



# Lake County Illinois

## Legislation Text

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Resolution authorizing an emergency appropriation for the CARES Act Coronavirus Relief Fund by the F&A Special Committee on COVID-19 Recovery in the amount of \$19,000,000 and funded through Lake County's allocation of the CARES Act Coronavirus Relief Fund.

- The Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act was passed by Congress and signed into law on March 27, 2020. Lake County's population over 500,000 resulted in the ability to directly apply for funding. On April 23, 2020, Lake County received \$121,539,986.20.
- These funds are required to be used to cover expenses that: 1) are necessary due to the public health emergency with respect to the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19); 2) were not accounted for in Lake County's approved Fiscal Year 2020 budget; and 3) were incurred during the period March 1, 2020 - December 30, 2020.
- On Friday, May 22, 2020, the F&A Special Committee on COVID-19 Recovery determined the use of a portion of these funds: \$4,000,000 for rental assistance, \$2,000,000 for food insecurity, \$10,000,000 for small business assistance, and \$2,000,000 for Lake County COVID-19-related expenses. On Friday, May 29, 2020, the F&A Special Committee on COVID-19 Recovery also determined the use of a portion of these funds: \$1,000,000 for utility assistance.
- An emergency appropriation is necessary to make the funds available for these purposes.
- Additional emergency appropriations will be necessary to make the rest of the funds available for use.
- To ensure maximum efficiency in meeting community needs within each of these program funds, Lake County will contractually rely on other community partners to distribute funds to their clients in accordance with federal spending criteria, and contract authority will be delegated within each program fund to the County Administrator or their designee(s).

### **RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS**, Lake County was granted \$121,539,986.20 in Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act Coronavirus Relief Fund funding; and

**WHEREAS**, an emergency appropriation is necessary to make the funding available for the purposes designated by the F&A Special Committee on COVID-19 Recovery; and

**WHEREAS**, it has been determined that the designated expenses determined to date are \$4 million in rental assistance; \$2 million for food insecurity; \$10 million for small business assistance; \$1 million for utility assistance; and \$2 million for Lake County COVID-19-related expenses; and

**WHEREAS**, said designated expenses have been determined to meet the guidelines set

forth by the CARES Act; and

**WHEREAS**, to ensure maximum efficiency in meeting these community needs, Lake County will contractually rely on other community partners to locally administer the appropriate funds subject to federal spending criteria, and contract authority will be delegated within each program to the County Administrator or their designee(s).

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by this County Board of Lake County, Illinois, that an emergency appropriation in the amount of \$19,000,000 in the Fund 745 CARES Act Coronavirus Relief Fund budget is hereby authorized; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that both a revenue and expense budget for the administrative execution of the programs designated as indicated in the attachment to this Resolution be established; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the authority to execute any and all agreements between Lake County and all of the community partners is hereby delegated to the County Administrator or their designee(s).

**DATED**, at Waukegan, Lake County, Illinois on June 9, 2020.