



COVID-19 Financial Response

**Technical Assistance:
SLFRF – Interim Report**

August 11, 2021

Agenda

1. Introductions
2. ARPA Background
3. Overall Reporting Requirements
4. Interim Report

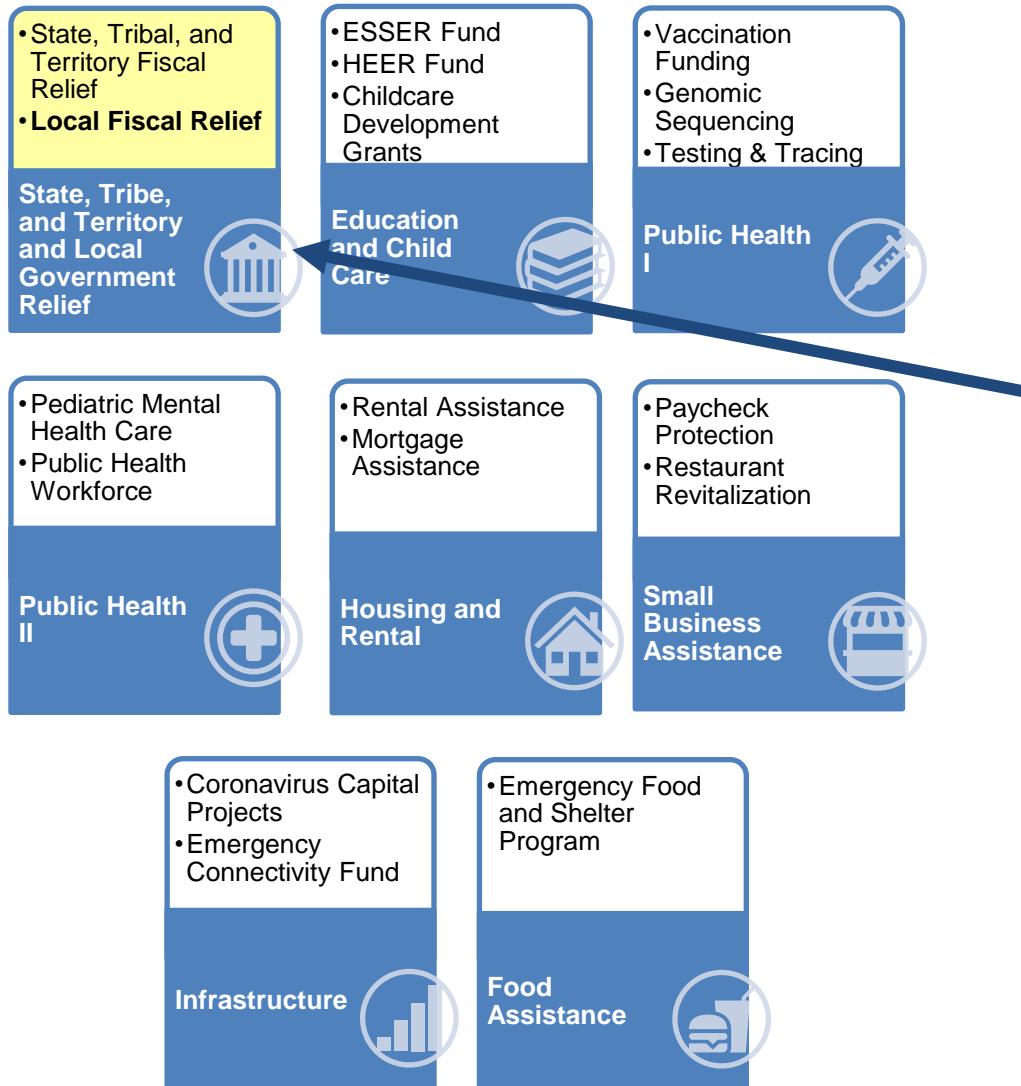
Required Reporting

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	Interim Report	Recovery Plan Performance Report (“Recovery Plan”)	Project and Expenditure Report
Large Counties/Cities Only Cook County + City of Chicago			Quarterly
Metro Cities <250k population + >\$5m in FRF funds			Quarterly
NEUs			Annually

August 31, 2021 August 31, 2021 October 31, 2021

ARPA Background



- On March 11, 2021, President Joe Biden signed into law the \$1.9 trillion American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) package
- The ARPA package includes **\$362 billion** in direct federal fiscal recovery aid for state and local governments through the **State & Local Fiscal Recovery Fund (SLFRF)**
- Outside of the SLFRF, ARPA also provides billions to education, public health, housing, small business, infrastructure, and food assistance (*graphic is not an exhaustive list of programs*)
 - Local governments may be able to apply for grants to access other ARPA-funded programs

SLFRF Overview – Eligible Uses



Support Public Health Response

- › **COVID-19 Mitigation & Containment:** vaccination programs, ventilation improvements in congregate or health care settings, contract tracing
- › **Medical Expenses:** care and services to address near-and longer-term needs
- › **Behavioral Healthcare:** mental health treatment, crisis intervention, substance misuse treatment
- › **Public Health & Safety Staff:** payroll & benefits



Replace Public Sector Revenue Loss

Use funds to provide government services to the extent of the reduction in revenue experienced due to the pandemic

- › Lost revenues may be used to **support general government services and infrastructure**



Address Negative Economic Impacts

- › **Workers & Families:** assistance to unemployed workers, job training, food, housing, survivor's benefits
- › **Small Business:** loans, grants, in-kind and technical assistance
- › **Public Sector:** rehire staff, replenish state unemployment insurance, economic relief programs
- › **Impacted Industries:** tourism, travel and hospitality, and other affected sectors



Premium Pay for Essential Workers

Provide premium pay to eligible workers performing essential work or to provide grants to third party employers with eligible workers

- › **Essential Employees:** janitors/sanitation, public health, social service & safety, childcare & educators, nursing home/hospital staff, government
- › **Essential Work:** involving regular in-person interactions
- › **Other Provisions:** including retroactive premium pay



Water and Sewer Infrastructure

Make necessary investment to improve access to clean drinking water and invest in wastewater and stormwater infrastructure

- Eligible uses aligned to EPA project categories in:
- › Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF)
 - › Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF)



Broadband Infrastructure

Make necessary investment to provide unserved or underserved locations with new or expanded broadband access

- › Fund projects that deliver reliable services – **minimum 100 Mbps download/upload speed**

SLFRF Overview – Ineligible Uses



Deposits to ‘rainy day’ funds or financial reserves

Contributions to rainy day funds and similar financial reserves would not meet pandemic response needs but would rather constitute savings for future spending needs



Deposits into defined benefit pension funds

Funds cannot be used for deposits into defined benefit pension funds; however, funds may be used for routine payroll contributions to pensions of employees whose wages are an eligible use



Debt service

Funds cannot be used to pay debt service for any obligation incurred prior to March 3, 2021



Legal settlements or judgements

Funds cannot be used on legal settlements or judgements except to the extent the judgment or settlement requires the provision of services that would respond to the public health emergency



General infrastructure spending

General infrastructure spending is not covered as an eligible use of funds outside of water, sewer, and broadband investments or above the amount allocated under the revenue loss provision



Non-Federal match for Federal programs

May not be used as non-Federal match for other programs whose statute or regulation bar the use of Federal funds to meet matching requirements

Reporting Requirements

Reporting Overview

Counties, metro cities, and municipalities may be required to submit up to 3 separate report types

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Interim Report

- First Report Due: **August 31, 2021**
- Reporting Frequency: **One-time**
- 1st Period Covered: March 3 – July 31, 2021
- Expenditures and obligations by Expenditure Category at the summary level, *not project level*

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Recovery Plan Performance Report (“Recovery Plan”)

- First Report Due: **August 31, 2021**
- Reporting Frequency: **Annually**
- 1st Period Covered: March 3 – July 31, 2021
- **RPPs will cover a 12-month period (July – June).** The County will be required to submit the report to Treasury and post the report on its public-facing website within 30 days after each 12-month period
- Key performance indicators identified by the recipient and some mandatory indicators identified by Treasury

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Project and Expenditure Report

- First Report Due: **October 31, 2021**
- Reporting Frequency: **Annually (NEUs); Quarterly (Metro Cities)**
- 1st Period Covered: March 3 – September 30, 2021
- Subsequent reports **due within 30 days** after the end of each calendar quarter
- Report on projects funded, expenditures, contracts, and subawards over \$50,000
- Same general data as the reports submitted for CRF, with some modifications to classifications and additions of data elements related to eligible uses

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Reporting Concepts

Reporting required at the Expenditure Category and/or Project Level, depending on the report.

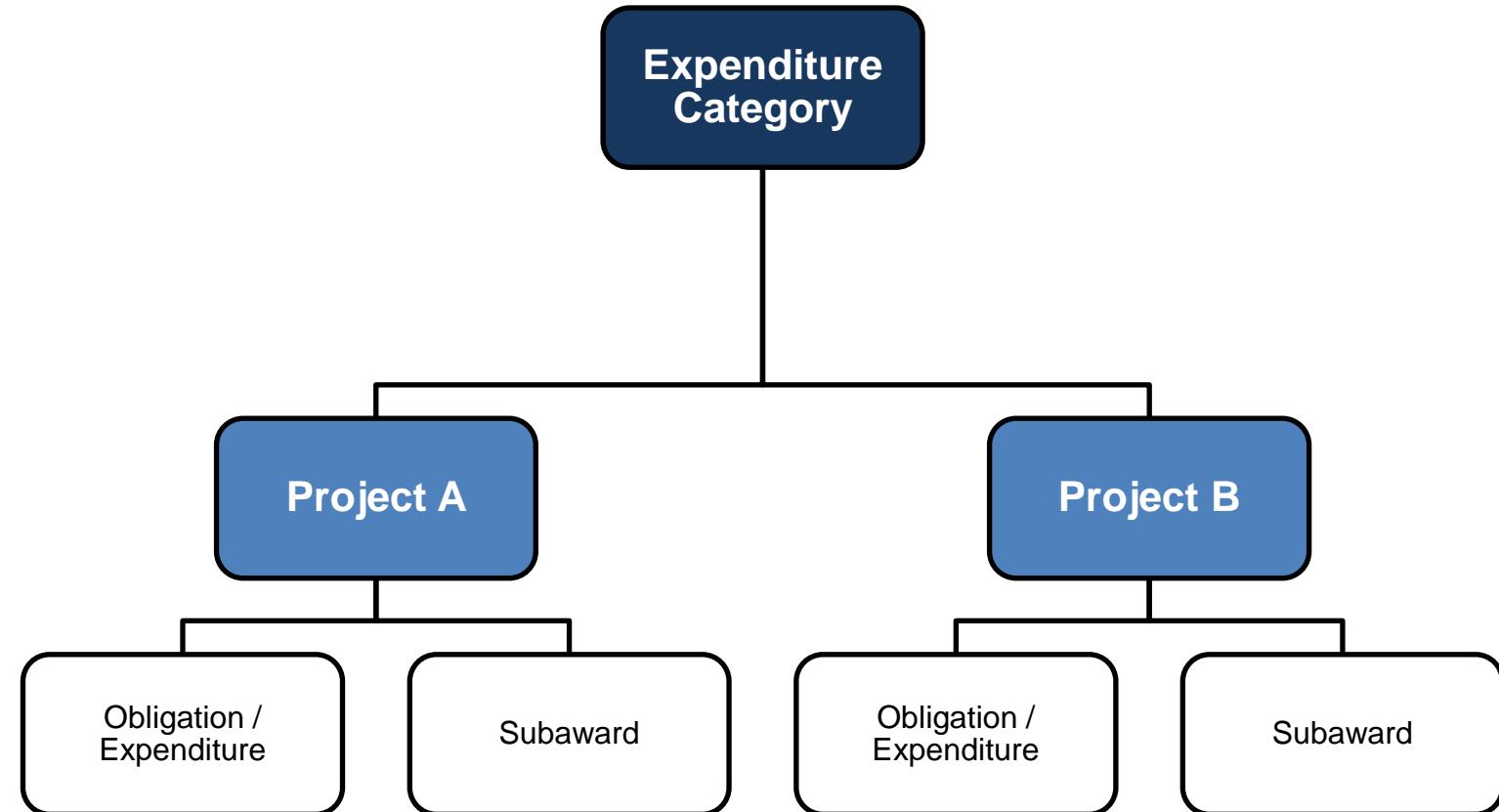
Expenditure Category

- Coding system to track how funding is used and identify where additional programmatic data is required
- 66 total subcategories within 7 larger categories

Project Level

- Multiple projects within an Expenditure Category
- Each project may only be aligned to a single Expenditure Category
- Projects should be defined to include only closely related activities directed toward a common purpose

Classification of Funds



Reporting Tips

Some tips to ensure that you meet the reporting requirements:

1. Develop and implement internal controls to ensure that funding decisions constitute eligible uses of funds and document determinations.
2. Develop an approach to track expenditure activity. Questions to consider:
 - How are expenditures tracked by category and by project? What system is used?
 - How are direct costs (*ex: contract support, materials, and supplies for a project*) **and** indirect costs (*ex: overhead, facilities, or administrative functional costs*) tracked?
 - Are reports easily run for projects or subawards which provides necessary reporting details?
 - How are performance reporting metrics that are required captured?
3. Determine a subrecipient monitoring process.
 1. Federal funding guidelines require management and monitoring of subrecipients to ensure compliance.
4. Maintain all financial records.
 - Financial records and supporting documents related to the award must be retained for 5 years after all funds have been expended or returned to Treasury, whichever is later

Internal Controls

Internal Controls Best Practices:

Best Practice	Description	Example
1. Written policies and procedures	Formal documentation of recipient policies and procedures	Documented procedure for determining worker eligibility for premium pay
2. Written standards of conduct	Formal statement of mission, values, principles, and professional standards	Documented code of conduct / ethics for subcontractors
3. Risk-based due diligence	Pre-payment validations conducted according to an assessed level of risk	Enhanced eligibility review of subrecipient with imperfect performance history
4. Risk-based compliance monitoring	Ongoing validations conducted according to an assessed level of risk	Higher degree of monitoring for projects that have a higher risk of fraud, given program characteristics
5. Record maintenance and retention	Creation and storage of financial and non-financial records	Storage of all subrecipient payment information

Interim Report – Overview

- U.S. Treasury released the [recipient reporting User Guide](#) on August 9th, 2021
- The User Guide is a supplement to the [Compliance and Reporting Guidance](#)
- The User Guide contains detailed instructions for navigating the Treasury's portal to submit the Interim Report
- The following slides provide an overview of the User Guide for the Interim Report

Portal Landing Page

The screenshot shows the landing page of the Treasury's portal. At the top, there is a blue header bar with the text "State, Local, and Tribal Support". On the right side of the header are two green buttons: "Start a Submission" and "Start a Compliance Report". Below the header, there is a navigation menu on the left with options like "Introduction" and "Submissions & Compliance Forms". The main content area contains several paragraphs of text. It starts with a welcome message about three Treasury Programs supporting state, territory, Tribal, and local governments. It then explains that users will be eligible for different programs based on their government type and provides links to three specific funds: STATE AND LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUNDS, HOMEOWNER ASSISTANCE FUND, and EMERGENCY RENTAL ASSISTANCE. Below this, there is a section titled "Submission Process" with information about logging in and working on submissions. At the bottom of the page, there is a green button labeled "Go To Your Reports".

Welcome to the three Treasury Programs supporting state, territory, Tribal, and local governments as part of the 2021 American Rescue Plan.

Depending on if you are a state, territory, local, or Tribal government, you will be eligible for different programs. Please select "Start a Submission" at Top-Right to begin to identify which programs you may be eligible for.

- » STATE AND LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUNDS - \$350 billion available for state, territory, Tribal, and local governments to support the public health response and lay the foundation for a strong and equitable economic recovery.
- » HOMEOWNER ASSISTANCE FUND - Nearly \$10 billion available for state, territory, and Tribal governments to provide relief for our country's most vulnerable homeowners.
- » EMERGENCY RENTAL ASSISTANCE - \$21.6 billion available for state, territory, and local governments to assist households that are unable to pay rent and utilities.

Submission Process: You now have a login and 24/7 access to this portal. You have two options while working on the submission/s – save your progress or submit the submission. If you save, you can return and edit information as needed. To resume working on a draft submission, click on "Submissions & Compliance Forms" using the navigation to the left of the page. This will bring you to your list of submissions, click "Provide Information" to continue working. Once you submit and certify the agreement, you cannot edit your information for that particular program without reaching out to Treasury to re-open the case and edit.

Contact Us/Help: For assistance on your submission and other questions, contact covidrelief@treasury.gov

Ready to get started? Click "Start a Submission" at Top-Right.

Go To Your Reports

Interim Report – Recipient Information

- 1 Review and confirm your Recipient Profile pre-populated from your SLFRF Application file
- 2 Update Recipient DUNS (+4) number, if necessary
- 3 Verify the names and contact information for individuals the recipient has designated for key roles for the SLFRF program displayed on the screen
- 4 Use the textbox to flag errors, notifying Treasury if any information incorrect (including if account users are inaccurate)

Recipient Information Entry Screen

Recipient Information	
Recipient DUNS	1374444444
Recipient DUNS (+4)	1234
Recipient TIN	777546298
Recipient Legal Entity Name	SLFRF UAT Testing
Recipient Type	State or Territory
FAIN	
CFDA No./Assistance Listing	
Recipient Address	123 Testing Lane
Recipient Address 2	Apt 915
Recipient Address 3	Suite 663
Recipient City	Orlando
Recipient State/Territory	DC
Recipient Zip5	33333
Recipient Zip+4	4444
Recipient Reporting Tier	State or Territory

Account Users	
Account Administrator	Test User 5
Account Administrator Title	CEO
Account Administrator Email Address	test5@test.com
Account Administrator Phone	555-555-5555
Point of Contact for Reporting	Test Reporter
Point of Contact for Reporting Title	Manager
Point of Contact for Reporting Email Address	test.reproto@test.com
Point of Contact for Reporting Phone	444-444-4444
Authorized Representative for Reporting	Test User 6
Authorized Representative for Reporting Title	Senior Manager
Authorized Representative for Reporting Email Address	test6@test.com
Authorized Representative for Reporting Phone	555-555-5555

Text box to flag errors

Please report discrepancies (if any) on the above information

Show Point of Contact List

Interim Report - Expenditure Category Reporting

One-time report providing initial uses of funding between **March 3 – July 31, 2021**.

- Report must provide a breakdown of obligations & expenditures by each of the 66 Expenditure Categories
- Report appears similar to the CARES Act Coronavirus Relief Fund

Example:

ID	Expenditure Category	Cumulative Obligations	Cumulative Expenditures
2	Negative Economic Impacts		
2.1	Household Assistance: Food Programs	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000
2.2	Household Assistance: Rent, Mortgage, and Utility Aid	\$2,000,000	\$500,000
2.3	Household Assistance: Cash Transfers	\$5,000,000	\$0

Expenditure Categories	
1: Public Health	
1.1 COVID-19 Vaccination ^	
1.2 COVID-19 Testing ^	
1.3 COVID-19 Contact Tracing	
1.4 Prevention in Congregate Settings (Nursing Homes, Prisons/Jails, Dense Work Sites, Schools, etc.)^	
1.5 Personal Protective Equipment	
1.6 Medical Expenses (including Alternative Care Facilities)	
1.7 Capital Investments or Physical Plant Changes to Public Facilities that respond to the COVID-19 public health emergency	
1.8 Other COVID-19 Public Health Expenses (including Communications, Enforcement, Isolation/Quarantine)	
1.9 Payroll Costs for Public Health, Safety, and Other Public Sector Staff Responding to COVID-19	
1.10 Mental Health Services^	
1.11 Substance Use Services^	
1.12 Other Public Health Services	
2: Negative Economic Impacts	
2.1 Household Assistance: Food Programs^	
2.2 Household Assistance: Rent, Mortgage, and Utility Aid^	
2.3 Household Assistance: Cash Transfers^	
2.4 Household Assistance: Internet Access Programs^	
2.5 Household Assistance: Eviction Prevention^	
2.6 Unemployment Benefits or Cash Assistance to Unemployed Workers^	
2.7 Job Training Assistance (e.g., Sectoral job-training, Subsidized Employment, Employment Supports or Incentives)^	
2.8 Contributions to UI Trust Funds	
2.9 Small Business Economic Assistance (General)^	
2.10 Aid to Nonprofit Organizations^	
2.11 Aid to Tourism, Travel, or Hospitality	
2.12 Aid to Other Impacted Industries	
2.13 Other Economic Support^	
2.14 Rehiring Public Sector Staff	
3: Services to Disproportionately Impacted Communities	
3.1 Education Assistance: Early Learning^	
3.2 Education Assistance: Aid to High-Poverty Districts ^	
3.3 Education Assistance: Academic Services^	
3.4 Education Assistance: Social, Emotional, and Mental Health Services^	
3.5 Education Assistance: Other^	
3.6 Healthy Childhood Environments: Child Care^	
3.7 Healthy Childhood Environments: Home Visiting^	
3.8 Healthy Childhood Environments: Services to Foster Youth or Families Involved in Child Welfare System^	
3.9 Healthy Childhood Environments: Other^	
3.10 Housing Support: Affordable Housing^	
3.11 Housing Support: Services for Unhoused Persons^	
3.12 Housing Support: Other Housing Assistance^	
3.13 Social Determinants of Health: Other^	
3.14 Social Determinants of Health: Community Health Workers or Benefits Navigators^	
3.15 Social Determinants of Health: Lead Remediation ^	
3.16 Social Determinants of Health: Community Violence Interventions^	
4: Premium Pay	
4.1 Public Sector Employees	
4.2 Private Sector: Grants to Other Employers	
5: Infrastructure ²⁷	
5.1 Clean Water: Centralized Wastewater Treatment	
5.2 Clean Water: Centralized Wastewater Collection and Conveyance	
5.3 Clean Water: Decentralized Wastewater	
5.4 Clean Water: Combined Sewer Overflows	
5.5 Clean Water: Other Sewer Infrastructure	
5.6 Clean Water: Stormwater	
5.7 Clean Water: Energy Conservation	
5.8 Clean Water: Water Conservation	
5.9 Clean Water: Nonpoint Source	
5.10 Drinking water: Treatment	
5.11 Drinking water: Transmission & Distribution	
5.12 Drinking water: Transmission & Distribution: Lead Remediation	
5.13 Drinking water: Source	
5.14 Drinking water: Storage	
5.15 Drinking water: Other water infrastructure	
5.16 Broadband: "Last Mile" projects	
5.17 Broadband: Other projects	
6: Revenue Replacement	
6.1 Provision of Government Services	
7: Administrative	
7.1 Administrative Expenses	
7.2 Evaluation and Data Analysis	
7.3 Transfers to Other Units of Government	
7.4 Transfers to Non-entitlement Units (States and territories only)	

Interim Report - Expenditure Category Reporting

Expenditure Category Reporting Sample

1. Expenditure Category: Public Health		
Category	1 Cumulative Obligations to date	2 Cumulative Expenditures to date
*1.1 COVID-19 Vaccination		
*1.2 COVID-19 Testing		
*1.3 COVID-19 Contact Tracing		
*1.4 Prevention in Congregate Settings (Nursing Homes, Prisons/Jails, Dense Work Sites, Schools, etc.)		
*1.5 Personal Protective Equipment		
*1.6 Medical Expenses (Including Alternative Care Facilities)		
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*1.8 Other COVID-19 Public Health Expenses (Including Communications, Enforcement, Isolation/Quarantine)		
*1.9 Payroll Costs for Public Health, Safety, and Other Public Sector Staff Responding to COVID-19		
*1.10 Mental Health Services		
*1.11 Substance Use Services		
*1.12 Other Public Health Services		

7. Expenditure Category: Administrative and Other		
Category	Cumulative Obligations to date	Cumulative Expenditures to date
*7.1 Administrative Expenses		
*7.2 Evaluation and data analysis		
*7.3 Transfers to Other Units of Government	\$1.00	\$2.00

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3 Cumulative Expenditure Category Totals:

Cumulative Amounts to Date, excluding NEU and Non-UGLG transfers.	
Total Cumulative Obligations to Date	Total Cumulative Expenditures to Date
\$1.00	\$2.00

- 1 Enter 'Cumulative Obligations to Date' and 'Cumulative Expenditures to Date' for each expenditure category
- 2 Leave expenditure categories that do not apply blank
- 3 Review and verify the auto-calculated totals generated from the reporting fields.
 - 1 This represents the totals for **all** expenditure categories 1.1 through 7.3

For dollar amounts, enter whole numbers only and do not use dollar signs

Interim Report - Expenditure Category Reporting

NOTE: You will see a “Recipient Allocation” section. This is only applicable to State and U.S. Territories, so **ignore this section and leave it blank**

7. Expenditure Category: Recipient Allocation

Category	Cumulative Obligations to Date	Cumulative Expenditures to date
* 7.4 Transfers to Nonentitlement Units (NEU)	\$1.00	\$12.00
* 7.5 Transfers to Non-UGLGS		

Cumulative Amounts to Date, for NEU transfers only.

Total Cumulative Obligations to Date	Total Cumulative Expenditures to Date
\$1.00	\$12.00



Interim Report – Revenue Replacement

If Metro Cities plan to or already have expenditures in the Revenue Replacement category, they will be required to provide the following programmatic data:

1 Base year general revenue

2 Fiscal year end date

3 Growth adjustment used (4.1% or 3-yr. historical growth rate)

4 Actual general revenue as of the twelve months ended December 31, 2020

5 Estimated revenue loss due to the Covid-19 public health emergency as of December 31, 2020

6 An explanation of how revenue replacement funds were allocated to government services

Revenue Replacement Entry Screen

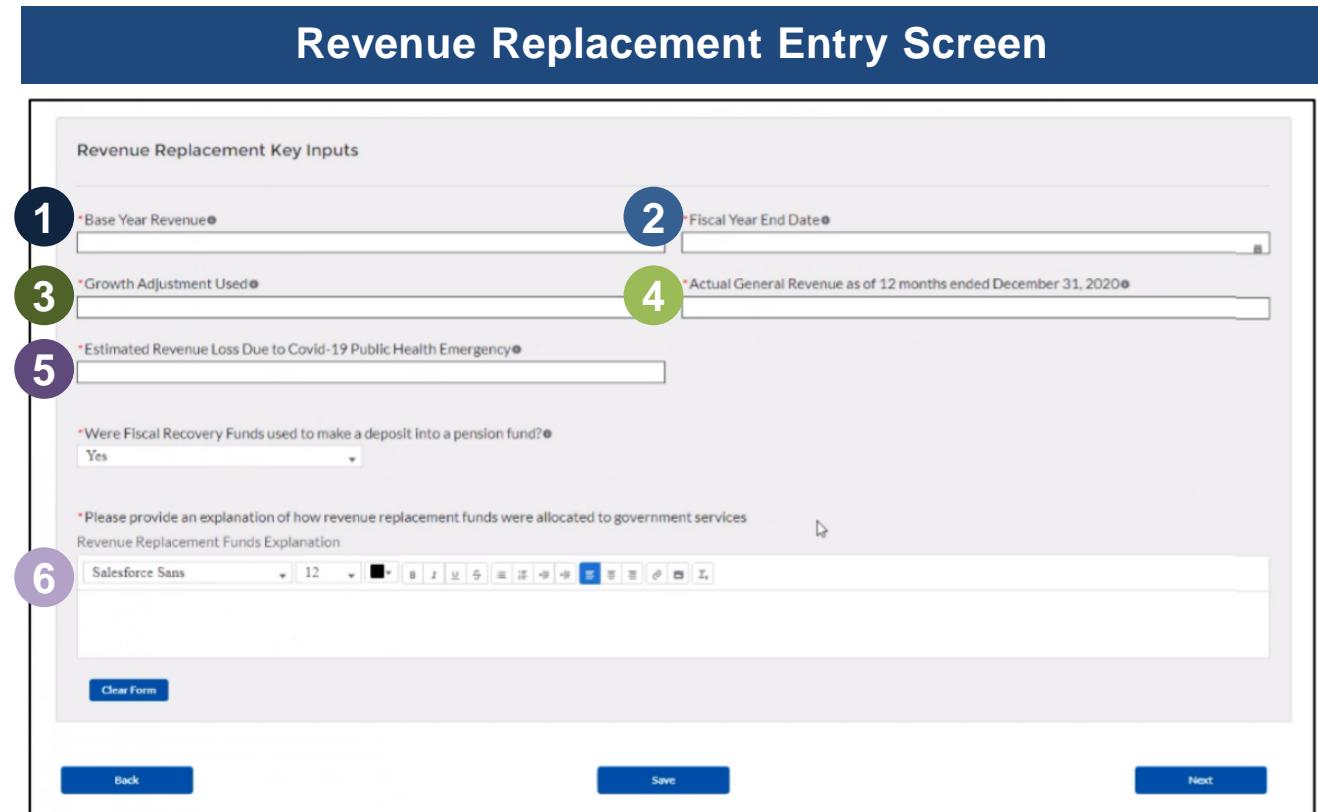
Revenue Replacement Key Inputs

1 *Base Year Revenue
2 *Fiscal Year End Date
3 *Growth Adjustment Used
4 *Actual General Revenue as of 12 months ended December 31, 2020
5 *Estimated Revenue Loss Due to Covid-19 Public Health Emergency
6 *Were Fiscal Recovery Funds used to make a deposit into a pension fund?
7 Please provide an explanation of how revenue replacement funds were allocated to government services
Revenue Replacement Funds Explanation

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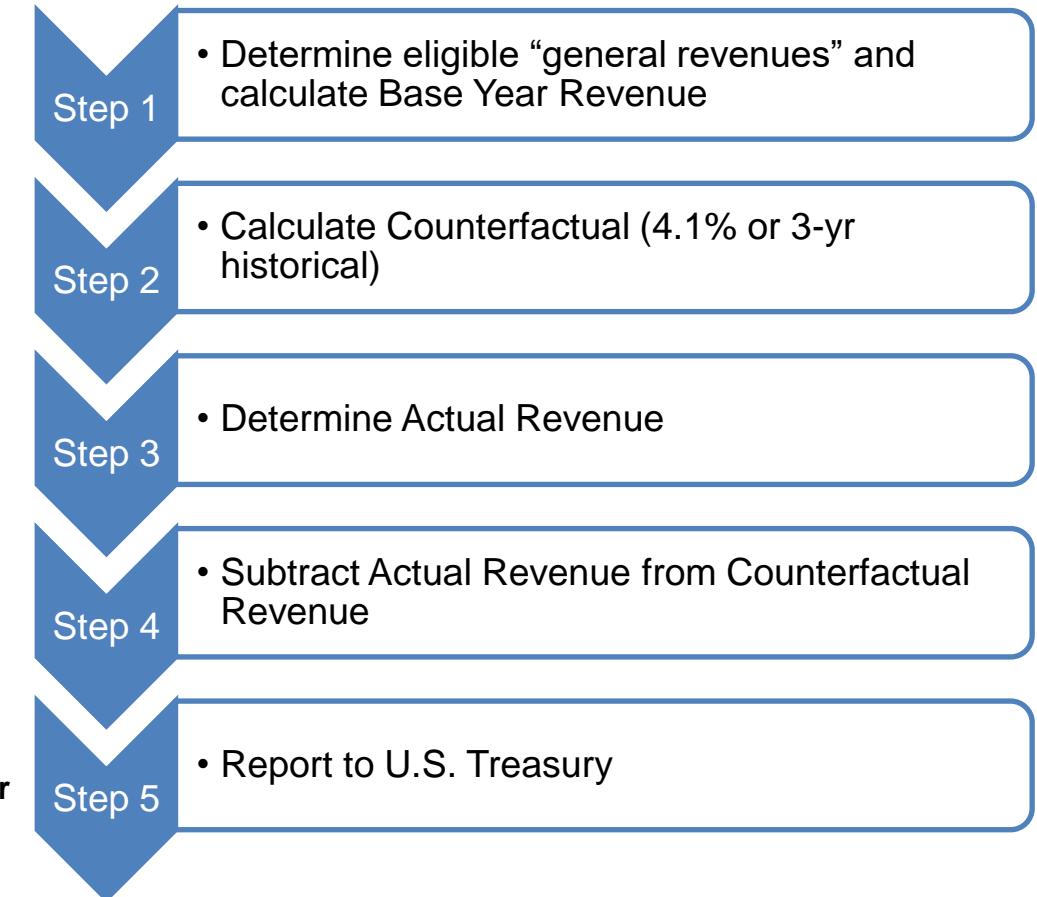
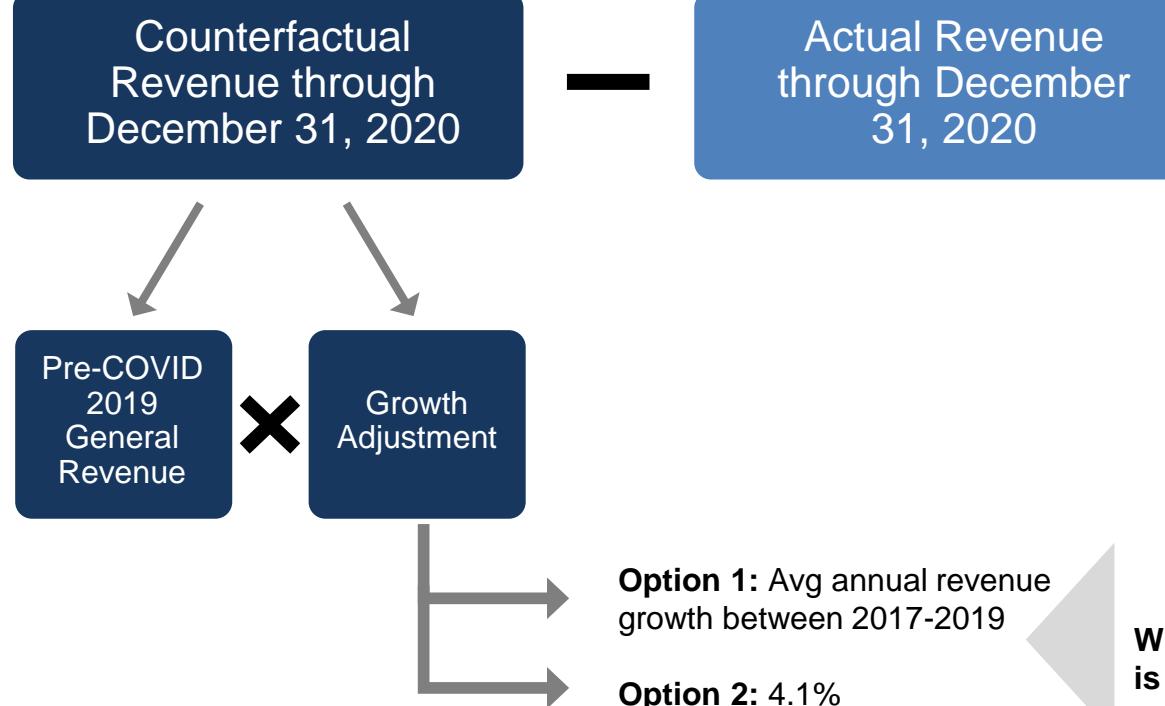
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For future calculation dates revenue loss will be reported only in the Quarter 4 reports due January 31, 2022, January 31, 2023, and January 31, 2024

Revenue Reduction Calculation

2020 Revenue Reduction Calculation Overview



Losses are determined by calculating counterfactual revenue to estimate revenue growth absent the pandemic

Interim Report – Certification

- 1 ARR's Name, Title, Telephone Number, and E-Mail Address will be presented for review
- 2 Allow the Certifying Official to review all prior screens and entries to verify accuracy of entered information and data

- The Authorized Representative for Reporting (ARR) will be asked to certify information pertaining to the Interim Report
- **By certifying this submission, the ARR is confirming that all reported information is accurate and approved for submission**
- Users who are not designated as an ARR will not be presented with these screens

Certification

I certify that the information provided is accurate and complete after reasonable inquiry of people, systems, and other information available to the SLFRF recipient. The undersigned acknowledges that any materially false, fictitious, fraudulent statement, or representation (or concealment or omission of a material fact) in this submission may be the subject of criminal prosecution under the False Statements Accountability Act of 1996, as amended, 18 USC 1001, and also may subject me and the SLFRF Recipient to civil penalties, damages, and administrative remedies for false claims or otherwise (including under 31 USC 3729 et seq.) The undersigned is an authorized representative of the SLFRF Recipient with authority to make the above certifications and representations on behalf of the SLFRF Recipient.

By signing this report, the Authorized Representative for Reporting acknowledges in accordance with 31 CFR 35.4(c) that recipients shall provide to the Secretary periodic reports providing detailed accounting of the uses of funds, as applicable, all modifications to a State's or Territory's tax revenue sources, and such other information as the Secretary may require for the administration of this program. In addition to regular reporting requirements, the Secretary may request other additional information as may be necessary or appropriate, including as may be necessary to prevent evasions of the requirements of this program. False statements or claims made to the Secretary may result in criminal, civil, or administrative sanctions, including fines, imprisonment, civil damages and penalties, debarment from participating in Federal awards or contracts, and/or any other remedy available by law.

Name and Title of Certifying Official

Name:
Test User 6

Title:
Senior Manager

Telephone:
555-555-5555

Email:
test6@test.com

Summary of Reported Information

Cumulative Amounts (Category Funding)

Total Cumulative Obligations to Date:	\$0.00	Total Cumulative Expenditures to Date:	\$0.00
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Cumulative Amounts (Recipient Allocation)

Total Cumulative Obligations to Date:	\$0.00	Total Cumulative Expenditures to Date:	\$0.00
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Total Amount of NEU Distributions (Bulk Upload)

Total NEU Eligible Recipients to Date:	0	Total NEU Ineligible Recipients to Date:	0
Total NEU Transactions to Date:	0	Total Non-UGLG Transactions to Date:	0

Total Amount of Non-UGLG Distributions (Bulk Upload)

Total Non-UGLG Recipients to Date:	1	Total Non-UGLG Transactions to Date:	0
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Total Amount of NEU/Non-UGLG Distributions (Bulk Upload)

Total NEU/Non-UGLG Recipients to Date:	1	Total NEU/Non-UGLG Transactions to Date:	0
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Interim Report – FAQs

- Question:** We are an NEU – do we need to submit an Interim Report?

Answer: No. Only states, metro cities, and counties are required to submit an Interim Report

- Question:** We have not spent any ARPA funds between March 3 and July 31, 2021. Are we still required to submit an Interim Report?

Answer: Yes, you will still need to submit an Interim Report, which will show \$0 funds spent for each Expenditure Category

Upcoming Technical Assistance Webinars

- **SLFRF – Interim Report:** Deep dive into the Interim Report requirements for Cook County Metro Cities. The report is due to the Treasury by August 31st. NEUs, or Cook County municipalities with populations of less than 50,000, do NOT submit an Interim Report
Dates: **August 11th from 10-11am**
- **SLFRF – Calculating Revenue Replacement:** The webinar will explain the revenue loss calculation, which is one of the broad-use categories under SLFRF and share key considerations
Dates: **August 12th from 10-11am**
- **Open Office Hours:** Open hour for anyone to come with questions
Dates: **August 13th from 10-11am**

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Resources

- [U.S. Treasury State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund Webpage](#)
- [U.S. Treasury State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund FAQs](#)
- [U.S. Treasury Portal User Guide for Recipients](#)
- [U.S. Treasury Compliance & Reporting Guidance](#)
- [State of Illinois Non-Entitlement Unit Webpage](#)
- [Cook County ARPA Webpage](#)

Questions?

You may submit any additional questions by scanning the QR code or using this link:

<https://forms.office.com/r/3wK94kCCfi>

Or send us an email at: SuburbanCOVIDFundingQuestions@cookcountylil.gov



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