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Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act Fund Grants

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Background
CARES Act

March 27, 2020

Education Stabilization Fund (ESF)

- Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) Fund
- Governor’s Emergency Education Relief (GEER) Fund

Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF)

- State Funds
- County Funds

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Fund Characteristics

**ESF (ESSER/GEER)**
- Available through September 30, 2021
- Equitable services
- Allowable expenses

**CRF**
- Available through December 30, 2020
- Specific uses

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Allowable Uses

• Any activity authorized by the federal Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) of 1965, including the following:
   The Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (20 U.S.C. 1400 et seq.) (IDEA)
   The Adult Education and Family Literacy Act (34 U.S.C. 463 et seq.)
   Subtitle 8 of Title VII of the McKinney Vento Homeless Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 11431 et seq.)

• Coordinating preparedness and response efforts of local education agencies (LEAs) with state and local public health departments, and other relevant agencies, to improve coordinated responses among such entities to prevent, prepare for and respond to the coronavirus

• Providing principals and other school leaders with the resources necessary to address the needs of their individual schools

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Allowable Uses

- Addressing the unique needs of low-income children or students, children with disabilities, English learners, racial and ethnic minorities, students experiencing homelessness, and foster care youth, through activities that include how outreach and service delivery will meet the needs of each population

- Developing and implementing procedures and systems to improve the preparedness and response efforts of LEAs

- Providing training and professional development for staff of the LEA on sanitation and minimizing the spread of infectious diseases

- Purchasing supplies to sanitize and clean the facilities of an LEA, including buildings operated by such agency

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Allowable Uses

• Planning for and coordinating during long-term closures, including:
  • How to provide meals to eligible students
  • How to provide technology for online learning to all students
  • How to provide guidance for carrying out requirements under IDEA
  • How to ensure other educational services can continue to be provided consistent with all federal, state and local requirements

• Purchasing educational technology (including hardware, software and connectivity) for students who are served by the LEA that aids in regular and substantive educational interaction between students and their classroom instructors, including low-income students and students with disabilities, which may include assistive technology or adaptive equipment

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• Providing mental health services and supports
• Planning and implementing activities related to summer learning and supplemental afterschool programs, including providing classroom instruction or online learning during the summer months and addressing the needs of low-income students, students with disabilities, English learners, migrant students, students experiencing homelessness and children in foster care
Grants

- Missouri Student Connectivity
- Transportation Supplement
- Transportation for Meal Delivery
- COVID-19 Response Supply Reimbursement
- Emergency Worker Childcare

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Common Requirements

• ESSER Assurances
• Additional Assurances
• Cash Management Improvement Act
• Reimbursement of Expenditures
• Documentation and Reporting

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Grant Specifics
Missouri Student Connectivity Grant

Access

- CRF ($10 M with 50% match)
  - *No Equitable Services*
  - December 30, 2020

Connectivity

- GEER/ESSER ($20 M)
  - *Equitable Services*
  - September 30, 2021

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Supports Physical Distancing and Sanitation

COVID Related Expenses

- GEER ($15 M)
  - Equitable Services
  - July 1, 2020 – September 30, 2021
  - Additional routes/buses/fuel/drivers/monitors
  - Sanitation and medical equipment and supplies
  - Budget, payment requests and Final Expenditure Report through ePeGs
  - Reimbursements claimed by September 30, 2022

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Delivering Meals to Students in FY 2020

COVID Related Expenses

- CRF ($7,473,210)
  - No Equitable Services
- March 13, 2020 – June 30, 2020
- Contracted meal delivery route costs
- Transportation staffing and supply costs (including PPE/medical supplies)
- Operational expenses for district-owned buses and other vehicles
- Online application due September 15, 2020

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COVID-19 Response Supply

COVID Related Expenses

Supply and Equipment Reimbursement Grant

- CRF ($7.5 M)
  - No Equitable Services
  - March 13, 2020 – October 1, 2020
  - 75% county CRF match required
  - PPE, medical supplies, sanitation supplies and equipment
  - School buildings and school buses, staff and students
  - Online application due October 15, 2020 (Phase I)

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COVID Related Expenses

Services During Spring Closures

- CARES Act CCDF ($795,543)
  - No Equitable Services
  - March 13, 2020 to end of the academic calendar
  - Children of healthcare workers and first responders
  - Staff salary and benefits
  - Supplies for the program
  - Online application due September 15, 2020

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Where to Apply
For More Information

• DESE CARES Act Page
  - Guidance
  - Allocations
  - Reference Applications
  - Applications

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