

CARES Act Fund of 2020

Enacted 3/27/2020

Jackson County received \$122,669,998.30

Could Only be Used to Cover Costs that:

1. Are necessary expenditures incurred due to the public health emergency with respect to COVID-19
2. Were not accounted for in the budget most recently approved as of March 27, 2020
3. Were incurred during the period that began March 1, 2020 and must be spent by December 31, 2021.

Summary of How Used:

- **Truman Medical Centers – \$32.4 million**
 - Addition of new ventilators, negative pressure room expansion, increased in-house testing capacity, double supply of powered air-purifying respirators, which safeguard workers against contaminated air
- **Health Departments – \$24.9 million**
 - Covered all 2020 COVID-19 related costs for Jackson County and KCMO health departments, including increased testing capacity, contact tracing and staffing
- **Community Health Centers – \$5.6 million**
 - Testing, screening and care for uninsured at Swope Health Services, KC CARE, Samuel U. Rodgers, as well as building modifications in line with CDC guidelines to provide for the safety of staff and patients to mitigate COVID-19 spread
- **Cities – \$40.1 million**
 - Supported communities within Jackson County to help them pay for any necessary expense incurred due to the public health emergency such as:
 - **KCMO:** \$1 million of spending plan supported grant assistance to qualifying small businesses and households experiencing significant hardship
 - **Independence:** \$3.1 million of spending plan supported residents and small businesses with utility assistance as well as public saliva-based testing
- **K-12 Public Schools – \$5 million**
 - Funding supported K-12 public school districts help address immediate needs of students and teachers at elementary and secondary schools, including but not limited to, enhanced wireless internet services, improved education technology and COVID-19 testing

American Rescue Plan Act of 2021

Signed by President Biden 3/11/2021

Jackson County to receive \$136,344,654

Cities, Towns and Villages to receive specific allotments as well (Blue Springs 6.7M, Independence 20.2M, Kansas City 195.4M, Lee's Summit 9.2M)

Will receive in 2 installments, 50% within 60 days, remaining 50% 12 months after first payment

Need to Spend Funds by December 31, 2024

USES OF RECOVERY FUNDS

1. **Respond to the public health emergency with respect to the COVID-19 or its negative economic impacts**, including assistance to households, small businesses, and nonprofits, or aid to impacted industries such as tourism, travel, and hospitality
2. Respond to workers performing essential work during the COVID-19 public health emergency by **providing premium pay to eligible workers of the county** that are performing such essential work, or by providing grants to eligible employers that have eligible workers who perform essential work
3. For the provision of **government services to the extent of the reduction in revenue** (i.e. online, property or income tax) due to the public health emergency relative to revenues collected in the most recent full fiscal year of the county prior to the emergency (i.e. January 20, 2020), or
4. **Make necessary investments** in water, sewer or broadband infrastructure.