

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY GOVERNMENT OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET

May 18, 2020

Honorable Todd M. Turner, Chair Prince George's County Council 14741 Governor Oden Bowie, Drive, 2nd Floor Upper Marlboro, Maryland 20772

Dear Chair Turner:

Under the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act of 2020, Prince George's County received a direct allocation of Federal funds from the Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF) due to the County's population exceeding the 500,000 threshold. The County's allocation was \$158,670,549 based on the 2019 population estimate by the United States Census Bureau.

Under the CARES Act, State and local governments are limited to spending the CRF funds on costs that:

- are necessary expenditures incurred due to the public health emergency with respect to the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID–19);
- were not accounted for in the budget most recently approved as of March 27, 2020 (the date of enactment of the CARES Act) for the State or government; and
- were incurred during the period that begins on March 1, 2020 and ends on December 30, 2020.

The United States Department of Treasury has provided additional guidance on the eligible uses of CRF funds on April 22, 2020 and May 4, 2020. Of note, revenue replacement is not an eligible cost. In addition, State and local governments must reimburse the Federal Government for all ineligible costs paid for with CRF funds. The Administration continues to monitor any updates in guidance from the US Treasury.



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COVID-19 is an unprecedented global public health emergency that has impacted thousands of our residents and businesses in historic levels. The enclosed spending plan allocates funding across a variety of critical areas to assist in our response to and the mitigation of the impacts of COVID-19. The plan allocates funding to:

- The County's dedicated employees who are on the front lines of our response to COVID0-19;
- Contact tracing and testing of COVID-19 across our communities;
- County businesses impacted by COVID-19;
- The County's 27 municipalities to assist in their response to and mitigation of COVID-19;
- Acquire personal protective equipment (PPE);
- Make adjustments to County facilities to improve the safety of operations;
- Provide shelter and service needs to our homeless population;
- Provide housing assistance to those residents who may become at risk to eviction;
- · Provide financial assistance and food to individuals in need; and
- Other critical service needs caused by COVID-19.

If you have any questions, please contact me.

Respectfully,

Stanley A. Earley

Director

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