

# North Dakota Legislative Council

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# FEDERAL CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19) PANDEMIC RELIEF FUNDING

This memorandum provides information regarding federal funding provided to North Dakota state and local government agencies and estimated federal funding provided to local and tribal governments, private organizations, other institutions, and individuals as a result of fiscal relief legislation passed by the federal government in response to the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic.

#### SUMMARY OF FEDERAL BILLS PROVIDING FEDERAL PANDEMIC RELIEF FUNDING

North Dakota received federal COVID-19 pandemic relief funding as a result of the following six bill passed by Congress:

Date Enacted	Federal Act	Federal Bill
March 2020	Coronavirus Preparedness and Response Supplemental Appropriations Act	House of Representatives Bill No. 6074
March 2020	Families First Coronavirus Response Act	House of Representatives Bill No. 6201
March 2020	Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act	House of Representatives Bill No. 748
April 2020	Paycheck Protection Program and Health Care Enhancement Act	House of Representatives Bill No. 266
December 2020	Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act	House of Representatives Bill No. 133
March 2021	American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)	House of Representatives Bill No. 319

The following is a summary of federal COVID-19 pandemic relief funding available to North Dakota state and local government agencies and estimated funding available to other organizations and individuals. Estimated funding for nonstate government agencies is not intended to be a complete list of funding available.

Federal Act or Fund	2019-21 Biennium	2021-23 Biennium	Total
CARES Act, Coronavirus Preparedness and Response Supplemental Appropriations Act, Families First			
Coronavirus Response Act, and Paycheck Protection Program and Health Care Enhancement Act			
State government - Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF) appropriations	\$1,200,680,491	\$62,215,356	\$1,262,895,847
State government - Other funding estimates	2,190,908,096		2,190,908,096
Other organizations and individual funding estimates	6,134,940,113		6,134,940,113
Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act			
State government appropriations and other continuing appropriations	909,102,483		909,102,483
Other organizations and individuals funding estimates	374,252,923		374,252,923
ARPA			
State government - State Fiscal Recovery Fund appropriations		944,634,705	944,634,705
State government - Coronavirus Capital Projects Fund appropriations		113,276,228	113,276,228
State government - Other appropriations, continuing appropriations, and budget adjustments		779,964,909	779,964,909
Local Fiscal Recovery Fund - Metropolitan cities		41,300,897	41,300,897
Local Fiscal Recovery Fund - Other cities (appropriation to the State Treasurer for distribution)		53,174,975	53,174,975
Local Fiscal Recovery Fund - Counties		148,021,613	148,021,613
Other organizations and individuals funding estimates		1,022,011,629	1,022,011,629

Total	\$10,809,884,106	\$3,164,600,312	\$13,974,484,418
Subtotal - Legislative appropriations Subtotal - Other funding estimates	<b>\$2,078,611,166</b> 8,731,272,940	<b>\$1,885,289,373</b> 1,279,310,939	<b>\$3,963,900,539</b> 10,010,583,879
Total	\$10,809,884,106	\$3,164,600,312	\$13,974,484,418

# CORONAVIRUS AID, RELIEF, AND ECONOMIC SECURITY ACT Coronavirus Relief Fund

The CARES Act created a \$150 billion federal CRF to assist state, local, and tribal governments with direct costs associated with the COVID-19 pandemic. The costs:

- 1. Had to be necessary due to the COVID-19 pandemic;
- 2. Could not have been accounted for in the most recently approved budget; and
- 3. Must have been incurred during the period March 1, 2020, through December 31, 2020.

In December 2020, Congress approved, and the President signed, the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act, which extended the deadline to spend CRF funding to December 31, 2021.

North Dakota received a \$1.25 billion allocation from the CRF. During the 2019-20 interim, the Emergency Commission and Budget Section allocated the entire \$1.25 billion to state agencies and political subdivisions. In House Bill No. 1395 (2021) and other bills, the Legislative Assembly reallocated unspent and unobligated CRF funding ("turnback") for each agency and appropriated all of the CRF funding, along with interest accrued on the funds.

During the November 2021 special legislative session, due to additional CRF "turnback," the Legislative Assembly appropriated \$12.4 million of CRF funding to the Department of Human Services, Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation, and Adjutant General. The accrued interest and reallocated appropriations resulted in total CRF appropriations of \$1.26 billion. Funding appropriated by the Legislative Assembly from the CRF to state agencies, including distributions to political subdivisions, is as following:

Agency	Planned Uses of Funding	Funding
101 - Governor	Salary costs for a COVID-19 pandemic dedicated temporary employee working 50 percent during April and May 2020.	\$18,083
108 - Secretary of State	Overtime for vote-by-mail election managers, election supplies, personal protective equipment, cleaning supplies, and physical barriers.	49,216
110 - Office of Management and Budget	\$158,125 - Purchase touchless bathroom fixtures for buildings on the State Capitol grounds, replacement of State Capitol west entrance door with an automatic door, and for cleaning contract work.	7,021,370
	2. \$856,100 - Mechanical equipment ionizers.	
	<ul> <li>\$5,000,000 - Grants to private higher education institutions, distributed using the allocation methodology used by the federal Department of Education for higher education emergency relief funds included in the CARES Act. The allocation methodology is based on student enrollment, with priority given to institutions with greater enrollment of Pell Grant-eligible students. The allocations are as follows:         <ul> <li>Candeska Cikana Community College - \$218,522;</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
	• Hair Academy - \$69,258;	
	Josef's School of Hair - \$185,705;	

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	Lynnes Welding Training - \$23,974;	
	Nueta Hidasta Sahnish College - \$84,294;	
	Salon Professional Academy - \$135,312;	
	Sitting Bull College - \$377,735;	
	Trinity Bible College - \$205,855;	
	Turtle Mountain Community College - \$954,727;	
	United Tribes Technical College - \$342,387;	
	University of Jamestown - \$855,040; and	
	University of Mary - \$1,547,191.	
	4. \$70,000 - Replacement of north doors of the State Capitol and east doors of the judicial wing.	
	5. \$918,830 - Private school distributions for COVID-19-related expenditures, equating to \$110 per student.	
	6. \$18,315 - Audit costs associated with federal CRF regulations.	
112 - Information Technology Department	1. \$36,141,086 - Funding for cybersecurity to address an increase in security incidents related to the COVID-19 pandemic. Costs include contractor support, additional software and licenses, staff training, and on-call third-party support for large scale incidents. (2021-23 biennium appropriation - \$6,500,000)	68,368,226
	2. \$21,141,749 - Funding for telework needs, including upgrading Microsoft Office 365, and purchasing equipment, such as laptops, headsets, and network and server hardware to meet additional capacity needed for state employees working remotely.	
	3. \$11,085,391 - Digital government costs to establish an enterprise level call center, automate manual processes, and assess state employee remote work capabilities.	
117 - State Auditor	Purchase of telework equipment.	10,866
120 - State Treasurer	Distributions to political subdivisions for costs incurred due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Of this amount, approximately \$120 million was provided for local law enforcement payroll costs. Other costs were related to the purchase of personal protective equipment, cleaning supplies, telework equipment, and other COVID-19-related expenses. See <a href="Appendix A">Appendix A</a> .	123,280,256
127 - Tax Commissioner	Purchase of telework equipment, personal protective equipment, and a secure drop box for the Capitol.	28,601
140 - Office of Administrative Hearings	Sanitation supplies and COVID-19 signage.	522
150 - Legislative Assembly	\$750,000 - Funding received from the Information Technology Department to implement audio and video conferencing equipment and software in legislative committee rooms to allow for remote meetings.	3,100,000
	2. \$1,250,000 - Purchase of equipment, including new voting boards, in legislative chambers to allow for remote meetings and if necessary, a remote legislative session.	
	3. \$1,100,000 - Creating larger legislative committee meeting space to allow for social distancing in preparation for the possibility of a special session and for organizational session in early December 2020. The funds were for equipping the Brynhild Haugland Room and four other rooms in the Capitol with audio, video, and livestreaming capabilities as well as other office equipment, furniture, dividers, and supplies for the rooms. The amount also includes funding to purchase protective equipment for legislators and staff.	

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160 - Legislative Council	Purchase of cleaning supplies and physical barriers, as well as the cost of service fees from October through December 2020 for remote software installed in legislative committee rooms and chambers.	100,000
180 - Judicial branch	Purchase of remote video and telework equipment, cleaning and personal protective equipment supplies, and salary costs.	672,212
201 - Department of Public Instruction	1. \$30,000,000 - Education Corps grants - To provide grants to school districts for additional staffing needs and other support and services to K-12 students due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Each school district will receive a base allocation of \$30,000 and an additional allocation of \$217.21 per student.	64,566,217
	2. \$33,816,217 - Resiliency grants - To be distributed and used by schools for technology, mental health support for staff and students, physical environmental improvements, and support for recruitment of employees. Each school district will receive a base allocation of \$30,000 and an additional allocation of approximately \$250 per student.	
	3. \$500,000 - Funding for broadband grants to school districts based on broadband connectivity needs for underprivileged households with school-aged children. Information such as the percentage of students eligible for free and reduced-price meals in each school district were used to determine grant awards. Grants were awarded in consultation with the Information Technology Department.	
	4. \$250,000 - Regional education association grants - The funding must be allocated based on enrollment in afterschool programs and distributed on a reimbursement basis for eligible expenditures. (2021-23 biennium appropriation)	
226 - Department of Trust Lands	1. \$77,340 - Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the department could not conduct in-person auctions. Instead, the department conducted online surface lease auctioning, incurring a 3 percent convenience fee from the auction platform vendor.	95,640
	2. \$18,300 - The funding was used for a shut-in well analysis due to an increase in shut-in oil and gas well requests as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. The funds were requested based on economic scenarios to estimate shut-in wells and production and the department's related cashflow. The analysis will allow the department to better manage cashflows and disbursements obligations through cash deposits instead of selling investments.	
North Dakota University System		
<ul> <li>215 - North Dakota University System office</li> <li>227 - Bismarck State College</li> <li>228 - Lake Region State College</li> <li>229 - Williston State College</li> <li>230 - University of North Dakota</li> <li>235 - North Dakota State University</li> <li>238 - North Dakota State College of Science</li> </ul>	Requests for funding from higher education institutions were for personal protective equipment and supplies, health services supplies, cleaning equipment and supplies, virtual simulators, classroom and facility restructuring, technology needs, telework equipment and software, remote behavioral health services, instructional design resources, academic technology and software, the Dakota Digital Academy to target unemployed North Dakota residents for enrollment, heating, ventilation, and air conditioning modifications and filters, expenses related to quarantining individuals, medical and protective staff costs, cleaning staff payroll, and staff overtime.	1,468,787 4,210,745 880,813 1,712,364 20,984,766 18,618,664 5,107,897
239 - Dickinson State University 240 - Mayville State University 241 - Minot State University 242 - Valley City State University 243 - Dakota College at Bottineau		2,346,239 2,206,656 2,454,439 740,353 804,631

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252 - School for the Deaf	For heating, ventilation, and air conditioning replacements. (2021-23 biennium appropriation)	300,000
253 - North Dakota Vision Services - School for the Blind	For heating, ventilation, and air conditioning replacements. (2021-23 biennium appropriation)	86,000
270 - Department of Career and Technical Education	\$270,980 - To pay for part-time instructor costs to provide instruction to a higher than budgeted number of Center for Distance Education students.	470,980
	2. \$200,000 - Funding to reimburse 10 area career and technical centers for the purchase of personal protective equipment and cleaning supplies.	
301 - State Department of Health	1. \$40,100,000 - Local public health funding allocated through the existing formula and distributed by the department on a cost reimbursement basis. Funding was also distributed to the Burleigh Morton Task Force and Red River Valley Task Force to contain and mitigate the spread of COVID-19, including the cost of conducting public testing events. Of the total, \$40,000 was provided to Bismarck Public Schools for salaries of a school nurse.	101,573,769
	2. \$25,000,000 - Funding for a hospital COVID-19 staffing support grant program to increase and maintain staff, specifically in the state's six largest hospitals in the four largest communities. The grants were awarded based on infrastructure and human resource capacity.	
	3. \$13,050,000 - Temporary contact tracing and testing positions and operating expenses.	
	4. \$10,000,000 - Additional testing, including testing for the University System and K-12 schools, including laboratory testing supplies and additional need for contact tracers, and testing costs for a contracted laboratory in North Carolina to cover costs for testing in excess of capacity at the state laboratory.	
	5. \$4,500,000 - Emergency medical services costs, including providing \$25,000 to each ambulance service location and providing additional funding to each location that submitted a request and was approved by the department. The funding was used to provide personal protective equipment, hazard pay, and emergency medical equipment, such as power lift stretchers to reduce the number of staff required to work together, resulting in a reduction in COVID-19 exposure among staff.	
	6. \$683,000 - Costs associated with the Governor-appointed Public Health Strategists, including professional fee contracts with the University of North Dakota (\$338,624), North Dakota State University (\$97,604), and a group to facilitate and provide the written recommendation (\$246,772). The contracts include salary costs for percentage of work on the project.	
	7. \$8,240,769 - Other costs to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the COVID-19 pandemic, including funding for continued contracted hotline costs with Noridian Healthcare Solutions in Fargo, public awareness campaign costs, and funding for medical cache equipment, including respirators, gowns, personal protective equipment, and cleaning supplies.	
	<b>NOTE:</b> In June 2021, the Emergency Commission and Budget Section approved a request from the Department of Environmental Quality to accept and spend \$1,150,000 of CRF funds from the State Department of Health for wastewater sample testing, resulting in a total of \$100,423,769 of CRF funds authorized for the State Department of Health for the 2019-21 biennium.	
303 - Department of Environmental Quality	1. \$740,000 - Funding to expand the wastewater testing project for the presence of COVID-19, including salaries (\$26,940), operating expenses (\$518,060), and grants (\$195,000). The funding was to monitor the effectiveness of virus detection methods in municipal wastewater and its application in COVID-19 response activities, track the effectiveness of intervention for the decrease or increase of COVID-19 virus prevalence	745,000

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	in a community independent from patient testing, and to provide early warning for seasonal increases in positive COVID-19 cases allowing for early detection, intervention, and targeted testing.	
	2. \$5,000 - Printers and scanners.	
	<b>NOTE:</b> In June 2021, the Emergency Commission and Budget Section approved a request from the Department of Environmental Quality to accept and spend \$1,150,000 of CRF funds from the State Department of Health for wastewater sample testing. Of the amount transferred, \$400,000 was approved for the 2019-21 biennium and \$750,000 was approved for the 2021-23 biennium, resulting in a total of \$1,895,000 of CRF funds authorized for the Department of Environmental Quality, of which \$1,145,000 is for the 2019-21 biennium and \$750,000 is for the 2021-23 biennium.	
313 - Veterans' Home	1. \$35,395 - Salary expenses incurred for planning, preparing, and mitigating COVID-19 in the Veterans' Home.	462,040
	2. \$95,702 - Purchase of personal protective equipment, cleaning supplies, sanitizer, costs related to a quarantine unit, and equipment for delivering meals and laundry to resident rooms.	
	3. \$330,943 - Funding for hands-free fixtures (\$112,040), ion generators to purify air (\$17,600), an electrostatic sprayer and chemicals (\$9,635), training software to avoid in-person training (\$13,690), maintenance software (\$12,980), one-on-one resident activities because group activities are not allowable at this time (\$19,998), purchase of personal protective equipment (\$10,000), disinfecting and sanitizing chemicals (\$10,000), salary expenditures related to COVID-19 (\$105,000), and staffing agency expenditures (\$20,000).	
316 - Indian Affairs Commission	Travel expenses to deliver personal protective equipment, testing, and meeting costs.	20,915
321 - Department of Veterans' Affairs	Purchase of ultraviolet sanitizers and telework equipment.	2,860
325 - Department of Human Services	\$46,565,737 - Child care emergency operations grants and personal protective equipment grants to qualified service providers.	69,162,612
	2. \$2,900,000 - Household emergency rent bridge grant program, which is available to qualified individuals unable to pay rent due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The funding will be provided to landlords to assist in preventing homelessness. This funding is in addition to the \$6,934,942 of federal funds approved for the Department of Human Services to receive from the Department of Commerce from community development block grant funding.	
	3. \$1,674,276 - Increased costs for meal delivery services for elderly and vulnerable populations, costs related to telehealth services, and additional cleaning and supplies at the State Hospital and Life Skills and Transition Center.	
	4. \$1,000,000 - Funding for three pilot programs for infection control at long-term care facilities, including funding for additional sanitation compliance costs.	
	5. \$500,000 - Consultant service costs to convert processes from paper to electronic due to telework needs.	
	6. \$285,000 - County social services costs, including overtime, personal protective equipment, and telework costs, such as the purchase of laptops.	
	7. \$576,000 - Long-term care facility equipment and COVID-19 data collection surveys.	
	8. \$66,232 - Cost of supplies and a Polycom system upgrade at the State Hospital.	

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	9.	\$1,227,209 - Telehealth upgrades, digital stethoscopes, development of electronic forms for patients to utilize kiosks in office or online instead of directly contacting staff, psychological testing electronic forms, and stationary temperature scanners.	
	10.	\$150,000 - Child care surveys to determine COVID-19 impacts.	
	11.	\$160,520 - Funding for Great Plains Food Bank.	
	12.	\$1,050,000 - Temporary staff and operating costs related to COVID-19 responses.	
	13.	\$1,700,000 - Community-based behavioral health services.	
	14.	\$100,000 - Portable ionizers for group rooms and medical clinics.	
	15.	\$2,600,000 - Heating, ventilation, and air conditioning air purification system grants for skilled nursing facilities.	
	16.	\$2,457,638 - Senior nutrition services. (2021-23 biennium appropriation)	
	17.	\$1,750,000 - Community behavioral health services. (2021-23 biennium appropriation)	
	18.	\$4,400,000 - Payroll expenses. (2021-23 biennium appropriation)	
		<b>NOTE:</b> The Department of Human Services' planned uses of CRF funding are estimated amounts due to the agency not providing the actual amounts as requested.	
380 - Job Service North Dakota	1.	\$355,600,000 - Funding transferred to the unemployment insurance trust fund to pay for state unemployment insurance claims and to minimize the impact to employer tax rates.	370,953,307
		<b>NOTE:</b> This funding was not used for costs related to federal unemployment programs. The federal government reimbursed Job Service North Dakota for claims paid from the unemployment insurance trust fund related to federal pandemic unemployment compensation benefits (\$600 weekly benefit), the 13-week pandemic emergency unemployment compensation extension program, and the pandemic unemployment assistance program for self-employed individuals.	
	2.	\$10,953,307 - Funding to be transferred to the unemployment insurance trust fund for reimbursable group premiums related to COVID-19 unemployment costs. The funding was used to reimburse employers 50 percent of unemployment benefit costs incurred through December 2020 as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.	
	3.	\$4,400,000 - Funding for temporary staff and overtime costs (\$2.2 million), contractional services for mainframe application management (\$500,000), and other COVID-19-related costs, primarily for information technology programming costs for new federal unemployment insurance benefits programs (\$1.7 million).	
405 - Industrial Commission	1.	\$55,475,000 - Funding for abandoned well plugging (\$33,175,000) and reclamation (\$22,300,000) costs due to small oil and gas well owners that were not expected to survive the COVID-19 demand shock and will declare bankruptcy, resulting in the well plugging and reclamation becoming a responsibility of the state.	71,476,513
	2.	\$1,513 - Zoom membership and upgrades, cleaning supplies, and thermometers.	
	3.	\$16,000,000 - Funding for a drilled but uncompleted well incentive grant to incentivize the completion of 80 wells by December 30, 2020. The grant program reimbursed up to \$200,000 for water acquisition and disposal cost per hydraulic fracture completion of up to 80 wells.	

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471 - Bank of North Dakota	\$32,904,513 - Funding for a COVID-19 disaster relief program similar to the PACE program to provide interest rate buydowns on loans to businesses for operating expenses.	68,677,183
	2. \$35,772,670 - To establish a new program to provide one-time grants to businesses to assist with interest expenses on debt that was issued prior to the COVID-19 pandemic. Eligible businesses must have at least a 20 percent loss of gross revenue based on revenues from April 1, 2020, to September 30, 2020, compared to the same period 1 year prior. The grants were limited to the total interest expense incurred from April 1, 2020, to September 30, 2020, up to \$50,000 per eligible recipient. The grant awards were prioritized based on the highest percentage loss in revenues. The program was later modified to increase the allowable period to provide business assistance grants for interest expenses and revenue loss from 6 to 10 months for a new eligibility period of March 1, 2020, to December 30, 2020.	
475 - Mill and Elevator Association	1. \$32,332 - Overtime salaries.	116,690
	2. \$84,358 - Cleaning supplies, personal protective equipment, and freight rail costs to return flour shipments due to school closures.	
485 - Workforce Safety and Insurance	Funding transferred to the workmen's compensation fund for first responder workers compensation claims as well as telework expenses.	1,018,052
504 - Highway Patrol	\$404,094 - Overtime costs, personal protective equipment, remote learning information technology costs, and in-car laptops.	30,108,003
	\$15,000 - Purchase of three self-service temperature scanners to be placed at three Capitol entrances for use by state employees.	
	3. \$13,488,909 - Law enforcement salaries from March 2020 through December 2020.	
	4. \$8,100,000 - Law enforcement salaries from January 2021 through June 2021.	
	5. \$8,100,000 - Law enforcement salaries from July 2021 through December 2021. (2021-23 biennium appropriation)	
530 - Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation	\$3,035,020 - To pay counties for housing individuals sentenced but who have not been admitted to a department facility due to the COVID-19 pandemic.	80,229,972
	2. \$623,404 - To pay for the offender per diem portion of the daily rate charged by community housing partners for individuals whose employment has been negatively impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic.	
	3. \$120,000 - Overtime and related fringe benefits.	
	4. \$313,839 - Cost of supplies, materials, services, and travel.	
	5. \$347,926 - Purchase of telework equipment, such as laptops, printers, headsets, and microphones, and other equipment, such as security cameras, cots, projectors, touchless faucets, door openers, and vacuum cleaners.	
	6. \$273,600 - Behavioral health costs of the free through recovery program.	
	7. \$386,398 - Information technology training, equipment barriers, cots, lift station grinder pumps, and ventilated vans for transportation.	

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	8.	\$6,069,017 - Payroll costs for correctional officers and medical staff, which meet the definition of a "public health and safety worker" and are considered to be substantially dedicated to mitigating or responding to the COVID-19 pandemic.	
	9.	\$69,060,768 - Law enforcement-related payroll costs. (2021-23 biennium appropriation - \$25,371,718)	
540 - Adjutant General	1.	\$10,000,000 - Purchase of equipment, personal protective equipment, cleaning supplies, and salaries costs.	12,196,780
	2.	\$1,000,000 - Salaries, health insurance reimbursement, and travel costs of National Guard soldiers transitioning from federal status to state status.	
	3.	\$196,780 - Costs to upgrade the agency's computer-aided design system due to the COVID-19 pandemic.	
I	4.	\$1,000,000 - Payroll expenses. (2021-23 biennium appropriation)	
601 - Department of Commerce	1.	\$36,429,000 - To establish a North Dakota restart economic development grant program to provide grants to small businesses to increase sales and retain staff. Grants of up to \$50,000 may be provided to businesses with one location or \$100,000 if a business has multiple locations. The funding may be used to purchase personal protective equipment, costs associated with the recruitment of previously furloughed employees, and physical improvement expenses for safe business operations. Eligible businesses must prove financial viability prior to the COVID-19 pandemic, the business was negatively impacted by the pandemic, and that the funding will increase business COVID-19 resiliency.	94,179,000
	2.	\$37,000,000 - To establish a hospitality economic resiliency grant for businesses most impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. The program will be similar to the North Dakota restart economic development grant program, but the program will focus on hospitality-related industries, such as restaurants, grocery stores, and convention venues. Hospitality businesses are eligible for grants of up to \$25,000 per business, less any funds previously received from the North Dakota restart economic development grant program. If a business has multiple locations, grants of up to \$50,000 may be awarded to a business, less any funds previously received. Of the total, \$8 million was designated for grants to hotels.	
	3.	\$2,250,000 - Administrative costs of the North Dakota restart economic development grant program and the hospitality economic resiliency grant program.	
	4.	\$3,000,000 - To establish an industrial life science grant program for the purpose of researching and manufacturing vaccines and related technologies, developing rapid antibody-based diagnostic tests, and increasing North Dakota's capacity to treat COVID-19 and other diseases, such as cancer and diabetes.	
	5.	\$2,000,000 - To establish a North Dakota smart restart technical skills training grant program to support workforce training programs for displaced workers seeking to develop technical skills necessary to make a career change and remain gainfully employed in North Dakota. The maximum grant amount is \$100,000. The program required \$1 of matching funds for the training provider for each \$1 provided by the department. (2021-23 biennium appropriation - \$1,000,000)	
	6.	\$2,500,000 - For a health care and emergency responder COVID-19 grant program to be administered by the Department of Commerce and Workforce Safety and Insurance. Grants were provided to health care and emergency response workers who tested positive for COVID-19, incur medical results related to COVID-19, but do not qualify for workers compensation benefits. Emergency response workers were eligible for a grant of \$1,000 if the worker has health insurance coverage or \$5,000 if the worker did not have health insurance coverage.	
	7.	\$2,000,000 - For travel agent and tour operator emergency resiliency grants. Grants may be awarded only to travel agents that book commission-based travel for private individuals or companies, tour companies that	

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	schedule tour details and itineraries in North Dakota, or transportation companies providing transportation services to tour planners for tours originating in North Dakota or operators bringing tours into North Dakota. The Department of Commerce is required to establish additional eligibility requirements for the program. The following organizations are ineligible for a grant:	
	<ul> <li>National companies that provide travel services to individuals in North Dakota but do not employ at least one individual in the state;</li> </ul>	
	Corporations with staff dedicated to purchasing and arranging travel for employees;	
	Military-based travel agents or other individuals employed by government entities; and	
	<ul> <li>Organizations that only offer guided services and tours of their attraction. (2021-23 biennium appropriation)</li> </ul>	
	8. \$2,000,000 - For event center emergency resiliency grants for event center and related facilities negatively affected by the COVID-19 pandemic. (2021-23 biennium appropriation)	
	9. \$7,000,000 - For tourism marketing and branding initiatives, of which \$6,565,432 is for tourism marketing and branding operating expenses and \$434,568 for the tourism transportation improvement grant program for a grant to be provided to an organization dedicated to preserving and promoting a historic, tourism destination North Dakota city. (2021-23 biennium appropriation)	
602 - Agriculture Commissioner	1. \$6,199,979 - Funding for a meat processor cost-share program for meat processing plants to address increased demand for retail meat products and slaughter of livestock. Funding was used for the purchase of various equipment to allow for increases in production and protection of the food supply.	13,407,550
	2. \$95,000 - Funding to purchase a database software program designed to gather and organize animal health data to detect, contain, and eradicate outbreaks of dangerous diseases in animals.	
	3. \$4,990,802 - Funding for a competitive grant program provided to North Dakota research companies for COVID-19 research. Grants are available for research conducted related to biosensors and biotechnology, equipment, medical and health products and services, medical diagnostics, medical therapeutics, and similar areas to advance virus screening technologies, antibody therapies, immunotherapies, and sanitation technologies. The program reimbursed companies a portion of expenses dependent on the total number of eligible applications received and approved. Grant awards were not to exceed \$1.5 million for each successful applicant.	
	4. \$2,000,000 - Funding for a grant program to provide organizations with the proper storage equipment to store perishable items such as fruits, vegetables, meat, and dairy products.	
	5. \$70,998 - Grain inspection software upgrades, including automation of the department's grain license software to provide for electronic application processing for livestock auction and livestock dealer's licenses.	
	6. \$50,771 - Contracted service costs to upgrade local food access and Internet connectivity through local food maps and the department website.	
616 - State Seed Department	Purchase of air purification filters.	6,117
627 - Upper Great Plains Transportation Institute	Transition of training materials to electronic format.	41,618

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628 - Branch research centers	Video conferencing equipment, telework equipment, air ionization equipment, personal protective equipment, cleaning supplies, physical barriers, travel, and salary costs. The funding was for the following locations:	831,007
	• Dickinson - \$113,193;	
	Central Grasslands - \$125,887;	
	• Hettinger - \$107,493;	
	• Langdon - \$123,624;	
	North Central - \$118,334;	
	Williston - \$119,420; and	
	• Carrington - \$123,056.	
630 - North Dakota State University Extension Service	Technology costs for remote program delivery, personal protective equipment, sanitizing supplies, and hand sanitizer kiosks.	855,400
638 - Northern Crops Institute	Technology costs for remote program delivery, telework equipment, personal protective equipment, and sanitizer supplies.	115,586
640 - North Dakota State University Main Research Center	Telework equipment, air ionization equipment, personal protective equipment, cleaning supplies, physical barriers, travel, and salary costs.	1,164,967
665 - State Fair Association	Thermometers, personal protective equipment, cleaning and sanitation supplies, expenditures for quarantining individuals, expenses for employee leave due to day care or school closings, COVID-19 unemployment insurance benefit reimbursement, COVID-19 signage, and salaries to increase cleaning efforts in buildings.	105,272
670 - Racing Commission	Personal protective equipment and cleaning supplies.	1,000
701 - State Historical Society	Self-monitoring temperature reading thermal scanners and antimicrobial hard surface sanitizing foggers for the Heritage Center.	19,000
709 - Council on the Arts	To allocate funding to North Dakota nonprofit arts organizations that lost revenue due to COVID-19 restrictions and were at risk of being unable to maintain ongoing financial viability.	800,000
750 - Parks and Recreation Department	1. \$96,547 - Personal protective equipment, cleaning supplies, and a Wi-Fi project for all online services at all parks.	250,985
	2. \$154,438 - Purchase of six hand sanitizer dispensers and stands for each state park (\$21,352), cordless handheld disinfectant sprayers (\$27,086), Wi-Fi registration stations for two additional locations (\$6,000), and the purchase of two mobile homes for office space to allow social distancing at certain state parks (\$100,000).	
801 - Department of Transportation	1. \$10,207 - Overtime and on-call salaries.	14,670,106
	2. \$1,002,268 - Operating expenses related to the placement of self-service kiosks, additional cleaning supplies and janitorial contract costs, personal protective equipment, motor pool costs, equipment purchases and rentals, travel, and road maintenance supplies and materials.	
	3. \$13,006,173 - Motor Vehicle Division COVID-19 response and technology costs, including self-service kiosks costs and expenses related to a motor vehicle and driver's license mobile application.	
	4. \$400,000 - Purchase of webcams, headsets, security equipment, network connection equipment, power outlets for kiosks, plexiglass barriers, hand sanitizing stations, cleaning supplies, hands-free water fountains, and drop boxes.	

Agency	Planned Uses of Funding	Funding
	5. \$251,458 - August 2020 overtime salaries related to COVID-19 (\$319), motor pools costs, equipment rental, and travel (\$20,371), cleaning supplies and safety clothing (\$49,456), road maintenance supplies and materials (\$16,268), janitorial contract costs for additional cleaning (\$91,091), online appointment application and scheduler for motor vehicle and driver's license appointments (\$11,400), and a grant to Upper Great Plains Transportation Institute for traffic data analysis services in response to the COVID-19 pandemic (\$62,553).	
Total		\$1,262,895,847
Total - 2019-21 appropriations Total - 2021-23 appropriations		\$1,200,680,491 62,215,356
Total		\$1,262,895,847

#### **Other State Government Funding**

Funding provided by Congress during the spring of 2020 was primarily provided through the CARES Act, as well as the Coronavirus Preparedness and Response Supplemental Appropriations Act, Families First Coronavirus Response Act, and Paycheck Protection Program and Health Care Enhancement Act.

Funding for state government programs was approved by the Emergency Commission and Budget Section during the 2020-21 interim but was not appropriated by the 2021 Legislative Assembly. During the 2019-20 interim, funding from these federal acts approved by the Emergency Commission and Budget Section, excluding CRF funding, totaled \$319.1 million.

Through April 19, 2022, the Federal Funds Information for States (FFIS) estimates as much as \$2.2 billion may have been available for these programs. Due to excess appropriation authority in agency bills or statutory continuing appropriation authority, certain agencies may have been able to accept and spend federal COVID-19 pandemic relief funding without approval from the Emergency Commission and Budget Section. A summary of these programs is provided below.

Agency and Programs	Uses of Funding	Estimated Funding Available	Funding Approved by Budget Section
108 - Secretary of State			
Election security	Acceptable uses of the funds include replacing paperless voting machines, conducting postelection audits, addressing cyber vulnerabilities in election systems, providing election officials with cybersecurity training, instituting election system cybersecurity best practices, and making other improvements to the security of federal elections.	\$3,000,000	\$3,000,000
Total Secretary of State		\$3,000,000	\$3,000,000
110 - Office of Management and Budget			
Governor's emergency education relief	Section 18002(a) emergency education relief grants to the governor of each state to provide:	\$5,932,707	\$5,932,707
(GEER) fund	1. Emergency support through grants to local educational agencies that the state educational agency deems have been most significantly impacted by COVID-19 to support the ability of local educational agencies to continue to provide educational services to their students and to support the ongoing functionality of the local educational agency;		
	2. Emergency support through grants to institutions of higher education serving students within the state that the governor determines have been most significantly impacted by COVID-19 to support the ability of institutions to continue to provide educational services and support the ongoing functionality of the institution; and		

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	3. Support to any other institution of higher education, local educational agency, or education-related entity within the state that the governor deems essential for carrying out emergency educational services to students for authorized activities described in section 18003(d)(1) of the CARES Act or the Higher Education Act, the provision of child care and early childhood education, social and emotional support, and the protection of education-related jobs.		
	A press release by the United States Department of Education on April 14, 2020, indicated the funding is an emergency block grant designed to enable governors to decide how best to meet the needs of students, schools (including charter schools and nonpublic schools), postsecondary institutions, and other education-related organizations.		
	As a condition of receiving the funds, the state was required to agree to maintenance of effort requirements that provide state funding for elementary and secondary education during state fiscal years 2020 and 2021 will be an amount equal to or greater than the average state support provided for elementary and secondary education during state fiscal years 2017, 2018, and 2019. The maintenance of effort requirements also applies to state funding provided for postsecondary education.		
	The Budget Section has approved the Office of Management and Budget to allocate the following from the GEER fund:		
	University System office - \$2,500,000. The funding will be used for a Higher Education COVID Impact Grants program to ensure University System institutions are able to respond to the changing educational needs of students receiving virtual instruction.		
	Department of Public Instruction - \$950,000. The funding will be used for a remote learning digital platform delivered through the Center for Distance Education (\$600,000) and a special education teacher scholarship program to address the shortage of qualified special education teachers in the state (\$350,000).		
	The Office of Management and Budget planned to distribute the remaining \$2,482,707 directly to local education agencies through a competitive grant process.		
	<b>NOTE:</b> In December 2021, the Emergency Commission and Budget Section approved a request to reauthorize \$1,167,468 of this funding that was not spent by June 30, 2021.		
Total Office of Management and Budget		\$5,932,707	\$5,932,707
125 - Attorney General Justice assistance grants	Expenditures for staff overtime; equipment (including law enforcement and personal protective equipment); supplies (such as gloves, masks, and sanitizer); training; travel; addressing medical needs of inmates in state, local, and tribal prisons, jails, and detention centers; and other items or projects related to the prevention, preparation, and response to the COVID-19 pandemic.	\$2,082,871	\$2,082,871
Total Attorney General		\$2,082,871	\$2,082,871

Agency and Programs		Uses of Funding	Estimated Funding Available	Funding Approved by Budget Section
201 - Department of Public Instruction Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund	educa 90 pe to the Part A	on 18003(a) elementary and secondary school emergency relief grants to each state ational agency with an approved application. Each state must allocate not less than ercent of the funds as subgrants to local educational agencies in the state in proportion amount of funds local educational agencies received in the most recent fiscal year under A of Title I of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) of 1965. The CARES dentified the following uses of the funds:	\$33,297,699	\$36,600,000
	1. /	Any activity authorized by the ESEA of 1965.		
	:	Coordination of preparedness and response efforts of local educational agencies with state, local, tribal, and territorial public health departments, and other relevant agencies, to improve coordinated responses among such entities to prevent, prepare for, and respond to COVID-19.		
		Providing principals and other school leaders with the resources necessary to address the needs of their individual schools.		
		Activities to address the unique needs of low-income children or students, children with disabilities, English language learners, racial and ethnic minorities, students experiencing homelessness, and foster care youth, including outreach and service delivery to meet the needs of each population.		
		Developing and implementing procedures and systems to improve the preparedness and response efforts of local educational agencies.		
		Training and professional development for staff of the local educational agency on sanitation and minimizing the spread of infectious diseases.		
		Purchasing supplies to sanitize and clean the facilities of a local educational agency, including buildings operated by such agency.		
	9	Planning for and coordinating during long-term closures, including providing meals to eligible students, provide technology for online learning to all students, providing guidance for carrying out requirements under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (20 U.S.C. 1401 et seq.) and ensuring 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 local educational agency 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.		
	10.	Providing mental health services and supports.		
	1	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 language learners, migrant students, students experiencing homelessness, and children in foster care.		

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	12. Other activities that are necessary to maintain the operation of and continuity of services in local educational agencies and continuing to employ existing staff of the local educational agency.		
	With funds not otherwise allocated to local educational agencies, the state may reserve not more than .5 percent for administrative costs and the remainder for emergency needs as determined by the state educational agency to address issues responding to COVID-19, which may be addressed through the use of grants or contracts. The state must return any funds not awarded within 1 year.		
	A local educational agency receiving grant funds must provide equitable services in the same manner as provided under Section 1117 of the ESEA of 1965 to students and teachers in nonpublic schools, as determined in consultation with representatives of nonpublic schools.		
	The state's application was to include assurances that the state will maintain support for elementary and secondary education in fiscal years 2020 and 2021 at least at the levels of such support that is the average of such state's support for elementary and secondary education provided in the 3 fiscal years preceding the date of the CARES Act. The secretary of education may waive the maintenance of effort requirement for the purpose of relieving fiscal burdens on states that have experienced a precipitous decline in financial resources.		
	Of the total award, \$29,967,929 was allocated to school districts based on the number of Title I students in the district. Allocations ranged from \$15,048 to \$3,275,476 and were distributed on a reimbursement basis through the Department of Public instruction's grant reimbursement system when districts submitted their COVID-19 pandemic-related expenses. As of November 24, 2020, \$5,627,620 of COVID-19 elementary and secondary school emergency relief funding had been distributed to school districts. The remaining funding of \$3,329,770, or 10 percent, has been retained by the Department of Public Instruction for the following purposes:		
	• \$96,000 allocated to 17 school districts (\$6,000 each) that do not have Title I students and therefore did not receive an allocation;		
	\$700,000 to partner with the Governor's office, which will provide \$600,000 from the GEER fund, to provide a remote learning digital platform delivered through the Center for Distance Education (\$1,200,000 total cost);		
	\$400,000 to partner with the Governor's office, which will provide \$350,000 from the GEER fund, to provide a special education teacher scholarship program to address the shortage of qualified special education teachers (\$750,000 total cost);		
	\$900,000 to provide online professional development;		
	\$400,000 for a school rapid response team; and		
	\$40,000 for best practice meeting expenses.		
	Use of remaining funds, totaling \$793,770, were to be determined based on the results of a stakeholder survey.		
The Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP) commodities	Funding is provided under the Families First Coronavirus Response Act as authorized by Section 27(a) of the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 (7 U.S.C. 2036(a)) to purchase a variety	681,333	

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	of nutritious and useful commodities and Section 204(a)(1) of the Emergency Food Assistance Act of 1983 (7 U.S.C. 7508(a)(1)) to pay for the direct and indirect costs related to processing, storage, transporting, and distributing commodities to eligible recipient agencies. Funding includes costs associated with the distribution of commodities.		
TEFAP commodities	Funding is provided under the CARES Act as authorized by Section 27(a) of the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 (7 U.S.C. 2036(a)) to purchase a variety of nutritious and useful commodities and Section 204(a)(1) of the Emergency Food Assistance Act of 1983 (7 U.S.C. 7508(a)(1)) to pay for the direct and indirect costs related to processing, storage, transporting, and distributing commodities to eligible recipient agencies. Funding includes costs associated with the distribution of commodities.	766,757	
TEFAP - Supplemental administration funding	Funding for administration of the TEFAP program.	178,549	
Child Nutrition - National School Lunch Program	Funding available to provide nutritionally balanced, low-cost or free lunches to children each school day.	28,860,891	
	In September 2020, the Budget Section approved a transfer of \$950,000 from the GEER fund to the Department of Public Instruction. The funding will be used for a remote learning digital platform delivered through the Center for Distance Education (\$600,000) and a special education teacher scholarship program to address the shortage of qualified special education teachers in the state (\$350,000). The Budget Section also approved \$500,000 of passthrough funds from the Information Technology Department for grants to school districts to support broadband telecommunications.		
Pandemic electronic benefit transfer program	For eligible school children on temporary emergency nutrition benefits loaded on electronic benefits transfer cards that are used to purchase food. Children whose schools were closed or were operating with reduced hours or attendance for at least 5 consecutive days are eligible to receive benefits.	23,225,281	
Total Department of Public Instruction		\$87,010,510	\$36,600,000
North Dakota University System Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund 227 - Bismarck State College 228 - Lake Region State College 229 - Williston State College 230 - University of North Dakota 235 - North Dakota State University 238 - North Dakota State College of Science 239 - Dickinson State University 240 - Mayville State University 241 - Minot State University 242 - Valley City State University 243 - Dakota College at Bottineau	The funding is for each institution of higher education to prevent, prepare for, and respond to COVID-19. Institutions may use the funds received to cover any costs associated with significant changes to the delivery of instruction due to COVID-19, so long as such costs do not include payment to contractors for the provision of pre-enrollment recruitment activities; endowments; or capital outlays associated with facilities related to athletics, sectarian instruction, or religious worship. Recipients of funds must retain current employees to the maximum extent practicable and at least 50 percent of funds awarded to institutions must be used to provide direct emergency aid to students, including grants to students for food, housing, course materials, technology, health care, and child care.  Institutional amounts are primarily calculated as 75 percent using full-time equivalent (FTE) enrollment of Pell students at an institution and 25 percent using FTE enrollment of non-Pell students. Students who were exclusively online are removed from the calculation.	\$914,066 110,878 338,809 5,491,551 7,728,326 823,352 640,093 312,720 1,275,782 452,941 234,429	

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Economic adjustment assistance program - University Centers 230 - University of North Dakota	Provides funding for specialized research, outreach, technology, and commercialization to institutions of higher education in regions of need of economic development support.	299,921	
Economic adjustment assistance program - Other 238 - North Dakota State College of Science	Funding awarded to build a career workforce academy in Fargo, which is expected to increase economic recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic by helping businesses attract and retain skilled employees.	1,500,000	
Small rural hospital improvement program 232 - University of North Dakota School of	Small rural hospital improvement program funds support rural hospitals with 49 beds or fewer and enables small rural hospitals to:	3,035,412	
Medicine and Health Sciences	Become or join accountable care organizations;		
	Participate in shared savings programs; and		
	Purchase health information technology, equipment, and training to comply with quality improvement activities such as advancing patient care information, promoting interoperability, and payment bundling.		
	The funds will flow through the Center for Rural Health at the University of North Dakota School of Medicine and Health Sciences to small rural hospitals in the state.		
Area health education centers program 232 - University of North Dakota School of Medicine and Health Sciences	Funding available to improve access to quality health care, particularly primary and preventive care, and to recruit, train, and retain health professionals for underserved populations.	95,455	
Geriatrics workforce enhancement program 232 - University of North Dakota School of Medicine and Health Sciences	Funding to prepare health care providers to meet the needs of aging populations.	90,625	
Higher education funds - Minority serving institutions	The funding is for institutions of higher education that serve minority populations to prevent, prepare for, and respond to COVID-19.		
227 - Bismarck State College		46,306	
228 - Lake Region State College 239 - Dickinson State University		5,665 32,092	
240 - Mayville State University		15,596	
241 - Minot State University		64,072	
243 - Dakota College at Bottineau		11,685	
Higher education funds - Unmet needs	The federal Department of Education has allocated the unmet needs funding to prioritize		
228 - Lake Region State College	schools that received less than \$500,000 under the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund	383,512	
229 - Williston State College	and minority serving institutions programs. The department has distributed funds in an amount that, when added to the funds received under the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund	161,191	
240 - Mayville State University 242 - Valley City State University	and minority serving institutions programs, brings each institution eligible to receive funds to	171,832 47,059	
242 - Valley City State Officersity 243 - Dakota College at Bottineau	an award amount of \$500,000.	253,997	
Total Higher Education		\$24,537,367	

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250 - State Library Institute of Museum and Library Services	Funding is provided to expand digital naturally access numbers Internet accessible devices	\$68,860	\$200,000
Institute of Museum and Library Services	Funding is provided to expand digital network access, purchase Internet accessible devices, and provide technical support services.	\$00,000	\$200,000
Total State Library		\$68,860	\$200,000
301 - State Department of Health			
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) - COVID-19 response grant	Awards to date under the Coronavirus Preparedness and Response Supplemental Appropriations Act to contain and mitigate the spread of COVID-19.	\$4,567,500	\$6,000,000
CDC - Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity for Infectious Diseases	Additional funding to carry out surveillance and epidemiology activities.	904,829	0
CDC - Immunization cooperative agreements	Funding for enhanced influenza campaign and COVID-19 vaccine response preparation available through July 4, 2021.	240,831	0
CDC Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity for Infectious Diseases	Additional CDC grant under the CARES Act to carry out surveillance, epidemiology, laboratory capacity, infection control, mitigation, communications, and other preparedness and response activities. The funds are available from August 1, 2020, through May 31, 2022.	50,000	0
CDC minimum public health emergency preparedness grant	Additional minimum CDC grant under the CARES Act to carry out surveillance, epidemiology, laboratory capacity, infection control, mitigation, communications, and other preparedness and response activities.	5,075,000	5,075,000
CDC COVID-19 response grant	Additional funding provided through the Paycheck Protection Program and Health Care Enhancement Act for epidemiology and laboratory capacity for testing. The funding may be used for costs related to surveillance, contact tracing and case investigation, laboratory work efforts, laboratory supplies and equipment, and agreements with state universities, local public health, and other entities. Funding is available through November 17, 2022.	53,467,819	17,700,000
Supplemental nutrition program for women, infants, and children (WIC)	Available to provide food to low-income pregnant, postpartum, and breastfeeding women and their infants and children until 5 years of age.	1,036,894	
National bioterrorism hospital preparedness program	Hospital preparedness program - COVID-19 supplemental award - Funding to support health care coalitions, emergency medical services, state/jurisdiction Ebola treatment centers, and other health care entities to prepare them to identify, isolate, assess, transport, and treat patients with COVID-19 or persons under investigation for COVID-19, and to purchase N95 mask fit testing kits and to train additional instructors to provide fit testing.	473,417	475,000
National bioterrorism hospital preparedness program	Hospital preparedness program - COVID-19 supplemental award - Funding to support health care coalitions, emergency medical services, state/jurisdiction Ebola treatment centers, and other health care entities to prepare them to identify, isolate, assess, transport, and treat patients with COVID-19 or persons under investigation for COVID-19, and to purchase N95 mask fit testing kits and to train additional instructors to provide fit testing. A portion of the funding (\$175,455) will be provided to Sanford in Fargo, the designated special pathogen center in the state. The remainder (\$985,000) is for ventilators to support surge capacity.	1,161,170	1,160,455

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Family violence	Provide temporary housing and other support to victims of domestic violence. Funding is for domestic violence/rape crisis agencies to assist the agencies with increased costs related to the COVID-19 pandemic.	79,837	201,000
HIV Care Formula Grant	Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program Part B COVID-19 Response - Funds are available for costs related to the vulnerable HIV population.	50,000	
HIV Care Formula Grant	Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program Parts C, D, and F.	60,098	
Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services - State Survey and Certification	Funding to contain and mitigate the spread of COVID-19. The funding is for staff time and travel to conduct focused infection control surveys of long-term care facilities as required by the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services.	173,694	88,150
COVID-19 vaccine preparedness	Funding for critical infrastructure to administer a COVID-19 vaccination program.	584,919	
Influenza season early preparedness	Preparation for the 2020-21 influenza season and an anticipated second wave of COVID-19 infections.	240,831	
Epidemiology and laboratory capacity for infectious diseases	Funding to respond to, control, and prevent infectious diseases, including COVID-19.	5,979,829	
Crisis response cooperative agreement	Funding to carry out surveillance, epidemiology, laboratory capacity, infection control, mitigation, communications, and other preparedness and response activities to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the COVID-19 pandemic.	4,567,500	
Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)	Funding for laboratory testing and capacity, personal protective equipment, overtime, and other related costs allowed by FEMA.		54,540,000
Total State Department of Health		\$78,714,168	\$85,239,605
303 - Department of Environmental Quality FEMA - Mitigation of COVID-19 spread	Funding for salaries and wages of Department of Environmental Quality employees temporarily assisting the State Department of Health and for other operating expenses incurred as a result of the department's collaboration to contain and mitigate the spread of COVID-19.		\$182,500
Total Department of Environmental Quality		\$0	\$182,500
313 - Veterans' Home Provider relief funds - Skilled nursing facilities	Funding provided to skilled nursing facilities for costs to protect at-risk residents during the COVID-19 pandemic. The Veterans' Home intends to use the funding for additional salaries for cleaning required during the pandemic, for the purchase of personal protective equipment, medical supplies, cleaning supplies, and testing supplies, and the installation of hands-free toilet flushers, faucets, and door openers.		\$575,731
Total Veterans' Home		\$0	\$575,731

Agency and Programs	Uses of Funding	Estimated Funding Available	Funding Approved by Budget Section
325 - Department of Human Services Medicaid	Temporary increase of 6.2 percent in the federal medical assistance percentage during the COVID-19 pandemic. The temporary increase is effective from January 1, 2020, through the last day of the calendar quarter in which the public health emergency declared by the secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services terminates.	\$68,000,000	\$87,500,000
Low-income energy assistance program	Additional assistance to allow low-income individuals to heat and cool their homes.	5,176,454	5,500,000
Child welfare services	Stephanie Tubbs Jones Child Welfare Services Program funding for additional support for at-risk youth.	76,858	
Congregate and home-delivered meals	Additional assistance for nutrition services for the elderly.	3,600,000	3,600,000
Child care block grant	Provide continued payments and assistance to child care providers in case of decreased enrollments or closures.	6,037,905	6,000,000
Family caregivers	Increase assistance to individuals caring for family members.	500,000	500,000
Protection of vulnerable older Americans	Increase assistance to protect vulnerable individuals who are elderly.	100,000	100,000
Emergency food and shelter program	Additional funding for emergency needs of homeless individuals, including nutritional needs and funding for the transition from temporary shelters to permanent homes.	383,957	430,200
Emergency grants to address mental and substance use disorder	To provide crisis intervention services, mental and substance use disorder treatment, and other related recovery supports for children and adults impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. The program assists Americans struggling with increased depression, anxiety, trauma, and grief due to the pandemic. Funding also is available for individuals and families for increases in substance misuse as lives are impacted due to the pandemic. The program is specifically to address the needs of individuals with serious mental illness, individuals with substance use disorders, or individuals with co-occurring serious mental illness and substance use disorders. Additionally, the program focuses on meeting the needs of individuals with mental disorders less severe than serious mental illness, including those in the health care profession.	2,000,000	2,800,000
Support services	Increase support services to older adults, people with disabilities, and families and caregivers.	1,000,000	1,000,000
Aging and disability resource centers	Funding for benefits screening, education, and options counseling on long-term care services and support for individuals who are elderly or have a mental or physical disability.	305,454	300,000
Community development block grant - Household emergency rent bridge program	Funding received by the Department of Commerce (\$6,534,942) and the City of Fargo (\$400,000) from the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development. The funding will be used for a household emergency rent bridge program. See the <b>Department of Commerce</b> for additional program detail. The Budget Section also approved \$2.9 million from the CRF to provide a program total of \$9,834,942.		6,934,942
Supplemental nutrition assistance program (SNAP)	The Families First Coronavirus Response Act provided \$35,811,414 of additional SNAP funding for North Dakota, of which \$10,058,706 is for meals to children who previously received meals from schools prior to schools closing due to the COVID-19 pandemic and \$25,752,708 is for increased SNAP benefits for recipients from March 2020 through December 2020.		35,811,414

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Crisis counseling assistance and training program	Funding received from the Department of Emergency Services from FEMA for a program to assist individuals and communities recovering from the COVID-19 pandemic through community-based outreach, counseling, and other mental health services.		160,572
Rural area stimulus payment program	Funding for rural area stimulus payments for human service centers and institutions to partially replace revenue reductions.		3,445,927
Total Department of Human Services		\$87,180,628	\$154,083,055
380 - Job Service North Dakota Unemployment insurance - Base Unemployment insurance - Supplemental	Expenditures for staff overtime, programming fees for changes to the agency website and unemployment insurance software, the purchase of new servers due to the volume of claims, and other unemployment insurance administrative costs.	\$1,205,504 1,205,504	
Dislocated worker grants	For necessary expenses to reemploy laid off workers and enhance their employability and earnings when large, unexpended layoff events cause significant job losses. Funding is provided to create temporary employment opportunities to assist with cleanup and recovery efforts when an area impacted by disaster is declared eligible for public assistance by FEMA or otherwise recognized by a federal agency with authority or jurisdiction over federal response to the emergency or disaster. Funding provided from the CARES Act may be used to replace grant funds previously obligated to other impacted areas.	509,615	
Short-term compensation	Funding available to employers as an alternative to laying off employees due to a decline in available work. The program, also known as a work sharing or shared-work program, maintains the employees' jobs and allows employers to retain trained workforce during times of decreased economic activity. The program allows employers to reduce hours of work for some employees rather than laying off the employees, while other employees continue to work full-time.	240,498	
Federal pandemic unemployment compensation	Unemployment insurance funding provided to pay for the cost of the federally authorized additional \$600 weekly unemployment insurance benefit for qualifying individuals.	545,119,123	
Pandemic emergency unemployment compensation	Unemployment insurance funding provided to allow individuals to receive federal and state unemployment insurance benefit payments for an additional 13 weeks.	144,796,117	
Fraud prevention - Pandemic emergency unemployment compensation	Funding to prevent and investigate fraudulent unemployment insurance claims.	388,800	
Pandemic unemployment assistance	Unemployment insurance funding for self-employed individuals or other individuals that do not qualify for regular unemployment insurance.	71,733,788	
First week of regular compensation	Temporary federal funding provided for the 1 <sup>st</sup> week of regular, state, unemployment insurance benefit payments.	470,487	
Fraud prevention - Pandemic unemployment assistance	Funding to prevent and investigate fraudulent unemployment insurance claims.	2,041,200	

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Emergency relief for government entities and nonprofits	Funding for reimbursable group premiums related to COVID-19 unemployment costs through the 3 <sup>rd</sup> quarter of 2020. The funding is for reimbursing employers' 50 percent of unemployment benefit costs incurred as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.	13,370,088	
Total Job Service North Dakota		\$781,080,724	
405 - Industrial Commission (472 - Public Finance Authority)  Municipal liquidity facility	Funding may be provided through December 31, 2020, for bonds and other similar short-term notes to counties and cities to better manage cashflow pressures in order to continue to serve households and businesses. Repayment is required within 3 years of issuance. Interest rates are dependent on bond ratings.	\$946,300,000	
Total Industrial Commission (Public Finance Authority)		\$946,300,000	
<b>473 - Housing Finance Agency</b> Public housing operating	Additional funds to public housing agencies to maintain normal operations.	\$643,537	
Tenant-based rental assistance	Additional funding for rental assistance programs, including Section 8 programs.	2,258,776	
Supportive housing for persons with disabilities	Rental assistance for individuals with disabilities.	639,982	
Total Housing Finance Agency		\$3,542,295	
540 - Adjutant General Emergency management performance grant	Available to assist state, local, territorial, and tribal governments in preparing for all hazards, as authorized by the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act.	\$887,801	
Public assistance grants	Available to assist state, local, and tribal governments to assist communities to respond and recover from major disasters or emergencies declared by the President.	133,347,914	
Total Adjutant General		\$134,235,715	
601 - Department of Commerce Community development block grant	Available to provide for the prevention, preparation, and response to COVID-19, based on public health needs, risk of transmission of COVID-19, number of COVID-19 cases compared to the national average, and economic and housing market conditions. Funding is to be distributed pursuant to the existing fiscal year 2020 community development block grant formula for infrastructure, economic development, public facilities installation, community centers, housing rehabilitation, public services, microenterprise assistance, code enforcement, and homeowner assistance needs.	\$6,380,334	\$6,380,334
	<b>NOTE:</b> During the 2019-20 interim, Budget Section approved a transfer of \$6,534,942 for the community development block grant program to the Department of Human Services for a household emergency rent bridge program. See the <b>Department of Human Services</b> for additional program details.		

Agency and Programs	Uses of Funding	Estimated Funding Available	Funding Approved by Budget Section
Community services block grant	Additional funding to alleviate the causes and conditions of poverty in communities; address the needs of low-income individuals, including the homeless, migrants, and the elderly; and provide services and activities addressing employment, education, better use of available income, housing, nutrition, emergency services, and health. Funding provided may be expended in the next 2 federal fiscal years.	4,676,875	1,283,797
Homeless assistance/emergency solutions grant program	Available to provide additional homeless assistance to those who are homeless or are receiving homeless assistance. Funds were to be allocated for the benefit of unsheltered homeless, sheltered homeless, and those at risk of homelessness, to geographical areas with the greatest need based on certain factors, including the risk of transmission of COVID-19, high numbers or rates of shelter and unsheltered homeless, and economic and housing market conditions.	5,142,580	5,142,580
Economic adjustment assistance program - Economic development districts	Provides technical, planning, public works, and infrastructure assistance in regions experiencing adverse economic changes and provides funding to coordinate individuals, organizations, governments, and private industry to change the economic direction of a region.	2,604,313	
Total Department of Commerce		\$18,804,102	\$12,806,711
<b>709 - Council on the Arts</b> National Endowment for the Arts grants	Grants to nonprofit arts organizations to support operations.	\$421,700	\$421,700
Total Council on the Arts		\$421,700	\$421,700
<b>801 - Department of Transportation</b> Rural area formula program	Additional funding for eligible uses, including capital, operating, and administrative assistance to state agencies, local public bodies and nonprofit organizations (including Indian tribes and groups), and operators of public transportation services.	\$17,996,449	\$17,996,449
Total Department of Transportation		\$17,996,449	\$17,996,449
Total - 2019-21 biennium		\$2,190,908,096	\$319,121,329

### **Estimated Funding for Other Organizations and Individuals**

The following is a summary of federal COVID-19 pandemic relief funding that may have been available to other North Dakota organizations and individuals. The table includes known funding available to local and tribal governments, private organizations, other institutions, and individuals, but is not intended to be a complete list of funding available to nonstate government agencies. Estimated amounts are provided primarily from FFIS based on guidance from the federal government as of April 19, 2022.

		Estimated
Program	Recipient	Funding Available
Justice assistance grants	Local law enforcement agencies	\$831,523
COVID-19 telehealth program	Health care providers	124,053
Head Start	Local Head Start agencies	2,106,472
Higher education	Tribal government agencies, private organizations, and other institutions	4,964,437
Higher education - Minority serving institutions	Other institutions	6,783,375
Higher education - Unmet needs	Other institutions	301,162
National Endowment for the Humanities	North Dakota Humanities Council	412.900

		Estimated
Program	Recipient	Funding Available
Manufacturing extension	Manufacturers	299,921
Community development block grant	Local government agencies	1,768,074
Community development block grant - Native Americans	Native American tribes	3,892,568
Economic adjustment assistance revolving loan fund program	Small businesses that cannot obtain traditional bank financing	6,800,000
Coronavirus aid and supplemental funding	Community health centers	3,193,037
Expanding capacity for COVID-19 testing	Community health centers	1,000,216
Rural health clinics COVID-19 testing	In North Dakota 53 rural health clinics will receive payments from the \$225 million rural health clinic distribution. Each rural health clinic will receive a flat amount of just under \$50,000.	2,720,378
Tribal self-governance; Indian self-determination; special	Various tribes	17,070,597
programs for the aging; substance abuse and mental health		
services projects; child welfare services; child care and child		
development block grants; low-income home energy		
assistance; community services block grants; family violence		
prevention; rural health care services outreach; activities to		
support state, tribal, local, and territorial response to health		
care crises; and emergency grants to address mental and		
substance use disorders during COVID-19		
Independent living and homeless youth services grants	Various independent living centers and youth services	954,704
Community services block grant	Community Action Partnership of North Dakota	150,000
Family violence prevention/domestic violence coalitions	North Dakota Council of Abused Women	80,357
Hospital preparedness	North Dakota Hospital Foundation	1,503,279
Urbanized area formula program	Cities with a population over 50,000 for public transit programs	15,075,108
Grants to airports	Aid grants to 53 airports in the state	85,019,530
Provider relief fund - Public health and social services	In North Dakota 841 health care providers and systems will receive payments from the	125,086,391
emergency fund	\$30 billion in immediate payments Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services awarded to	, ,
	all facilities and providers that received Medicare fee-for-service reimbursements in 2019.	
Provider relief fund - High impact payment	Sanford Broadway Medical Center	9,500,000
Provider relief fund - Allocation for rural providers	In North Dakota 59 providers will receive payments from the \$10 billion allocation for rural	152,698,547
	providers. Awards are provided to rural acute care general hospitals, critical access	
	hospitals, rural health clinics, and community health centers located in rural areas.	
Provider relief fund - Small city and rural specialty hospital	In North Dakota 5 small and rural providers will receive payments from the \$1 billion allocation	15,864,638
targeted distribution	for specialty rural hospitals, urban hospitals with certain rural Medicare designations, and	10,001,000
targeted dietribution	hospitals in small metropolitan areas.	
Provider relief fund - Skilled nursing and nursing home	In North Dakota 80 skilled nursing facilities and 54 nursing home facilities will receive funding	41,508,800
facilities	to protect at-risk residents and help combat the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic.	,000,000
Provider relief fund - Safety net hospital distribution	Safety net hospitals	16.900.595
Provider relief fund - Other distributions	Other payments to providers	4,547,655
Uninsured relief fund	Payments to providers for testing and treatment	1,336,290
Assistance to firefighters grant program	Firefighter departments	58,489
Paycheck protection program	Small businesses	2,888,645,594
Economic injury disaster loan program	Small businesses	861,692,350
Economic injury disaster loan advance program	Small businesses	33,214,000
Coronavirus food assistance program	Agriculture producers that have experienced a 5 percent or greater price decline for certain	1,178,599,073
Solona in do loca dociotario program	commodities or losses due to market supply chain disruptions due to the COVID-19 pandemic	1,110,000,010
Economic impact payments - Direct payments to citizens	Individuals	650,236,000
Total		\$6,134,940,113

# CORONAVIRUS RESPONSE AND RELIEF SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS ACT State Government Funding

In December 2020, Congress passed, and the President signed, the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2021, which included the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act to provide economic stimulus funding in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. In House Bill No. 1394 (2021), the Legislative Assembly appropriated \$877.9 million to state agencies as a result of this Act. A summary of these appropriations and funding received by the University System pursuant to continuing appropriation authority is as follows:

Agency	Program	Funding
110 - Office of Management and Budget	GEER fund allocations to public schools	\$2,732,339
125 - Attorney General	Justice assistance grants for staff and equipment costs to respond to COVID-19	\$2,082,871
201 - Department of Public Instruction	Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund - Allocations to schools Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund - State administration initiatives Previously approved Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund - Allocations to schools Previously approved Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund - State administration initiatives GEER fund allocations to private schools	\$122,331,954 13,592,439 22,271,117 68,678 3,998,745
Total - Department of Public Instruction		\$162,262,933
301 - State Department of Health	COVID-19 testing, vaccine preparedness, and agency response costs	\$173,532,232
313 - Veterans' Home	Provider incentive payments used for COVID-19 supplies and staff costs	\$975,000
325 - Department of Human Services	Substance abuse prevention and treatment services Emergency rental assistance program Mental health block grant program to provide services to children and adults with serious mental illness Child care and development block grant to allow low-income families to have access to child care Safe and stable families program to ensure childrens' safety within their homes Foster care program costs to assist foster care youth Education and training vouchers for postsecondary costs of youth leaving foster care Congregate and home-delivered meals for older adults to maintain their health Ombudsman program to assist in preventing elder neglect and abuse Vulnerable adult protective services to assist older adults affected by abuse, neglect, or financial exploitation SNAP increased monthly benefit distribution SNAP emergency assistance to increase program availability Pandemic electronic benefits transfer to provide food assistance to children who would normally receive free or reduced school lunches Water and wastewater bill assistance to assist in utility payment Enhanced federal medical assistance percentage increase of 6.2 percent from April through June 2020 Mental health and substance use disorder funding to provide crisis intervention services and other mental health support	3,700,000 16,000,000
Total - Department of Human Services		\$309,085,495
540 - Adjutant General	Increase the FEMA reimbursement rate from 75 to 100 percent for COVID-19-related disaster expenses and apply 100 percent reimbursement rates retroactively to expenses already incurred	\$148,666,667

Agency	Program	Funding
601 - Department of Commerce	Community services block grant funding to address the needs of low-income individuals Community development block grant funding to address community needs relating to COVID-19 Emergency solutions grant program to provide additional homeless assistance	\$7,393,078 3,000,000 1,000,000
Total - Department of Commerce		\$11,393,078
602 - Department of Agriculture	Stress assistance programs to provide behavioral health services to agriculture producers Specialty crop block grants to enhance the competitiveness of special crops	\$500,000 5,000,000
Total - Department of Agriculture		\$5,500,000
801 - Department of Transportation	Enhanced mobility services to assist the elderly and disabled with transportation Surface transportation grant program	\$115,202 61,584,858
Total - Department of Transportation		\$61,700,060
Subtotal - 2019-21 appropriations		\$877,930,675
North Dakota University System <sup>2</sup>		
227 - Bismarck State College 228 - Lake Region State College 229 - Williston State College 230 - University of North Dakota 235 - North Dakota State University 238 - North Dakota State College of Science 239 - Dickinson State University 240 - Mayville State University 241 - Minot State University 242 - Valley City State University 243 - Dakota College at Bottineau	Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund - Student aid:  The funding was to be provided to students as financial aid grants, which could be used for any component of the student's cost of attendance or for emergency costs that arise due to the COVID-19 pandemic, such as tuition, food, housing, health care (including mental health care), or child care. Institutions were required to prioritize students with exceptional need, such as students who receive federal Pell Grants. The funding was to be allocated as follows:  • 37.5 percent based on FTE enrollment of Pell Grant recipients;  • 11.5 percent based on headcount enrollment of Pell Grant recipients;  • 11.5 percent based on headcount enrollment of non-Pell Grant recipients;  • 1 percent based on relative share of FTE enrollment of students who were Pell Grant recipients and who were exclusively enrolled in distance education courses prior to the qualifying emergency; and  • 1 percent based on relative share of the total number of students who were Pell Grant recipients and who were exclusively enrolled in distance education courses prior to the qualifying emergency.	2,745,776 3,864,163 411,676 320,047 156,360 637,891 226,471 117,215
227 - Bismarck State College 228 - Lake Region State College 229 - Williston State College 230 - University of North Dakota 235 - North Dakota State University 238 - North Dakota State College of Science 239 - Dickinson State University 240 - Mayville State University 241 - Minot State University	Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund - Institutions:  The funding was available to institutions to continue preparing for, preventing, and responding to the spread of COVID-19 and related costs associated with the COVID-19 pandemic, including keeping staff and students safe while preserving learning environments.	

Agency	Program	Funding
242 - Valley City State University		641,589
243 - Dakota College at Bottineau		482,774
Subtotal - North Dakota University System		\$31,171,808
Total		\$909,102,483

<sup>1</sup>During the 2021-22 interim through March 30, 2022, the Emergency Commission and Budget Section approved requests to transfer funding from the Department of Public Instruction's allocation of elementary and secondary school emergency relief funds to other state agencies, including \$1,700,000 to the Department of Human Services for early childhood services to prepare 4-year-old children for kindergarten and \$150,000 to the Department of Career and Technical Education to enhance the RUReadyND career exploration website to include a work-based learning module to connect students with employers to facilitate career exploration and planning.

<sup>2</sup>Funding received by the University System from the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund as a result of the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act was obtained pursuant to continuing appropriation authority and was not appropriated by the Legislative Assembly.

#### **Estimated Funding for Other Organizations and Individuals**

The following is a summary of federal COVID-19 pandemic relief funding that may have been available to other North Dakota organizations and individuals. The table includes known funding available to local and tribal governments, private organizations, other institutions, and individuals, but is not intended to be a complete list of funding available to nonstate government agencies. Estimated amounts are provided primarily from FFIS and based on guidance from the federal government as of April 19, 2022.

		Estimated
Program	Recipient	Funding Available
Airport improvement program	Aid grants to 53 airports in the state	\$13,167,764
COVID-19 telehealth program	Health care providers	194,267
Funeral assistance program	Individuals	5,780,965
Head Start	Local Head Start agencies	560,559
Universities Centers for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities	North Dakota Center for Persons with Disabilities	59,701
Network - Vaccine Access		
Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund - Student aid	Private institutions	1,294,769
Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund - Student aid	Tribal institutions	981,799
Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund - Institutions	Private institutions	2,921,447
Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund - Institutions	Tribal institutions	3,145,127
Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund - Other	Proprietary institutions	304,525
Economic impact payments - Direct payments to citizens	Individuals	345,842,000
Total		\$374,252,923

#### **AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT**

In March 2021, Congress passed, and the President signed, ARPA, which provided federal COVID-19 pandemic relief funding to North Dakota state and local government agencies through various federal funds, including the Coronavirus Capital Projects Fund (\$113,276,228), State Fiscal Recovery Fund (\$1,007,502,515), and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund (\$242,497,485). Through the November 2021 special legislative session, the Legislative Assembly appropriated all funding from the Coronavirus Capital Projects Fund and funding transferred to the state for the Local Fiscal Recovery Fund. Of the funding available from the State Fiscal Recovery Fund, the Legislative Assembly appropriated \$944,634,705, resulting in \$62,867,810 remaining for future appropriations.

Funding from the State Fiscal Recovery Fund, Local Fiscal Recovery Fund, and Coronavirus Capital Projects Fund must be obligated by December 31, 2024 and spent by December 31, 2026.

#### **State Fiscal Recovery Fund**

The American Rescue Plan Act created the State Fiscal Recovery Fund to assist states in responding to the COVID-19 pandemic. Eligible costs include:

- Costs related to the COVID-19 pandemic, including assistance to households, small businesses, nonprofits, and affected industries such as tourism, travel, and hospitality;
- Public health and economic impact costs;
- Providing premium pay of up to \$13 per hour in addition to base pay, up to a maximum of \$25,000, to state, territory, or tribal government workers who
  perform essential work during the COVID-19 pandemic, or provide grants to employers with employees who perform essential work, which is defined as
  work needed to maintain continuity of operations of critical infrastructure and other sectors designated by the Governor as critical to protect the health and
  well-being of residents;
- The cost of providing government services to the extent there was lost revenue as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic; and
- Investment costs in water, sewer, and broadband infrastructure.

Provisions of the Act preclude state and local government agencies from using this funding to make payments to pension plans or to reduce taxes directly or indirectly between March 3, 2021, and the last day of the fiscal year in which funds received have been spent or returned.

The Act allows states to transfer the fiscal recovery funds to other units of government or private entities. A recipient of the funding may transfer the funds to a subrecipient to carry out a qualifying program or project on behalf of the state. The state remains responsible for monitoring and overseeing the subrecipient's use of the fund to ensure the subrecipient complies with the federal requirements.

During the November 2021 special legislative session, the Legislative Assembly appropriated \$944,634,705 from the State Fiscal Recovery Fund in Senate Bill No. 2345 and House Bill Nos. 1505 and 1506 as follows:

Agency	Program	Funding
110 - Office of Management and Budget	Critical maintenance projects and authorizes the Office of Management and Budget to transfer funding to other state agencies	\$10,000,000
	Heating, ventilation, and air conditioning improvements to the legislative chambers and the Brynhild Haugland Room	7,000,000
	A grant for the construction of a new medical center in Rugby	1,000,000
	Medical center grant in House Bill No. 1505 to replace funds appropriated from the Coronavirus Capital Projects Fund in House Bill No. 1015 (funding source change only)	500,000
Total Office of Management and Budget		\$18,500,000
112 - Information Technology Department	Grant to the North Dakota Stockmen's Association for the conversion of a paper-based brand inspection program to an electronic system	\$401,000
125 - Attorney General	Development of a missing persons database	\$300,000
	Replacement of the prosecuting case management system	1,000,000
	Information technology costs related to the implementation of charitable gaming tax changes	50,000
Total Attorney General		\$1,350,000
140 - Office of Administrative Hearings	Development of a web-based document management system	\$20,000

Agency	Program	Funding
180 - Judicial Branch	Replacement of the Supreme Court docket system Information technology equipment in House Bill No. 1505 to replace funds appropriated from the Coronavirus Capital Projects Fund in House Bill No. 1015 (funding source change only)	\$2,020,000 157,600
Total Judicial Branch		\$2,177,600
201 - Department of Public Instruction	Grant to a children's science center project to replace funds appropriated from the Coronavirus Capital Projects Fund in House Bill No. 1015 (funding source change only)	\$5,900,000
	Information technology upgrades	100,000
Total Department of Public Instruction		\$6,000,000
215 - State Board of Higher Education	High-performance computing at North Dakota State University Merrifield Hall project at the University of North Dakota Polytechnic building project at Bismarck State College Hartnett Hall project at Minot State University University of North Dakota School of Medicine and Health Sciences for equipment and personnel to use hyperbaric oxygen therapy Dakota Digital Academy Space education and research initiative at the University of North Dakota	\$1,600,000 50,000,000 38,000,000 25,000,000 2,104,121 475,000 10,000,000
Total State Board of Higher Education	Space education and research initiative at the onliversity of North Dakota	\$127,179,121
230 - University of North Dakota	Reconstruction of the university's apron at the Grand Forks airport to replace funds appropriated from the Coronavirus Capital Projects Fund in House Bill No. 1015 (funding source change only)	\$5,000,000
239 - Dickinson State University	Pulver Hall project, a meat processing laboratory remodel, and other projects to replace funds appropriated from the Coronavirus Capital Projects Fund in House Bill No. 1015 (funding source change only)	\$4,000,000
270 - Department of Career and Technical Education	Statewide area career center initiative grant program for the purpose of expanding or building area career centers. Including \$68.3 million from the Coronavirus Capital Projects Fund, total funding for this program is \$88.3 million for the 2021-23 biennium. Prior to the November 2021 special legislative session, the Legislative Assembly's previous appropriation for this program was \$70 million from the Coronavirus Capital Projects Fund.	\$20,000,000
301 - State Department of Health	Public health laboratory renovation and requires the department to provide the plan for the building during the 2023 legislative session	\$15,000,000
321 - Department of Veterans' Affairs	A grant to assist in the construction of the Fisher House at the Fargo Veterans' Affairs Medical Center Veterans' medical transportation	\$500,000 147,000
Total Department of Veterans' Affairs		\$647,000
325 - Department of Human Services	Financial assistance for retention bonuses for direct service professionals serving clients with intellectual or developmental disabilities	\$2,500,000
	Long-term care facility financial assistance, including \$20.8 million for nursing facilities, \$2.95 million for basic care facilities,	25,350,000
	\$1.25 million for assisted living facilities, and \$350,000 for nursing staff retention payments at the State Hospital Behavioral health services (\$4 million), child care services (\$17 million), Medicaid eligibility system upgrade (\$5 million), and substance use disorder treatment voucher system grants (\$3 million)	29,000,000
	Alternatives-to-abortion services	1,500,000
Total Department of Human Services		\$58,350,000

Agency	Program	Funding
405 - Industrial Commission	Pipeline infrastructure to transport natural gas to eastern North Dakota  Abandoned oil well conversion to water supply grant program	\$150,000,000 3.200.000
	Hydrogen development grants as approved by the Clean Sustainable Energy Authority	20,000,000
Total Industrial Commission		\$173,200,000
412 - Aeronautics Commission	Airport grants	\$5,000,000
471 - Bank of North Dakota	Fuel production facility incentive grant program	\$21,000,000
504 - Highway Patrol	Law Enforcement Training Academy remodeling project to replace funds appropriated from the Coronavirus Capital Projects Fund in House Bill No. 1015 (funding source change only)	\$3,000,000
	Radios compatible with the statewide interoperable radio network	2,612,000
Total Highway Patrol		\$5,612,000
530 -Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation	Radios compatible with the statewide interoperable radio network	\$2,057,384
	Stipends to county jails for costs to house inmates sentenced to the department but deferred admission due to the pandemic	4,800,000
	Free through recovery program	2,995,200
Total Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation		\$9,852,584
540 - Adjutant General	Camp Grafton housing enhancement State active-duty software replacement	\$2,000,000 450,000
Total Adjutant General		\$2,450,000
601 - Department of Commerce	Transfer to the North Dakota development fund	\$5,000,000
	Autonomous agriculture matching grant program to accelerate innovation and research within the autonomous agriculture industry	10,000,000
	Local workforce development incentive grant program to support efforts to recruit, retain, or retrain workers and require 25 percent matching funds from local sources	15,000,000
	Technical skills training grant program and workforce innovation grant program	5,000,000
Total Department of Commerce		\$35,000,000
602 - Agriculture Commissioner	Intermodal facility construction grant program in House Bill No. 1505 to replace funds appropriated from the Coronavirus Capital Projects Fund in Senate Bill No. 2245 (funding source change only)	\$2,000,000
640 - North Dakota State University Main Research Center	Capital projects, including \$446,000 for projects at the Carrington Research Extension Center (REC), \$1,963,000 for projects at the Central Grasslands REC, \$2,200,000 for projects at the Dickinson REC, and \$3,420,000 for projects at the Hettinger REC	\$8,029,000
701 - State Historical Society	Essential infrastructure at historic sites Historic site deferred maintenance in House Bill No. 1505 to replace funds appropriated from the Coronavirus Capital Projects Fund in House Bill No. 1018 (funding source change only)	\$950,000 4,200,000
Total State Historical Society		\$5,150,000

Agency	Program	Funding
750 - Parks and Recreation Department	Grants to local park districts to renovate and upgrade existing facilities with a maximum of \$1 million per park district and a 1-to-1 matching requirement	\$5,000,000
	State park projects with each of the 13 state parks receiving a minimum of \$100,000 for deferred maintenance or small capital projects	10,000,000
	Deferred maintenance and essential infrastructure projects in House Bill No. 1505 to replace funds appropriated from the Coronavirus Capital Projects Fund in House Bill No. 1019 (funding source change only)	11,716,400
Total Parks and Recreation Department		\$26,716,400
770 - Department of Water Resources	Water infrastructure and requires the State Water Commission to expend State Fiscal Recovery Fund money before expending funds from the resources trust fund	\$75,000,000
801 - Department of Transportation	State, county, and township road and bridge projects to designate the funding source as the State Fiscal Recovery Fund in House Bill No. 1505 for the federal funds appropriated to the Department of Transportation during the 2021 regular legislative session in House Bill No. 1395	\$317,000,000
Total funding from the State Fiscal Recov	ery Fund	\$944,634,705
Subtotal - 2021-23 special legislative session appropriations Subtotal - Funding source changes from Coronavirus Capital Projects Fund to State Fiscal Recovery Fund Subtotal - Designation for the Department of Transportation for state, county, and township road and bridge projects		\$591,160,705 36,474,000 317,000,000
Total - 2021-23 appropriations		\$944,634,705

## **Local Fiscal Recovery Fund**

The American Rescue Plan Act created the Local Fiscal Recovery Fund to assist local government agencies in responding to the COVID-19 pandemic. Cost allowances and transfer eligibility are the same as allowed for the State Fiscal Recovery Fund.

Funding from the Local Fiscal Recovery Fund is allocated to counties, metropolitan cities, and non-entitlement local government agencies, which primarily includes smaller cities. Allocations of \$242.5 million from the Local Fiscal Recovery Fund to North Dakota political subdivisions are as follows:

Recipient	Allocation Methodology	Funding
Counties	Provided directly from the federal government. See Appendix B for a list of distributions by county.	\$148,021,613
Metropolitan cities	Provided directly from the federal government. Of this amount, \$9,656,565 is for Bismarck, \$20,205,034 is for Fargo, and \$11,439,298 is for Grand Forks.	41,300,897
Non-entitlement local government agencies	Transferred from the federal government to the state and appropriated by the Legislative Assembly to the State Treasurer for distribution to smaller cities starting in the 2021-23 biennium. Through March 24, 2022, the State Treasurer has distributed \$26,373,336 of this funding - see <a href="Appendix C">Appendix C</a> .	
Total		\$242,497,485

### **Coronavirus Capital Projects Fund**

The American Rescue Plan Act created the Coronavirus Capital Projects Fund to provide funding to states, territories, and tribes for capital projects relating to enabling work, education, and health monitoring in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. North Dakota received an allocation of \$113.3 million from the fund and appropriated the funding in House Bill No. 1505 for the following purposes:

Agency	Program	Funding
112 - Information Technology Department	Rural broadband infrastructure grants	\$45,000,000
270 - Department of Career and Technical Education	Statewide area career center initiative grant program for the purpose of expanding or building area career centers. Including \$20 million from the State Fiscal Recovery Fund, total funding for this program is \$88.3 million for the 2021-23 biennium. Prior to the November 2021 special legislative session, the Legislative Assembly's previous appropriation for this program was \$70 million from the Coronavirus Capital Projects Fund.	
Total - 2021-23 appropriations		\$113,276,228

# **Other State Government Funding**

In addition to funding from the Coronavirus Capital Projects Fund and State Fiscal Recovery Fund, \$1 billion of other federal COVID-19 pandemic relief funding was made available to state agencies as a result of ARPA, which the Legislative Assembly appropriated in House Bill No. 1395. A summary of these appropriations and other ARPA budget approvals is as follows:

Agency	Program	Funding
201 - Department of Public Instruction	Elementary and secondary school emergency education relief funding <sup>1</sup>	\$305,266,879
	Emergency education relief homeless children and youth program	1,999,661
	Individuals with disabilities education grants for special education needs	8,632,569
	Emergency assistance to nonpublic schools	4,151,371
Total - Department of Public Instruction		\$320,050,480
250 - State Library	Assistance to libraries to expand digital network access, purchase Internet accessible devices, and provide technical support services	\$2,166,726
301 - State Department of Health	WIC program cash value voucher	\$801,409
	Testing, contact tracing, and other activities necessary to effectively monitor and suppress COVID-19	22,952,934
	Assistance to federal, state, local, territorial, and tribal public health agencies to distribute, administer, monitor, and track COVID-19 vaccination efforts	32,258,011
	Strategies to improve COVID-19 response in high-risk and underserved populations <sup>2</sup>	31,278,243
Total - State Department of Health		\$87,290,597
313 - Veterans' Home	Personal protective equipment, employee wages, disinfecting supplies, and medical supplies	\$1,300,000
325 - Department of Human Services	Continuation of child care development block grant payments and assistance to individuals and child care providers	\$29,243,107
	Child care stabilization grants to child care providers and increased supports for providers and families	46,771,413
	Additional child care entitlement funding for child care assistance program	1,317,327
	Low-income home energy assistance program enhancements	34,517,336
	Pandemic emergency assistance for nonrecurrent short-term needs of families	1,354,594
	Community-based child abuse prevention efforts for respite care, afterschool activities, and family support	592,780
	Child abuse state grants for outreach and training on child protection safety and response	284,363
	Supportive services to assist older adults to maintain independence	2,300,000
	Additional assistance for nutrition services for the elderly to provide increased reimbursement rates	3,750,000
	Expansion of preventative services programs and training for older adults	150,000
	Family caregiver assistance Awareness and access improvements to the long-term care ombudsman	500,000 50,000
	Additional mental health block grant funding for community mental health services	2,567,171
1	Additional mental health block grant funding for confinding mental nearth services	2,001,111

Agency	Program	Funding
I	Additional substance abuse block grant funding for substance use prevention efforts and substance use disorder	5,537,390
I	needs Emergency rental assistance program to provide rental assistance to eligible individuals	50,000,000
I	Additional funding for SNAP for system modifications and staffing	922,754
	Additional federal Part C funding for early intervention and other efforts for infants and toddlers with developmental disabilities	1,222,769
	Additional aging services funding for expanding access to COVID-19 vaccines and other services SNAP increased benefit levels	408,836 3,600,000
	Pandemic electronic benefits transfer funding to provide food assistance to children who normally received free or reduced lunches at school	6,600,000
I	Homeowner assistance program for financial assistance for homeowners	50,000,000
Total - Department of Human Services		\$241,689,840
540 - Adjutant General	Funding to assist state, local, territorial, and tribal governments in preparing and responding to disasters	\$887,873
601 - Department of Commerce	State small business credit initiative program	\$56,234,176
709 - Council on the Arts	Grants to nonprofit arts organizations to support operations	\$759,060
801 - Department of Transportation <sup>3</sup>	Capital, operating, and administrative assistance to state agencies, political subdivisions, and nonprofit organizations, and operators of public transportation services	\$628,855
I	Public transportation intercity bus apportionment Enhanced mobility services to assist older individuals and individuals with a disability	865,298 115,204
Total - Department of Transportation	Elinanced mobility services to assist order individuals and individuals with a disability	\$1,609,357
Subtotal - 2021-23 appropriations		\$711,988,109
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North Dakota University System <sup>4</sup>		
227 - Bismarck State College	Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund - Student aid:	\$2,022,882
228 - Lake Region State College	The funding is to be provided to students as financial aid grants, which may be used for any component of the student's	883,383
229 - Williston State College	cost of attendance or for emergency costs that arise due to the COVID-19 pandemic, such as tuition, food, housing, health care (including mental health care), or child care. Institutions are required to prioritize students with exceptional	828,951
230 - University of North Dakota	need, such as students who receive Pell Grants. The funding is to be allocated as follows:	8,207,568
235 - North Dakota State University	37.5 percent based on FTE enrollment of Pell Grant recipients;	10,759,296
238 - North Dakota State College of Science	37.5 percent based on headcount enrollment of Pell Grant recipients;	2,417,157
239 - Dickinson State University	11.5 percent based on FTE enrollment of non-Pell Grant recipients;	1,079,161
240 - Mayville State University	11.5 percent based on headcount enrollment of non-Pell Grant recipients;	777,992
241 - Minot State University	1 percent based on relative share of FTE enrollment of students who were Pell Grant recipients and who	2,455,111
242 - Valley City State University	were exclusively enrolled in distance education courses prior to the qualifying emergency; and	1,051,168
_ = = : = ::::::	1 percent based on relative share of the total number of students who were Pell Grant recipients and who were exclusively enrolled in distance education courses prior to the qualifying emergency.	673,719

Agency	Program	Funding
227 - Bismarck State College	Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund - Institutions:	1,832,815
228 - Lake Region State College	The funding is available to institutions to continue preparing for, preventing, and responding to the spread of	811,764
229 - Williston State College	COVID-19 and related costs associated with the COVID-19 pandemic, including keeping staff and students	756,091
230 - University of North Dakota	safe while preserving learning environments.	7,845,074
235 - North Dakota State University		10,672,560
238 - North Dakota State College of Science		2,349,137
239 - Dickinson State University		1,022,428
240 - Mayville State University		624,011
241 - Minot State University		2,366,436
242 - Valley City State University		994,962
243 - Dakota College at Bottineau		593,748
232 - University of North Dakota School	Small rural hospital improvement program:	6,717,776
of Medicine and Health Sciences	Funding to support rural hospitals with 49 beds or fewer and enables small rural hospitals to:	
	Become or join accountable care organizations;	
	Participate in shared savings programs; and	
	Purchase health information technology, equipment, and training to comply with quality improvement activities such as advancing patient care information, promoting interoperability, and payment bundling.	
	The funds will flow through the Center for Rural Health at the University of North Dakota School of Medicine and Health Sciences to small rural hospitals in the state.	
Subtotal - North Dakota University System		\$67,743,190
325 - Department of Human Services	In March 2022, the Emergency Commission and Budget Section approved a request from the Department of Human Services to accept and spend ARPA funds for home- and community-based services and assistive technology, which will be used for a temporary position (\$78,610) to assist home- and community-based case manager and for a grant (\$80,000) to train individuals to use assistive technology.	\$158,610
701 - State Historical Society	In December 2021, the Emergency Commission and Budget Section approved a request from the State Historical Society to accept and spend ARPA funds received through Humanities North Dakota to support general operating costs at historic sites, which includes the cost to fabricate and install interpretive signs at multiple historic sites.	\$75,000
Total		\$779,964,909

<sup>1</sup>During the 2021-22 interim through March 30, 2022, the Emergency Commission and Budget Section approved a request to transfer \$200,000 of funding from the Department of Public Instruction's allocation of elementary and secondary school emergency relief funds to the Department of Career and Technical Education to market to and recruit students to increase enrollment in career and technical education courses.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>During the 2021-22 interim through March 30, 2022, the Emergency Commission and Budget Section approved a request to transfer \$1.2 million of federal COVID-19 pandemic relief funding from the State Department of Health to the Department of Environmental Quality for wastewater sample testing during calendar year 2022.

<sup>3</sup>During the 2021 regular legislative session, the Legislative Assembly appropriated \$317 million to the Department of Transportation in anticipation of ARPA funding becoming available. During the November 2021 special legislative session, the Legislative Assembly changed the funding source of this appropriation to the State Fiscal Recovery Fund. The \$317 million appropriation is reflected in the State Fiscal Recovery Fund table of this document.

<sup>4</sup>Funding received by the University System from the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund as a result of ARPA was obtained pursuant to continuing appropriation authority and was not appropriated by the Legislative Assembly.

#### **Estimated Funding for Other Organizations**

The following is a summary of federal COVID-19 pandemic relief funding that may have been available to other North Dakota organizations. The table includes known funding available to local and tribal governments, private organizations, other institutions, and individuals, but is not intended to be a complete list of funding available to nonstate government agencies. Estimated amounts are provided primarily from FFIS and based on guidance from the federal government as of April 19, 2022.

		Estimated
Program	Recipient	Funding Available
Emergency connectivity fund	Schools and libraries	\$3,476,967
Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund - Student aid	Private institutions	3,795,257
Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund - Institutions	Private institutions	3,716,618
Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund - Tribal	Tribal institutions	10,949,686
Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund - Other	Proprietary institutions	184,842
Expanded access to COVID-19 vaccines	Community health centers	10,168,250
Centers for Independent Living - Vaccine access	Centers for Independent Living	17,921
Rural health COVID-19 testing and mitigation	Rural health clinics	5,300,000
Head Start	Local Head Start agencies	2,231,000
Provider relief fund - Allocation for rural providers	Awards provided to rural acute care general hospitals, critical access hospitals, rural health clinics, and community health centers located in rural areas	44,586,793
Family violence prevention	Domestic violence coalition organizations	299,107
HOME investment partnerships programs	Local housing authority agencies	1,697,107
National Endowment for the Humanities	North Dakota Humanities Council	605,630
National Endowment for the Arts	Local art and historical museums	700,000
Urbanized area formula grants	Cities with a population over 50,000 for public transportation programs, including Bismarck (\$1,332,896), Fargo (\$4,122,366), and Grand Forks (\$814,628)	6,269,890
Intercity bus formula	Cities	865,298
Health center construction and capital improvement program	Health care facilities	2,445,060
Airport rescue grants	Airports	20,493,203
Economic stimulus payments of up to \$1,400	Individuals	904,209,000
Total		\$1,022,011,629