2020 Coronavirus Emergency Supplemental Funding (CESF) Information

What is the Coronavirus Emergency Supplemental Funding (CESF) Program?

The U.S. Department of Justice has established the CESF program to assist eligible states, local units of government, and tribes in preventing, preparing for, and responding to the coronavirus. The Montana Board of Crime Control (MBCC) has received \$3.1 million in pass-through funds for eligible COVID-19 related priorities.

The first solicitation to apply for CESF Program funds through MBCC will be available by **Friday**, **April 24**, **2020**. Details on the anticipated allocation and subaward amounts will be outlined in the solicitation.

Who is eligible to received CESF?

Entities eligible to apply for CESF from the MBCC are: units of city, county and tribal governments; state agencies; non-profit agencies; and for-profit agencies.

All recipients and sub recipients of CESF funds must forego any profit or management fee.

Separate from MBCC CESF funds, based on Byrne JAG eligibility criteria, a total of 18 Montana counties, cities and tribes are expected to apply for and receive local direct awards of CESF from the U.S. Department of Justice. The list of entities eligible for a direct award can be found at https://bja.ojp.gov/sites/g/files/xyckuh186/files/media/document/fy20-cesf-allocations-mt.pdf.

What can be purchased with CESF?

Allowable projects and purchases include, but are not limited to, overtime, equipment (including law enforcement and medical personal protective equipment), hiring, supplies (such as gloves, masks, sanitizer), training, travel expenses (particularly related to the distribution of resources to the most impacted areas), and addressing the medical needs of inmates in state, local, and tribal prisons, jails, and detention centers.

MBCC is coordinating with state partners and other stakeholders to prioritize use of these new, but limited resources for evolving needs in these challenging times.

Where can I apply for CESF?

Entities with eligible needs should visit the MBCC website to apply under the "FY 2020 Coronavirus Emergency Supplemental Funding Program" non-RFP solicitation. The solicitation will be posted this week.*

Counties, cities and tribes eligible for a local direct award can find the FY 2020 Coronavirus Emergency Supplemental Funding Program Solicitation on the U.S. Department of Justice website: https://bja.oip.gov/funding/opportunities/bja-2020-18553.

Coronavirus Impact Survey

To qualify for CESF, applicants must complete the Coronavirus Impact Survey. Upon completing the survey, you will be emailed a copy of your survey responses. You will be required to submit a copy of the email containing your survey responses as a part of your CESF application to MBCC.

You can fill out the Coronavirus Impact Survey here.

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Who can provide me with additional assistance?

The Crime Control Bureau will assist as much as possible with Montana Coronavirus Emergency Supplemental Funding (CESF) grant questions and applications. Please monitor the Montana Board of Crime Control website (<u>http://mbcc.mt.gov/</u>) for future updated CESF guidance. Sincerely,

The Montana Board of Crime Control mbcc@mt.gov 444-3604

*If you would like to be notified when the FY 2020 Coronavirus Emergency Supplemental Funding Program non-RFP solicitation becomes available on the MBCC website, please subscribe to our "Coronavirus Emergency Supplemental Funding (CESF)" mailing list under "MBCC Funding Opportunities" <u>here</u>. You will be prompted to enter your email address and set up a password. At the bottom of the Subscriber Preferences page, click "Add Subscriptions" to access the list of mailing lists you can subscribe to.



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