

Coronavirus Relief Fund Proposed Spend Plan

# Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act



- Congress passed a \$2.5 Trillion package to aid:
  - o Individuals & families
  - o Businesses
  - State & local governments through a variety of federal agencies, state, & direct local funding
- Established the Coronavirus Relief Fund = \$150 Billion
- Mecklenburg County received \$39.2 Million



# **Recap – Coronavirus Relief Fund Requirements**

#### • These payments may only be used to cover costs that:

- Are necessary expenditures incurred due to the public health emergency with respect to COVID-19
- Were not accounted for in the budget most recently approved as of March 27, 2020 (the date of the CARES Act enactment)

 $\odot$  Were incurred between March 1, 2020 and December 30, 2020

- Funds may not be used to replace revenues lost due to COVID-19
- Any funds not spent will be returned to Treasury





### **COVID 19 Related Costs To-Date**





Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF) Expenses							
Category & Proposal	COVID 19 Costs	CRF Eligible	Difference				
Employee & Facility Safety	\$3,139,000	\$2,974,000	\$165,000				
Housing & Homelessness	300,000	48,000	252,000				
Other*	1,576,000	1,576,000	-				
Public Health	2,527,000	988,000	1,539,000				
Small Business	5,500,000	-	5,500,000				
Personnel Costs	4,860,700	2,610,200	2,250,500				
Grand Total	\$17,902,700	\$8,196,200	\$9,706,500				

\*Other category includes the \$1.3M contribution to the Char-Mecklenburg Relief Fund, staff support, and FEMA consultation



### **COVID 19 Projected Future Costs**

Coronavirus Relief Fund Proposal						
Category	Current CRF Eligible	Future CRF Eligible	Total			
Employee & Facility Safety	\$2,974,000	\$4,868,300	\$7,842,300			
Housing & Homelessness	48,000	307,790	355,790			
Other	1,576,000	247,770	1,823,770			
Public Health	988,000	1,506,920	2,494,920			
Contingency	-	5,000,000	5,000,000			
Personnel Costs	2,610,200	3,915,300	6,525,500			
Sub-Total	\$8,196,200	\$15,846,125	\$24,042,280			
Remaining Investment	N/A	N/A	\$15,157,720			
Grand Total	N/A	N/A	\$39,200,000			



## **Proposed Funding Plan**

- \$15.2M remaining for investments in broad categories
- Factors impactful investments that can be made immediately and initiatives that will require additional planning
- Gives consideration to the towns and unincorporated areas
- Include investments that clearly aligns to the guidance and can be tracked for accounting purposes
- All investments must address COVID 19 and be fully spent by December 30, 2020
- Considers other funding sources available for COVID 19 Response
   O City of Charlotte = \$154.5M (CRF)
  - CMS \$33.6M (CARES Act)
  - CPCC = \$10.8M (CARES Act)
  - Elections = \$1.03M (State Legislative Funding)





### **Broad Categories – Targeted Investments**

#### **Community Response**

Assistance for individuals, families, and seniors impacted by COVID 19 (i.e,, rental & mortgage assistance, food & utilities assistance, workforce development)

#### **Economic Development**

Financial support to assists businesses with recovering from COVID 19

#### **Continuity of Operations**

Investments required to return the organization to full operations (i.e., PPE, facility modifications, technology)

#### **Emergency Response**

Investments to offset expenses incurred in response to COVID 19 (i.e., salaries, communications)



# **Examples of Immediate Investments**





Item	Description	Estimates
Towns, unincorporated areas & non-profits	Financial support for the towns, unincorporated areas, and nonprofits	\$2,785,000
General Assistance	Rental (\$1M) and utilities (\$500K) assistance	1,500,000
Food Security	Funding for food pantries throughout the County	1,000,000
PPE	Community wide distribution of Personal Protection Equip.	1,000,000
Serving Seniors During COVID 19 Task Force	Funding for grants to support seniors to ensure sufficient support in response to COVID 19. The grants will fund expenses such as: PPE, testing, cleaning sanitizers, counseling & mental health support, shields & screens	1,000,000
Community Engagement	Design strategies & initiatives for high risk populations	500,000
Senior Nutrition	Expansion of senior citizens nutrition program	300,000
Total		\$8,085,000
Total amount available for additional investments		\$15,157,391
Remaining amount available for planned investments		\$7,072,391



### Summary of the Towns & Nonprofit Requests

Item	Description	Estimates
Town of Matthews	<ul> <li>Reimbursement of expenses incurred and projection of costs through 12/30</li> <li>Mortgage, rental, and utility assistance</li> <li>Small business and non profit support</li> </ul>	\$484,000
Town of Huntersville	<ul> <li>Reimbursement of expenses incurred and projected through 12/30</li> <li>PPE, cleaning supplies, and technology</li> <li>Emergency response</li> </ul>	405,000
Town of Davidson	<ul> <li>Reimbursement of expenses incurred and projected through 12/30</li> <li>Return-to-Work Costs (Technology &amp; facility improvements)</li> </ul>	270,000
Town of Cornelius	<ul> <li>Reimbursement of expenses incurred and projected through 12/30</li> <li>PPE, cleaning supplies, public works, and technology</li> <li>Police stipend</li> </ul>	72,000
Town of Mint Hill	Funding for the reimbursement of cost incurred in response to COVID 19	53,000
Placeholder for Towns	Funding set aside for additional investments in the towns, unincorporated areas, and nonprofits	216,000
Total of Towns Request		\$1,500,000
Ada Jenkins Center	General assistance for mortgage, rent, & utilities.	\$750,000
Pineville Neighbor's Place	Funding for general assistance, such as mortgage, rent, and utilities	150,000
Matthew's Help Center	Funding for general assistance, such as mortgage, rent, and utilities	210,000
Servant's Heart of Mint Hill	Funding for general assistance, such as mortgage, rent, and utilities	175,000
Total of Nonprofits Request		\$1,285,000
Total		\$2,785,000

# Examples of Investments that Require Add'l Planning

- Digital Divide
- Housing assistance
- Investments in senior programs & supportive services, including assisted living facilities
- Small Business assistance
- Mental Health support
- Workforce Development
- Working Families







### **Next Steps**

- Provide feedback on the proposed Coronavirus Relief Fund spend plan

   Be mindful that all funds must be spent by December 30, 2020
   The Board will only have one regular meeting each month beginning in July September (summer schedule)
- Finalize the Coronavirus Relief Fund spend plan
- Identify vendors, review proposals for alignment to the CRF guidance, and draft & execute contracts
- Provide status updates to the Board on specific initiatives and briefings on new guidance
- Continue to assess other needs and bring back proposals for spending contingency
- Brief the Board on the planned investments at the next regular meeting (July 7<sup>th</sup>)





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