

# State of Alaska

# Office of Management and Budget

**Senate Finance COVID-19 Relief Funding Overview**

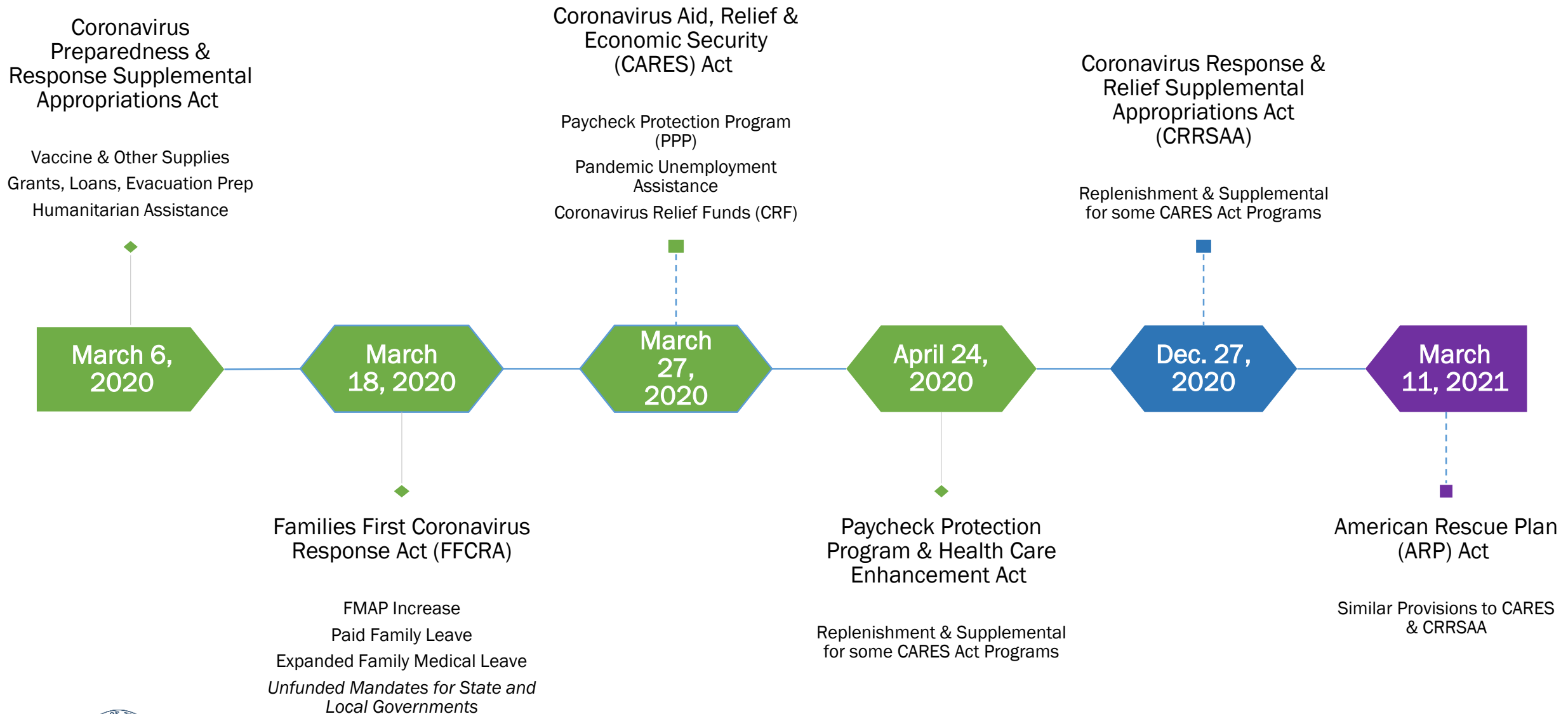
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# Federal Fiscal Response



# Spring 2020 Federal Relief: Coronavirus Relief Funds (CRF)

The CARES Act required that the payments from the Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF) only be used to cover expenses that—

1. are necessary expenditures incurred due to the public health emergency with respect to the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19);
2. were not accounted for in the budget most recently approved as of March 27, 2020 (the date of enactment of the CARES Act) for the State or government; and
3. were incurred during the period that begins on March 1, 2020, and ends on December 30, 2020

The CRRSA Act extended to period for incurring costs to December 31, 2021

## Guidance



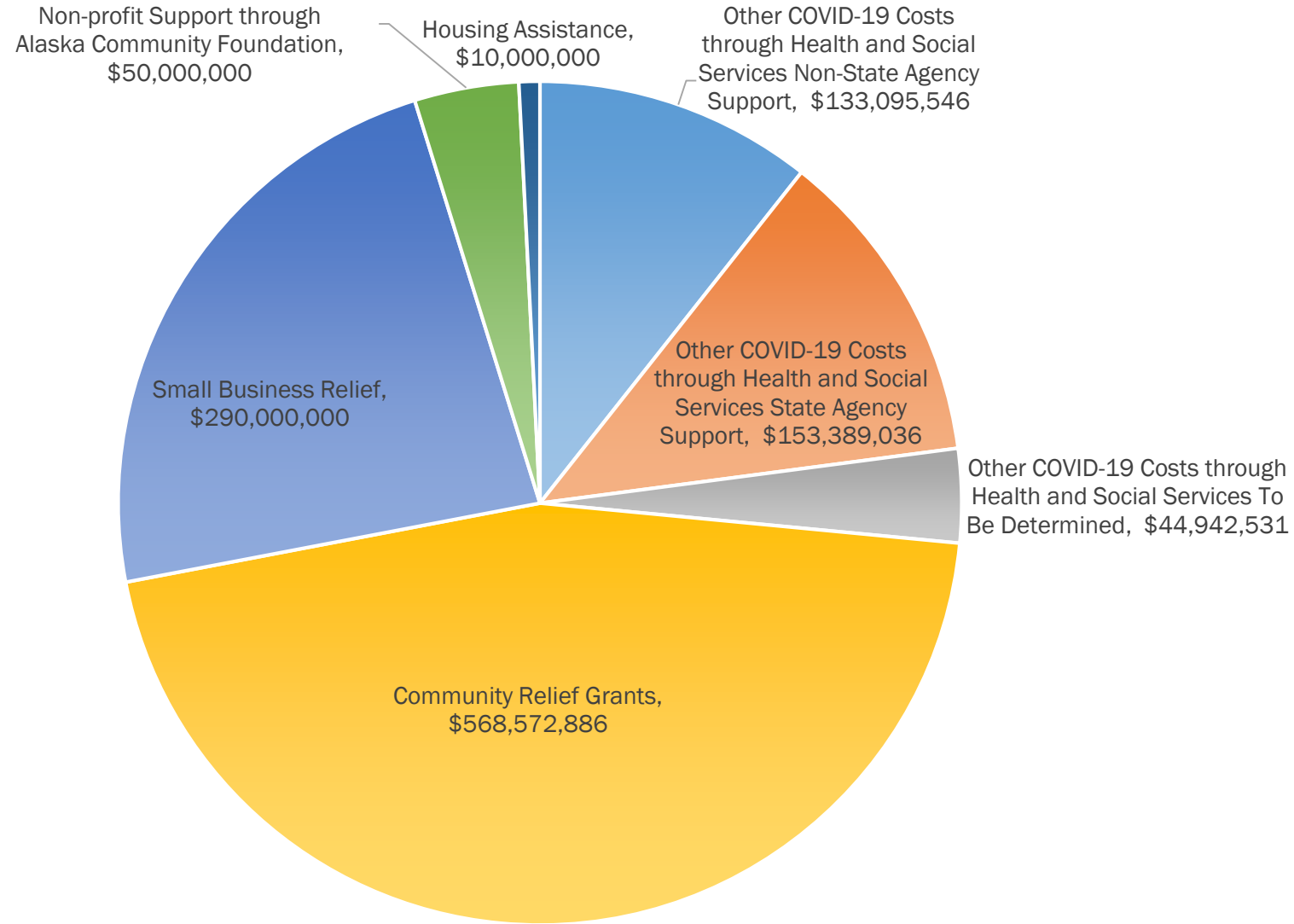
*RPLs Submitted  
April 29*

*RPLs Ratified  
May 21*

## Frequently Asked Questions



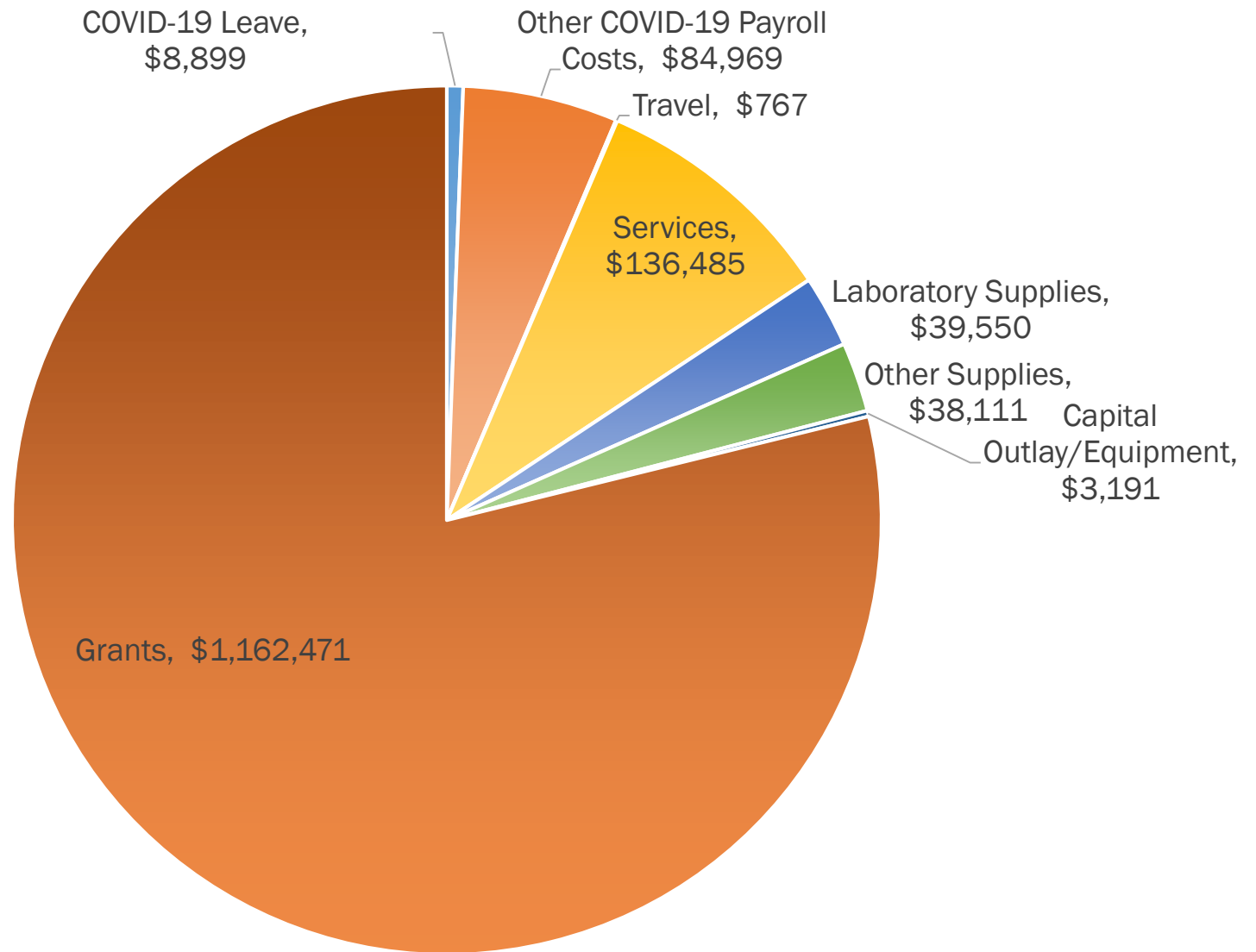
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# State Agency COVID-19 Expenditures by Type

## Funding Sources:

- \$1.35 billion Federal
- \$24.8 million UGF
- \$1.5 million DGF
- \$87.6 million Other
- \$14.7 million TBD



## Spring 2021 Federal Relief: COVID-19 State & Local Fiscal Relief Funds

The American Rescue Plan specified that these funds can be used to cover expenses —

- A. to respond to the public health emergency with respect to the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID–19) or its negative economic impacts;
- B. to respond to workers performing essential work during the COVID-19 public health emergency by providing premium pay to eligible workers performing such essential work;
- C. for the provision of government services to the extent of the reduction in revenue due to the COVID-19 public health emergency relative to revenues collected in the most recent full fiscal year; and
- D. to make necessary investments in water, sewer, or broadband infrastructure.

Restrictions include—

- A. direct or indirect offsets to a reduction in net tax revenue resulting from changing law, regulation, or administrative interpretation during the covered period that reduces or delays the imposition of any tax or tax increase;
- B. deposits into any pension fund.



## Housing Relief Details

- **CARES Act** - addressed with an RPL
  - Coronavirus Relief Funds for Housing Assistance \$10 million
- **CRRSA Act** – Emergency Rental Assistance
  - Alaska Housing Finance Corporation \$165 million – addressed with an RPL
  - Municipality of Anchorage (MOA) \$35 million – AHFC to administer **requires additional appropriation**
  - Tribal funding \$45 million – AHFC to administer **requires additional appropriation**

## **ARP Act** – **requires additional appropriation**

- Emergency Rental Assistance – \$146 million (\$125m AHFC/ \$21m MOA)
- Mortgage Assistance - \$50 million
- HOME Investment Partnership Act - Homeless Funds - \$5 million
- Emergency Housing Choice Vouchers – to be determined

## Higher Education Relief Details

- CARES Act

- Higher Education Emergency Relief Funds & Minority Serving Institution Funds
  - University of Alaska (UA) \$10.5 million – Students \$3.9 million
  - Alaska Vocational Technical Center (AVTEC) \$71.4 thousand – Students \$35.7 thousand

- CRRSA Act – requires additional appropriation

- Higher Education Emergency Relief II Funds & Minority Serving Institution Funds
  - UA \$22.2 million – Students \$3.9 million
  - AVTEC \$252 thousand – Students \$35.7 thousand

- ARP Act – requires additional appropriation

- Higher Education Emergency Relief III Funds
  - Alaska Allocation Estimate \$33.5 million – 50% to Students
  - University and AVTEC Allocations TBD



## Education Relief Details

- CARES Act \$45 million; CRRSA Act \$168 million – addressed with RPLs  
ARP Act \$364.5 million – requires additional appropriation
- Total \$577 million – \$504.9 million to school districts
- State Funding Maintenance of Effort (MOE)
  - Requirements changed between CARES Act and CRRSA
  - ARP is the same as CRRSA and includes FY23
- Maintenance of Equity Requirements new to ARP – FY22 and FY23
  - State-level Requirement – cannot reduce high need/poverty school district allocations more than others and cannot reduce highest need school district allocations below their FY2019 level.
  - Local-level Requirement – cannot reduce per pupil allocations or FTE staff for high-poverty schools more than the total reduction divided by the total # of students



## ARP Education Relief Details - continued

- ARP education relief funding includes specific purpose allocations

**Table 2. Summary of State Educational Agency (SEA) Grant Reservation Requirements Proposed Under the Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) Fund Included in the Senate Substitute to H.R. 1319**

<b>SEA Reservations and Allocations</b>	<b>Percent to Be Reserved or Allocated by the SEA of Total SEA Grant Award</b>
Reservation of funds for activities to address learning loss	At least 5.0%
Reservation of funds for summer enrichment activities	At least 1.0%
Reservation of funds for afterschool programs	At least 1.0%
Reservation of funds for other state activities	At most 2.5%
Reservation of funds for administration	At most 0.5%
Allocation of funds for grants to local educational agencies (LEAs)	At least 90.0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.0%</b>



## Transportation Relief Details

	FAA - Rural	FTA - Rural	FHWA
CARES Act	\$ 49,367.8	\$ 28,801.4	\$ -
CRRSAA	\$ 27,044.9	\$ 55,709.4	\$ 124,402.0
ARPA	TBD	\$ 2,739.1	\$ -
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 76,412.7</b>	<b>\$ 87,249.9</b>	<b>\$ 124,402.0</b>
Previous Allocations - RPLs	\$ 21,128.8	\$ 28,801.4	\$ 2,130.2
FY22 Gov Allocations	\$ 17,179.5	\$ -	\$ 2,713.2
<b>Remaining for Distribution</b>	<b>\$ 38,104.4</b>	<b>\$ 58,448.5</b>	<b>\$ 119,558.6</b>
Restrictions			
Anchorage - AMATS	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 11,294.3
Specific Airport Ops	\$ 25,045.9	\$ -	\$ -
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 25,045.9</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 11,294.3</b>

Note: FAA available will be more by an estimated to be "10s of millions" but allocations pending.

Also, not \$12,009,900 of current FY22 Gov Allocations could be covered by the CRRSAA specific airport ops



## ARP Health & Social Service Relief Details

SNAP Administrative Grant Increase	\$ 2,655
WIC Benefit Improvements	\$ 1,160
Child Care Development Fund (CCDF) Grants thru DHSS	\$ 28,410
Child Care Stabilization Grants thru DHSS	\$ 45,453
CDC Funding for COVID-19 Testing to DHSS	\$ 22,034
CDC Funding for COVID-19 Vaccination Activities to DHSS	TBD
Assistance to Children and Families Pandemic Emergency Assistance	\$ 7,045
Mental Health Block Grant Funding to DHSS	\$ 3,038
Substance Abuse Block Grant Funding to DHSS	\$ 4,706
Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) Funding to DHSS	\$ 23,945

DHSS is working diligently to try and analyze these various federal allocations, but there is still a lack of guidance on these various items

Many instances where funding must supplement not supplant UGF – also potential match requirement concerns



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