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APPROVED FOR TRANSMITTAL

REFERENCE NO. BD-BA 19-58

May 1, 2020

Honorable Michael P. Victorino Mayor, County of Maui 200 South High Street Wailuku, Hawaii 96793

For Transmittal to:

Honorable Alice L. Lee, Chair and Members of the Maui County Council 200 South High Street Wailuku, Hawaii 96793

Dear Chair Lee and Members:

SUBJECT: AMENDMENT TO THE FISCAL YEAR 2020 BUDGET, APPENDIX A, PART I GRANTS AND RESTRICTED USE REVENUES (DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE, CORONAVIRUS RELIEF FUND AND OTHER COVID-19 RELATED GRANTS)

I am transmitting the attached proposed bill entitled "A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2020 BUDGET FOR THE COUNTY OF MAUI AS IT PERTAINS TO APPENDIX A, PART I, GRANTS AND RESTRICTED USE REVENUES – SCHEDULE OF GRANTS AND RESTRICTED USE REVENUES BY DEPARTMENTS AND PROGRAM, DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE (CORONAVIRUS RELIEF FUND AND OTHER COVID-19 RELATED GRANTS)."

The purpose of the proposed bill is to increase the appropriation, entitled "Coronavirus Relief Fund and Other COVID-19 Related Grants", under the Department of Finance by \$10,000,000. The passage of the proposed amendment would allow the County the ability to move quickly and efficiently in our efforts in receiving grant revenue to protect our communities from the virus and to provide expanded services for those in need.

Council Chair Alice L. Lee May 1, 2020 Page 2

The County is in receipt of a notice of grant allotment from the State of Hawaii, Department of Transportation for the CARES Act Federal Transportation Administration Section 5307 Supplemental Grant in the amount of \$7,864,323. The funds are for COVID-19 related expenditures and requires approval from the State DOT and FTA.

The County is also in receipt of a notification from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development in the amount of \$1,104,173. The funds will be used for rental housing assistance for low and moderate income individuals and families. The County's Community Development Block Grant Office is currently working on its approvals and public notification for the use of the funds.

I respectfully request that this matter be considered by the Council at its meeting of May 8, 2020 for review and action on first reading. Should you have any questions, please contact me at ext. 7212.

Sincerely,

MICHELE M. YOSHIMURA

Budget Director

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Attachments

cc: Scott Teruya, Director of Finance

ORDINANCE NO.	
BILL NO.	(2020)

A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE AMENDING
THE FISCAL YEAR 2020 BUDGET FOR THE COUNTY OF MAUI
AS IT PERTAINS TO APPENDIX A, PART I,
GRANTS AND RESTRICTED USE REVENUES - SCHEDULE OF GRANTS AND
RESTRICTED USE REVENUES BY DEPARTMENTS AND PROGRAMS,
DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE
(CORONAVIRUS RELIEF FUND AND OTHER COVID-19 RELATED GRANTS)

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE COUNTY OF MAUI:

SECTION 1. Ordinance No. 4988, Bill No. 36 (2019), Draft 1, as amended, "Fiscal Year 2020 Budget", Appendix A, Part I, Grants and Restricted Use Revenues – Schedule of Grants and Restricted Use Revenues by Departments and Programs for Fiscal Year 2020, is hereby amended as it pertains to the Department of Finance, by increasing the appropriation, entitled "Coronavirus Relief Fund and other COVID-19 related grants" by \$10,000,000, to read as follows:

"3. Department of Finance

a.	Commercial Driver's License (CDL) Program (1) Provided, that disbursement for salaries and premium pay is limited to 6.0 Limited Term Appointment (LTA) equivalent personnel.	602,417
b.	Periodic Motor Vehicle Inspection Program (1) Provided, that disbursement for salaries and premium pay is limited to 5.0 LTA equivalent personnel.	517,624
C.	State Disability and Communications Board (DCAB) Program (1) Provided, that disbursement for salaries and premium pay is limited to 0.3 LTA equivalent personnel.	20,533
d.	State Identification (SID) Program (1) Provided, that disbursement for salaries and premium pay is limited to 2.0 LTA equivalent personnel.	230,001
e.	State Motor Vehicle Registration Program (1) Provided, that disbursement for salaries and premium pay is limited to 4.0 LTA equivalent personnel.	360,912
f.	Coronavirus Relief Fund and other COVID-19 related grants [3,000,000]	13,000,000"

SECTION 2. New material is underscored.

SECTION 3. This Ordinance shall take effect upon its approval.

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:

/s/ Mimi Desjardins

MIMI DESJARDINS
Deputy Corporation Counsel

Michele Yoshimura - CARES Act Funding Allocations & COVID-19 Mega Wavier

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CARES Act Funding Allocations & COVID-19 Mega Wavier

Cc:

"Okahara, Ryan T" <Ryan.T.Okahara@hud.gov>, "Mullahey, Ramona" <RAMONA.M...

Attachments: COVID Waiver 4 1 20.pdf

April 2, 2020

TO: Honolulu CPD Grantees:

SUBJECT: CARES Act Funding Allocations and CPD Programs COVID-19 Mega Wavier

We are pleased to advise you that HUD has published its first of three rounds of allocating the CARES Act funding The allocations nationwide can be found at

https://www.hud.gov/program offices/comm planning/budget/fy20/. The HUD Honolulu Field Office jurisdiction grantee allocations and are as follows:

STA	Grantee Name	CDBG20- CARES	ESG20- CARES	HOPWA20- CARES	HOPWA Competitive
HI	Hawaii County	\$1,543,033	\$0	\$0	
HI	Kauai County	\$412,929	\$0	\$0	
HI	Maui County	\$1,104,173	\$0	\$0	
HI	Honolulu	\$4,872,982	\$2,429,569	\$95,143	
HI	Hawaii Nonentitlement	\$0	\$1,567,697	\$39,007	
AS	American Samoa	\$532,457	\$269,228	\$0	
GU	Guam	\$1,785,801	\$888,696	\$0	
MP	Northern Mariana Islands	\$549,270	\$275,414	\$0	
HI	Maui A.I.D.S. Foundation	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$160,704
HI	Gregory House Programs	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$155,072

In addition, the attached COVID-19 Waiver memorandum explains the availability of waivers of certain regulatory requirements associated with several CPD grant programs to prevent the spread of COVID-19 and facilitate assistance to eligible communities and households economically impacted by COVID-19. This memorandum covers waivers of consolidated plan requirements for all CPD formula programs and program-specific waivers for the following CPD Programs:

- Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA);
- Emergency Solution Grant (ESG); and
- Continuum of Care (C0C).

Recipients may use the waivers described in this memorandum to assist affected CPD program beneficiaries and CPD program eligible households to prevent the spread of COVID-19 and to mitigate against the economic impact caused by COVID-19 for eligible households. To use the waiver flexibility provided in this memorandum, Honolulu CPD Grantees/Recipients must provide notification in writing to the HUD Honolulu CPD Director **no less than two days before** the grantee/recipient anticipated using the waiver flexibility.

Here is how the process will work:

- 1. CPD Grantees/Recipients do not need to request permission from the field office to carry out waiver activities.
- 2. CPD Honolulu Grantees/Recipients must inform the field office in writing of the specific waivers it will implement in response to the COVID-19 situation by emailing its "COVID-19 Waiver Notification Letter" to the CPD Director at CPDHonolulu@hud.gov and CPD COVID-19 WaiverHNL@hud.gov no less than two days before the grantee/recipient anticipated using the waiver flexibility. Please title the subject line of the email and letter with the following: (Insert Grantee Name) COVID-19 Waiver Notification

Read the waiver carefully so that you may appropriately advise CPD of the waivers you intend to implement. For your use below is a summary of the waivers with the regulation being waived.

Consolidated Plan Requirements: Citizen Participation Public Comment Period for Consolidated Plan Amendment

- Given the need to expedite actions to respond to COVID-19, HUD waives 24 CFR 91.105(c)(2) and (k), 91.115(c)(2) and (i). Basically this waives the 30-day minimum for the required public comment for substantial amendments, provided that no less than 5 days are provided for public comments on each substantial amendment.
- The waiver is available through the end of the recipient's 2020 program year. Any recipient wishing to undertake further amendments to prior year plans following the 2020 program year can do so during the development of its FY 2021 Annual Action Plan.

Consolidated Plan Requirements: Citizen Participation Reasonable Notice and Opportunity to Comment

- HUD recognizes the efforts to contain COVID-19 require limiting public gatherings, such as those often used to obtain citizen participation, and that there is a need to respond quickly to the growing spread and effects of COVID-19. Therefore, HUD waives 24 CFR 91.105(c)(2) local governments and (k), 24 CFR 91.115(c)(2) States and (i) and 24 CFR 91.401 Consortium must to allow these grantees to determine what constitutes reasonable notice and opportunity to comment given their circumstances.
- This authority is in effect through the end of the 2020 program year.

Continuum of Care Waiver Elements

- Initial in-person HQS inspections can be waived if 1) done virtually (e.g., using a video streaming app) and 2) grantee has policy in place that they will physically re-inspect within 3 months of COVID-19 restrictions being lifted. [24 CFR 578.75(b)(1)]
- Annual in-person HQS inspections are waived for one year. [24 CFR 578.75(b)(2)]
- For units leased in the next six months, grantees can exceed the FMR but not at an amount greater than the reasonable rent for the area. [24 CFR 578.49(b)(2)]
- For housing search and counseling services, grantees may pay up to 6 months of rent arrears and utility arrears to assist in housing placement. [24 CFR 578.53(e)(8)(ii)(B) and 578.53(d)]
- For rapid rehousing projects, the requirement for monthly case management meetings with clients is waived for two months beginning on the date of the memorandum. [24 CFR 578.37(a)(1)(ii)(F)]

- For PSH, grantees do not need to provide third-party documentation of disability status for chronically homeless individuals; self-certification suffices. [24 CFR 578.103(a), and 578.103(a)(4) (i)(B)]
- For PSH projects, the requirement for a one-year lease is waived for six months from the date of the memorandum. The lease should be for at least one month. [24 CFR 578.3, 24 CFR 578.51(l)(1)]

Emergency Solutions Grants Waiver Elements

- Grantees (including those that are not the HMIS Lead Agency) may use ESG funds to upgrade or enhance HMIS for COVID data sharing. [24 CFR 576.107(a)(2)]
- Re-evaluation of participants may occur every six months, rather than every three months. [24 CFR 576.401(b)]
- Participants in homelessness prevention or rapid re-housing programs are not required to meet with a case manager monthly for a period of two months beginning on the date of the memorandum. [24 CFR 576.401(e)]
- For units leased in the next six months, grantees can exceed the FMR but not at an amount greater than the reasonable rent. [24 CFR 576.106(d)(1)]
- HOPWA Waiver Elements
- Third-party documentation of income and credible source of HIV/AIDS status are waived, provided the grantee collects this within 3 months of COVID-19 restrictions being lifted. [24 CFR 574.530]
- The FMR rent standard is waived and grantees can establish reasonable rents as the basis for assistance. [24 CFR 574.320(a)(2)]
- Property standards for TBRA that require inspections are waived if 1) done virtually (e.g., using a video streaming app) and 2) grantee will physically re-inspect the unit after COVID-19 restrictions are lifted. [24 CFR 574.310(b)]
- The requirement for housing facilities to provide adequate space is waived for situations where use of facilities for quarantine is necessary, until COVID-19 restrictions are lifted; grantees may use hotel/motel space as needed. [24 CFR 574.310(b)(2)(iii)]

Finally for your use below is HUD Public Affairs notice on the awards.

Sincerely,

Mark A. Chandler

CPD Director HUD Honolulu Field Office 808.457.4678 mark.a.chandler@hud.gov

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 FOR RELEASE

 HUD Public Affairs
 Thursday

 (202) 708-0685
 April 2, 2020

HUD MOVES QUICKLY TO MAKE \$3 BILLION OF COVID-19 RELIEF FUNDING AVAILABLE TO COMMUNITIES ACROSS THE NATION

In addition to funding, mortgage servicers instructed to offer deferred or reduced mortgage payments for up to 6 months

WASHINGTON - President Trump signed the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act) into law last Friday, providing much needed assistance to the American people as the country works diligently to combat COVID-19. Thanks to the President's leadership, families and communities across the country will immediately feel the impact of this relief package as the federal government works to make these funds available.

After the President signed the CARES Act, Secretary Ben Carson directed the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to immediately begin allocating \$3.064 billion to help America's low-income families and most vulnerable citizens. These funds will be awarded quickly by using existing grant formulas; they will also be accompanied by new guidance that cuts red tape so grantees can quickly help their communities.

"President Trump has said repeatedly that combating coronavirus will take a whole-of-government response, so we are glad to see Congress come together and join in our efforts to provide relief for the American people," said Secretary Carson. "During this national emergency, HUD has taken quick action to help our country's most vulnerable citizens and this additional support from Congress will help us continue to fulfill that mission."

HUD is making available \$3.064 billion through its Community Development Block Grant, Emergency Solutions Grant, and Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS programs.

\$2 Billion to Help States, Communities, and Non-profits:

- o Construct medical facilities for testing and treatment.
- Acquire a motel or hotel building to expand capacity of hospitals to accommodate isolation of patients during recovery.
- Replace HVAC systems to temporarily transform commercial buildings or closed school buildings into clinics or treatment centers.
- Support businesses manufacturing medical supplies.
- Construct a group living facility to centralize patients undergoing treatment.
- Carry out job training of health care workers and technicians who are available to treat disease within a community.
- These funds will be allocated under HUD's Community Development Block Grant program. <u>View specific state and grantee</u> <u>allocations here.</u>

\$1 Billion to Keep America's Homeless Citizens Safe:

- Build more emergency shelters for homeless individuals and families.
- Operate emergency shelters by providing maintenance, rent, repair, security, fuel, equipment, insurance, utilities, food, furnishings, and supplies necessary for the operation.
- Provide Hotel/Motel Vouchers for homeless families or individuals.
- Provide essential services to people experiencing homelessness including childcare, education services, outreach, employment assistance, outpatient health services, legal services, mental health services, substance abuse treatment services, and transportation.
- Prevent individuals from becoming homeless and rapidly rehouse homeless individuals.

o These funds will be allocated under HUD's Emergency Solutions Grants program. View specific state and grantee allocations

\$63.7 Million to Help American's with Compromised Immune Systems:

- o Increase the level of safe, stable housing for Persons Living with HIV/AIDS and their household members, by providing rental and utility assistance and other short-term lodging assistance to address isolation and selfquarantine needs.
- Ensure access to HIV medical care and treatment, chemical dependency treatment, and mental health treatment.
- Provide persons with compromised immune systems with nutritional services and assistance with daily living.
- Assist in job training and placement assistance.
- HUD will award these funds under HUD's Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS (HOPWA) program. View specific state and grantee allocations here.

Cuts Red Tape to Allow for Targeting of COVID-19 Response:

- The authority to provide housing assistance payments for rent, mortgage, utilities for up to 24 months.
- The authority to use funds to self-isolate, quarantine, or provide other CDC-recommended infection control services for household members not living with HIV/AIDS.
- The authority to use funds to provide relocation services (including lodging at hotels, motels, or other locations) for persons living with HIV/AIDS and household members not living with HIV/AIDS.

Additional funds will follow this first tranche. The CARES Act allows HUD to broaden the reach of its existing grant programs for the remaining \$9.136 billion in relief funding to meet our country's unique needs during this time. To do this, new grant formulas must be written. HUD began writing new formulas immediately and will continue to work quickly to address communities' needs and ensure these funds go to people and do not get delayed by bureaucratic red tape.

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HUD's mission is to create strong, sustainable, inclusive communities and quality affordable homes for all. More information about HUD and its programs is available at www.hud.gov and https://espanol.hud.gov.

For information about Opportunity Zones visit: https://opportunityzones.hud.gov/

You can also connect with HUD on social media and follow Secretary Carson on Twitter and Facebook or sign up for news alerts on HUD's Email List.

Diane Yogi - CARES Act 5307 Supplemental funds application package

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Attachments: .5 Aplication Checklist - Copy.docx; 1. Application Cover Letter to HDOT DIRECTOR.doc; 2. Grant Application for Federal Transit Administration Funding.docx; 3. Proposed Work Report.xls; 4. Intercity Bus Needs

> Exemption.doc; 5. Lobbying certification.docx; 5b. Disclosure of Lobbying Activities - Standard Form LLL.pdf; 6. US Department of Labor 5333(b) Warranty.doc; Available county funding 04082020.pdf; Modified copy of 3.

Proposed Work Report.xls

Aloha Marc,

Per our telephone conversation last week, please find CARES Act FTA Section 5307 Supplemental grant application package for your review and use. Also, attached is a summary of the funding available for obligation for other formula grants (5307, 5311, and 5339). You are encouraged to use CARES Act FTA Section 5307 Supplemental grant as it requires no local match.

FTA's apportionment is \$7,864,323 for Maui. Currently, the HDOT is not planning to retain funds for administration, however, please understand that the HDOT may elect to use a portion of the fund to cover admin costs in the future.

As we are in unprecedented conditions and there are a lot of unknowns, the County may apply for the entire amount in one package or choose to apply in phases. The first phase can immediately be applied to cover for the Operation cost till the end of the fiscal year. The subsequent phases may be applied within the next few months or even sooner to cover for administrative leaves, ongoing capital expenses related to COVID-19 and for the recovery to cover for actual expenses shortfalls and asset development as more specific needs are identified. The subsequent phases could be a monthly reimbursement as well. Whichever methods the County chooses to apply for the grant, STP will work with you. We will process your application as soon as we receive it.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or need more information.

Mahalo,

Tomo

Formula Grants Program Rural Areas Formula Grants Program, and the Tribal Transit Formula Grants Program.

The state of Hawaii will receive a total of \$ 107,816,109.

For information regarding the funds Urbanized Areas (UZA) in your district and state will receive, click here to view the apportionment tables.

The funding amount for each individual transit provider is a local decision. By law, state governors, generally through the state Department of Transportation, distribute FTA formula funds among recipients in rural and small urban areas. For large urban areas, governors select a Designated Recipient. The Designated Recipient then allocates funds within the Urbanized Area to specific transit agencies that then apply for and receive grants from FTA. This is a normal part of FTA grant processes, so states and localities will follow a familiar process for making these decisions. Funds are apportioned directly to Tribes for the Tribal Transit Formula Grants Program.

Funding will be provided at a 100 percent federal share, with no local match required, and will be available to support operating, capital and other expenses incurred beginning January 20, 2020. Operating expenses are eligible for all urban, rural and Tribal recipients, even those in large urban areas, and includes operating expenses to maintain transit services as well as paying for administrative leave for transit personnel due to reduced operations during the emergency are eligible.

Resources for Stakeholders and Grantees

The FTA website provides multiple resources to help grantees in your state to understand eligible expenses, program requirements, and receive grant funds:

- COVID-19 page;
- FAQ page;
- Apportionment Tables for states and Urbanized Areas to begin their planning processes.

If grantees require further clarification or technical assistance, please direct them to email their questions to <u>FTAresponse@dot.gov</u> or contact their <u>FTA regional office</u>. Our regional offices continue to operate at full capacity and will provide grantees with any assistance necessary.