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AGENDA ITEM #4C
November 10, 2020
**Discussion
Revised**

SUBJECT

Update on the Coronavirus Relief Fund

EXPECTED ATTENDEES

Richard Madaleno, Chief Administrative Officer
Dr. Earl Stoddard, Director, Office of Emergency Management and Homeland Security

COUNCIL DECISION POINTS & COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

None

DESCRIPTION/ISSUE

Status report on appropriations and expenditures from the Coronavirus Relief Fund

SUMMARY OF KEY DISCUSSION POINTS

- At its briefing on October 13 on the Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF), the Council asked for weekly updates regarding expenditures of CRF dollars.
- Updated expenditure data provided by the Executive Branch as of November 4 is attached.
- On November 9, the Executive Branch plans to submit additional documentation that includes an update of FEMA reimbursement submissions and status. Staff will circulate those materials when received and publish a revised staff report. **Added (11-9-20): This data is attached as part of this revised staff report on ©4-6.**

This report contains:

COVID Response Special Appropriations Status Update (November 4, 2020) ©1-3
Montgomery County Federal Aid Distribution Status Report (November 9, 2020) ©4-6

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COVID Response Special Appropriations

Resolution	Purpose	Source of Funds	Dept/NDA	Full Appropriation Amount	Revised Allocation	Amount Spent as of 11/4/2020	Amount Encumbered as of 11/4/2020	Total Spent and Encumbered as of 11/4/2020	Remaining Allocation	Status Notes (11/4)
19-407	Food Security - Manna Food	GF Reserves*	HHS	\$260,000	\$260,000	\$260,000	\$0	\$260,000	\$0	All funds dispersed
19-408	Hotel/Motel Rooms for Medical and Front Line Staff	GF Reserves*	Conference and Visitors Bureau NDA	\$250,000	\$250,000	\$37,700	\$0	\$37,700	\$212,300	Program is closed. Remaining funds in the appropriation can be repurposed.
19-409	PHEG Grant Program	GF Reserves*	Finance	\$20,000,000	\$20,000,000	\$20,000,000	\$0	\$20,000,000	\$0	All funds dispersed. Of total \$25M provided in the PHEG Grant Program (via Resolution 19-409 & 19-425), 6,751 total applications were received; 2,344 grants were awarded for a total of \$20,916,452 (includes \$646,125 in telework grants); Average grant award was \$8,923; and \$6.7 Million was awarded to 720 retail and restaurant establishments.
19-410	Hospital COVID Response Aid	GF Reserves	COVID-19 Hospital Response NDA	\$10,000,000	\$10,000,000	\$10,000,000	\$0	\$10,000,000	\$0	All funds dispersed
19-411	Emergency Assistance Relief Payment Program and Food Security	GF Reserves	COVID-19 Human Services and Community Assistance NDA	\$6,000,000	\$6,000,000	\$5,989,955	\$10,045	\$6,000,000	\$0	All funds dispersed or encumbered for Phases 1, 2, and 3.
19-425	PHEG Grant Program	GF Reserves*	Finance	\$5,000,000	\$916,452	\$876,452	\$40,000	\$916,452	\$0	There are four remaining PHEG grant awardees awaiting payment - two are currently being processed for payment; two are attempting to clear up IRS Federal Tax ID issues. Remaining funds have been repurposed by Council for the Reopen Montgomery Program (19-523).
19-426	Local PPE Production	GF Reserves*	MCEDC NDA	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$0	\$100,000	\$0	All funds dispersed.
19-427	PPE Purchase by DGS	GF Reserves*	DGS	\$250,000	\$250,000	\$250,000	\$0	\$250,000	\$0	All funds expended.
19-432	Emergency Eviction Prevention and Rental Assistance	GF Reserves	COVID-19 Human Services and Community Assistance NDA	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000	\$1,071,495	\$0	\$1,071,495	\$928,505	There were 494 Rental Assistance and Emergency Housing payments made as of 10/28/2020. The Department is now concentrating on using funds under 19-557 for this purpose, as those funds are Federal Funds, rather than County General Funds. An appropriation resolution will be forthcoming to allow for CRF dollars to be used for this appropriation.
19-437	Food Assistance/Security	GF Reserves*	COVID-19 Human Services and Community Assistance NDA	\$750,000	\$750,000	\$750,000	\$0	\$750,000	\$0	All funds dispersed
19-438	Telework Assistance Program - County Businesses	GF Reserves*	MCEDC NDA	\$250,000	\$250,000	\$250,000	\$0	\$250,000	\$0	All funds dispersed
19-439	Emergency Assistance Relief Payment Program	GF Reserves	COVID-19 Human Services and Community Assistance NDA	\$5,000,000	\$5,000,000	\$2,130,350	\$747,910	\$2,878,260	\$2,121,740	These funds are being used to implement Phase 4 of the EARP program which launched October 5, with expanded eligibility for awardees.
19-454	Telework Assistance Program - County Businesses	GF Reserves*	MCEDC NDA	\$1,250,000	\$791,000	\$791,000	\$0	\$791,000	\$0	Funds have been disbursed. The remaining \$459,000 was transferred to the 3R program per Council resolution 19-499.
19-490	Unemployment Insurance Outreach	GF Reserves	Worksource Montgomery NDA	\$40,000	\$40,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$40,000	The amended WorkSource Montgomery contract was finalized after the July expiration of the enhanced unemployment insurance (UI) benefits. Outreach efforts will be required if the Federal government reauthorizes enhanced UI benefits, and after the Maryland Department of Labor announces the availability of such enhanced UI benefits.
19-498	Coronavirus Relief Fund NDA - Montgomery County Government Operations	Federal Grant Funds	CRF NDA	\$80,000,000	\$51,890,000	\$11,940,996	\$0	\$11,940,996	\$39,949,004	The Revised Allocation amount reflects only the portion of the appropriation under 19-498 that was allocated for County government operations, and not for earlier appropriations initially funded with General Fund Reserves (those marked with an asterisk in this report). OMB, FIN, OEMHS, and OCA review County expenditures weekly to determine eligibility for CRF funding. Much of the remaining allocation will be used to provide funding to satisfy the local match requirement for FEMA eligible expenditures for operating expenditures, personnel costs, and hazard pay differential, and costs that may be disallowed by FEMA for reimbursement. The expenditure amount shown includes the local match requirement (\$7.8M) for the most recent reimbursement package sent to FEMA for \$31.1 million. Once the review on the remaining FEMA eligible expenditures is complete and expenditures have been submitted to FEMA, the the funds needed to satisfy the local funding match requirement will be moved to the CRF under the appropriation authority provided by Council, and any disallowed costs will be reviewed for CRF eligibility.
19-499	3R Program (Reopen, Relaunch, Reimagine) - Economic Development	Unused funds from 19-438 & 19-454	MCEDC NDA	\$500,000	\$500,000	\$47,000	\$142,000	\$189,000	\$311,000	The 3R applications are due November 5th. MCEDC is running this program in conjunction with the Reopen Montgomery program. To date MCEDC received 275 total applicants. The application close date is November 5th. EDC will begin approving grants beginning on Friday, November 6th.

COVID Response Special Appropriations, continued

Resolution	Purpose	Source of Funds	Dept/NDA	Full Appropriation Amount	Revised Allocation	Amount Spent as of 11/4/2020	Amount Encumbered as of 11/4/2020	Total Spent and Encumbered as of 11/4/2020	Remaining Allocation	Status Notes (11/4)
19-500	Early Care and Education Initiative Recovery Fund (assistance to childcare providers)	Federal Grant Funds	Early Care and Education Initiative NDA	\$10,000,000	\$10,000,000	\$10,000,000	\$0	\$10,000,000	\$0	All funds have been dispersed under this appropriation. In addition, \$267,888 in additional funds were awarded for this program under the ECEI NDA General Fund appropriation. For the grants awarded - 328 Family Childcare Providers received grants, 114 Center Childcare Providers received grants for a total of 442 grants.
19-506	Food Assistance/Security	Federal Grant Funds	COVID-19 Human Services and Community Assistance NDA	\$10,300,000	\$10,300,000	\$9,710,251	\$3,627,336	\$13,337,587	\$0	All of the funds under this appropriation will be expended by December - \$10 million of this appropriation is likely eligible for FEMA reimbursement with the \$300,000 in administrative costs paid for with CRF funds.
19-522	COVID-19 Arts Relief Fund	Federal Grant Funds	Arts and Humanities Council NDA	\$3,250,000	\$3,250,000	\$3,250,000	\$0	\$3,250,000	\$0	All funds disbursed.
19-523	Reopen Montgomery Initiative	Federal Grant Funds and Unused PHEG Funds	Economic Development Fund	\$14,000,000	\$14,000,000	\$654,961	\$2,073,099	\$2,728,060	\$11,271,940	To date, Reopen Montgomery has received 4,460 applications. After five lottery selections, there are now 805 approved applications in the total amount of \$2,728,060 from the 2,041 applicants who have submitted required documentation. Just over 900 submitted required documentation from the 10/29 lottery selection, approximately a 43% response rate.
19-524	Maryland Tech. Council - Business Continuity Task Force	Federal Grant Funds	County Executive's Office	\$250,000	\$250,000	\$0	\$250,000	\$250,000	\$0	The Technology Council of Maryland is designing and launching the Business Continuity Task Force Program. The funding is expected to be fully expended by year-end with the contract amendment that is being put into place.
19-535	Business Assistance for Medical and Dental Clinics	Federal Grant Funds	COVID-19 Human Services and Community Assistance NDA	\$3,000,000	\$3,000,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$3,000,000	A purchase order for \$500K for Montgomery Cares Community Clinics is being finalized. Once finalized, the network is prioritizing spending the COVID-19 special appropriation for MCares. COVID-19 related expenses that will be reimbursable are - Telehealth support (platform, licenses, language interpretation, etc.), PPE, Specialty Care, expanded Behavioral Health, medications, medical devices and rapid antigen test. For the \$2 million grant program, the Primary Care Coalition is under contract as subject matter experts to develop and review the applications, with input from County employees. The Latino Economic Development Corporation (LEDC) has been chosen to implement the online application portal, and will disburse funds to the grantees after appropriate County approvals. There will be an abbreviated application window and Finance is working with partners to do outreach and marketing for this program, with funds obligated by the end of the calendar year.
19-551	Assistance to Distressed, Affordable Common Ownership Communities	Federal Grant Funds	COVID-19 Human Services and Community Assistance NDA	\$2,025,000	\$2,025,000	\$0	\$170,000	\$170,000	\$1,855,000	This program is still in the open application window, which ends on Friday, November 6. To date, the interest in or need for this grant program, as indicated by the number of applications, is not high. DHCA expects to spend no more than \$120,000 in grants and \$50,000 on administration for a total of \$170,000 - this is the amount reflected in the encumbered column. DHCA will know the total amount needed for grants no later than November 12.
19-556	Permanent Supportive Housing for Veterans and Unsheltered Adults	Federal Grant Funds (\$118,335) / General Fund Reserves (\$236,665)	HHS	\$355,000	\$355,000	\$0	\$355,000	\$355,000	\$0	Funds have been encumbered and contract has been finalized. Vendor received Notice to Proceed October 23.
19-557	Rental Assistance and Eviction/Homelessness Prevention	Federal Grant Funds	COVID-19 Human Services and Community Assistance NDA	\$20,000,000	\$20,000,000	\$2,149,123	\$618,398	\$2,767,521	\$17,232,479	The application portal opened on September 9. As of October 27, 5,400 applications have been received and applications continue to be received.
19-560	Hospitality and Tourism Support	Federal Grant Funds	Conf. & Visitors Bureau NDA	\$200,000	\$200,000	\$108,988	\$0	\$108,988	\$91,012	Expenditures reflect services provided for September and October. The November invoice will be submitted in early December.
19-564	COVID-19 Support Mental Health Hotline (EveryMind)	Federal Grant Funds (\$300,000) / General Fund Reserves (\$95,000)	HHS	\$395,000	\$395,000	\$0	\$395,000	\$395,000	\$0	The contract was finalized and sent to the vendor on October 5, all funds have been encumbered.
19-565	Latino Health Initiative - Por Nuestra Salud y Bienestar	Federal Grant Funds (\$4,643,567) / General Fund Reserves (\$952,548)	COVID-19 Human Services and Community Assistance NDA	\$5,596,115	\$5,596,115	\$981,242	\$3,831,732	\$4,812,974	\$783,141	Project partners continue to concentrate their efforts on testing, case management, building the capacity of case managers through training, and community outreach and engagement.
19-582	African American Health Program COVID Response	Federal Grant Funds	COVID-19 Human Services and Community Assistance NDA	\$3,354,084	\$3,354,084	\$0	\$3,354,084	\$3,354,084	\$0	All funds for this initiative have been encumbered. The National Center for Children and Families (NCCF) is the fiscal agent for the project. Of the funds, an \$838,521 advance was sent to NCCF, and an invoice for \$111,000 was just received from NCCF and will shortly be applied to the purchase order for the project.

COVID Response Special Appropriations, continued

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19-589	Countywide Program - Youth Sports Initiative	Federal Grant (CUPF) (\$500,000)/General Fund Reserves (REC) (\$500,000)	CUPF / Recreation	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,000,000	CUPF has received five applications for assistance under this appropriation. CUPF staff are working with groups to try to find options that will work.
19-590	Youth Sports Initiative	Federal Grant Funds	COVID-19 Human Services and Community Assistance NDA	\$550,000	\$550,000	\$0	\$550,000	\$550,000	\$0	As of October 21, contract has been executed with Collaboration Council to implement program and funds are fully encumbered.
19-611	School-Age Child Care During Distance Learning	Federal Grant Funds	Early Care and Education Initiative NDA	\$7,687,000	\$7,687,000	\$1,105,293	\$0	\$1,105,293	\$6,581,707	School Age Child Care Subsidy: Applications to the program began to be accepted on October 5, 2020. As of November 4, 261 applications have been received from parents, 152 are approved representing 208 children approved for payment, 24 are waiting for customer response. Payments are expected to start being made in November when providers submit October invoices. School Age Provider Grants: 40 applications have been received from school age childcare providers, 18 have been approved and paid, and 17 have been denied. Child care programs that will not open full-day school-age child classrooms in MCPS schools, such as in-home child care and child care centers without a CUPF license, are not eligible for funds.

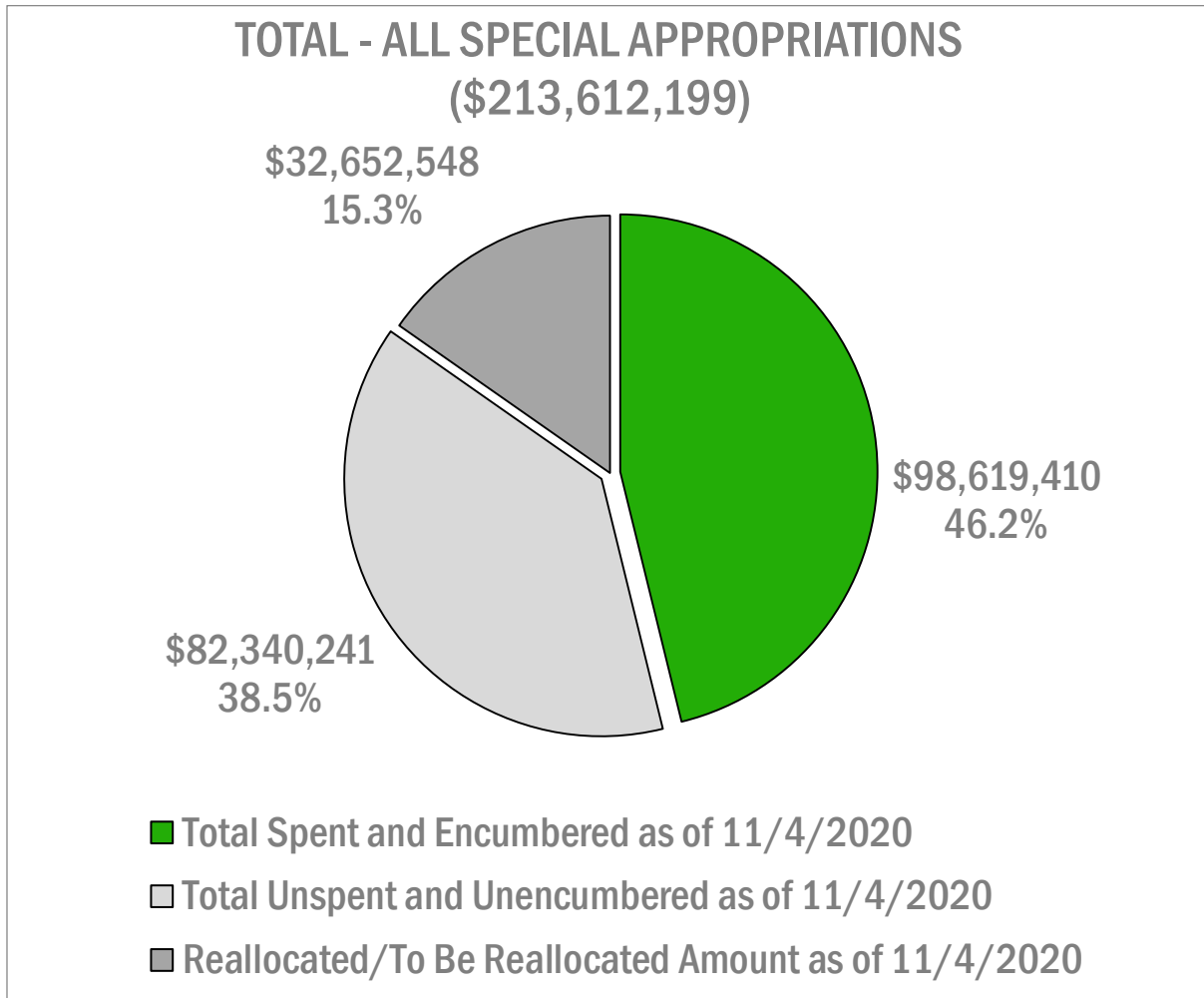
Note: * Denotes special appropriation that is eligible for CRF funding under 19-498

Montgomery County Federal Aid Distribution Status Report

As of: November 4, 2020

Coronavirus Response Special Appropriations Update:

Since the onset of the pandemic, the County Council has approved 32 Special Appropriations to address the needs of residents and businesses impacted by COVID-19. As the summary chart below indicates, \$213.6M has been appropriated in COVID-19 related special appropriations this calendar year. As of November 4, 2020, \$98.6M or 46.2% of the \$213.6M appropriated, has been spent or encumbered.



The chart below displays the special appropriations grouped by date of adoption and the time that has passed for implementation, and the percent that has been encumbered or expended as of November 4, 2020.

	Number of Appropriations	Full Appropriation Amount	Revised Allocation	Amount Spent as of 11/4/2020	Amount Encumbered as of 11/4/2020	Total Spent and Encumbered as of 11/4/2020	Percent of Revised Allocation Spent and Encumbered as of 11/4/2020*
Adopted >23 Weeks Ago	14	\$51,150,000	\$46,607,452	\$42,506,952	\$797,955	\$43,304,907	93%
Adopted 13-22 Weeks Ago	15	\$153,225,199	\$125,115,199	\$38,842,561	\$14,816,649	\$53,659,210	43%
Adopted <13 Weeks Ago	3	\$9,237,000	\$9,237,000	\$1,105,293	\$550,000	\$1,655,293	18%
Total- All Appropriations	32	\$213,612,199	\$180,959,651	\$82,454,806	\$16,164,604	\$98,619,410	54%

*Percent Spent and Encumbered is a percentage of the revised allocation amount.

The chart below displays each Special Appropriation and the amount and percent that has been encumbered or expended as of November 4, 2020.

Resolution	Adopted	Purpose	Full Appropriation Amount	Revised Allocation	Amount Spent as of 11/4/2020	Amount Encumbered as of 11/4/2020	Total Spent and Encumbered as of 11/4/2020	Percent of Revised Allocation Spent and Encumbered as of 11/4/2020*
19-407	3/31/2020	Food Security - Manna Food (\$260,000)	\$260,000	\$260,000	\$260,000	\$0	\$260,000	100%
19-408	3/31/2020	Hotel/Motel Rooms for Medical and Front Line Staff (\$250,000)**	\$250,000	\$250,000	\$37,700	\$0	\$37,700	15%
19-409	3/31/2020	PHEG Grant Program (\$20,000,000)	\$20,000,000	\$20,000,000	\$20,000,000	\$0	\$20,000,000	100%
19-410	3/31/2020	Hospital COVID Response Aid (\$10,000,000)	\$10,000,000	\$10,000,000	\$10,000,000	\$0	\$10,000,000	100%
19-411	3/31/2020	Emergency Assistance Relief Payment Program and Food Security (\$6,000,000)	\$6,000,000	\$6,000,000	\$5,989,955	\$10,045	\$6,000,000	100%
19-425	4/21/2020	PHEG Grant Program (\$5,000,000)	\$5,000,000	\$916,452	\$876,452	\$40,000	\$916,452	100%
19-426	4/21/2020	Local PPE Production (\$100,000)	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$0	\$100,000	100%
19-427	4/21/2020	PPE Purchase by DGS (\$250,000)	\$250,000	\$250,000	\$250,000	\$0	\$250,000	100%
19-432	4/28/2020	Emergency Eviction Prevention and Rental Assistance(\$2,000,000)	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000	\$1,071,495	\$0	\$1,071,495	54%
19-437	4/30/2020	Food Assistance/Security (\$750,000)	\$750,000	\$750,000	\$750,000	\$0	\$750,000	100%
19-438	4/30/2020	Telework Assistance Program - County Businesses (\$250,000)	\$250,000	\$250,000	\$250,000	\$0	\$250,000	100%
19-439	4/30/2020	Emergency Assistance Relief Payment Program (\$5,000,000)	\$5,000,000	\$5,000,000	\$2,130,350	\$747,910	\$2,878,260	58%
19-454	5/14/2020	Telework Assistance Program - County Businesses(\$1,250,000)	\$1,250,000	\$791,000	\$791,000	\$0	\$791,000	100%
19-490	6/9/2020	Unemployment Insurance Outreach (\$40,000)	\$40,000	\$40,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	0%
19-498	6/16/2020	Coronavirus Relief Fund NDA - Montgomery County Government Operations***	\$80,000,000	\$51,890,000	\$11,940,996	\$0	\$11,940,996	23%
19-499	6/16/2020	3R Program (Reopen, Relaunch, Reimagine) - Economic Development (\$500,000)	\$500,000	\$500,000	\$47,000	\$142,000	\$189,000	38%
19-500	6/16/2020	Early Care and Education Initiative Recovery Fund (assistance to childcare providers) (\$10,000,000)	\$10,000,000	\$10,000,000	\$10,000,000	\$0	\$10,000,000	100%
19-506	6/23/2020	Food Assistance/Security (\$10,300,000)	\$10,300,000	\$10,300,000	\$9,710,251	\$3,627,336	\$13,337,587	129%
19-522	7/7/2020	COVID-19 Arts Relief Fund (\$3,250,000)	\$3,250,000	\$3,250,000	\$3,250,000	\$0	\$3,250,000	100%
19-523	7/7/2020	Reopen Montgomery Initiative (\$14,000,000)	\$14,000,000	\$14,000,000	\$654,961	\$2,073,099	\$2,728,060	19%
19-524	7/7/2020	Maryland Tech. Council - Business Continuity Task Force (\$250,000)	\$250,000	\$250,000	\$0	\$250,000	\$250,000	100%
19-535	7/21/2020	Business Assistance for Medical and Dental Clinics (\$3,000,000)	\$3,000,000	\$3,000,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	0%
19-551	7/28/2020	Assistance to Distressed, Affordable Common Ownership Communities (\$2,025,000)	\$2,025,000	\$2,025,000	\$0	\$170,000	\$170,000	8%
19-556	7/28/2020	Permanent Supportive Housing for Veterans and Unsheltered Adults (\$355,000)	\$355,000	\$355,000	\$0	\$355,000	\$355,000	100%
19-557	7/28/2020	Rental Assistance and Eviction/Homelessness Prevention (\$20,000,000)	\$20,000,000	\$20,000,000	\$2,149,123	\$618,398	\$2,767,521	14%
19-560	7/28/2020	Hospitality and Tourism Support (\$200,000)	\$200,000	\$200,000	\$108,988	\$0	\$108,988	54%
19-564	7/28/2020	COVID-19 Support Mental Health Hotline (EveryMind) (\$395,000)	\$395,000	\$395,000	\$0	\$395,000	\$395,000	100%
19-565	7/28/2020	Latino Health Initiative - Por Nuestra Salud y Bienestar (\$5,596,115)	\$5,596,115	\$5,596,115	\$981,242	\$3,831,732	\$4,812,974	86%
19-582	8//4/2020	African American Health Program COVID Response (\$3,354,084)	\$3,354,084	\$3,354,084	\$0	\$3,354,084	\$3,354,084	100%
19-589	9/15/2020	Countywide Program - Youth Sports Initiative (\$1,000,000)	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	0%
19-590	9/15/2020	Youth Sports Initiative (\$550,000)	\$550,000	\$550,000	\$0	\$550,000	\$550,000	100%
19-611	9/29/2020	School-Age Child Care During Distance Learning (\$7,687,000)	\$7,687,000	\$7,687,000	\$1,105,293	\$0	\$1,105,293	14%

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2. FEMA Reimbursement Update:

A team of County employees has been formed to handle the documentation process that will occur over the next few months. The Federal Aid Reimbursement Submission (FARS) Team is actively working with department personnel to identify and gather the proper documentation for the County's emergency-related expenditures that were incurred in response to the pandemic, in the highly organized and detailed manner required by FEMA. The chart below displays the current progress of documenting and reviewing emergency-related expenditures.

Submission Number	Submission Description	Documented Amount as of 11/4/2020	Date transmitted/to be transmitted to submission review process	Estimated Date submitted to FEMA	Submitted to FEMA
1	Personal Protective Equipment and other related purchases by the Department of General Services from March -August	\$31.1M	9/1/2020	10/23/2020	\$31.1M 10/23/2020
2	Operating and Personnel Expenditures from various Departments excluding General Services March-August	\$33.4M	11/2/2020	Tentative 11/23/2020	
3	Personal Protective Equipment and other related purchases by the Department of General Services from September - October	\$6.1M	11/13/2020	Tentative 11/27/2020	
4	Personnel Expenditures from March-September	\$ -	12/1/2020	Tentative 12/22/2020	

Submission Notes:

1. On 10/23/2020 the Office of Emergency Management and Homeland Security submitted **\$31,131,571.06** for reimbursement for Personnel Protective Equipment and other related purchases by the Department of General Services from March-August 2020.