



STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE



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GOVERNOR'S OFFICE

for

EMERGENCY RELIEF AND RECOVERY

September 9, 2021

The Honorable Ken Weyler, Chairman
Fiscal Committee of the General Court
State House
Concord, New Hampshire 03301

His Excellency, Governor Christopher T. Sununu
and the Honorable Council
State House
Concord, New Hampshire 03301

REQUESTED ACTION

Pursuant to RSA 14:30-a VI, authorize the Governor's Office For Emergency Relief and Recovery (GOFERR) to accept and expend in an amount not to exceed \$1,003,500 in American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) State Fiscal Recovery Funds (SFRF) to grant funds to fund GOFERR disbursements, which will be allowed for reimbursement for to support Recovery Friendly Workforce (RFW) initiative for employers, employees and family members access to peer recovery support that are allowable expenses under the ARPA SFRF. This is an allowable use of ARP SFRF funds under Section 602 (c)(1)(A) to respond to the public health emergency or its negative economic impacts, effective upon Fiscal Committee and Governor and Council approval through June 30, 2023. 100% Federal Funds.

Funds are to be budgeted in FY2022 in the following account:

Table with 5 columns: CLASS, ACCOUNT, FY2022 CURRENT MODIFIED BUDGET, FY2022 BUDGET REQUEST, FY2022 REVISED BUDGET. Rows include EXPENDITURES (040-072) and SOURCE OF FUNDS (000).

1 All direct program costs will be accounted for using activity 00FRF602PH0207A and all administrative and indirect costs will be accounted for using activity 00FRF602PH0207Z. Accounting classifications may be subject to technical changes at the discretion of the Department of Administrative Services' Division of Accounting Services.

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EXPLANATION

GOFERR will be utilizing funds to grant Granite United Way, Inc. \$1,000,000 to support Recovery Friendly Workplace (RFW) initiative to adapt the challenges presented by the COVID-19 pandemic concerning substance abuse in the workplace. By digitizing current RFW training modules and updating those modules and other training and informational materials, this will help to address both the equity concerns and the needs of employees with SUD who work remotely.

Such funding shall also provide for the creation of an informational campaign to notify employers that existing RFW programs require some adaptation in light of COVID-19, as well as obtain additional Recovery Community Organizers to provide increased targeted peer support to both employers and employees, because the need for telephone and other remote support to are allowable expenses under the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) State Fiscal Recovery Fund in response to the COVID-19 health crisis.

Funds are being budgeted in the classes listed below as follows:

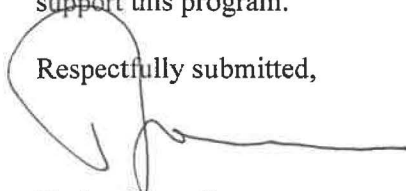
Class 040 – Indirect Costs to recover, per by RSA 21-I:75, a proportional share of the outside funding source to alleviate agency indirect costs.

Class 041 – Audit Fund Set Aside to comply with RSA 124:16 that requires all agencies that receive federal funds to set aside a percentage (0.1%) of the federal revenue amount received to pay for financial and compliance audits.

Class 072 – Grants-Federal to provide funding for grants to sub-grantees.

In the event that Federal Funds become no longer available, General Funds will not be requested to support this program.

Respectfully submitted,



Taylor Caswell,
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