

COVID-19 DEED Federal Relief Funding Update

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Agenda

1. State Education Agency Allocations (CARES, CRRSA, ARP Acts)
2. Libraries, Archives, and Museums Grants (CARES Act)
3. Alaska State Council on the Arts Grants (CARES Act)



CARES Act: State Education Agency Allocation

› ESSER I Fund

– State of Alaska’s Total Allocation \$38,407,914

- › 90% allocated by federal formula (Title I, Part A) to local education agencies (school districts)
- › 10% allocated to the state education agency (DEED)
- › Federal receipt authority for these funds was approved by the Legislature on May 1, 2020 (RPL # 05-2020-0074, Legislative Budget & Audit Joint Committee)

– DEED’s Total Allocation \$3,840,791

- › Of this, \$192,040 (0.5%) may be used for Administration and \$119,853 has been allocated to date
- › Of the remaining \$3,648,751 available to award grants/contracts, \$2,810,414 has been allocated to date
- › DEED has until September 30, 2022 to obligate these funds

State Uses of Funds

Of the funds received by a state that are not subgranted to LEAs, the state may use up to 0.5% of its allocation for administrative costs. The remainder of the funds must be used for emergency needs, as determined by the SEA, to address issues in response to the coronavirus emergency. The SEA may address these issues through the use of grants and contracts.

<https://crsreports.congress.gov/product/pdf/R/R46378>

CARES Act: State Education Agency Allocation cont'd

Of the \$3,840,791 state education agency reservation, this table provides a breakdown of how the funding has been allocated by DEED to date and the amount remaining to be obligated.

Grant/Contract Entity	ESSER I – DEED Funds	ESSER I – DEED Admin
Cook Inlet Tribal Council Digital Badging Project	\$50,000	
Mt. Edgecumbe IT Fiber and Hardware	\$200,000	
Northwest Evaluation Association (NWEA) Map Growth Data Consulting	\$48,000	
Teachers' Certification Digital/Paperless System	\$750,000	
Canvas Contract (2 years)	\$1,547,625	
Alaska Statewide Virtual System Additional Seats (Summer School)	\$150,000	
School Districts (Pelican, Skagway, Aleutian Region)	\$14,789	
Alaska Association of School Business Officials (ALASBO) Grant	\$50,000	
Department of Law - Legal Costs		\$97,853
HMB Contract (DEED's Grants Management System)		\$20,000
DEED Office Supplies		\$2,000
TOTAL ALLOCATED TO DATE	\$ 2,810,414	\$ 119,853
Total DEED Award	\$ 3,648,751	\$ 192,040
Balance Available to Allocate	\$ 838,337	\$ 72,187



CRRSA Act: State Education Agency Allocation

› ESSER II Fund

– State of Alaska’s Total Allocation \$159,719,422

- › 90% allocated by federal formula (Title I, Part A) to local education agencies (school districts)
- › 10% allocated to the state education agency (DEED)
- › Federal receipt authority for these funds was approved by the Legislature on January 18, 2021 (RPL # 05-2021-0189, Legislative Budget & Audit Joint Committee)

– DEED’s Total Allocation \$15,971,942

- › Of this, \$798,597 (0.5%) may be used for Administration
- › Of the remaining \$15,173,345 available to award grants/contracts, no funding has been allocated to date
- › DEED has until September 30, 2023 to obligate these funds

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https://oese.ed.gov/files/2021/01/Final_ESSERII_Factsheet_1.5.21.pdf



ARP Act: State Education Agency Allocation

- › American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act was signed into law on March 11, 2021
- › ESSER III Fund
 - State of Alaska’s Total Allocation \$358,707,134
 - › 90% allocated by federal formula (Title I, Part A) to local education agencies (school districts)
 - › 10% allocated to the state education agency (DEED)
 - › Federal receipt authority forthcoming from the Legislature

- DEED’s Total Allocation \$35,870,713
 - › Of this, \$1,793,536 (0.5%) may be used for Administration
 - › \$34,077,177 remaining to be available at the state level for several purposes
 - › DEED has until September 30, 2023 to obligate these funds

SEA Reservations and Allocations	% Reserve	\$ Allocation
Activities to address summer learning loss	At least 5%	\$17.9M
Summer enrichment activities	At least 1%	\$3.6M
Afterschool programs	At least 1%	\$3.6M
Other state activities	At most 2.5%	\$9M
Administration	At most 0.5%	\$1.8M

<https://www.ed.gov/news/press-releases/departments-education-announces-american-rescue-plan-funds-all-50-states-puerto-rico-and-district-columbia-help-schools-reopen>



Total State Education Agency Allocations

CARES Act – ESSER I Fund	CRRSA Act – ESSER II Fund	ARP Act – ESSER III Fund	TOTAL
Total DEED Allocation: \$3,840,791	Total DEED Allocation: \$15,971,942	Total DEED Allocation: \$35,870,713	DEED Total Allocation: \$55,683,446
Administration Reserve: \$192,040	Administration Reserve: \$798,597	Administration Reserve: \$1,793,536	DEED Total Admin. Reserve: \$2,784,173
Amount Available to Award Grants/Contracts: \$3,648,751	Amount Available to Award Grants/Contracts: \$15,173,345	Amount Available to Award Grants/Contracts: \$34,077,177	DEED Total Amount Available to Award Grants/Contracts: \$52,899,273
Grants/Contracts Awarded: \$2,810,414	Grants/Contracts Awarded: \$0	Grants/Contracts Awarded: \$0	DEED Total Grants/Contracts Awarded: \$2,810,414
Obligation Date: September 30, 2022	Obligation Date: September 30, 2023	Obligation Date: September 30, 2023	



CARES Act: Libraries, Archives, and Museums

- › Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) Grants to States program
- › LAM Total Allocation \$66,102
 - Of this, \$2,644 (4%) was reserved as an indirect administrative fee
- › \$63,458 awarded as grants to museums and libraries in Alaska
 - 3 libraries, 5 museums, and 1 statewide library network awarded funds to expand digital access in their communities, improve virtual access to their collections, and purchase internet accessible devices



CARES Act: Libraries, Archives, and Museums cont'd

Grantee	Community	Project Summary	Grant Award
Alaska Native Heritage Center	Anchorage	Extend wi-fi to fill in “dead spots” around the ANHC complex and village sites. This expansion will allow ANHC to provide virtual visits and school tours to students around the world.	\$7,500
Delta Community Library	Delta Junction	Increase broadband speeds, purchase devices that allow for physical distancing, create a website, and bolster the library’s digital collections.	\$15,640
The Friends of the University of Alaska Museum of the North	Fairbanks	Camera kits to create 360-degree immersive virtual tours of the galleries and increase public access to Alaska and Arctic-related content.	\$1,350
Irene Ingle Public Library	Wrangell	Public laptops that will allow for physical distancing within the library.	\$4,497
Kegoayah Kozga Library	Nome	Purchase internet accessible devices to allow for physical distancing and a public access printer to allow patrons to print e-government forms, job application materials, etc.	\$7,510
Ketchikan Museums	Ketchikan	Website improvements that will allow for the integration of virtual exhibits with the collections database and the creation of digital oral histories and online programming.	\$2,000
Museum of the Aleutians	Unalaska	Improve internet access at the Museum.	\$3,408
Valdez Museum	Valdez	Improve internet access at the Museum.	\$1,742
The Alaska Library Network	Statewide	Purchase e-books and audiobooks for the Alaska Digital Library.	\$19,811



CARES Act: Alaska State Council on the Arts

- › National Endowment for the Arts program
- › ASCA Total Allocation \$421,500
 - No funds are being reserved for administration
- › \$385,835 awarded as grants to Alaska arts organizations
 - 48 grants awarded to organizations that were eligible to receive operating support from ASCA because they have either paid staff or buildings or both
 - Grant intent is to keep staff employed and buildings open in combination with other sources of aid
- › \$35,665 remaining to be awarded
 - ASCA has until June 30, 2022 to allocate these funds
 - Looking to determine arts organization needs heading into the fall/winter



CARES Act: Alaska State Council on the Arts cont'd

Grantee	Community	Grant Award
49 Writers	Statewide	\$1,000
Alaska Arts Education Consortium	Statewide	\$4,500
Alaska Arts Southeast	Sitka	\$16,000
Alaska Children's Institute for the Performing Arts	Kenai	\$4,500
Alaska Dance Theatre	Anchorage	\$9,000
Alaska Junior Theater	Anchorage	\$7,500
Alaska Native Heritage Center	Anchorage	\$4,500
Alutiiq Heritage Foundation	Kodiak	\$15,000
Anchorage Community Theatre	Anchorage	\$4,500
Anchorage Concert Association	Anchorage	\$18,500
Anchorage Concert Chorus	Anchorage	\$4,500
Anchorage Museum Association	Anchorage	\$19,000

Grantee	Community	Grant Award
Anchorage Opera	Anchorage	\$8,000
Anchorage Symphony Orchestra	Anchorage	\$8,000
Anchorage Youth Symphony	Anchorage	\$2,000
Bethel Council on the Arts	Bethel	\$4,500
Bunnell Street Gallery	Homer	\$9,000
Cyrano's Theater Company	Anchorage	\$4,500
Denali Arts Council	Talkeetna	\$10,500
Fairbanks Arts Association	Fairbanks	\$17,000
Fairbanks Concert Association	Fairbanks	\$19,000
Fairbanks Drama Association and Fairbanks Childrens Theatre, Inc.	Fairbanks	\$7,000
Fairbanks Summer Arts Festival	Fairbanks	\$12,500
Fairbanks Symphony Association	Fairbanks	\$15,500



CARES Act: Alaska State Council on the Arts cont'd

Grantee	Community	Grant Award
First City Players	Ketchikan	\$7,000
Girdwood Art Institute	Girdwood	\$2,000
Greater Sitka Arts Council	Sitka	\$5,000
Homer Council on the Arts	Homer	\$9,500
Homer Society of Natural History (Pratt Museum)	Homer	\$19,000
Juneau Alaska Music Matters	Juneau	\$4,500
Juneau Arts and Humanities Council	Juneau	\$12,500
Juneau Dance Theater	Juneau	\$4,500
Juneau Jazz & Classics	Juneau	\$9,000
Juneau Symphony	Juneau	\$4,500
Kodiak Arts Council	Kodiak	\$8,500
Ketchikan Area Arts & Humanities Council	Ketchikan	\$13,000

Grantee	Community	Grant Award
North Star Dance Foundation	Fairbanks	\$4,500
Northern Culture Exchange	Statewide	\$2,000
Out North	Anchorage	\$1,000
Peninsula Art Guild	Kenai	\$4,835
Perseverance Theatre	Juneau	\$18,500
Pulse Dance Company	Anchorage	\$4,500
Sealaska Heritage Institute	Juneau	\$4,500
Sheldon Museum and Cultural Center, Inc	Haines	\$4,500
Sitka Summer Music Festival	Sitka	\$9,000
Story Works Alaska	Statewide	\$4,500
Valdez Museum and Historical Archive	Valdez	\$2,000
Valley Performing Arts	Mat-Su	\$1,000



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