

Project Inventory

Vermont is in the foundational stages of establishing the State Fiscal Recovery Fund programs and their component projects. The Vermont legislature has appropriated many of the funds to priorities around the state. The tables below includes information on the high level SFR fund programs as appropriated by the Vermont legislature. Entities responsible for establishing specific projects within these legislatively appropriated programs are currently working to identify appropriate specific projects (including evidence-based projects) within these appropriations and to establish details of how the projects will be structured and administered. As individual projects are identified they may be assigned different Expenditure Categories than their initial assignment here for the purposes of this Report. The State of Vermont Recovery Plan Performance Report in future years will include more details on these programs, their component projects, required key performance indicators, and other performance metrics as required by both the Treasury and the state.

EC 1: Public Health Programs

Expenditure Category	Program Identification Number	Program Name	Funding amount	Program Overview
1.4- Prevention in Congregate Settings	AOE-5100892105	School Indoor Air Quality Grant Program	\$ 15,000,000	The Agency of Education will provide grant funds to Vermont K-12 covered schools (public schools and approved Independent Schools) to improve air quality in congregate settings via upgrades to heating, ventilation, and air conditioning (HVAC) systems.
1.4- Prevention in Congregate Settings	AHS-3460892201	Adult Day Service Provider Grants	\$ 5,000,000	This program supports COVID-19-related expenses and financial stability grants at the 11 adult day service providers in Vermont. These congregate program facilities were heavily impacted by COVID-19.
1.10- Mental Health Services	AHS-3150892103	Expanded Capacity and Accessibility for Mental Health Services and Facilities	\$ 4,000,000	This program will make existing housing and community-based facilities providing mental health services and developmental disability services more accessible, safe, and compliant with ADA and expand capacity in community settings. This will support and expand Vermont's behavioral healthcare response capacity. As in many states, behavioral health needs in Vermont have been exacerbated by COVID-19.

1.10-Mental Health Services	AHS-3150892201	Mobile Crisis Intervention Program	\$ 600,000	The Mobile Crisis Intervention Program is a Mobile Response and Stabilization Services (MRSS) program pilot run by Rutland Mental Health Services. This will support children, youth, and families who are experiencing significant emotional, behavioral, and mental health difficulties. Mental health concerns among children and youth have increased nationwide and in Vermont since the COVID-19 pandemic, while access to services is more difficult. MRSS will serve those in urgent need of immediate support.
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EC 2: Negative Economic Impacts

Expenditure Category	Program Identification Number	Program Name	Funding amount	Program Overview
2.6-Unemployment Benefits or Cash Assistance to Unemployed Workers	DOL-5100892211	DOL - Funding to complete UI modernization and Joblink replacement	\$ 4,500,000	The Department of Labor will use this funding for phase one of the UI modernization to begin replacement of mainframe applications for unemployment insurance (\$3,500,000) and the Joblink replacement to coordinate activities between the Department and the Agency of Commerce and Community Development to better serve Vermonters (\$1,000,000). These projects will help improve the efficacy of economic relief programs throughout the State.
2.7-Job Training Assistance	VSA-2110892202	Green Mountain Grad Program	\$ 2,800,000	The Green Mountain Grad Program provides scholarship assistance for up to 2 free classes in the 2021-2022 academic year at any of the Vermont State Colleges for any Vermont 2020 or 2021 high school graduate. This program also includes a student stipend for transport, books, or other necessary costs. The Vermont General Assembly determined that all high school graduates from the classes of 2020 and 2021 were directly impacted by COVID-19 with virtual learning, canceling of

				sports and other after school activities, and the lack of access to staff support for post-secondary training and education. This program provides a financial incentive for those students to pursue the training and education that is required for higher paying jobs.
2.7-Job Training Assistance	VSC-2240892201	Practical Nurse Program	\$ 1,400,000	The Practical Nurse Program will support scholarships and job training for 40-45 existing staff at skilled nursing facilities with the opportunity to achieve certification as a Practical Nurse through Vermont Technical College. The program will partner with skilled nursing facilities across the state to upskill existing staff at these facilities to achieve certification as a Practical Nurse. This program aims to address the negative public health and economic impacts due to COVID-19 and will help mitigate the shortage of nursing professionals exacerbated by the pandemic.
2.7-Job Training Assistance	VSC-1110892110	Workforce Upskill	\$ 3,000,000	The Workforce Upskill program will provide scholarship assistance for up to 2 free classes in the 2021-2022 academic year at any of the Vermont State Colleges for Vermont residents with a verified economic impact due to COVID-19. The program also provides wraparound services.
2.7-Job Training Assistance	UVM-1110892111	Workforce Upskill	\$ 1,000,000	The Workforce Upskill program will provide scholarship assistance for up to 2 free classes in the 2021-2022 academic year at the University of Vermont for Vermont residents with a verified economic impact due to COVID-19. The program also targets Vermont residents seeking to transition to a new career to enhance their job skills.
2.7-Job Training Assistance	VSC-1110892205	Workforce Upskill	\$ 2,000,000	The Workforce Upskill program will provide scholarship assistance for up to 2 free classes in the 2022-2023 academic year at any of the Vermont State Colleges for Vermont residents with a verified economic impact due to COVID-19. The program also provides wraparound services.

2.7-Job Training Assistance	VSC-6140892201	Degree Completion Scholarships	\$ 3,000,000	This program will provide degree completion scholarships for up to 30 credits towards a credential of value for adult learners who have earned at least 40 credits towards an undergraduate degree and have a gap in attendance of at least two years. Students will qualify either by a means test or by attestation that they have been negatively impacted by the pandemic.
2.7-Job Training Assistance	VSC-2130892202	Critical Occupation Scholarships	\$ 5,000,000	The Critical Occupations Scholarships will support students pursuing careers in occupations critical to addressing impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic, such as healthcare and early childhood education. Students are eligible to receive funding after utilizing federal and state funding options. Students who were negatively impacted by COVID-19 are also eligible to receive the scholarship assistance.
2.7-Job Training Assistance	PSD-2240892203	Efficiency Vermont Workforce Development Initiatives and NeighborWorks of Western Vermont's Heat Squad	\$ 2,000,000	The Public Service Department will grant these funds to Efficiency Vermont for the purpose of workforce development initiatives and to support the expansion of NeighborWorks of Western Vermont's Heat Squad program. NeighborWorks of Western Vermont provides low-cost energy audits for homes and businesses. These funds shall be deposited in the Electric Efficiency Fund established under 30 V.S.A. § 209(d)(3) and shall be available for use by Efficiency Vermont through December 31, 2023.
2.9-Small Business Economic Assistance	AHS-3440892109	Economic Microbusiness Recovery Assistance	\$ 500,000	This funding will be granted to the Community Action Agencies for the Statewide Community Action Network's Economic Microbusiness Recovery Assistance for the COVID-19 Epidemic (EMBRACE) to assist the Vermont microbusiness owners impacted by COVID-19 and for new businesses started by individuals who have been impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic through layoffs, furloughs, reduced hours, or due to being employed in an industry that has been severely affected.

2.9-Small Business Economic Assistance	AHS-3440892205	Microbusiness Development Program	\$ 2,000,000	The Microbusiness Development Program will provide the technical support and financial assistance necessary to start and sustain entrepreneurial enterprises. This funding will to be granted to the Community Action Agencies for the Statewide Community Action Network's Economic Micro Business Recovery Assistance for the COVID-19 Epidemic (EMBRACE) to assist the Vermont microbusiness owners impacted by COVID-19 and for new businesses started by individuals who have been impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic through layoffs, furloughs, or reduced hours or due to being employed in an industry that has been severely affected.
2.12-Aid to Other Impacted Industries	ACD-7120892101	Economic Recovery Bridge Program	\$ 10,000,000	The Economic Recovery Bridge Program will provide financial relief to Vermont businesses (for-profit or non-profit) who suffered a net tax loss due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Additionally, the appropriation targets certain industries (tourism, travel, hospitality) most heavily impacted by COVID-19.
2.12-Aid to Other Impacted Industries	UVM-1110892208	Offset Impact from Level Room and Board	\$ 2,200,000	This funding will provide economic support to UVM to offset the impact from level room and board. UVM has a documented negative financial impact due to COVID-19. Higher Education has been one of the most negatively impacted industries throughout the pandemic.
2.12-Aid to Other Impacted Industries	ACD-7120892201	Capital Investment Grant Program	\$ 10,580,000	The Capital Investment Grant Program will make funding available for transformational projects that will provide each region of the State with the opportunity to attract businesses, retain existing businesses, create jobs, and invest in their communities by encouraging capital investments and economic growth. This program will directly target regions and industries with negative economic impacts due to COVID-19. These include: aid to tourism, travel, and hospitality services industries; new or expanded childcare and education facilities; aid to private development projects for planned expansion

				of facilities with regional importance delayed due to the pandemic; and water and sewer infrastructure projects aligned with CWSRF and DWSRF. The Agency of Commerce and Community Development will collaborate with other State agencies, regional development corporations, regional planning commissions, and other community partners to identify potential regional applicants and projects to ensure the distribution of grants throughout the regions of the State.
2.12-Aid to Other Impacted Industries	ACD-7120892203	Economic Recovery Grants Program	\$ 20,000,000	The Economic Recovery Grants Program will provide financial relief to Vermont businesses (for-profit or non-profit) who suffered a net tax loss due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Additionally, the appropriation targets certain industries (tourism, travel, hospitality) most heavily impacted by COVID-19.
2.12-Aid to Other Impacted Industries	UVM-1110892204	Matching Research Grant Funding	\$ 1,000,000	This program will provide matching funds to leverage research grants on COVID-19. UVM has a documented negative financial impact due to COVID-19. Higher Education has been one of the most negatively impacted industries throughout the pandemic.
2.12-Aid to Other Impacted Industries	VSC-1110892207	Offset Pandemic-related Deficits	\$ 21,000,000	This funding will provide economic support to Vermont State Colleges to offset the negative economic impact due to COVID-19. VSC has a documented negative financial impact, including deficits from revenue loss and increased operating expenses. Higher Education has been one of the most negatively impacted industries throughout the pandemic.
2.12-Aid to Other Impacted Industries	AOT-1110892112	DMV IT System Replacement	\$ 14,120,000	This project will support Phase 1 of the DVM IT system replacement. This will support DMV's backlog due to COVID-19 and improve the online user interface.

2.12-Aid to Other Impacted Industries	AOE-6215892201	Education Strategic IT Projects	\$ 4,010,000	The Agency of Education will use this appropriation for three strategic IT projects to support Vermont adult learners, educators, high school students, and the Vermont Student Assistance Corporation. These projects support the education industry—one of the most disproportionately impacted industries due to COVID-19—lower income populations, and the delivery of education programs at all levels.
2.12-Aid to Other Impacted Industries	ANR-1110892109	Permit Navigator Portal	\$ 1,100,000	This funding will support the second phase of the Department of Environmental Conservation permit navigator-citizen facing permit portal.
2.12-Aid to Other Impacted Industries	NRB-8100892204	Act 250 Scanning Project	\$ 500,000	This funding will be used for the Act 250 scanning project to digitize land use records. This is necessary for remote public access.
2.12-Aid to Other Impacted Industries	ACD-7110892207	Salesforce Grant Management System Upgrade	\$ 1,000,000	The Agency of Commerce and Community Development will use this funding for the Salesforce grant management system upgrade. This will help ACCD improve the efficacy of its economic relief programs.
2.12-Aid to Other Impacted Industries	SAS-1110892206	Criminal Case Management System Upgrade	\$ 1,700,000	The Department of State's Attorneys and Sheriffs (SAS) intends to implement a new criminal case management system (CCMS) which will help to alleviate the backlog of court cases due to the COVID-19 public health emergency. This expense aims to address the backlog of court cases which has increased because of the deviation from the normal court procedures to reliance on electronic systems to submit case information and the increase in domestic violence-related cases during COVID-19.
2.12-Aid to Other Impacted Industries	ODG-4100892202	Criminal Case Management System Upgrade	\$ 140,000	The Office of the Defender General will support the Department of State's Attorneys and Sheriffs in implementing a new criminal case management system

				(CCMS) which will help to alleviate the backlog of court cases due to the COVID-19 public health emergency.
2.12- Aid to Other Impacted Industries	SOS- 2230892201	Vermont Business Portal	\$ 250,000	The Vermont Business Portal will provide digital access for Vermont-based businesses to at least four State agencies. This will facilitate improved efficacy of economic relief programs throughout the State.
2.13- Other Economic Support	PSD- 2240892204	Affordable Community-Scale Renewable Energy Program and Clean Energy Development Board	\$ 20,000,000	\$10,000,000 of this funding is to be used for the Affordable Community-Scale Renewable Energy Program, consistent with parameters of the Clean Energy Development Fund, to support the creation of renewable energy projects for Vermonters with low-income. In fiscal year 2022, \$5,000,000 may be allocated by the Clean Energy Development Board. The Department shall submit a plan for use of the remaining \$5,000,000 funds for approval by the General Assembly during the 2022 legislative session.

EC3: Programs Providing Services to Disproportionately Impacted Communities

Expenditure Category	Program Identification Number	Program Name	Funding amount	Program Overview
3.11- Housing Support: Services for Unhoused Persons	VHC- 1110892203	Housing Recovery Program	\$ 64,000,000	The Housing Recovery Program will provide capital awards for the development of homeless shelters, emergency shelter capacity, and affordable housing for households and areas disproportionately impacted by the COVID-19 public health emergency. Housing projects and units targeted to the homeless and affordable housing projects in qualified census tracts will be prioritized. The program will also target affordable housing for low-income populations.
3.12-Housing Support: Other Housing Assistance	ACD- 9150892201	Vermont Housing Incentive Program	\$ 5,000,000	The Vermont Housing Incentive Program (VHIP) is a rental housing rehabilitation program to incentivize small private apartment owners to make significant improvements to both housing quality and weatherization through small grants and elimination of land gains tax. This program is

				intended for existing properties that are vacant or blighted and in need of substantial reinvestment.
3.12-Housing Support: Other Housing Assistance	AHS-3440892209	Vermont Low Income Home Weatherization Assistance Program	\$ 4,000,000	Vermont Low Income Home Weatherization Assistance Program will subgrant funds to Vermont's Weatherization Assistance Providers to weatherize multi-family and single-family homes owned or occupied by low income Vermonters (<=80% AMI). In addition, subrecipients will use funds to address home repair issues or vermiculite (asbestos insulation) where such issues otherwise prevent weatherization. Where appropriate, subrecipients may also replace heating systems or install cold-climate heat pumps as part of weatherization activities. Low income households were disproportionately impacted by COVID-19 and weatherization reduces the energy costs of low income households, putting more money in their pockets for other necessities, as well as making the home more comfortable and safer.
3.12-Housing Support: Other Housing Assistance	AOA-1100892204	Vermont Housing Finance Agency Weatherization Support	\$ 9,000,000	The Agency of Administration will grant this funding to the Vermont Housing Finance Agency to be used for financial support of housing weatherization statewide.
3.12-Housing Support: Other Housing Assistance	PSD-2240892202	Efficiency Vermont Weatherization Incentives	\$ 5,000,000	The Public Service Department will grant these funds to the Efficiency Vermont for the purpose of weatherization incentives. These funds shall be deposited in the Electric Efficiency Fund established under 30 V.S.A. § 209(d)(3) and shall be available for use by Efficiency Vermont through December 31, 2023.
3.12-Housing Support: Other Housing Assistance	ACD-7110892203	Water System Efficiency Improvements for Housing	\$ 750,000	The Department of Housing and Community Development will provide financial assistance or incentives for water system and water efficiency improvements as part of housing rehabilitation projects.

EC4: Premium Pay

At this time, Vermont does not anticipate premium pay programs funded by the SFR funds. Vermont previously provided premium pay to essential workers using funds from the Coronavirus Relief Fund.

EC5: Infrastructure Programs

Expenditure Category	Program Identification Number	Program Name	Funding amount	Program Overview
5.1-Clean Water: Centralized Wastewater Treatment	ANR-6140892204	Preserving Wastewater Treatment Facility Capacity While Enabling Economic Development	\$ 2,000,000	This program aims to invest in wastewater pretreatment systems that reduce high strength waste concerns for municipal protect municipal wastewater treatment facilities (WWTF) and serve to protect streams, lakes, and public health and provides while providing for greater local economic development capacity.
5.3-Clean Water: Decentralized Wastewater	ANR-6140892203	Village Water and Wastewater Initiative	\$ 8,000,000	This program will promote public health, affordable housing, economic development, and compact growth in Vermont’s designated villages and neighborhoods by providing targeted technical and financial assistance to develop or expand public drinking water systems and community wastewater disposal systems where this critical infrastructure is lacking.
5.4-Clean Water: Combined Sewer Overflows	ANR-6140892205	Statewide Combined Sewer Overflow Elimination and Abatement	\$ 10,000,000	This program will help Vermont municipalities fast-track the implementation of planned projects that reduce pollution of Vermont’s streams and lakes. Abating CSOs is expensive, takes time, and typically requires multiple iterative projects before adequate abatement or elimination is achieved.
5.4-Clean Water: Combined Sewer Overflows	ANR-6140892209	Water Infrastructure Funding	\$ 30,000,000	The Department of Environmental Conservation will use this funding for drinking water, sewer, and stormwater infrastructure projects, including CSO abatement, in FY23 and FY24
5.6-Clean Water: Stormwater	ANR-6140892202	Supporting Vermont	\$ 5,500,000	This is part of Vermont's ARPA Water and Sewer Program. Vermont’s Clean Water Act of 2015 established

		Businesses and Landowners to Control Phosphorus Pollution from Developed Lands		the requirement that all owners of properties install modern stormwater treatment practices on parcels with three or more acres of “impervious surfaces.” Construction of these practices is essential to prevent water pollution in Vermont. ARPA resources will provide municipalities and private citizens or business owners resources to do their part for clean water, while complementing other State funding sources.
5.6-Clean Water: Stormwater	ANR-6130892201	Three-acre Stormwater Rule	\$ 1,000,000	The Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation will use this funding to support compliance with the three-acre stormwater rule.
5.6-Clean Water: Stormwater	AOT-8100892206	Three-acre Implementation and Flow Restoration Protection	\$ 3,500,000	The Agency of Transportation will use this funding for the implementation of three-acre and flow restoration protection and clean water compliance expenditures for transportation infrastructure and to fund the municipal grants in aid program to address stormwater runoff from municipal roads
5.9-Clean Water: Nonpoint Source	DPS-2140892201	Flood Resilient Communities Fund	\$ 4,880,000	The Flood Resilient Communities Fund intends to provide matching grants to government entities, non-profit entities, and individuals to mitigate flood hazards by addressing water and sewer infrastructure needs in accordance with the CWSRF and DWSRF. The Flood Resilient Communities Fund's goal is improving landscape and community resilience and reducing the future public safety and water quality impacts of climate-related flood hazards in Vermont, focusing on buyouts of flood-vulnerable properties. The program will prioritize projects in communities and/or for homeowners with greatest economic need and projects that mitigate repetitive loss among low-income and marginalized portions of the population. Where feasible, funding under FEMA’s Hazard Mitigation Assistance (HMA) grant programs will be utilized first. This funding will predominately be for projects that are not eligible under existing HMA

				programs and should be used to leverage other funding sources or fill funding gaps to make projects viable.
5.9 Clean Water: Nonpoint Source	ANR-6140892210	Flood Resilient Communities Fund Technical Assistance	\$ 120,000	The Agency of Natural Resources (ANR) intends to use this appropriation to provide technical assistance to the statewide Flood Resilient Communities Fund (administered by the Department of Public Safety). This program will award property owners matching grants to mitigate flood hazards and reduce future flooding. The ANR technical assistance position will help with project development, screening, and regulatory compliance for eligible projects.
5.6-Clean Water: Stormwater	ANR-6140892207	Clean Water Projects as Recommended by the Clean Water Board (FY22)	\$ 10,000,000	Vermont's 2015 Clean Water Act established a broad suite of requirements that support the protection and restoration of all of Vermont's lakes, rivers, and wetlands. That Act also established a state-supported Vermont Clean Water Fund (CWF) to support a broad suite of water quality improvement projects and project types aimed at reducing water pollution to restore recreational and ecological uses for those waters. The Vermont General Assembly has directed ARPA funds to be made to Clean Water Fund uses, in accordance with the statutory procedures used by the Clean Water Board to recommend CWF appropriations. These projects will align with CWSRF and/or DWSRF guidelines. This appropriation is for projects in FY22.
5.6-Clean Water: Stormwater	ANR-6140892208	Clean Water Projects as Recommended by the Clean Water Board (FY23 and FY24)	\$ 20,000,000	Vermont's 2015 Clean Water Act established a broad suite of requirements that support the protection and restoration of all of Vermont's lakes, rivers, and wetlands. That Act also established a state-supported Vermont Clean Water Fund (CWF) to support a broad suite of water quality improvement projects and project types aimed at reducing water pollution to restore recreational and ecological uses for those waters. The Vermont General Assembly has directed ARPA funds to be made to

				Clean Water Fund uses, in accordance with the statutory procedures used by the Clean Water Board to recommend CWF appropriations. These projects will align with CWSRF and/or DWSRF guidelines. This appropriation is for projects in FY23 and FY24.
5.3- Clean Water: Decentralized Wastewater	ANR-6140892206	Mobile Home Park Water/Wastewater Solutions and Healthy Homes: Funding for Installation or Replacement of Water or Wastewater Systems	\$ 4,250,000	<p>Some of Vermont's mobile home parks struggle to provide clean and adequate drinking water, wastewater, storm water, and drainage systems. The Mobile Home Park Water/Wastewater Solutions grant program seeks to provide financial support to remedy those challenges and provide safe, affordable housing by providing grants to mobile home parks for both construction of water/wastewater solutions as well as needs analysis, technical assistance, and engineering.</p> <p>The Healthy Homes program will enhance affordable housing that ensures residents have access to safe, reliable drinking water and health-protective wastewater disposal. There are a number of low-income Vermont homeowners, residents whose income is likely to have been disproportionately affected by COVID-19, and whose existing on-site water / wastewater system has failed or is a public health issue.</p>
5.17-Broadband: Other projects	PSD-2240892108	Broadband Infrastructure Program	\$ 1,800,000	This Broadband Infrastructure Program covers: assistance to Communications Union Districts (CUD) with preconstruction cost & support services for eligible projects; Vermont Relay Conference Captioning (RCC) service; and Wi-Fi hotspot license renewal. For the RCC service, COVID-19 led to widespread remote work and schooling, which disproportionately impacted disabled populations--including the deaf or hard of hearing--who rely on RCC to engage with remote work and schooling.

5.17-Broadband: Other projects	PSD-7110892206	Broadband Infrastructure Projects	\$ 150,000,000	Universal access to reliable, high-quality, affordable broadband is essential for economic recovery and responding to increased telehealth, remote learning, and remote work needs. This funding will support and accelerate the State’s goal of achieving universal access to reliable, high-quality, affordable broadband. The broadband projects will provide service to unserved or underserved households and businesses. The service will reliably meet or exceed symmetrical 100 Mbps download speed and upload speeds. This appropriation will include several projects: Vermont Community Broadband Board, Broadband Preconstruction Grant Program, and Broadband Construction Grant Program.
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EC6: Revenue Replacement

Vermont does not believe it has eligible shortfalls to provide for funds under the revenue replacement expenditure category.

EC7: Administrative

Expenditure Category	Program Identification Number	Program Name	Funding amount	Program Overview
7.1- Administrative Expenses	ADS- 1105892201	Cybersecurity Core Infrastructure and Router Replacements	\$ 1,500,000	The Agency of Digital Services is applying the allocated ARPA funds to a redesign of its critical infrastructure to address network capacity and security improvements in order to continue to support networks and systems that directly support health, public health, and economic relief programs and the addition of greater redundancy (resilience) is directly related to the burden our remote workforce and exponentially larger online service presence (all due to Covid-19 response) represent. Key in these activities is enhanced cybersecurity protections gained through redundancy, throughput, modern hardware, and cloud security. The

				architecture of the solution is tailored to ensure that our partner organizations in municipalities have reliable connections to in-scope State services, that those connections are monitored and secured in a way that helps prevent cyber-attacks, and to prevent failure in the central portions of our network where we process and maintain connections for all State Agencies, including those that are on the front lines of our COVID response such as Human Services, Commerce and Community Development, Public Service, and Vermont Emergency Management.
7.1- Administrative Expenses	AOA- 1100892205	Administration costs for ARPA Funds	\$ 6,500,000	The Agency of Administration intends to use this appropriation for State administrative costs related to the State's COVID-19 response. This includes payroll expenses for 58 limited service positions to administer ARPA funds and contract with Guidehouse response and recovery consultant services.