



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

**CHRISTOPHER T. SUNUNU**  
Governor

April 8, 2021

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, 2020-23, 2020-24, 2020-25, 2021-01, 2021-02, 2021-04 and 2021-05 I have approved your written request, in attachment, to take the following actions related to Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act Coronavirus Relief Funds:

1. Authority for the Governor's Office of Emergency Relief and Recovery (GOERR) to make \$29,062,368 in unexpended funds available for reallocation from various programs. Budgeted consistent with the information in the request in attachment, effective through December 31, 2021. (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 "Christopher T. Sununu".

Christopher T. Sununu  
Governor

CC Charles Arlinghaus, Commissioner, Department of Administrative Services  
Taylor Caswell, Commissioner, Department of Business and Economic Affairs



STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE



GOVERNOR'S OFFICE  
for

EMERGENCY RELIEF AND RECOVERY

April 8, 2021

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 ORDERS 2020-05, 2020-08, 2020-09, 2020-10, AND 2020-14, 2020-15, 2020-16, 2020-17, 2020-18, 2020-20, 2020-21, 2020-23, 2020-24, 2020-25, 2021-01, AND 2021-02, 2021-04, 2021-05 AND EXTENDED BY EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-06**

Dear Governor Sununu,

The Governor's Office for Emergency Relief and Recovery (GOFERR) requests authority to make available for reallocation, unexpended funds totaling \$29,062,368 from the following programs, effective upon your approval through December 31, 2021. 100% Federal Funds.

| Program                                    | Current Allocation    | Requested Action       | Revised Allocation    |
|--|-----------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|
| Higher Education System -CCSNH             | \$ 11,000,000         | \$ (2,991,822)         | \$ 8,008,178          |
| NH Agriculture Grants                      | \$ 7,000,000          | \$ (7,622)             | \$ 6,992,378          |
| NH Shelter Modification Program            | \$ 15,000,000         | \$ (2,993,673)         | \$ 12,006,327         |
| Governor's Youth Council                   | \$ 700,000            | \$ 3,120               | \$ 703,120            |
| NH Volunteers COVID-19 Response Team       | \$ 1,127,356          | \$ (107,774)           | \$ 1,019,582          |
| Long Term Care Stipend Program             | \$ 102,000,000        | \$ (3,856,800)         | \$ 98,143,200         |
| Mental Health and Substance Abuse Disorder | \$ 2,100,000          | \$ (31,515)            | \$ 2,068,485          |
| Municipal and County Program - County Aid  | \$ 7,844,000          | \$ 156,000             | \$ 8,000,000          |
| DHHS FEMA Matching Funds                   | \$ 42,100,000         | \$ (16,000,000)        | \$ 26,100,000         |
| DoIT Agency Support                        | \$ 6,587,566          | \$ (1,838,984)         | \$ 4,748,582          |
| NH Charities for Veterans                  | \$ 900,000            | \$ (122,376)           | \$ 777,624            |
| NH Economic Restart                        | \$ 2,700,000          | \$ (36,283)            | \$ 2,663,717          |
| OSI Broadband Expansion                    | \$ 14,000,000         | \$ (916,473)           | \$ 13,083,527         |
| DOJ Internet Crimes Against Children       | \$ 1,000,000          | \$ (301,470)           | \$ 698,530            |
| Equity Program                             | \$ 484,783            | \$ (7,492)             | \$ 477,291            |
| Secretary of State                         | \$ 30,000             | \$ (2,400)             | \$ 27,600             |
| General Assistance Preservation (GAP) Fund | \$ 20,712,993         | \$ (6,814)             | \$ 20,706,179         |
| <b>Totals</b>                              | <b>\$ 235,286,698</b> | <b>\$ (29,062,378)</b> | <b>\$ 206,224,320</b> |

| <b>01-02-002-020210-19110000 OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR</b> |                       |                         |
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| <b>CLASS</b>  | <b>ACCOUNT</b>        | <b>Transfer Request</b> |
| 072 - GRANTS FEDERAL                                    | 500575                | \$ 3,269,644            |
|   | 500577                | \$ 2,991,822            |
|   | 500574                | \$ (156,000)            |
| 103 – CONTRACTS FOR OPERATIONAL SERVICES                | 502664                | \$ (3,120)              |
| 085 – INTER AGENCY TRANSFER OF FED FUNDS                | 588518                | \$ 7622                 |
|   | 588527                | \$ 3,856,800            |
|   | 588595                | \$ 16,000,000           |
|   | 588503                | \$ 1,838,984            |
|   | 588522                | \$ 36,283               |
|   | 588502                | \$ 916,473              |
|   | 588532                | \$ 2,400                |
|   | 588520                | \$ 301,470              |
|   | <b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b> | <b>\$ 29,062,378</b>    |
| <b>SOURCE OF FUNDS</b>                                  |                       |                         |
| 000 – FEDERAL FUNDS                                     | 400338                | \$ 29,062,378           |
|   | <b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>    | <b>\$ 29,062,378</b>    |

| <b>02-18-018-180010 Agriculture, Markets &amp; Food -69360000 Dairy Drought Relief</b> |                       |                         |
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| <b>CLASS</b>   | <b>ACCOUNT</b>        | <b>Transfer Request</b> |
| 072 - GRANTS FEDERAL   | 502627                | \$ (7,622)              |
|  | <b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b> | <b>\$ (7,622)</b>       |
| <b>SOURCE OF FUNDS</b>   |                       |                         |
| 00D-INTERAGENCY TRANSFER OF FUNDS  | 488502                | \$ (7,622)              |
|  | <b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>    | <b>\$ (7,622)</b>       |

| <b>02-27-027-270010 NH Employment Security -19140000 LTC Stabilization Program</b> |                       |                         |
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| <b>CLASS</b>   | <b>ACCOUNT</b>        | <b>Transfer Request</b> |
| 102 – CONTRACTS FOR PROGRAM SERVICES   | 500731                | \$ (3,856,800)          |
|  | <b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b> | <b>\$ (3,856,800)</b>   |
| <b>SOURCE OF FUNDS</b>   |                       |                         |
| 00D-INTERAGENCY TRANSFER OF FUNDS  | 488502                | \$ (3,856,800)          |
|  | <b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>    | <b>\$ (3,856,800)</b>   |

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| <b>05-95-095-950010 HHS:Commissioner's Office – 19190000<br/>COVID-19 FEMA - DHHS</b> |                       |                         |
| <b>CLASS</b>  | <b>ACCOUNT</b>        | <b>Transfer Request</b> |
| 020 – CURRENT EXPENSES  | 500200                | \$ (16,000,000)         |
|   | <b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b> | <b>\$ (16,000,000)</b>  |
| <b>SOURCE OF FUNDS</b>  |                       |                         |
| OOD-INTERAGENCY TRANSFER OF FUNDS   | 488502                | \$ (16,000,000)         |
|   | <b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>    | <b>\$ (16,000,000)</b>  |

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| <b>01-03-003-030010 COVID19-IT SERVICES - 19210000</b> |                       |                         |
| <b>CLASS</b>   | <b>ACCOUNT</b>        | <b>Transfer Request</b> |
| 020 - CURRENT EXPENSES                                 | 500200                | \$ (933)                |
| 028 - TRANSFERS TO GENERAL SERVIC                      | 582814                | \$ (6,000)              |
| 037 - TECHNOLOGY-HARDWARE                              | 500171                | \$ (895,132)            |
| 038 - TECHNOLOGY-SOFTWARE                              | 500177                | \$ (393,820)            |
| 039 - TELECOMMUNICATIONS                               | 500187                | \$ (89,258)             |
| 046 - CONSULTANTS                                      | 500465                | \$ (327,426)            |
| 066 - EMPLOYEE TRAINING                                | 500545                | \$ (126,415)            |
|  | <b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b> | <b>\$ (1,838,984)</b>   |
| <b>SOURCE OF FUNDS</b>                                 |                       |                         |
| OOD-INTERAGENCY TRANSFER OF FUNDS                      | 488502                | \$ (1,838,984)          |
|  | <b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>    | <b>\$ (1,838,984)</b>   |

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| <b>01-22-022-221010 COVID ECON RECOVERY - 19340000</b> |                       |                         |
| <b>CLASS</b>   | <b>ACCOUNT</b>        | <b>Transfer Request</b> |
| 102 - CONTRACTS FOR PROGRAM SERVICES                   | 500731                | \$ (1,500)              |
|  | <b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b> | <b>\$ (1,500)</b>       |
| <b>SOURCE OF FUNDS</b>                                 |                       |                         |
| OOD-INTERAGENCY TRANSFER OF FUNDS                      | 488502                | \$ (1,500)              |
|  | <b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>    | <b>\$ (1,500)</b>       |

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| <b>01-22-022-221010 COVID INFO CAMPAIGN - 19350000</b> |                       |                         |
| <b>CLASS</b>   | <b>ACCOUNT</b>        | <b>Transfer Request</b> |
| 069 - PROMOTIONAL MARKETING EXP                        | 500567                | \$ (131)                |
|  | <b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b> | <b>\$ (131)</b>         |
| <b>SOURCE OF FUNDS</b>                                 |                       |                         |
| 00D-INTERAGENCY TRANSFER OF FUNDS                      | 488502                | \$ (131)                |
|  | <b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>    | <b>\$ (131)</b>         |

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| <b>01-22-022-221010 CHAMBER PROGRAM-COVID19 - 19370000</b> |                       |                         |
| <b>CLASS</b>   | <b>ACCOUNT</b>        | <b>Transfer Request</b> |
| 103 - CONTRACTS FOR OP SERVICES                            | 502664                | \$ (34,652)             |
|  | <b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b> | <b>\$ (34,652)</b>      |
| <b>SOURCE OF FUNDS</b>                                     |                       |                         |
| 00D-INTERAGENCY TRANSFER OF FUNDS                          | 488502                | \$ (34,652)             |
|  | <b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>    | <b>\$ (34,652)</b>      |

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| <b>01-02-002-024010 BROADBAND EXPANSION PROGRAM - 19270000</b> |                       |                         |
| <b>CLASS</b>   | <b>ACCOUNT</b>        | <b>Transfer Request</b> |
| 072 - GRANTS FEDERAL   | 502627                | \$ (916,473)            |
|  | <b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b> | <b>\$ (916,473)</b>     |
| <b>SOURCE OF FUNDS</b>   |                       |                         |
| 00D-INTERAGENCY TRANSFER OF FUNDS                              | 488502                | \$ (916,473)            |
|  | <b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>    | <b>\$ (916,473)</b>     |

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| <b>02-20-020-201510-Grants Management – 19160000 - ICAC Funds From GOFERR</b> |                       |                         |
| <b>CLASS</b>  | <b>ACCOUNT</b>        | <b>Transfer Request</b> |
| 072 - GRANTS FEDERAL  | 500574                | \$ 301,470              |
|   | <b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b> | <b>\$ 301,470</b>       |
| <b>SOURCE OF FUNDS</b>  |                       |                         |
| 00D-INTERAGENCY TRANSFER OF FUNDS   | 488502                | \$ 301,470              |
|   | <b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>    | <b>\$ 301,470</b>       |

| <b>01-32-032-320510 STATE DEPT - 19320000 CARES GOFERR</b> |                       |                         |
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| <b>CLASS</b>   | <b>ACCOUNT</b>        | <b>Transfer Request</b> |
| 038 – TECHNOLOGY/SOFTWARE                                  | 500177                | \$ 2,400                |
|  | <b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b> | <b>\$ 2,400</b>         |
| <b>SOURCE OF FUNDS</b>                                     |                       |                         |
| OOD-INTERAGENCY TRANSFER OF FUNDS                          | 488502                | \$ 2,400                |
|  | <b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>    | <b>\$ 2,400</b>         |

**EXPLANATION**

Previously, the Governor authorized the allocation and expenditure of \$11,000,000 for the NH Higher Education System Grants to CCSNH for tuition assistance and “Back to the Lab” learning supports, funding needed to enable socially distanced learning. This request amends this allocation from \$11,000,000 to \$8,008,178 lapsing \$2,991,822. It has been determined the allocation has met the needs of the program, leaving \$2,991,822 available for re-allocation for emergency relief and recovery efforts.

Additionally, the Governor also authorized the allocation and expenditure of \$7,000,000 for the New Hampshire Agriculture Grants Program to provide support to NH farms, Non-dairy Farms, Expanded Farm Program and Dairy Farms. This request amends this allocation from \$7,000,000 to \$6,992,378 lapsing \$7,622 and closes the program. It has been determined the allocation has met the needs of the program, leaving the \$7,622 available for re-allocation for emergency relief and recovery efforts.

Also, the Governor authorized the allocation and expenditure of \$15 million for the New Hampshire Safer Spaces – COVID-19 Shelter Modification Program. This program provided grants to existing homeless shelters to mitigate the spread of COVID-19 in accordance with CDC and the NH Division of Public Health guidelines. This request amends that allocation from \$15 million to \$12,006,327 million lapsing \$2,993,673. It has been determined the allocation has met the needs of the program, leaving \$2,993,673 available for re-allocation for emergency relief and recovery efforts.

Plus, the Governor authorized the allocation and expenditure of \$2,000,000 for the Invest in the Future - Governor’s Youth Council Program to provide emergency financial relief to provide youth services, including peer to peer mental health and substance use supports, educational assistance and leadership program. On December 24<sup>th</sup> the Governor lapsed \$1,300,000 reducing the allocation to \$700,000. This request amends that allocation \$700,000 to \$703,120 to reconcile and close the program.

Further, the Governor approved the allocation and expenditure of a total of \$102,000,000 for the Long Term Care Stipend Program. This request amends that approval reducing the allocation from \$102,000,000 million to \$98,124,150 lapsing \$3,875,850. It has been determined the allocation has met the needs of the program, leaving \$3,875,850 available for reallocation for emergency relief and recovery efforts.

In addition, on December 24, 2020 the Governor authorized amending the allocation and expenditure of \$1,500,000 for the New Hampshire Volunteers COVID-19 Response Fund to support volunteers and volunteer programs essential to meeting critical COVID-19 needs in New Hampshire, from \$1,500,000 to \$1,127,356 lapsing \$372,644. This request lapses the remaining balance of funds of \$107,774 closing the program. It has been determined the allocation has met the needs of the program, leaving \$107,774 available for reallocation for emergency relief and recovery efforts.

Plus, the Governor approved the allocation and expenditure of \$2,100,000 for the Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder Support and Relief Funds for Adults program to assist with the development of a statewide close-loop referral system, to assist with Recovery Friendly Workplace Initiatives to effectively address significant disruption for employees and employers caused by COVID-19 and help provide critical services for individuals with substance use disorder. This request amends that allocation from \$2,100,000 to \$2,068,485 lapsing \$31,515 and closing the program. It has been determined the allocation has met the needs of the program, leaving \$31,515 available for reallocation for emergency relief and recovery efforts.

Also, on December 24, 2020 the Governor authorized a lapse request from the original allocation and expenditure of \$15 million, \$32 million to municipalities and \$8 million to counties for the Municipal and County Program for allowable expenditures. This request amends the lapse request on December 24, 2020 reducing the allocation from \$40 million to \$38,443,424 million lapsing \$1,556,576 and reconciling this program by adding \$156,000 to the County Aid program.

Moreover, the Governor authorized the allocation and expenditure of DHHS FEMA Match to accommodate general Department support for FEMA-related expenditures. This request amends that allocation from 42,100,000 to \$26,100,000 lapsing \$16,000,000 at this time. It has been determined the allocation has met the needs for FEMA related expenditures in light of the newly available 100% FEMA funding, allowing \$16,000,000 to be lapsed at this time to be available for reallocation for emergency relief and recovery.

Furthermore, the Governor authorized the allocation and expenditure of \$2,000,000 to assist 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. On December 24, 2020 the Governor amended the allocation from \$2,000,000 to \$900,000. This request amends the current allocation lapsing \$122,376 closing the program. It has been determined the allocation has met the needs of the program leaving \$122,376 available for reallocation and emergency relief and recovery efforts.

Not to mention, the Governor authorized the allocation and expenditure of \$2,700,000 for the New Hampshire Economic Restart program to support business recovery efforts from COVID-19. This request amends this allocation available from \$2,700,000 to \$2,663,717 lapsing \$36,283 and closing the program. It has been determined the allocation has met the needs of the program leaving \$36,283 available for reallocation for emergency relief and recovery efforts.

Again, the Governor authorized the allocation and expenditure of \$50,000,000 for the Connecting New Hampshire – Emergency Broadband Expansion Program. The Governor amended this allocation on October 19, 2020, from \$50,000,000 to \$13,907,239 lapsing \$36,000,000 for reallocation. It was not the complete transfer to allow for closeout. This request amends that reallocation from what is currently available from \$14,000,000 to \$13,083,528 lapsing \$916,473 and closing the program. It has been determined that the allocation has met the needs of the program leaving \$904,892 available for reallocation for emergency relief and recovery efforts.

Additionally, the Governor authorized the allocation and expenditure of \$1,000,000 for New Hampshire's Internet Crimes against Children (ICAC) Taskforce Grant Program to respond to increased caseload brought about by the COVID-19 pandemic and to increase its dissemination of information to the public regarding safe internet usage. This request amends that allocation from \$1,000,000 to \$698,530 lapsing \$301,470 and closing the program. It has been determined the allocation has met the needs of the program leaving \$301,370 available for reallocation for emergency relief and recovery efforts.

As well as, the Governor authorized the allocation and expenditure of \$500,000 for NH COVID Community Support to support the COVID-19 needs of the communities of color and other historically marginalized communities in New Hampshire. The request amends that allocation from \$500,000 to \$484,783 lapsing \$7,492 and closing the program. It has been determined the allocation has met the needs of the program leaving \$7,492 available for reallocation for emergency relief and recovery efforts.

By the same token, the Governor authorized the allocation and expenditure of \$30,000 to New Hampshire's Department of State (NHSOS) to support the implementation of accessible absentee voting for voters with print disabilities. This request amends that allocation from \$30,000 to \$27,600 lapsing \$2,400 and closing the program. It has been determined the allocation has met the needs of the program leaving \$2,400 available for reallocation for emergency relief and recovery efforts.

Lastly, the Governor authorized the allocation and expenditure of \$30,000,000 for the NH General Assistance Preservation (GAP) Fund. On October 19, 2020 the Governor amended the allocation from \$30,000,000 to \$21,000,000 lapsing \$9,000,000. This request amends what is currently available from \$20,712,993 to \$20,706,179 lapsing \$6,814 and closing the program. It has been determined the allocation has met the needs of the program leaving \$6,814 available for reallocation for emergency relief and recovery efforts.

Upon your approval, the GOFERR will work with Department of Administrative Services to return these funds. Returning these unused or excess appropriations to the GOFERR will give the Governor the ability to place \$25,000,000 in reserve and reallocate the \$4,062,378 in available funds to new or existing programs to ensure they are expended before December 31, 2021.

Respectfully Submitted,



Taylor Caswell  
Director, GOFERR