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State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds

Funding Available: The US Treasury allocated $350 billion to states, territories, tribes, and local governments (counties, cities, and non-entitlement governments).

Flow of Funding: $219.8 billion is split amongst states, territories, and tribal governments.
- **Territories:** $4.5 billion
- **Tribes:** $20 billion
- **States:** $195.3 billion

$130.2 billion is split amongst counties, cities, and smaller local governments.
- **Counties:** $65.1 billion
- **Metropolitan Cities:** $45.57 billion
- **Non-entitlement Governments:** $19.53 billion

Some states and **all** local governments received 50% of their funds in 2021. They will receive the second 50% in 2022, a year from receiving their first allocation.

Deadline: Funds must be spent by **December 31, 2024.**

State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund Eligible Expenses

Eligible expenses:

(1) To respond to the public health emergency or its negative economic impacts, including assistance to households, small businesses, and nonprofits, or aid to impacted industries such as tourism, travel, and hospitality;

(2) To respond to workers performing essential work during the pandemic by providing premium pay to eligible workers of the State, territory, or Tribal government that are performing such essential work, or by providing grants to eligible employers that have eligible workers who perform essential work;

(3) For the provision of government services to the extent of reduction in revenue such State, territory, or Tribal government due to the emergency; or

(4) To make necessary investments in water, sewer, or broadband infrastructure.

*Funds can be transferred to private nonprofits, a public benefit corporation involved in transportation of passengers or cargo, or a special-purpose unit of State or local government.

Ineligible expenses:

(1) Cannot be used to finance tax cuts

(2) Cannot be deposited into pension funds

Updates to the Final Rule

On January 6, 2022, the Department of the Treasury published the Final Rule, which provides additional flexibility for governments to spend their Fiscal Recovery Funds:

1. Expanded the non-exhaustive list of uses that recipients can use to respond to COVID-19 and its economic impacts – ensuring states and localities can adapt quickly and nimbly to changing public health and economic needs.
2. Broadened eligible water, sewer, and broadband infrastructure projects – understanding the unique challenges facing each state and locality in delivering clean water and high-speed broadband to their communities.
3. Localities may now elect to take a standard allowance of $10 million for revenue loss rather than calculating revenue loss through the full formula. These funds can be put toward the provision of government services.

Citizen Engagement and Digital Government

Digital Government

"Technology infrastructure resources to improve access to and the user experience of government information technology systems, including upgrades to hardware and software as well as improvements to public-facing websites or to data management systems, to increase public access and improve public delivery of government programs and services (including in the judicial, legislative, or executive branches)."

Citizen Engagement

"Community outreach and engagement resources to support the gathering and sharing of information in ways that improve equity and effective implementation of SLFRF-funded programs and programs that respond to the public health emergency and its negative economic impacts, or which households, small businesses, or impacted industries are accessing during the pandemic that are funded by other sources."

❑ **Who else in the organization should I involve?**

- IT Department, finance officers (the city finance officer if you're in a city department; the county finance officer if you're in a county department), department administrators.

- State agencies should contact the governor's office or state legislature.

❑ **Any "key dates" we should keep in mind?**

- The Final Rule takes effect **April 1, 2021.**

- All funds must be obligated by **December 31, 2024**, though the period of performance will run until **December 31, 2026**, which will provide recipients a reasonable amount of time to complete projects funded with payments from the Fiscal Recovery Funds.

❑ **Where can we find more information?**

- https://home.treasury.gov/policy-issues/coronavirus/assistance-for-state-local-and-tribal-governments/state-and-local-fiscal-recovery-funds

Suggested Action Steps

Getting Your Stimulus Proposal Ready

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Gather Components of a Winning Proposal

- **Basic Organization Description**
- **Statement of Need**
- **Project Description**
- **Plan for Hardware/Software Deployment**
- **Anticipated Project Benefits**
- **Plan for Future Funding/Sustainability**

What Should My Proposal Look Like?

While there isn't a one-size fits all application that you'll fill out for your stimulus-funded project, a short chart like this can help succinctly summarize your project and its goals!

Proposal:

Proposed Funding Source: State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds

Additional Details:

Intended Users/Departments	1. 2. 3.
Pain points	
Proposed Solution	
Weblinks to Proposed Solution	
Cost	Talk to your Granicus representative today!

Questions?

Tell us how we did (and follow up)

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- Determining what local projects and priorities can use ARP funding

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