Senator Martin Heinrich

S. 3548 - The Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act Summary and Funding Highlights

$340 billion in new funding to address the coronavirus pandemic.

1. Resources to help strained state, local, and tribal governments;
2. Support for hospitals and health care workers;
3. Funding to purchase personal protective equipment and much needed medical equipment;
4. Support for law enforcement, firefighters, and first responders;
5. Funding for scientists researching treatments and vaccines;
6. Support for small businesses;
7. Support for local schools and universities; and
8. Funding for affordable housing and homelessness assistance programs.

The summary does not reflect the mandatory or authorizing provisions of the agreement.

DIVISION B – Emergency Appropriations For Coronavirus Health Response and Agency Operations

Title I – Department of Agriculture - $34.9 billion for Department of Agriculture agencies and the Food and Drug Administration to continue to respond.

Highlights include:

- **Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program** – $15.5 billion in additional funding. SNAP provides financial assistance to eligible New Mexicans with low income and limited resources to purchase food products. **For NM SNAP:**
  - To apply: [https://www.yes.state.nm.us/yesnm/home/index](https://www.yes.state.nm.us/yesnm/home/index)
  - For questions: 1-800-283-4465
  - For guidance in applying: [http://nmpovertylaw.org/our-work/how-to-apply](http://nmpovertylaw.org/our-work/how-to-apply)

- **Child Nutrition Programs** – $8.8 billion in additional funding to ensure children receive meals while school is not in session. Funds are allocate to the state via formula to help ensure that eligible children and adults receive nutritious meals. Programs include National School Lunch Program and the Child and Adult Care Food Program. **For NM information:**
  - [https://cyfd.org/family-nutrition](https://cyfd.org/family-nutrition)
  - [https://webnew.ped.state.nm.us/bureaus/student-success-wellness/nutrition/](https://webnew.ped.state.nm.us/bureaus/student-success-wellness/nutrition/)
• **Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations** – *$100 million* to guarantee participants of SNAP on Indian Reservations receive needed food and ensure the facilities have the capacity to meet increased needs.
  
  - **NM information:** [https://www.fns.usda.gov/contacts?f%5B0%5D=state%3A307&f%5B1%5D=program%3A23](https://www.fns.usda.gov/contacts?f%5B0%5D=state%3A307&f%5B1%5D=program%3A23)

• **The Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP)** – *$450 million*. With many communities suffering from job losses, food banks have seen increased needs. In New Mexico, the program is administered through the NM Human Services Department/Income Support Division.
  
  - **Locate a food bank near you:** [http://www.nmfoodbanks.org/](http://www.nmfoodbanks.org/)

• **USDA Rural Development** –
  
  - **Distance Learning and Telemedicine program** - *$25 million* increase to help improve distance learning and telemedicine in rural areas of America. This is a competitive program. **For information:** [https://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/distance-learning-telemedicine-grants](https://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/distance-learning-telemedicine-grants)

  - **Re-Connect Program** - *$100 million* to help ensure rural Americans have access to broadband. This is a competitive program. **For information:** [https://www.usda.gov/reconnect](https://www.usda.gov/reconnect)

  - **$20.5 million** to support $1 billion in Business and Industry loans. This is a competitive program. **For information:** [https://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/business-industry-loan-guarantees](https://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/business-industry-loan-guarantees)

  - **Assistance to Producers** – *$9.5 billion* to assist agriculture producers, including specialty crop producers; producers who support local food systems such as farmers markets, schools, and restaurants; and livestock producers, including dairy. This is a competitive program. **For information:** [https://www.usda.gov/topics/farming/grants-and-loans](https://www.usda.gov/topics/farming/grants-and-loans)
- **Commodity Credit Corporation** – The bill increases borrowing authority by $14 billion. **For information:** [https://www.usda.gov/ccc](https://www.usda.gov/ccc)

- **Note:** For assistance applying to USDA RD Programs, find New Mexico’s USDA Rural Development Offices and Contacts here: [https://www.rd.usda.gov/contact-us/state-offices/nm](https://www.rd.usda.gov/contact-us/state-offices/nm)

### Title II – Departments of Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies

**$3.079 billion** in funding to support economic development, invest in basic science and provide resources for federal, state and local law enforcement and prisons to respond to this public health crisis.

#### Resources for Businesses and Non-Profits:

- **Economic Development Administration (EDA)** – **$1.5 billion** for economic adjustment assistance to help revitalize local communities after the pandemic. Funds to help rebuild impacted industries such as tourism or manufacturing supply chains, capitalize local funds to provide low-interest loans to businesses of all sizes, and support other locally-identified priorities for economic recovery. This is a competitive program. **For information:** [https://eda.gov/about/](https://eda.gov/about/)

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- **Hollings Manufacturing Extension Partnership** - **$50 million** to help small- and medium-sized manufacturers recover by finding value within the supply chain and expanding markets. This is a competitive program. **For information:** [https://www.nist.gov/mep/about-nist-mep/notice-funding-opportunities](https://www.nist.gov/mep/about-nist-mep/notice-funding-opportunities)

#### Resources for Federal, State and Local Law Enforcement:

- **Byrne-Justice Assistance Grant Program (Byrne-JAG)** - **$850 million** is a flexible law enforcement grant that will help state and local police departments and jails to meet local needs, including purchase of
personal protective equipment and other needed medical items and to support overtime for officers on the front lines. The bill avoids the unnecessary Trump Administration-imposed roadblocks intended to punish so-called sanctuary cities. This program is partially by formula and partially a competitive program. For information: https://bja.ojp.gov/funding/awards/2019-dj-bx-0072 (formula) and https://beta.sam.gov/fal/480fc50365a48ba96a8c494642894f5/view (competitive program)

- National Science Foundation (NSF) - $75 million to support research at molecular, cellular, physiological and ecological levels to better understand coronavirus genetics, modes of action, transmission, virulence and population dynamics. NSF supports research activities at more than 2,000 research institutions and is ready to mobilize the full force of the academic community including through Rapid Response Research (RAPID) proposals. This is a competitive program. For information: https://www.nsf.gov/pubs/2020/nsf20052/nsf20052.jsp


Title III – Department of Defense

$10.5 billion for the Department of Defense, primarily for the protection of members of the Armed Forces, their families, and military retirees from coronavirus. Includes funding to leverage unique capabilities of the Department of Defense to contribute to the response to the pandemic.

Highlights include:

- National Guard – $1.4 billion funding will sustain up to 20,000 members of the National Guard, under the direction of the governors of each state, for the next six months in order to support state and local response efforts.

- Defense Production Act – $1 billion funding allows the Department of Defense to invest in manufacturing capabilities that are key to
increasing the production rate of personal protective equipment and medical equipment to meet the demand of healthcare workers all across the nation.

- **Military medical research programs - $415 million** – funding to develop promising vaccines and anti-viral pharmaceuticals.

- **Expansion of military hospitals and expeditionary hospital packages – $1.5 billion** – funding to alleviate the anticipated strain on both the military and civilian healthcare systems, which will nearly triple the 4,300 beds available in military treatment facilities today.

**Transfer Limitation - Includes a general provision to prevent funds in this title from being diverted to build a wall on the southern border.**

**Title IV – Energy and Water Development, and Related Agencies**

**Includes $221 million** for agencies to respond to coronavirus impacts on operations, including equipment and IT support to improve teleworking capabilities vital to continued operations.

**Highlights include:**

- **U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) – $70 million** to prepare for and respond to the coronavirus by providing additional equipment, licenses, and IT support to improve teleworking capabilities and ensure secure remote access for Corps staff. Funding will also improve capacity for remote operations of USACE projects and activation of Emergency Operations Centers nationwide to support continued operations of USACE projects.

**Title V – Financial Services and General Government**

**Includes $1.82 billion** for Financial Services and General Government agencies.

**Highlights include:**

- **Small Business Administration (SBA) – $562 million** to ensure that SBA has the resources to provide Economic Injury Disaster Loans (EIDL) to businesses that need financial support during this difficult time. These loans will help businesses keep their doors open and pay their employees. The EIDL program will be available to assist small businesses adversely impacted by COVID-19. This funding is in addition to the funds provided in the Keeping American Workers Employed and Paid Act, which
authorizes $350 billion worth of 100 percent guaranteed SBA loans, a portion of which SBA will forgive based on allowable expenses for the borrower.

- **$10 billion in direct grants** for businesses that do not qualify for the EIDL program,
- **$17 billion** to have SBA step in and make six months of principle and interest payments for all SBA backed business loans.
- The SBA can offer
  - Paycheck Protection Program
  - Economic Injury Disaster Loans and Loan Advance
  - SBA Debt Relief
  - SBA Express Bridge Loans
  - Guidance for Businesses and Employers
  - SBA Products and Resources
  - Government Contracting
  - Local Assistance


- For Economic Injury Disaster Loans and Loan Advance Applicants are encouraged to apply online: [https://disasterloan.sba.gov](https://disasterloan.sba.gov)
- SBA disaster assistance customer service center. Call 1-800-659-2955 (TTY: 1-800-877-8339) or e-mail [disastercustomerservice@sba.gov](mailto:disastercustomerservice@sba.gov).
- To find an SBA resource partner who can help guide you through the loan application process [https://www.sba.gov/local-assistance](https://www.sba.gov/local-assistance)

- **Federal Communications Commission (FCC) – $200 million for the FCC Connected Care Pilot Program.** This program will support efforts of health care providers to address COVID-19 by using telehealth to connect with patients. This is a competitive program. **For information:** [https://docs.fcc.gov/public/attachments/FCC-19-64A1_Rcd.pdf](https://docs.fcc.gov/public/attachments/FCC-19-64A1_Rcd.pdf)
• **Internal Revenue Service (IRS) - $250 million** in additional funding to the IRS to administer the new tax credits for paid leave. This funding will also address IRS costs associated with delaying the filing season and expanded telework. For additional information on the Economic Impact Payments, please visit [https://www.irs.gov/newsroom/economic-impact-payments-what-you-need-to-know](https://www.irs.gov/newsroom/economic-impact-payments-what-you-need-to-know)

**Title VI – Department Of Homeland Security**

$45.873 billion in funding with a focus on helping people, communities, and frontline personnel prepare for and recover from COVID-19.

**Highlights include:**

• **Disaster Relief Fund – $45 billion** to provide for the immediate needs of state, local, tribal, and territorial governments to protect citizens and help them recover from the overwhelming effects of COVID-19. Of which $15,000,000,000 may be used for all purposes authorized under such Act and may be used in addition to amounts designated by the Congress as being for disaster relief pursuant to section 251(b)(2)(D) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985.
  
  - Reimbursable activities may include medical response, personal protective equipment, National Guard deployment, coordination of logistics, safety measures, and community services nationwide.
  
  - Local governments, tribes and non-profits can apply for FEMA Public Assistance through the New Mexico Department of Homeland Security & Emergency Management - Disaster Recovery Division. Reimbursement can cover 75% of the costs associated with responding to COVID-19.
  

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• **Emergency Food and Shelter Program – $200 million** for shelter, food and supportive services to individuals and families in sudden economic crisis. **For information:**
https://www.efsp.unitedway.org/efsp/website/websiteContents/index.cfm?template=about.cfm

- **Assistance to Firefighter Grants** – $100 million for personal protective equipment for our nation’s first responders. This is a competitive program. **For information:** [https://www.fema.gov/welcome-assistance-firefighters-grant-program](https://www.fema.gov/welcome-assistance-firefighters-grant-program)

- **Emergency Management Performance Grants** – $100 million for state, local, territorial, and tribal governments to support coordination, communications, and logistics. Funding is provided via formula to New Mexico Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Management. **For information:** [https://www.fema.gov/emergency-management-performance-grant-program](https://www.fema.gov/emergency-management-performance-grant-program) and [https://www.nmdhsem.org/covid-19-updates/](https://www.nmdhsem.org/covid-19-updates/)

- **Personal Protective Equipment** – $178 million for the Department of Homeland Security to ensure front line federal employees have personal protective equipment.

- **Transportation Security Administration** – $100 million for enhanced sanitation at airport security checkpoints, overtime and travel costs, and the purchase of explosives trace detection swabs.

- **Coast Guard** – $141 million to activate Coast Guard Reserve personnel and for building capacity and capability for information technology systems and infrastructure to support telework and remote access.

- **Federal Emergency Management Agency** – $45 million to expand information technology and communications capabilities and to build capacity in response coordination efforts.

- **Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency** – $9 million for supply chain and information analysis and for impacted critical infrastructure coordination.

- **FEMA Personnel Pay** – Allows FEMA to continue paying personnel who reach normal overtime and premium pay caps while working on the coronavirus response.
Title VII – Department of The Interior

Includes $2 billion in funding to provide necessary resources to assist Native communities and tribal governments in preparing for and responding to the threat of coronavirus; increase funding for health care services, equipment and staffing at tribal health care facilities; support tribal schools, colleges and universities; enhance response capacity for U.S. territories and Freely Associated States; provide response resources for Federal land management agencies; and assist the nation’s arts and cultural institutions in weathering this public health crisis.

Highlights include:

- **Indian Health Service (Part of HHS) – $1.032 billion** in critically needed resources to support the tribal health system during the pandemic, including expanded support for medical services, equipment, supplies and public health education for IHS direct service, tribally operated and urban Indian health care facilities; expanded funding for purchased/referred care; and new investments for telehealth services, electronic health records improvement, and expanded disease surveillance by tribal epidemiology centers.
  
  - **$65,000,000** is for electronic health record stabilization and support. **For information:** [https://www.ihs.gov/ehr/](https://www.ihs.gov/ehr/)
  
  - **Not less than $450,000,000** to be distributed through IHS directly operated programs and to tribes and tribal organizations under the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act, and through contracts of grants with Indian organization under title V of the Indian Health Care Improvement Act. **For information from the Office of Tribal Self-Governance:** [https://www.ihs.gov/selfgovernance/aboutus/](https://www.ihs.gov/selfgovernance/aboutus/)
  
  - **$125,000,000** may be transferred to and merged with the Indian Health Service, Indian Health Facilities appropriation.

- **Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) –** Includes **$453 million** to provide aid to tribal governments; support welfare assistance and social service programs, including assistance to tribal members affected by the coronavirus crisis; expand public safety and emergency response capabilities; increase BIA capacity for teleworking so the agency is better prepared to assist tribes; and meet increased staffing and overtime costs. **For the Indian Services Website:** [https://www.bia.gov/bia/ois](https://www.bia.gov/bia/ois)
• **Bureau of Indian Education (BIE)** – **$69 million** for response needs at BIE-funded schools, including staffing, transportation, telework, and cleaning activities and assistance for tribal colleges and universities across the country to help respond to the crisis.
  - **$20,000,000** will be allocated for Tribal Colleges and Universities (https://bie.edu/Resources/HigherEd/index.htm)
  - Bureau of Indian Education: https://bie.edu/Schools/index.htm

• **Department of the Interior, Office of the Secretary** – **$158.4 million** in centralized, flexible resources to allow the Secretary of the Interior to allocate resources to address coronavirus response needs for national parks, wildlife refuges, and other public lands and other bureaus. Includes funding for equipment and supplies for cleaning buildings and public areas; support for law enforcement and emergency personnel deployed to critical areas; support for scientific needs; increased telework capacity; and other prevention, mitigation, or recovery activities associated with the coronavirus outbreak.

• **Office of Insular Affairs** – Includes **$55 million** to assist U.S. Territories and Freely Associated States with needs related to prevention and mitigation of the coronavirus outbreak, including medical supplies and equipment, healthcare services, and facilities.

• **Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)** – **$7.2 million** to support research efforts regarding coronavirus; staffing and associated costs for expediting registrations and other actions related to addressing coronavirus; cleaning and disinfecting of EPA’s facilities; and enhancing EPA’s telework infrastructure.
  - **$2,250,000** under “Science and Technology” to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the coronavirus.
  - **$3,910,000** under “Environmental Programs and Management”
  - **$300,000** under “Buildings and Facilities” to prevent, prepare for, and response to coronavirus and for necessary expenses for cleaning and disinfecting equipment and facilities
  - **$770,000** under the “Hazardous Substance Superfund” for necessary expenses for cleaning and disinfecting equipment and facilities

• **Forest Service** – Includes a total of **$70 million** across Forest Service programs for prevention, mitigation, or recovery activities associated with the coronavirus outbreak, including funding for equipment and supplies for cleaning buildings and public areas; support for law enforcement and emergency personnel deployed to critical areas; support for scientific needs; and increased telework capacity.
- $3,000,000 under the “Forest and Rangeland Research” for the reestablishment of abandoned or failed experiments associated with employee restrictions due to the coronavirus outbreak.
- $34,000,000 under the “National Forest System” for cleaning and disinfecting of public recreation amenities and for personal protective equipment and baseline health testing for first responders.
- $26,800,000 under “Capital Improvement and Maintenance” for janitorial services.
- $7,000,000 under “Wildland Fire Management” for personal protective equipment. For information: [https://www.fs.usda.gov/](https://www.fs.usda.gov/)

- **Institute of American Indian and Alaska Native Culture and Arts Development** – Includes $78,000 for an additional amount under “Payment to the Institute” to help respond, prepare, and prevent coronavirus.
  - This is a direct payment to [IAIA in Santa Fe](https://iaia.edu/)

- **National Endowment for the Art and Humanities** – $150 million to state arts and humanities agencies to provide grants and support arts organizations, museums, libraries, and other organizations during the coronavirus crisis. The bill includes $75 million for the National Endowment for the Arts and $75 million for the National Endowment of the Humanities.
  - $75,000,000 for NEA under “Grants and Administration” to be distributed in grants.
    - 40% of funds to be distributed to State arts agencies and regional arts organizations.
      - For NM information: [http://www.nmarts.org/](http://www.nmarts.org/)
      - Senate Appropriations Committee Estimate for NM: $434,100
    - 60% of funds to be distributed as direct grants for the purposes of general operations of such recipients and match requirements are to be waived.
      - For information: [https://www.arts.gov/coronavirus](https://www.arts.gov/coronavirus)
      - Grants postings: [https://www.arts.gov/grants](https://www.arts.gov/grants)
  - $75,000,000 for NEH under “Grants and Administration” to be distributed in grants.
    - 40% of funds are to be distributed to State humanities councils.
      - There are 56 organizations eligible to support local cultural nonprofits and educational programming.
      - For NM information, visit the New Mexico Humanities Council: [https://nmhum.org/](https://nmhum.org/)
      - Senate Appropriations Committee Estimate for NM: $436,500
60% of funds are for direct grants for purposes of the general operations of the recipients and matching requirements are to be waived.

- **For information:**
  [https://www.neh.gov/COVID19_FAQs](https://www.neh.gov/COVID19_FAQs)
- **Grants postings:** [https://www.neh.gov/grants](https://www.neh.gov/grants)

**Title VIII – Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, Education and Related Agencies**

$172.1 billion to ensure that people on the front lines of the pandemic have the resources to prepare for, prevent and respond to the crisis. These funds build off the initial Coronavirus Preparedness and Response Supplemental Appropriations Act by making additional investments in healthcare, vaccine development, support for state and local governments’ prevention and response efforts, and the purchase of critical medical supplies. It also includes a substantial investment in education, child care and other social services programs to support schools and communities during the economic crisis resulting from the pandemic.

**Highlights include:**

- **Centers for Disease Control and Prevention – $4.3 billion** to support federal, state, and local public health agencies to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the coronavirus, including:
  - **$1.5 billion** to support grants and/or cooperative agreements with States, locals, territories, and tribes in their efforts to conduct public health activities, including:
    - Purchase of personal protective equipment; surveillance for coronavirus;
    - Laboratory testing to detect positive cases;
    - Contact tracing to identify additional cases;
    - Infection control and mitigation at the local level to prevent the spread of the virus; and other public health preparedness and response activities.
  - Funding is allocated via formula to New Mexico Department of Health.
  - Every grantee that received a Public Health Emergency Preparedness grant for fiscal year 2019 will receive not less than 100 percent of that grant level.

- **$1.5 billion** in flexible funding to support CDC’s continuing efforts to contain and combat the virus, including repatriation and quarantine efforts, purchase and distribution of diagnostic test kits (including for state and local public health agencies) and support for laboratory testing, workforce training programs, combating antimicrobial resistance and antibiotic resistant
bacteria as a result of secondary infections related to COVID-19, and communicating with and informing public, state, local, and tribal governments and healthcare institutions.

- **$500 million** for global disease detection and emergency response;
- **$500 million** for public health data surveillance and analytics infrastructure modernization;
- **$300 million** for the Infectious Diseases Rapid Response Reserve Fund, which supports immediate response activities during outbreaks. [https://www.cdc.gov/cpr/readiness/funding-covid.htm](https://www.cdc.gov/cpr/readiness/funding-covid.htm)

**Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response – $127 billion** for medical response efforts, including:

- **$100 billion for a new program** to provide grants to hospitals, public entities, not-for-profit entities, and Medicare and Medicaid enrolled suppliers and institutional providers to cover unreimbursed health care related expenses or lost revenues attributable to the public health emergency resulting from the coronavirus.

**Biomedical Advanced Research and Development Authority (BARDA)- $27 billion** to support research and development of vaccines, therapeutics, and diagnostics to prevent or treat the effects of coronavirus, including:

- **At least $3.5 billion** to advance construction, manufacturing, and purchase of vaccines and therapeutics to the American people. This is in addition to the investments provided for these activities in the first supplemental.

- **Strategic National Stockpile-$16 billion** for critical medical supplies, personal protective equipment, and life-saving medicine.

- **Hospital Preparedness Program - $250 million** to fund the National Ebola and Special Pathogens Training and Education Center (NETEC), regional, State and local special pathogens treatment centers, and hospital preparedness cooperative agreements. For information: [https://www.phe.gov/Preparedness/Pages/default.aspx](https://www.phe.gov/Preparedness/Pages/default.aspx)
• **Supplemental Awards for Health Centers** (SEC. 3211.) - **$1.320 billion** for fiscal year 2020 for the detection of SARS-CoV-2 or the prevention, diagnosis, and treatment of COVID-19.

• **Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA)** – **$275 million** including:
  - **$90 million for Ryan White HIV/AIDS programs** – Provided via formula to States and Eligible MSA. [https://hab.hrsa.gov/about-ryan-white-hiv-aids-program/about-ryan-white-hiv-aids-program](https://hab.hrsa.gov/about-ryan-white-hiv-aids-program/about-ryan-white-hiv-aids-program)
  - **$180 million** to support rural critical access hospitals, rural tribal health and telehealth programs. [https://www.hrsa.gov/rural-health](https://www.hrsa.gov/rural-health)
    - 5 million for poison control centers.

• **Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration** – **$425 million** to increase access to mental health services in our communities, including:
  - **$250,000,000** for Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinic Expansion Grant program.
  - **$50,000,000** for Suicide prevention programs.
  - **$100,000,000** emergency response spending that can target support where it is most needed, such as outreach to those experiencing homelessness.
  - **$15,000,000** for Tribes & Health or behavioral health service providers to tribes.
  - For information: [https://www.samhsa.gov/coronavirus](https://www.samhsa.gov/coronavirus)

• **Administration for Community Living (ACL)** – **$955 million** to support nutrition programs, home and community based services, support for family caregivers, and expand oversight and protections for seniors and individuals with disabilities. [https://acl.gov/COVID-19](https://acl.gov/COVID-19)

  - **Senior Nutrition Program** – Includes **$250 million** additional funding for the Senior Nutrition program in the Administration for Community Living (ACL). The New Mexico Aging & Long-Term Services Department receives these funds. Find your Area Agency on Aging: [http://www.nmaging.state.nm.us/aaa.aspx](http://www.nmaging.state.nm.us/aaa.aspx)

• **Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS)** – **$200 million** for CMS to assist nursing homes with infection control and support states’ efforts to prevent the spread of coronavirus in nursing homes.

• **Expansion of the Medicare Hospital Accelerated Payment Program (Sec. 3719)** – Allows an eligible* hospital to request accelerated payments
on a lump sum or periodic basis if they are experiencing significant cash flow problems resulting from operations of its intermediary or unusual circumstances. For information:

Department of Education – $30.750 billion for an Education Stabilization Fund for states, school districts and institutions of higher education for costs related to coronavirus. With most elementary and secondary schools closed across the nation, states and school districts are facing increased costs as they deal with the safety and health issues related to coronavirus. At the same time, they must continue to help address the basic needs of students and develop plans for providing online learning for all students, including students with disabilities, English language learners and homeless students. In addition, college students facing closed campuses and the transition to distance education are dealing with increased costs and challenges meeting basic needs like housing and food. These flexible funds will be available to help address these needs.

Highlights include:

• Elementary and Secondary Education Grants - $13.5 billion – distributed via formula-grants to states, which will then distribute 90 percent of funds to local educational agencies to use for coronavirus-response activities, such as planning for and coordinating during long-term school closures; purchasing educational technology to support online learning for all students served by the local educational agency; and additional activities authorized by federal elementary and secondary education laws.

• Emergency Local Educational Agency Grants - $3 billion to be given to states for Governors to allocate at their discretion for emergency support grants to local educational agencies that have been most significantly impacted by coronavirus. These funds will support the ability of such local educational agencies to continue to provide educational services to their students and to support the on-going operations of the local educational agency; and provide emergency support through grants to institutions of higher education serving students within the State.

• Higher Education Emergency Relief - $14.250 billion for institutions of higher education to prevent, prepare for, and respond to coronavirus. Funds may be used to defray expenses for institutions of higher education, such as lost revenue, technology costs associated with a transition to distance education, and grants to students for food, housing, course materials, technology, health care,
and child care. **For information:** [https://studentaid.gov/understand-aid/types/grants/fseog](https://studentaid.gov/understand-aid/types/grants/fseog)

- **Department of Labor** – $360 million to invest in programs that provide training and supportive services for dislocated workers, seniors, migrant farmworkers, and homeless veterans. This also includes funding for DOL agencies to ensure new Paid Leave and UI benefits are implemented swiftly and effectively. **For information:** [https://www.dol.gov/agencies/whd/pandemic](https://www.dol.gov/agencies/whd/pandemic)

- **Child Care Development Block Grant** – $3.5 billion to support child care and early education programs. This funding will allow child care programs to maintain critical operations, including meeting emergency staffing needs and ensuring first responders and health care workers can access child care while they respond to the pandemic. **For information:** [https://www.acf.hhs.gov/occ](https://www.acf.hhs.gov/occ)
  - Fund are provided via formula to Tribes and to the New Mexico Children, Youth and Families Department, Early Childhood Services Division ([www.newmexicokids.org](http://www.newmexicokids.org)).

- **Head Start** – $750 million for Head Start to meet emergency staffing needs and to continue payments including:
  - $500,000,000 for operating supplemental summer programs through non-competitive grant supplements to existing grantees determined to be most ready to operate those programs by the Office of Head Start;
  - $2,000,000 for the National Domestic Violence Hotline;
  - $45,000,000 for Family Violence Prevention and Services formula grants; and
  - $45,000,000 for child welfare services as authorized by subpart 1 of part B of title IV of the Social Security Act. **For information:** [https://www.acf.hhs.gov/ohs](https://www.acf.hhs.gov/ohs)

- **Community Services Block Grant (CSBG)** – $1 billion for CSBG to help communities address the consequences of increasing unemployment and economic disruption. Funds are distributed via formula to NM Human Service Department. **For information:** [https://www.acf.hhs.gov/ocs/programs/csbg](https://www.acf.hhs.gov/ocs/programs/csbg)
  - **To apply in NM:** [https://www.hsd.state.nm.us/LookingForAssistance/Community_Assistance_and_Community_Services_Block_Grant.aspx](https://www.hsd.state.nm.us/LookingForAssistance/Community_Assistance_and_Community_Services_Block_Grant.aspx)

- **Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP)** – $900 million to help lower income households heat and cool their homes. Grants available to States, District of Columbia, US Territories and Native American Tribes, and to assist eligible households to meet the costs of home energy. Funds
are allocated via formula to New Mexico Human Services Department - Income Support Division.

- **For information:** [https://www.acf.hhs.gov/ocs/programs/liheap](https://www.acf.hhs.gov/ocs/programs/liheap)
- **To apply in NM:** [https://www.hsd.state.nm.us/LookingForAssistance/Low_Income_Home_Energy_Assistance_Program.aspx](https://www.hsd.state.nm.us/LookingForAssistance/Low_Income_Home_Energy_Assistance_Program.aspx)

- **Family Violence Prevention Services – $45 million** to support families during this uncertain time, and to prevent and respond to family and domestic violence, including offering shelter and supportive services to those who need it.

- **Institute for Museum and Library Services – $50 million** to expand digital network access in areas of the country where such access is lacking, including the purchase of internet-enable devices and provisions for technical support services in response to the disruption of schooling and other community services during the COVID-19 emergency. **For information:** [https://www.imls.gov/](https://www.imls.gov/)

- **Corporation for Public Broadcasting – $75 million** to make fiscal stabilization grants to public television and radio stations facing declines in non-Federal revenues. These funds will help maintain programming and preserve small and rural stations threatened by declines in non-Federal revenues.

**Title X – Veterans Affairs and Related Agencies**

**Includes $19.57 billion** in funding to ensure the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) has the equipment, tests, and support services necessary to provide veterans with the additional care they need at facilities nationwide.

**Highlights include:**

- **Direct Medical Care – $15.85 billion** in order to support an increase in demand for VA services specific to coronavirus. This covers treatment of veterans nationwide for coronavirus within VA hospitals as well as in community urgent care clinics and emergency rooms. These funds allow VA to cover overtime for their clinical staff, the purchase of personal protective equipment, test kits, and other necessary equipment to manage the impacts of this pandemic among the veteran population. **Vulnerable Veterans**

- **$590 million for VA** to devote to supporting veterans at an increased risk of contracting coronavirus. It includes funding for the Health Care for Homeless Veterans program, the Supportive Services for Veterans Families program, and the Grant and Per Diem program. This funding will help
veterans get treatment, and provide support for those who are homeless or at risk of eviction. Funding is also included for keeping veterans within VA-run nursing homes and community living centers safe from coronavirus.

- **Facilities and IT Support for Telemedicine—$3.1 billion** for VA to purchase, staff, and equip temporary sites of care and mobile treatment centers to deal with this pandemic. It allows for remodeling to VA facilities and state run veterans homes to address the needs of veterans being treated for coronavirus. The bill includes funding for VA to expand the capacity on existing IT networks to address the demand in services, and broadens VA’s tele-ICU and teleradiology capabilities. It further enhances the capability for telehealth visits, allowing more veterans to receive care from home, and for providers at home to continue to treat patients through technology. Additionally, it facilitates VA employees working from home to ensure benefits can still be processed. Armed Forces Retirement Homes (AFRH) – The bill includes $2.8 million to provide staff treating veterans living at the AFRH with the personal protective equipment they need.

  - Expanded Authorities – To strengthen VA’s response to the coronavirus pandemic and enable them to best treat veterans across the country, the bill includes provisions which allow VA to: pay providers for every hour they work in support of this pandemic, even if it means they go over salary caps; consider veterans and their families eligible for pensions and other income-dependent benefits, even if an emergency benefit paid by the government would have put them over the threshold; ensure that home health care workers have personal protective equipment and necessary equipment to protect veterans and themselves; continue providing payment to State Veterans Homes when residents are transferred to acute care due to COVID-19, regardless of their occupancy rate; and allow VA to provide any available personal protective equipment to state homes; provide flexibility for the Veteran Directed Care program, including telephone enrollment and renewals, and waivers for late paperwork and other limitations; enhance health and housing initiatives for homeless veterans, including increased use of telehealth for programs with VA case managers, temporarily eliminating funding limits for programs providing direct support services to homeless veterans, and providing flexibility to veterans in these programs; support veterans with limb loss seeking prosthetic assistance at community providers rather than going to VA facilities during a pandemic; and enter into agreements with telecommunications companies to provide broadband for veterans in support of providing telemental health care.

**Title XII – Departments of Transportation and Housing**
$48.5 billion for transportation and housing activities to address this unprecedented global public health pandemic. Targeted resources are directed to prevent eviction, help the over half a million homeless individuals living on the streets find shelter or temporary housing, and for the most vulnerable, to self-quarantine and gain access to supportive services in order to diminish the risk of exposure. For our transportation systems, massive federal investment is provided to protect the livelihoods of the specialized transportation workforce in order to mitigate the potential furlough of 1.6 million employees, provide safe conditions for workers, and preserve these mobility assets for essential commuters, as well as the traveling public.

**Highlights include:**

- **Airports - $10 billion** to help publically-owned, commercial airports to address the COVID-19 crisis as the aviation sector grapples with the most steep and potentially sustained decline in air travel in history. In addition, $56 million has been allocated for Essential Air Service.

- **Amtrak and Rail Safety – $1.018 billion** available to Amtrak to meet its changing operational needs as a result of significantly reduced passenger rail service and ridership on the Northeast Corridor, state-supported, and long-distance routes related to COVID-19. This includes direct assistance to states to help them meet their obligations under the FAST Act in order to minimize service impacts on state-supported routes. The bill also provides $250,000 to the Federal Railroad Administration for safety equipment and assistance to inspectors to help them to rapidly respond to COVID-19 related demands.

- **Transit Systems – $25 billion** provided to public transit operators to protect public health and safety while ensuring transportation access to jobs, medical treatment, food, and other essential services remain available during the COVID-19 response.

- **Community Development Block Grant – $5 billion** to enable nearly 1,240 states, counties, and cities to rapidly respond to COVID-19 and the economic and housing impacts caused by it, including the expansion of community health facilities, child care centers, food banks, and senior services. Of these funds:
  - **$2 billion** allocated to states and units of local governments that received an allocation under the fiscal year 2020 CDBG formula.
  - **$1 billion** to states to support a coordinated response across entitlement and non-entitlement communities, and
  - **$2 billion** to states and units of local government, cities and counties based on the prevalence and risk of COVID-19 and related economic and housing disruption.

**For information:**
In New Mexico

### CPD COVID19 Recovery Formula Grants

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### HOPWA COVID19 Recovery Competitive Grants

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- **Regulatory Flexibility** - In order to ensure resources are quickly deployed and meet the unique response needs to COVID-19, the bill:
  - Eliminates the cap on the amount of funds a grantee can spend on public services;
  - Removes the requirement to hold in-person public hearings in order to comply with national and local social gathering requirements;
  - Allows grantees to be reimbursed for COVID-19 response activities regardless of the date the costs were incurred; and
  - Builds on $6.7 billion provided in fiscal years 2019 and 2020 by allowing grantees to combine prior year funds with new funding in order to prevent, prepare for, and respond to COVID-19.
• **Emergency Solutions Grants** – **$4 billion** to address the impact of COVID-19 among individuals and families who are homeless or at risk of homelessness, and to support additional homeless assistance, prevention, and eviction prevention assistance. Eviction prevention activities including rapid rehousing, housing counseling, and rental deposit assistance will mitigate the adverse impacts of the pandemic on working families. For NM Funding Allocations, see chart above. **For information:** https://files.hudexchange.info/resources/documents/EmergencySolutionsGrantsProgramFactSheet.pdf

• **Rental Assistance Protections for Low-Income Americans** – **$3 billion** for housing providers to help more than 4.5 million low-income households made up of more than 9.6 million individuals currently assisted by HUD to safely remain in their homes or access temporary housing assistance in response to economic and housing disruptions caused by COVID-19. This funding will help low-income and working class Americans avoid evictions and minimize any impacts caused by loss of employment, and child care, or other unforeseen circumstances related to COVID-19. This includes:
  - **Section 8 vouchers** - **$1.935 billion** to allow public housing agencies (PHAs) to keep over 3.2 million public housing households stably housed.
  - **Project-Based Section 8** - **$1 billion** to allow the continuation of housing assistance contracts with private landlords.
  - **Housing for the elderly and persons with disabilities** - **$65 million** for rental assistance, service coordinators, and support services for the more than 114,000 affordable households for the elderly and over 30,000 affordable households for low-income persons with disabilities; and
  - **Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS** - **$65 million** in order to maintain rental assistance and expand operational and administrative flexibilities for housing and supportive service providers to assist nearly 61,000 households. Given that this population is particularly vulnerable, the bill includes temporary relocation services to contain and prevent the spread of COVID-19 for these at-risk households.
  - For NM Funding Allocations, see chart above (HOPWA).

• **Indian Housing** – **$300 million** for Native American Programs, which includes:
  - **Indian Housing Block Grant Program** - **$200 million** to be distributed according to the same funding formula used in fiscal year 2020.
- **Imminent Threats - $100 million** to respond to imminent threats to health and safety as a result of COVID-19.
  - According to Senate Appropriations Committee estimates, New Mexican tribes will receive the below amounts:
    - Acoma Pueblo $313,883
    - Cochiti Pueblo $73,046
    - Isleta Pueblo $298,413
    - Jemez Pueblo $150,274
    - Jicarilla Apache Nation $414,111
    - Kewa Pueblo (Santo Domingo) $236,650
    - Laguna Pueblo $453,036
    - Mescalero Apache Tribe $631,554
    - Nambe Pueblo $97,096
    - Picuris Pueblo $25,184
    - Pojoaque Pueblo $33,070
    - San Felipe Pueblo $170,732
    - San Ildefonso Pueblo $104,542
    - Sandia Pueblo $55,653
    - Santa Ana Pueblo $57,645
    - Santa Clara Pueblo $221,219
    - Taos Pueblo $146,443
    - Tesuque Pueblo $36,610
    - Zia Pueblo $76,628
    - Zuni Tribe $2,799,385 $839,816
  - For more information on Indian Housing Block Grants: [https://www.hud.gov/program_offices/public_indian_housing/ih/grants/ihbg](https://www.hud.gov/program_offices/public_indian_housing/ih/grants/ihbg)

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**Funding for Research & Administration**

- **National Institutes of Health – $9.45 million** to support research to expand on prior research plans, including developing an improved understanding of the prevalence of COVID-19, its transmission and the natural history of infection, and novel approaches to diagnosing the disease and past infection, and developing countermeasures for the prevention and treatment of its various stages. For information: [https://www.nih.gov/](https://www.nih.gov/)

- **Agency for Toxic Substance and Disease Registry – $12.5 million** for critical research and disease surveillance activities associated with coronavirus.
  - Under “Toxic Substances and Environmental Public Health”
• [$7,500,000] for necessary expenses of the Geospatial Research, Analysis and Services Program to support spatial analysis and GIS mapping of infectious disease hot spots, including cruise ships

• [$5,000,00] for necessary expenses for awards to Pediatric Environmental Health Specialty Units and state health departments to provide guidance and outreach on safe practices for disinfection for home, school, and daycare facilities
  o Possible award vehicles are through grants and cooperative agreements, existing contracts, or state cooperative agreements from the ATSDR (New Mexico currently does not have a state cooperative agreement) - https://www.cdc.gov/funding/

• National Institute for Innovation in Manufacturing Biopharmaceuticals -$10 million to support the development and manufacture of new medical countermeasures and biomedical supplies to combat the coronavirus. For information: https://niimbl.force.com/s/

• National Institute of Standards and Technology - $6 million to provide continuity of operations and to conduct research and measurement science to support testing and treatment of coronavirus. For information: https://www.nist.gov/

• Food and Drug Administration –$80 million to continue the agencies important work of responding to COVID-19. Funding to continue efforts related to shortages of critical medicines, enforcement work on counterfeit and misbranded products, emergency use authorizations and pre and post market work on medical countermeasures, therapies, vaccines, and research. For information: https://www.fda.gov/

• Department of Energy’s Office of Science – $99.5 million for costs related to equipment, personnel, and operations to support research on the coronavirus. For information: https://www.energy.gov/science/office-science

• Election Grants –$400 million for states to help prepare for the 2020 elections. Coronavirus is already resulting in the postponement of some primaries and this funding can help states make voting safer for individuals. Funding can be used, for example, to increase the ability to vote by mail, expand early voting and online registration, and increase the safety of voting in-person by providing additional voting facilities and more poll-workers.
 According to Senate Appropriations Committee estimates, the total federal funds available to New Mexico under this program will be $3,889,527 and will require at 5% matching of $194,476 for a total fund amount of $4,084,004.

For information: [https://www.eac.gov/](https://www.eac.gov/)

- **Accountability —$80 million** to support a new Pandemic Response Accountability Committee to provide transparency to the public and coordinate oversight of funds provided in this legislation.

- **Social Security Administration —$300 million** to support essential telework, communication needs, and salaries and benefits of Federal employees impacted by office closures. This funding also provides the resources necessary for processing disability and retirement workloads and backlogs when SSA offices reconnect to the public.