



**STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR**

CHRISTOPHER T. SUNUNU
Governor

July 17, 2020

Gerald Little
Director
Governor's Office of Emergency Relief and Recovery
100 North Main Street, Suite 100
Concord, N.H. 03301

Dear Director Little,

Pursuant to my authority under RSA 21-P:43; RSA 4:45; RSA 4:47; and Executive Order 2020-04, as extended by Executive Orders 2020-05, 2020-08, 2020-09, 2020-10, 2020-14, and 2020-15 I have approved your written request, in attachment, to take the following actions related to the CARES Act Coronavirus Relief Funds:

1. Transfer \$20,000,000 in Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act Funding to the New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) to support eviction prevention and permanent supportive housing to keep people from losing their housing and securing permanent housing, directly related to COVID-19. Budgeted consistent with the information in the request in attachment, effective through December 30, 2020. (100% Federal Funds)
2. Authorize DHHS to accept and expend \$20,000,000 from the GOFERR to support eviction prevention and permanent housing initiatives directly related to COVID-19. Budgeted consistent with the information in the request in attachment, effective through December 30, 2020. (100% Other Funds)

The Department of Administrative Services is authorized to take the actions necessary to effectuate this authorization.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Chitoh T. Sununu".

Christopher T. Sununu
Governor

CC Charles Arlinghaus, Commissioner, Department of Administrative Services
CC Lori Shibinette, Commissioner, Department of Health and Human Services



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EMERGENCY RELIEF AND RECOVERY

July 17, 2020

His Excellency, Governor Christopher T. Sununu
State House
Concord, NH 03301

REQUESTED ACTION UNDER RSA 21-P:43; RSA 4:45; RSA 4:47; AND EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-04 AS EXTENDED BY EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-05, 2020-08, 2020-09, 2020-10 AND 2020-14

Dear Governor Sununu,

- 1. The Governor's Office for Emergency Relief and Recovery (GOFERR) requests authority to transfer \$20,000,000 in Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act Funding to the New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) in support of the COVID-19 response efforts effective upon your approval through December 30, 2020. 100% Federal Funds.

Funds for the transfer payment are available in 01-02-002-020210 - Governor's Office for Emergency Relief & Recovery, 19110000 - Office of the Director, as follows:

085-588595 - Inter-Agency Transfer of Federal Funds FY 2020 \$20,000,000

- 2. Contingent on approval of Requested Action #1, authorize DHHS to accept and expend \$20,000,000 from the GOFERR to support eviction prevention and permanent housing initiatives directly related to COVID-19, effective upon your approval through December 30, 2020. 100% Other Funds.

Funds will be budgeted in FY2020 as follows:

Table with 4 columns: Class, Current FY20 Budget, Requested Action, Revised FY20 Budget. Rows include Housing - GOFERR Funds, Funding, 00D-488502 - Xfer of Fed Funds to Other State Agency, Total Funding, Expenditure Appropriations, 102-500731 - Contracts for Program Services, Total Expenditure Appropriations.

EXPLANATION

The Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) will distribute \$20 million in funds to support eviction prevention and permanent supportive housing to keep people from losing their housing and securing permanent housing, directly related to COVID-19. The Department will distribute this money by creating new contracts for eviction prevention with the five Community Action Program (CAP) Agencies that operate statewide: Community Action Partnership Strafford County, Tri

County Action Program, Community Action Program Belknap and Merrimack County, Southwestern Community Services and Southern New Hampshire Services.

Of the \$35 million allocated for the New Hampshire Housing Relief Program, the \$20 million referenced in the Requested Actions above will be initially expended, with \$15 million being held in reserve, for rent stabilization and housing support.

All CARES Act funds must be spent by the CAP agencies before December 30, 2020.

Respectfully submitted,



Gerald H. Little
Director, GOFERR