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FEDERAL CORONAVIRUS RELIEF FUND - ESTIMATED UNSPENT AUTHORITY

In March 2020, Congress approved, and the President signed, United States House of Representatives Bill No. 748, also known as the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act. The bill included a \$150 billion Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF) to be allocated to states to pay for Coronavirus (COVID-19) costs that are:

1. Necessary due to the COVID-19 pandemic;
2. Were not accounted for in the most recently approved budget; and
3. Were incurred during the period March 1, 2020, through December 30, 2020.

United States House of Representatives Bill No. 133, which was approved in December 2020, extended the deadline to use CRF funding to December 31, 2021.

North Dakota received a \$1.25 billion allocation from the CRF. During the 2019-20 interim, the Emergency Commission and Budget Section allocated the entire \$1.25 billion to state agencies and political subdivisions. The schedule below details the CRF allocations to each agency and the estimated amount of unspent and unobligated CRF funding ("turnback") for each agency as of June 30, 2021.

Agency	Original Allocation	Estimated "Turnback"
Governor's office	\$18,083	\$0
Secretary of State	49,216	0
Office of Management and Budget	7,003,055	0
Information Technology Department	61,868,226	0
State Auditor's office	10,866	0
State Treasurer (for distribution to political subdivisions)	122,757,062	0
Tax Commissioner	28,601	0
Office of Administrative Hearings	522	0
Legislative Assembly	3,100,000	0
Legislative Council	100,000	0
Judicial branch	312,212	0
Department of Public Instruction	64,316,217	0
North Dakota University System office	1,468,787	0
Department of Trust Lands	94,135	0
Bismarck State College	4,210,745	0
Lake Region State College	880,813	0
Williston State College	1,712,364	0
University of North Dakota	20,984,767	0
North Dakota State University	18,671,414	52,750
State College of Science	5,107,897	0
Dickinson State University	2,346,239	0
Mayville State University	2,206,656	0
Minot State University	2,454,439	0
Valley City State University	740,353	0
Dakota College at Bottineau	804,631	0
Department of Career and Technical Education	470,980	0
State Department of Health	174,115,929	72,542,160
Department of Environmental Quality	745,000	0
Veterans' Home	462,040	0
Indian Affairs	20,915	0
Department of Veterans' Affairs	2,860	0
Department of Human Services	61,103,911	582,942
Job Service North Dakota	372,381,213	1,427,906
Industrial Commission	65,476,513	0

Agency	Original Allocation	Estimated "Turnback"
Bank of North Dakota	70,000,000	1,405,976
Mill and Elevator Association	116,689	0
Workforce Safety and Insurance	1,018,052	0
Highway Patrol	13,919,094	7,071
Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation	11,170,709	0
Adjutant General	16,148,260	4,951,480
Department of Commerce	109,179,000	0
Agriculture Commissioner	13,556,000	0 ¹
State Seed Department	6,117	0
Upper Great Plains Transportation Institute	45,095	3,477
Agriculture research, extension, and related agencies	2,966,960	0
State Fair Association	105,272	0
Racing Commission	1,000	0
State Historical Society	20,000	1,000
Council on the Arts	800,000	0
Parks and Recreation Department	250,985	0
Department of Transportation	14,670,106	0
Total	\$1,250,000,000	\$80,974,763

¹The Agriculture Commissioner identified \$148,450 of coronavirus relief funds that will not be spent by June 30, 2021, and requested authority to continue the funding into the 2021-23 biennium.

INTEREST ON CORONAVIRUS RELIEF FUNDING

Interest earned on any federal coronavirus relief funding held by the state may not be transferred to the general fund and may be used only for items eligible to be paid with federal coronavirus relief funding. Through February 2021, a total of \$505,823 of interest has accrued on the federal coronavirus relief funds and is available for allocation.