

FUNDING FOR COSTS RELATED TO COVID-19

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Coronavirus Relief Fund

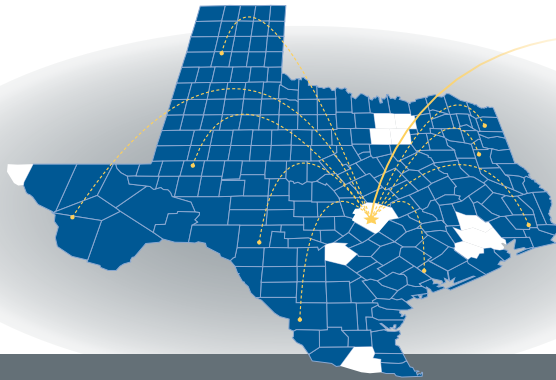
Description:

Provides funding for necessary expenditures incurred from March 1, 2020, through Dec. 30, 2020, due to the public health emergency stemming from the

coronavirus (COVID-19). Eligible expenditures are those not accounted for in the state or local government budget most recently approved as of March 27, 2020 (the date of enactment of the CARES Act).

Agencies Administering Program:

- U.S. Treasury
- Texas Division of Emergency Management (TDEM)
- Texas Governor's Office



The federal government is providing funding directly to states and large cities and counties.

The state of Texas is working to help smaller government entities in the areas indicated in blue obtain their share of the funds.

Type of Eligible Local Government Entity:

Cities and Counties

Grant or Loan:

Grant

Eligibility Criteria:

- A total of 242 counties, and cities within those counties, are eligible to apply to TDEM for a share of funds. TDEM is partnering with Texas A&M AgriLife Extension to provide individual assistance to local entities.
- The six Texas cities and 12 counties with populations exceeding 500,000 in the most recent census are not eligible to apply to TDEM. The larger entities received a direct payment of funds from the U.S. Treasury. Cities not eligible to receive a direct payment from the U.S. Treasury, but located in a county that did receive a direct payment, should work with their county for funding.

Funds Available:

Texas Received
\$11.24 BILLION

with \$5.06 BILLION slated for local governments and the rest for the state. More than \$3.2 billion of local governments' share is going directly to the largest Texas jurisdictions.

Cities and counties not eligible for a direct payment from the U.S. Treasury can apply for a part of the remaining local governments' share of

\$1.85 BILLION:

- These cities and counties will be allocated \$55 per capita.
- Once the grant agreement is certified, each jurisdiction will receive 20 percent of its allocation.
- After providing documentation for the initial funding, jurisdictions can access the remainder of their allocation on a reimbursement basis.

Deadline:

There is no current deadline to apply, but local governments must spend any funds received by Dec. 30, 2020. Unspent funds must be returned to the federal government.

How to Apply/ Application:

Texas jurisdictions not receiving a direct U.S. Treasury payment can apply through TDEM.

For More Information:

<https://home.treasury.gov/policy-issues/cares>

https://gov.texas.gov/uploads/files/press/Counties_Cities_CRF_Final.pdf

<https://tdem.texas.gov/crf/>