



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

CHRISTOPHER T. SUNUNU
Governor

June 9, 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, 2021-05, 2021-06, 2021-08, and 2021-10 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 amend the First Responder Stipend Program (FRSP) by amending the program end date from June 30, 2020 to December 31, 2021. Time extension only, no additional funds. Budgeted consistent with 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,

Christopher T. Sununu
Governor

CC: Charles Arlinghaus, Commissioner, Department of Administrative Services



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

REQUESTED ACTION UNDER RSA 4:45, RSA 21-P:43, AND SECTION 4 OF EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-A4 AS EXTENDED BY EXECUTIVE ORDERS 2020-05 AND 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, 2021-05, 2021-06, 2021-08, AND 2021-10

Dear Governor Sununu,

1. The Governor's Office for Emergency Relief and Recovery (GOFERR) requests authority to amend the authorization to execute payments from Coronavirus Aid Relief and Economic Security (CARES) Act funding required to administer the First Responder Stipend Program (FRSP) authorized on May 14, 2020 through June 30, 2020 by extending it to December 31, 2021.

This authorization is a time extension only, **no additional funds**, effective upon approval by the Governor through December 31, 2021. Originally approved on May 14, 2020 attached. 100% Federal Funds.

EXPLANATION

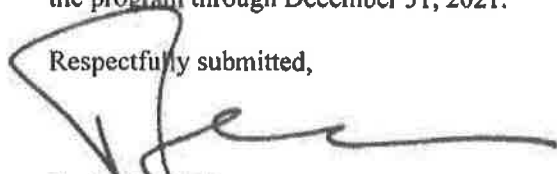
On May 14, 2020, The Governor authorized the First Responder COVID-19 Stipend Program to make eligible payments to First Responders that were eligible for a \$300 stipend if full-time and \$150 if part-time. The program ran for 8-weeks from May 4, 2020 through June 30, 2020.

The Department of Safety, Homeland Security and Emergency Management (DOS-HSEM) served as the administering agency for accepting applications and determining eligibility for payments through an online portal.

There are outstanding reconciliations the GOFERR has not received which would go beyond this fiscal year of June 30, 2021 that may require additional payment for the GOFERR to reconcile and close out the program.

This request amends the original authority allowing the GOFERR to make any necessary remaining payments to those First Responders that have submitted their certification and reconciliation to close out the program through December 31, 2021.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Taylor Caswell', written over a large, irregular scribble or mark.

Taylor Caswell
Executive Director, GOFERR