflected in the April memorandum.

Other Funding Sources: It is not anticipated that other funding sources will be identified for this purpose. Staff will continue to evaluate all funding opportunities and will utilize other sources if they become available.

Schools Support			
Support for FCPS Virtual Learning			
Current Allocation: \$19,600,000	Spent/Encumbered YTD: \$19,600,000	Balance: \$0	

Description: This allocation supports health and safety supplies and technology requirements to support Fairfax County Public Schools in the current virtual learning and environment and as the system prepares to return students to classroom settings. This allocation is consistent with the request from the Fairfax County School Board per an August 31, 2020 letter to Chairman McKay and as approved by the Board of Supervisors on September 15, 2020. Per updated guidance from the U.S. Department of Treasury, expenses of up to \$500 per elementary and secondary school student will be deemed as eligible expenditures, such that schools do not need to document the specific use of funds up to that amount.

*Update:* Support for FCPS' virtual learning to-date represents Health and Safety supplies and Technology Support for Equitable Virtual Instructional.

Expenses for health and safety supplies to mitigate the potential spread of COVID-19 in FCPS schools and administrative buildings include the acquisition of cloth and disposable masks, disposable gowns, face shields, free standing counter plexiglass shields, mounted plexiglass shields for schools and offices, handheld thermometers, single-use temperature measurement, hand sanitizer and automatic dispensing stands, Virex disinfectant, gloves, and signage. The Office of Procurement Services is currently in the process of sourcing classroom plexiglass for each teacher desk and reusable gowns for special education teachers and staff. A

Technology Support for Equitable Virtual Instruction includes expenses for 4,598 teacher replacement laptops to support ongoing virtual learning activities for the final batch of our elementary school teacher and expenses related to providing laptops or other computing device to FCPS students for use at home and school. Additionally, FCPS has migrated its MiFi plan to a fixed cost, unlimited data plan per device to prevent rising costs. Expenses support approximately 6,000 MiFi units for a 6-month period to support distance learning.

Technology support for Equitable Virtual Instruction also includes infrastructure improvements required to support the hybrid instructional model. Infrastructure improvements will increase bandwidth capacity to support concurrent HD video streams at FCPS sites. The acquisition of an additional 20Gbps of internet bandwidth will bring the total internet bandwidth to 60Gbps. Core infrastructure components consist of routers, switches, the enterprise firewall, optical devices, and internet bandwidth traffic and shaping devices.

Other Funding Sources: As on the County side, School staff are working to maximize resources, including stimulus funds received directly by the Schools, School Operating Funds, and FEMA reimbursements. (It should be noted that as of September 15, 2020, FEMA will no longer reimburse expenses related to Schools PPE.) Staff will continue to evaluate all funding opportunities and will utilize other sources if they become available.

## **Expenses to be Pursued for FEMA Reimbursement**

Expenses to be pursued for FEMA reimbursement are currently estimated at \$\frac{\$66 \text{ million}}{2021}\$. The projections for each category are included below and have been updated based on year-to-date actuals. FEMA has approved the three reimbursement requests submitted by the County for a total of \$8.21 million. At the time of these submissions, FEMA was reimbursing 75% of expenses and the County received \$6.15 million in revenue. President Biden signed an Executive Order directing FEMA to reimburse expenses at 100%. Therefore, the County expects to receive the remaining 25% in April 2021. The local cost share set aside in the General Fund Pandemic Reserve has been eliminated. An additional reimbursement request totaling \$3.3 million has also been submitted and the reimbursement request for Non-Congregate Sheltering will be submitted by the end of March 2021. As reimbursement claims are submitted and as reimbursements are received, this table will continue to be updated.

Communications			
Estimated Expenses: \$800,000	Spent/Encumbered	Reimbursements	Reimbursements
	Year-to-Date:	Submitted:	Received:
	\$582,448	\$446,042	\$0

Expenses for communication and enforcement by State, territorial, local, and Tribal governments of public health orders related to COVID-19.

Disinfection (Products and Contracts)			
Estimated Expenses: \$2,500,000	Spent/Encumbered	Reimbursements	Reimbursements
	Year-to-Date:	Submitted:	Received:
	\$1,969,665	\$897,114	\$672,589

Expenses for disinfection of public areas and other facilities in response to the COVID-19 public health emergency.

The County transitioned to Single Point Ordering (SPO) on April 6, 2020 through the Department of Procurement and Material Management (DPMM). The Logistics Center is currently operating at approximately 160% of storage capacity, with additional PPE shipments scheduled to arrive within the coming days and weeks. The Burke Station Road location is now being used as a secondary containment site and will be filled to storage capacity soon due to current CNC protocols (Consolidate and Compress) currently taking place at the Logistics Center. Staff continues to implement CNC protocols, and have identified 2 items that could help with space management if an active directive is given to apply the (KN-95's and medical gowns) procured solution to current planning strategies.

Currently stocked in the Logistics Center are the following items which staff anticipates to continue sourcing due to the necessity to disinfect multiple surfaces and touch points, especially as County facilities and services continue to increase in availability.

Disinfectant wipes, containers 6,931

Sanitizing spray, bottles 7,718

Hand sanitizer gel (total oz.) 592,680 oz.

#### **Emergency Operations Center/Health Department Operations Center**

Estimated Expenses: \$800,000 Spent/Encumbered Year-to-Date: \$237,888 Reimbursements Submitted: \$0 \$0

Emergency medical response expenses related to COVID-19 - including Emergency Operations Center costs.

Jail Support				
Estimated Expenses: \$100,000	Spent/Encumbered	Reimbursements	Reimbursements	
	Year-to-Date:	Submitted:	Received:	
	\$5,737	\$0	\$0	

COVID-19-related expenses of maintaining county jails as relates to sanitation and improvement of social distancing measures, to enable compliance with COVID-19 public health precautions.

Law Enforcement/Security			
Estimated Expenses: \$1,400,000	Spent/Encumbered	Reimbursements	Reimbursements
	Year-to-Date:	Submitted:	Received:
	\$884,854	\$0	\$0

Law Enforcement and Security related to enhanced security for County facilities or COVID-related events, including uniformed or contract services.

Medical Expenses			
Estimated Expenses: \$1,500,000	Spent/Encumbered	Reimbursements	Reimbursements
	Year-to-Date:	Submitted:	Received:
	\$721,070	\$0	\$0

COVID-19 related expenses of clinics and similar facilities. Costs of providing COVID-19 testing, including serological testing. Emergency medical response and medical transport expenses.

<b>Expenses to be Pursued for FEMA Reimbursement</b>			
Non-Congregate Sheltering			
Estimated Expenses: \$27,000,000	Spent/Encumbered Year-to-Date: \$22,799,888*	Reimbursements Submitted: \$0	Reimbursements Received: \$0

Expenses for care for homeless populations provided to mitigate COVID-19 effects and enable compliance with COVID-19 public health precautions.

\*This figure is also included in the combined spending total on page 11 as multiple funding sources are being used to fund this program and final allocations may vary.

Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)			
Estimated Expenses: \$13,000,000	Spent/Encumbered Year-to-Date: \$10,970,972	Reimbursements Submitted: \$10,172,718	Reimbursements Received: \$5,147,564

Expenses for acquisition and distribution of medical and protective supplies, including personal protective equipment.

Since the County transitioned to Single Point Ordering (SPO) on April 6, 2020, and even before, the Department of Procurement and Material Management (DPMM) began sourcing critically needed PPE and cleaning supplies.

The County Logistics Center has pivoted its services to support the SPO efforts and is receiving, storing, and delivering the items in response to County agencies' Requests for Assistance placed through the Office of Emergency Management.

At this time, there is a variety of needed items in stock at the Logistics Center. The most critically needed PPE items remain respirator masks for first responders and protective nitrile gloves.

First responders are actively being fit tested for additional respirator models that have become more readily available. As such, fit testing kits and supplies continue to be needed in large quantities.

Currently stocked in the Logistics Center are the following items which staff anticipates will fulfill requests for assistance for the next several weeks to months, depending upon the actual items and the rate at which they are being "burned," or used.

Respirator masks	576,248	Protective "dust" masks	642.423
Surgical masks	333,060	Cloth masks	116,485
Medical gowns	537,030	Protective nitrile gloves	768,000
Safety goggles	5,094		

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Sourcing these and other critical items continues to be challenging, however, over time, DPMM has established critically helpful relationships with multiple vendors and suppliers, which has led to the ability to establish timed allocation orders for some items so that storage challenges can be mitigated. Although DPMM is beginning to experience some stabilization in the supply chain, for a few items pricing remains volatile and higher than pre-pandemic levels. Gloves, which are a very high use item, continue to be priced nearly 5 times higher than pre-pandemic prices and have become very difficult to source.

Estimated expenses for PPE are expected to increase and could reach over \$20 million, with most of these additional costs attributable to N-95 respirator masks and gloves. Staff continues to track burn rates and has projected needs through calendar year-end. These projections assume that viral spread will continue in the current trajectory. They will be revised as needed.

Response Overtime/Supplies				
Estimated Expenses: \$2,900,000	Spent/Encumbered Year-to-Date: \$1,951,130	Reimbursements Submitted: \$0	Reimbursements Received: \$0	

Overtime 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. In addition, expenses for public safety measures.

Contact Tracing			
Estimated Expenses: \$12,000,000	Spent/Encumbered Year-to-Date: \$0	Reimbursements Submitted: \$0	Reimbursements Received: \$0

FEMA may consider COVID-19 contact tracing an emergency protective measure eligible for Public Assistance funding if all other funding streams specifically dedicated to contact tracing have been exhausted. Since the County has expended all funding provided by the Virginia Department of Health for contact tracing, staff will pursue FEMA reimbursement. If additional federal or state funding becomes available to specifically address contact tracing, this funding will be utilized before requesting FEMA reimbursement.

	Mass Va	ccination	
Estimated Expenses: \$4,000,000	Spent/Encumbered Year-to-Date: \$40,679	Reimbursements Submitted: \$0	Reimbursements Received: \$0

FEMA will reimburse the County for 100 percent of allowable costs incurred for mass vaccination efforts. Examples of allowable costs include leasing facilities or equipment to administer and store the vaccine, staffing and training support, and technology needed to register

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and track vaccine administration. It is expected that this funding, along with funding provided by the state, will be sufficient to cover the County's costs for mass vaccination.

A total of <u>\$265.3 million</u> has been awarded, or is anticipated to be awarded, to the County or Fairfax County Public Schools to support pandemic response efforts. It should be noted that many of these awards had an expiration of December 30, 2020 – consistent with the original Coronavirus Relief Fund deadline. Many of these dates have been verbally extended by the grantor; however, staff are still working on getting formal written documentation. This table will be updated once revised award documentation has been received.

WIOA Rapid Response			
Funding Amount:	Status:	Board Notification:	
\$396,208	Awarded	Accept Board Item on April 14, 2020	

The rapid response funding, through the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA), will provide layoff aversion funding to local businesses during the COVID-19 national emergency.

CARES Act Provider Relief Fund		
Funding Amount: \$699,387	Status: Awarded	Board Notification: Funding included in the April 24, 2020 memo to the Board and was approved as part of the FY 2020 Third Quarter Review

Funding was allocated based on the Medicare fee-for-service reimbursements received for EMS ambulance transport in 2019. Funding will be used to prevent, prepare for, and respond to coronavirus, and to reimburse the County for health care-related expenses.

<b>Emergency Solutions Grant COVID-19</b>		
Funding Amount:	Status:	Board Notification: Funding included in the April 24, 2020 memo
\$1,699,586	Awarded	to the Board and was approved as part of the
		FY 2020 Third Quarter Review
Funding Amount:	Status:	Board Notification:
\$6,581,782	Awarded	Accept Board Item on July 28, 2020

Funding will primarily be used to create additional emergency shelter capacity, including new isolation and quarantine shelter beds, in local hotels. Staff is also exploring whether it is cost effective to utilize the ESG dollars to implement Rapid Rehousing strategies in an effort to quickly transition individuals and families into permanent housing with appropriate supports.

Other Funding Sources			
Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) – Coronavirus			
Funding Amount: \$3,506,542	Status: Awarded	Board Notification: Funding included in the April 24, 2020 memo to the Board and was approved as part of the FY 2020 Third Quarter Review	
\$4,850,209	Awarded	Funding was included in the FY 2021 Mid-Year Review	

The CDBG program seeks to stimulate the development and preservation of low- and moderate-income housing through the provision of loans, public facilities, and improvements directed toward conserving and upgrading low- and moderate-income neighborhoods. It also supports the provision of special outreach and assistance services to low- and moderate-income households. These funds will be used to provide emergency rent and utility assistance for households who have lost income due to COVID-19; organizational support for non-profit partners impacted by COVID-19; income replacement for affordable housing providers whose tenants are unable to pay their rent due to COVID-19; and administrative support, if needed, to implement and monitor these activities.

Domestic Violence Prevention and Services Grant - CARES Act		
Funding Amount: \$30,401	Status: Awarded	Board Notification: Award Processed Administratively
\$10,000	Awarded	per Grant Policy Award Processed Administratively
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Funding of \$30,401 will be used to implement technology enhancements/software service to support the 24-hour Domestic and Sexual Violence Hotline Services. These improvements are needed to support remote hotline operations, allow more functional routing of calls and simultaneous calls.

Funding of \$10,000 will be used to reproduce six new versions of videos previously produced that provide information and support to victims of domestic violence during COVID-19. Each video will be reproduced with subtitles in the following languages: Spanish, Arabic, Vietnamese, Korean or Chinese and each will be reproduced with English closed captions.

Programs Administered as part of the Area Agency on Aging		
Funding Amount:	Status:	Board Notification:
\$2,141,122	Awarded	Accept Board Item on June 9, 2020

Pass through funding from the Virginia Department for Aging and Rehabilitative Services as a result of funding made available to address the COVID-19 pandemic for programs administered as part of the Area Agency on Aging will be used to support nutrition services including home delivered meals and congregate meals, community-based services such as grocery shopping,

medication pick-up, family caregiver support, and training associated with the Long-Term Care Ombudsman program.

Community Services Block Grant (CSBG)		
Funding Amount:	Status:	Board Notification:
\$874,520	Awarded	Accept Board Item on June 23, 2020

Funding will be used to increase emergency food distribution to clients earning 200 percent of Federal Poverty Level or below through Food for Others' community partners and mobile emergency food distribution. Clients will not be required to travel to the Food for Others warehouse in Merrifield. The mobile program will also provide choice for customers, allowing them to select items they need on Food for Others' website.

WMATA CARES Credit (Connector)		
Funding Amount: \$26,000,000	Status: Anticipated	Board Notification: Funding was approved as part of the FY 2020 Carryover Review

The County has received notification from WMATA of \$26.0 million in funding from the Federal Transit Administration being made available through the CARES Act. This funding is intended to provide support to local transit agencies, with WMATA being the pass-through organization. In order to provide this funding to the County, WMATA will apply \$26 million as a credit towards the County's first payment in FY 2021. These funds can be used for costs incurred as far back as January 20, 2020 and do not expire. Furthermore, this funding can be utilized to offset revenue losses. This funding was recognized as part of the *FY 2020 Carryover Review*.

Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) Fund		
		Board Notification:
		These funds were included in the County's
Funding Amount:	Status:	appropriations for Schools funds as part of the
\$21,691,840	Awarded	FY 2020 Carryover Review (as with other
		adjustments approved by the School Board as part
		of their adoption of the Schools FY 2021 budget)

Funds received were included in the Schools FY 2021 Approved Budget. Funding was allocated to provide remote learning support, mental health services and supports, supplies and training for cleaning and sanitation, providing resources to support intervention, and providing principals and other school leaders with resources to address school needs. The allocation of CARES Act funding includes an allocation for the City of Fairfax and federally-mandated private school equitable services. The award period for CARES ESSER funding allows for the expenditure of funds from March 13, 2020-September 30, 2022.

Other Funding Sources			
CARES Coronavirus Relief Funds State Allocation for Schools			
Funding Amount: \$32,215,943	Status: Awarded	Board Notification: These funds will be included in the County's appropriations for Schools funds as part of the <i>FY 2021 Third Quarter Review</i> (as with other adjustments approved by the School Board as part of their Mid-Year Review)	

On October 8, 2020, Governor Ralph Northam announced a new allocation of more than \$220 million in federal Coronavirus Aid, Recovery, and Economic Security (CARES) Act dollars to help K-12 public schools in Virginia. The funding will support COVID-19 preparedness and response measures for the 2020-2021 school year, including testing supplies, personal protective equipment, sanitization, and technology for distance learning. Funding was distributed to all 132 public school districts using an allocation formula of \$175 per pupil based on fall enrollment, with a minimum of \$100,000 for each school division. FCPS' allocation, including City of Fairfax totals \$32.2 million. The eligibility period for this funding is through December 30, 2020.

Coronavirus Emergency Supplemental Funding Program Solicitation FY 2020 Formula Grant Solicitation		
Funding Amount:	Status:	Board Notification:
\$404,297	Awarded	Accept Board Item on July 14, 2020

Funding has been awarded for two Police Department initiatives: 1) to assist Fairfax County Police Department with regular salary personnel that were reassigned to assist in prevention, preparation and response efforts to coronavirus for up to two years, and 2) conducting a case study with George Mason University on preventing, preparing, and responding to COVID-19 and the impacts on Fairfax County Police Department.

COVID-19 Emergency Funding Support Grant		
Funding Amount: \$75,000	Status: Awarded	Board Notification: Award Processed Administratively per Grant Policy

Virginia Housing (formerly Virginia Housing Development Authority) has allocated funding to the Fairfax County Redevelopment and Housing Authority (FCRHA) to cover staff salaries to allow for continued housing operations during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Other Funding Sources			
Virginia Department of Health – Contact Tracing			
Funding Amount: \$11,390,256	Status: Awarded	Board Notification: Funding was included in the revised FY 2020 Carryover Review recommendation to the Board in September 2020 and was approved as part of the FY 2020 Carryover Review	
\$3,132,285	Awarded	Funding was included in the revised FY 2021 Mid- Year Review recommendation to the Board in January 2021 and was approved as part of the FY 2021 Mid-Year Review	

The Virginia Department of Health has provided \$14.5 million to support the County's contact tracing program. This funding will be in lieu of the state hiring case and contact interview staff for the County. The Memorandum of Understanding between the state and County has been fully executed. The state originally provided \$11.4 million in funding but approved the County's request for an additional \$3.1 million. This additional funding will free up funding allocated in the County's Coronavirus Relief Fund, Contact Tracing Program for other uses. All of the funding must be spent by December 30, 2020.

State Funded COVID-19 Testing - CARES Act		
Funding Amount: \$2,028,035	Status: Awarded	Board Notification: Funding was included in the revised <i>FY 2020</i> Carryover Review recommendation to the Board in September 2020 and was approved as part of the <i>FY 2020 Carryover Review</i>

The Virginia Department of Health has provided targeted funding for increased Community Testing, to support Health Department testing activities and capacity through December 30, 2020. The Memorandum of Understanding between the state and County has been fully executed.

Other Funding Sources			
COVID-19 Health Department Lab - PPP and Health Care Enhancement Act			
Funding Amount: \$5,043,548 \$11,694,695 (est.) \$16,738,243	Status: Awarded	Board Notification: The \$5.0 million in funding was included in the revised FY 2021 Mid-Year Review recommendation to the Board in January 2021 and was approved as part of the FY 2021 Mid-Year Review; the \$11.7 million in funding will either be an Accept Board item or quarterly review, depending on the timing of the formal execution of the MOU	

The Virginia Department of Health has indicated that funding in support of the Health Department Lab will be funded through the state's Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF) allocation (\$5.0 million) and the Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity (ELC) allocation (\$11.7 million). Unless prohibited by unanticipated constraints, funding will be targeted for: 1) additional laboratory testing equipment and supplies; 2) staff salary for positions targeted to increase laboratory testing capacity. The initial Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the state and County for the \$5.0 million has been fully executed; however, the County expects to receive an amended MOU from the state extending the award period. The state has delayed the ELC funding stream; however, it is anticipated that funding will be retroactive to January 2021 and will cover a 30-month period.

Head Start/Early Head Start Child Care Partnership and Expansion		
Funding Amount: \$627,468	Status: Awarded	Board Notification: Apply/Accept Board Item on July 28, 2020

Funding has been requested to provide technology, mental health services, and personal protective equipment (PPE) supplies for the Head Start, Early Head Start, and Early Head Start Child Care Partnership and Expansion grants. The funding amount was allocated proportionally to all grants based on federal funded enrollment levels as required by the CARES Act.

Other Funding Sources			
SAMHSA COVID-19 Emergency Grant			
Funding Amount: \$139,735	Status: Awarded	Board Notification: Funding was included in the revised FY 2020 Carryover Review recommendation to the Board in September 2020 and was approved as part of the FY 2020 Carryover Review	

Funding will be used for two contracted peer support specialists to assist with the Fairfax-Falls Church Community Services Board's ongoing outreach efforts and resource navigation services for individuals with substance use disorder (including opioid use disorder) leaving the Adult Detention Center and individuals referred for services who recently overdosed or relapsed because of challenges related to COVID-19.

Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program - COVID-19 Supplemental		
Funding Amount: \$78,739	Status: Awarded	Board Notification: Award Processed Administratively per Grant Policy

Funding has been awarded to the Fire and Rescue Department for the purchase of PPE and related supplies, including reimbursements, to prevent, prepare for, and respond to coronavirus.

Employee Child Care Center – CARES Act		
Funding Amount: \$15,000	Status: Awarded	Board Notification: Award Processed Administratively per Grant Policy
\$15,000	Awarded	Award Processed Administratively per Grant Policy
\$12,900	Awarded	Award Processed Administratively per Grant Policy

Funding has been awarded to the Department of Neighborhood and Community Services for the Employee Child Care Center to help child care providers remain open to provide child care for children of essential personnel during the state of emergency declared by Governor Northam in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Other Funding Sources			
2020 Federal Election – CARES Act			
Funding Amount: \$432,837	Status: Awarded	Board Notification: Funding was included in the revised <i>FY 2020</i> Carryover Review recommendation to the Board in September 2020 and was approved as part of the <i>FY 2020 Carryover Review</i>	

Grant funds will be used for additional costs associated with the national emergency related to coronavirus, and are to be spent to prevent, prepare for, and respond to coronavirus for the 2020 Federal election cycle. Staff is currently determining the totality of requirements needed for the upcoming election and will then determine on how best to allocate this funding, along with requesting appropriate CRF funding in addition to the funding set aside in the General Fund.

SSG Funding City of Manassas – Coronavirus Relief Fund		
Funding Amount: \$157,500	Status: Awarded	Board Notification: Funding was included in the FY 2021 Mid-Year Review.

The Department of Family Services is the One-Stop Operator for the Northern Virginia Workforce Development Area. This area is comprised of the counties of Fairfax, Prince William, and Loudoun, and the cities therein. As the One-Stop Operator for this region, DFS operates and manages various employment programs assisting job seekers with occupational training and job placement assistance. The SkillSource Group, Inc. (SSG) has awarded funding to DFS to provide jobseeker services to residents within the City of Manassas, using Federal Coronavirus Relief Funds awarded to SSG by that jurisdiction from the Commonwealth of Virginia. These funds will provide employment and training programs for City of Manassas residents who have been furloughed or laid off due to the public health emergency.

Other Funding Sources			
SSG Funding Prince William County – Coronavirus Relief Fund			
Funding Amount: \$324,000	Status: Awarded	Board Notification: Funding was included in the revised FY 2020 Carryover Review recommendation to the Board in September 2020 and was approved as part of the FY 2020 Carryover Review	
\$76,833	Awarded	Funding was included in the revised <i>FY 2021 Mid-Year Review</i> recommendation to the Board in January 2021 and was approved as part of the <i>FY 2021 Mid-Year Review</i>	

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SSG Funding City of Manassas Park – Coronavirus Relief Fund		
Funding Amount: \$25,000	Status: Awarded	Board Notification: Award Processed Administratively per Grant Policy

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Re-Employing Virginians Educational Vouchers – Coronavirus Relief Fund		
Funding Amount:	Status:	Board Notification:
\$1,500,000	Awarded	Accept Board Item on December 1, 2020

The Governor has authorized funding from the state's Coronavirus Relief Fund to address the economic impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic including the loss of employment for workers.

Funding is being provided by the Virginia Community College System for training vouchers to be used for any eligible training provider in one of the following training programs: Information Technology, Manufacturing and Skilled Trades, Healthcare, Early Childhood Education, or Public Safety. The County will obligate short-term training dollars for these high demand fields up to \$1,000 per eligible individual. The state has extended this funding to December 1, 2021.

COVID-19 Mass Vaccination Campaign		
Funding Amount:	Status:	Board Notification:
\$500,000	Awarded	Accept Board Item on December 1, 2020
Funding Amount: \$678,000	Status: Preliminary Award	Depending on Formal Execution of the MOU, either an Accept Board item or Quarterly Review

<sup>\*\*</sup> A second grant award has been received totaling \$0.7 million since the January 2021 update memorandum \*\*

On October 23, 2020, the Governor announced funding from the state's Coronavirus Relief Fund will be used to create a statewide program to distribute the COVID-19 vaccine. Funding has been provided to support local health districts in preparing for mass vaccination efforts. Funding will specifically be used to purchase equipment and supplies to support storage and transport of vaccines at required temperatures, other equipment and supplies needed to hold mass vaccination events, and messaging in support of vaccination. Funding has been fully expended. The state has indicated that an additional \$0.7 million in support of vaccination efforts will be provided. The County has not yet received the Memorandum of Understanding between the state and the County for the new funding.

Virginia Department of Health – Community Health Workers		
Funding Amount: \$2,657,661	Status: Awarded	Board Notification: Funding was included in the revised <i>FY 2021 Mid-Year Review</i> recommendation to the Board in January 2021 and was approved as part of the <i>FY 2021 Mid-Year Review</i>
Funding Amount: \$337,000	Status: Preliminary Award	Depending on Formal Execution of the MOU, either an Accept Board item or Quarterly Review

<sup>\*\*</sup> A second grant award has been received totaling \$0.3 million since the January 2021 update memorandum.\*\*

The Virginia Department of Health has provided \$2.7 million to support the Community Health Workers who are collaborating with the contact tracing teams, the Health Department Outreach Team, and the community to provide culturally competent supports and communication to individuals and families in following COVID-19 related self-isolation or quarantine protocols. Funding has been fully expended. The state has indicated that an additional \$0.3 million in

support of community health workers will be provided. The County has not yet received the Memorandum of Understanding between the state and the County for the new funding. Funding for the Community Health Workers was originally allocated from the County's Coronavirus Relief Fund, Contact Tracing Program; however, this new funding will free up the County's resources for other uses.

#### **COVID-19 Office of Environmental Health Services (OEHS) Enforcement - CARES Act**

Funding Amount: \$91,428	Status: Awarded	Board Notification: Award Processed Administratively per Grant Policy
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The Virginia Department of Health has provided funding for receiving, tracking and investigating complaints related to COVID-19 Executive Order compliance for businesses and individuals. The information gathered will be used to direct communications with businesses and the public in response to complaints received. The state has indicated that this funding will be extended through December 2021 but the County has not yet received the amended Memorandum of Understanding.

COVID-19 Epidemiologist Positions – CARES Act			
Funding Amount: \$0 \$109,496	Status: Rolled into ELC Grant	Board Notification: NA	

The Virginia Department of Health has provided funding to pay for additional COVID-19 epidemiologists who will assist with interpreting program policies and procedures, provide training, monitoring, reviewing and entering data, and providing reports, as needed. The Memorandum of Understanding between the state and County has not yet been fully executed. Funding must be expended by December 30, 2020. The state has indicated that additional funding will be identified to continue this program through November 2022. The state has indicated that this funding will be rolled into the \$11.7 million allocation from the Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity (ELC) grant discussed above.

Utility Relief Program, County – State Coronavirus Relief Fund			
Funding Amount: \$1,468,639	Status: Awarded	Board Notification: Funding was included in the revised <i>FY 2021 Mid-Year Review</i> recommendation to the Board in January 2021 and was approved as part of the <i>FY 2021 Mid-Year Review</i>	

The Commonwealth has appropriated \$100 million of its Coronavirus Relief Funds to provide financial assistance to utility customers. A portion of this appropriation is allocated to the COVID-19 Municipal Utility Relief Fund Program. Under this Program, the Commonwealth will make funds available to qualifying municipal utilities so that the municipal utilities can

provide financial assistance to customers who cannot pay their utility bills due to economic hardships caused by the COVID-19 pandemic. This funding represents the amount awarded to Fairfax County. Funding must be expended by December 31, 2021.

Utility Relief Program, Other Municipalities – State Coronavirus Relief Fund		
Funding Amount: \$943,266	Status: Awarded	Board Notification: Funding was included in the revised <i>FY 2021 Mid-Year Review</i> recommendation to the Board in January 2021 and was approved as part of the <i>FY 2021 Mid-Year Review</i>

The Commonwealth has appropriated \$100 million of its Coronavirus Relief Funds to provide financial assistance to utility customers. A portion of this appropriation is allocated to the COVID-19 Municipal Utility Relief Fund Program. Under this Program, the Commonwealth will make funds available to qualifying municipal utilities so that the municipal utilities can provide financial assistance to customers who cannot pay their utility bills due to economic hardships caused by the COVID-19 pandemic. However, each municipal utility within the County's jurisdiction will need to partner with the County to act as the utility's fiscal agent to receive funds. This funding represents the amounts awarded to Fairfax Water (\$843,852), the Town of Vienna (\$49,290) and the Town of Herndon (\$50,124). Funding must be expended by December 30, 2020.

Emergency Rental Assistance		
Funding Amount:	Status:	Board Notification:
\$34,463,869	Awarded	Accept Board Item on February 23, 2021

The Consolidated Appropriations Act passed by Congress in late December 2020 includes \$25 billion to assist households that are unable to pay rent and utilities due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The U.S. Department of the Treasury is administering the program and has calculated the County's portion of the program at just under \$34.5 million. Eligible households are defined as a renter household in which at least one or more individuals meets the following criteria:

- Qualifies for unemployment or has experienced a reduction in household income, incurred significant costs or experienced a financial hardship due to COVID-19;
- Demonstrates a risk of experiencing homelessness or housing instability; and
- Has a household income at or below 80 percent of the area median.

Staff are currently evaluating the specific program requirements to determine how best to meet the needs of County residents. While funding expires on December 31, 2021, 65 percent of the funds must be allocated no later than September 30, 2021. Beginning on September 30, 2021, the Department of the Treasury is required to recapture excess funds not obligated. These funds will then be reallocated to jurisdictions with a demonstrated need. The American Rescue Plan Act signed by President Biden on March 11, 2021 includes additional funding for the Emergency

Rental Assistance program. The County should again be a direct grant recipient from the Department of the Treasury and will receive 40 percent of the allocation within 60 days of enactment.

Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) II Fund		
		Board Notification:
		These funds will be included in the County's
Funding Amount:	Status:	appropriations for Schools funds as part of the
\$83,989,803	Awarded	FY 2021 Carryover Review (as with other
		adjustments approved by the School Board as part
		of their adoption of the Schools FY 2022 budget)

The Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations (CRRSA) Act was signed into law on December 27, 2020. The CRRSA Act includes \$54.3 billion for an Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) II Fund. The Virginia Department of Education received approximately \$939 million through the ESSER II Fund. Ninety percent of this award was distributed to school divisions based on their relative share of Title I, Part A funds. FCPS' allocation totals \$83.0 million and the City of Fairfax allocation totals \$1.0 million. The CRRSA Act includes all allowable uses of ESSER funds specified under the CARES Act. The additional uses of funds include addressing learning loss among students, School facility repairs and improvements to enable operation of schools to reduce risk of virus transmission and exposure to environmental health hazards, and to support student health needs. Planning for recommended expenditure levels is not yet completed.

Park Authority Child Care-CARES III Act		
Funding Amount: \$25,800	Status: Awarded	Board Notification: Award Processed Administratively per Grant Policy

<sup>\*\*</sup>This funding was awarded subsequent to the January 2021 update memorandum\*\*

Funding has been awarded to the Fairfax County Park Authority for the Lee District Preschool and Spring Hill Preschool to help each program remain open to provide child care as well as comply with COVID-19 health and safety requirements and emergency actions.

Other Funding Sources			
Fairfax County Supporting Return to School (SRS) - CARES III Act Grant			
Funding Amount: \$873,000	Status: Awarded	Board Notification: Funding will be included in the FY 2021 Third Quarter Review	

<sup>\*\*</sup>This funding was awarded subsequent to the January 2021 update memorandum\*\*

Funding has been awarded to the Department of Neighborhood and Community Services for the Supporting Return to School (SRS) program to help each SRS program site remain open to provide child care as well as comply with COVID-19 health and safety requirements and emergency actions.

Supplemental Nutrition Program		
Funding Amount: \$346,360	Status: Awarded	Board Notification: Depending on Formal Execution of the MOU, either an Accept Board item or Quarterly Review

<sup>\*\*</sup>This funding was awarded subsequent to the January 2021 update memorandum\*\*

Additional funding was included in the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021, for the Administration of Community Living. Funding through the Older Americans Act will specifically be used to support the County's Meals on Wheels program and the Congregate Meals program. Nutrition services are available to all persons aged 60 and older but are targeted at those with the greatest economic or social need, particularly low-income and minority persons, older individuals with limited English proficiency, and older persons residing in rural areas.

COVID-19 Vaccine Preparedness		
Funding Amount: \$1,015,759	Status: Preliminary Award	Board Notification: Depending on Formal Execution of the MOU, either an Accept Board item or Quarterly Review

<sup>\*\*</sup>This funding was awarded subsequent to the January 2021 update memorandum\*\*

The Virginia Department of Health has provided funding to plan for and implement COVID-19 vaccination services. This includes personnel to administer the COVID-19 vaccine and assist in all phases of vaccine distribution, planning, and storage.

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