

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

October 20, 2020

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

Dear Director Caswell,

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, 2020-15, 2020-16, 2020-17, 2020-18, and 2020-20 I have approved your written request, in attachment, to take the following actions related to the CARES Act Coronavirus Relief Funds:

1. Authority to transfer funds from the following programs: New Hampshire Office of Strategic Initiatives (OSI) for The Connecting New Hampshire – Emergency Broadband Expansion Program for \$36,000,000; the New Hampshire Department of Revenue (DRA) for the Main Street Relief Fund (MSRF) and Self Employed Livelihood Fund (SELF) for \$15,000,000; the New Hampshire General Assistance Preservation (GAP) Fund for \$9,000,000 from Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act Funding. Budgeted consistent with the information in the request in attachment, effective through December 30, 2020. (100% Federal Funds)

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

Sincerely,

Christopher T. Sununu

Governor

CC: Charles Arlinghaus, Commissioner, Department of Administrative Services



STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE



GOVERNOR'S OFFICE

EMERGENCY RELIEF AND RECOVERY

October 19, 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, 2010-10, 2020-14, 2020-15, 2020-16, 2020-17, 2020-18 AND 2020-20

Dear Governor Sununu,

The Governor's Office for Emergency Relief and Recovery (GOFERR) requests authority to transfer funds from the following programs: New Hampshire Office of Strategic Initiatives (OSI) for The Connecting New Hampshire – Emergency Broadband Expansion Program for \$36,000,000; the New Hampshire Department of Revenue (DRA) for the Main Street Relief Fund (MSRF) and Self Employed Livelihood Fund (SELF) for \$15,000,000; the New Hampshire General Assistance Preservation (GAP) Fund for \$9,000,000 from Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act Funding. Effective upon your approval through December 30, 2020. 100% Federal Funds.

Funds will be transferred to 01-02-002-020210 – Governor's Office for Emergency Relief & Recovery, 19110000 – Office of the Director, as follows:

01-02-02-020110-19110000 OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR		
CLASS	ACCOUNT	TRANSFER REQUEST
072 – GRANTS FEDERAL	500575	\$60,000,000
	TOTAL EXPENSES	\$60,000,000
SOURCE OF FUNDS		
000 – FEDERAL FUNDS	400338	\$60,000,000
	TOTAL FUNDS	\$60,000,000

Funds remaining from the Emergency Broadband Expansion Program and available for this transfer are in:

01-02-02-024010-19270000 BROADBAND EXPANSION PROGRAM		
CLASS	ACCOUNT	TRANSFER REQUEST
072 – GRANTS FEDERAL	502627	\$36,000,000
	TOTAL EXPENSES	\$36,000,000
SOURCE OF FUNDS		
00D – TRANSFER OF FEDERAL FUNDS	488502	\$36,000,000
	TOTAL FUNDS	\$36,000,000

Funds remaining from the SELF program and available for this transfer are in:

05-84-084-840010 Revenue Administration - 19150000 SELF EMPLOYED LIVELIHOOD FUND		
CLASS	ACCOUNT	TRANSFER REQUEST
075 - GRANTS SUBSIDIES and RELIEF	500590	\$7,500,000
	TOTAL EXPENSES	\$7,500,000
SOURCE OF FUNDS		
00D - TRANSFER OF FEDERAL FUNDS	488502	\$7,500,000
	TOTAL FUNDS	\$7,500,000

Funds remaining from the MSRF program and available for this transfer are in:

05-84-084-840010 Revenue Administration - 19030000 MAIN STREET RELIEF FUND		
CLASS	ACCOUNT	TRANSFER REQUEST
075 - GRANTS SUBSIDIES and RELIEF	500590	\$7,500,000
	TOTAL EXPENSES	\$7,500,000
SOURCE OF FUNDS		
00D – TRANSFER OF FEDERAL FUNDS	488502	\$7,500,000
	TOTAL FUNDS	\$7,500,000

EXPLANATION

Previously, the Governor authorized the allocation and expenditure of \$50,000,000 for The Connecting New Hampshire – Emergency Broadband Expansion Program. Amend this authority to transfer \$50,000,000 from OSI to \$13,907,239 lapsing \$36,000,000 in remaining funds. Note, this is not the complete transfer of funds remaining to allow for closeout of this program.

Additionally, the Governor also authorized the allocation and expenditure of \$100,000,000 for the Self Employed Livelihood Fund (SELF) and \$400,000,000 for the Main Street Relief Fund (MSRF). There is \$9,193,642 remaining in the SELF program, and \$7,938,733 remaining in the MSRF program.

Amend this authority to transfer \$100,000,000 from DRA for the SELF program to \$92,500,000 lapsing \$7,500,000. Also, amend the authority to transfer \$400,000,000 from DRA from the MSRF program to \$392,500,000 lapsing \$7,500,000. Note, these transfers are not the complete transfer of remaining funds to allow closeout of these programs.

Lastly, the Governor further authorized the allocation and expenditure of \$29,400,000 for the NH General Assistance Preservation (GAP) Fund. Amend this authority to administer the NH GAP Fund Program from \$29,400,000 to \$20,400,000 lapsing \$9,000,000. This program was administered by Business Finance Authority (BFA), and disbursed by GOFERR.

Upon your approval, GOFERR will work with the Department of Administrative Services to return these funds. Returning these unused or excess appropriations to GOFERR will give the Governor the ability to reallocate these funds to new or existing programs to ensure they are expended before December 30, 2020.

Respectfully submitted,

Taylor Caswell Director, GOFERR