



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

**CHRISTOPHER T. SUNUNU**  
Governor

December 9, 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, 2020-20, 2020-21, and 2020-23 I have approved your written request, in attachment, to take the following actions related to the CARES Act Coronavirus Relief Funds:

1. Authority for the Governor's Office for Emergency Relief and Recovery (GOFERR) to make payments to eligible organizations for the NH Charities for Veteran Relief Program for veteran based charitable organizations to cover eligible COVID-19 related lost revenue incurred from March 1, 2020 to December 30, 2020. 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,

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

Christopher T. Sununu  
Governor

CC: Charles Arlinghaus, Commissioner, Department of Administrative Services



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GOVERNOR'S OFFICE

*for*

EMERGENCY RELIEF AND RECOVERY

December 9, 2020

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

**REQUESTED ACTION PURSUANT TO 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, 2020-20, 2020-21, AND  
2020-23**

Dear Governor Sununu:

1. The Governor's Office for Emergency Relief and Recovery (GOFERR) requests authority to make payments to eligible organizations for the NH Charities for Veteran Relief Program for veteran based charitable organizations to cover eligible COVID-19 related lost revenue incurred from March 1, 2020 to December 30, 2020. Effective upon your approval through December 30, 2020. 100% Federal Funds.

Funds for these payments are available in 01-02-002-020210 -19110000 – Office of the Director, as follows:

072 – 500575 – Grants Federal

FY 2021  
\$2,000,000

**Explanation**

The Governor has authorized the allocation and expenditure of \$2 million in CARES Act Coronavirus Relief Funds to assist 501(c) (3) organizations supporting New Hampshire veterans that have lost revenue as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic during March 1, 2020 through December 30, 2020. The losses resulted, in large part, from these charities' inability to engage in their typical fundraising practices as a result of pandemic response, which prohibited most large, in-person gatherings.

The program funding will be shared among eligible organization through an application process through which eligible charities submit information regarding their 2020 losses, and, based on a formula, receive a portion of those losses in the form of a grant.

Applications will only be accepted by charitable organizations that meet the eligible criteria. Individual Veterans in need of financial assistance to access services are not eligible for funds through this fund program. The funds are intended to assist charities

supporting veterans that have incurred losses as a result of COVID-19, funds are not meant to be distributed directly to individuals in need of services.

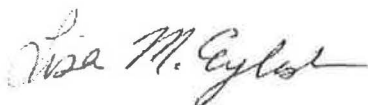
A "Veteran" is defined as a person who served in the military, naval or air service and who was discharged or released. This definition includes any military branch and all components. It does not take into consideration length of service, nature of service or discharge status. Only charities that dedicate 60% or more of their efforts toward supporting veterans are eligible for revenue replacement under this program.

The applicants will provide, among other information, their actual 2019 gross revenue, estimated 2020 gross revenue, and any prior CARES Act revenue-replacement funding, or other form of pandemic-related revenue replacement received from any source. From this information, the applicant's gross estimated 2020 revenue will be subtracted from their 2019 actual revenue, which will result in a gross 2020 loss for each entity. Then, any other revenue replacement relief received by the applicant will be subtracted, resulting in the net 2020 loss that will serve as the applicants "eligible amount" on which the GOFERR will base the award. Applicants will not receive in excess of their total losses from all sources.

The application period is from November 20, 2020 through Friday December 4, 2020.

All losses covered by CARES Act Funds must be incurred by the recipients before December 30, 2020.

Respectfully submitted,



Lisa M. English  
Deputy Director, GOFERR