

**Legislative Joint Fiscal Committee  
Roll Call Votes  
2019-2020**

Meeting Date: 5 Nov 2020

Issue: Approx Reallocation request of \$32,883,775  
as presented in attached sheet.

MEMBER	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Rep. Janet Ancel	✓			
Sen. Tim Ashe	✓			
Rep. Mary S. Hooper	✓			
Rep. Peter J. Fagan, Clerk	✓			
Sen. M. Jane Kitchel	✓			
Rep. William J. Lippert, Jr.	✓			
Sen. Dick Sears, Jr.	✓			
Rep. Catherine Toll, Vice-Chair	✓			
Sen. Richard Westman	✓			
Sen. Ann Cummings, Chair	✓			

Notes: Motion by Sen Kitchel  
Seconded by Rep Fagan

Updated 10/17/2014

Attached sheet is

Labeled "Preliminary Motion - JFC approval of the following CRF Reallocation Proposals Submitted by the Administration" dated 5 Nov 2020.

PASSED 10-0-0

From: Theresa Utton-Jerman TUTTON@leg.state.vt.us

Subject: FW: GENERAL-#351042-v1-

Prelim\_Motion\_for\_Pre\_JFC\_discussion.XLSX

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*Motion approved by JFC 5 Nov 2020. See Attached roll-call sheet.*

Preliminary Motion - JFC Approval of the following CRF Reallocation Proposals Submitted by the Administration

Nov. 5, 2020

23 of 30 Approved as follows	Amount	Description	Page Ref # memos
ANR	\$ 265,000	Remaining COVID expenses not reimbursed, across departments	1
BGS - Information Centers	\$ 30,000	Port-o-let rentals and cleaning	2
BGS - Fee for Space	\$ 270,000	Salary and benefits associated with cleaning and maintenance of state buildings	2
PSD	\$ 100,000	Temporary Broadband Lifeline Program administrative costs, Act 137, Sec. 13d, not additional dollars	3
PSD	\$ 100,000	Wi-Fi hotspots administrative costs, Act 137, Sec. 13a(5) and 13e, not additional dollars	4
AOA	\$ 750,000	CRF consultant costs involving Single Audit Act and reporting and recordkeeping	5
AOA - FSD	\$ 30,615	COVID related salary and benefits	2
AHS - DMH	\$ 1,186,990	VPCH operating expenses, Windham FEMA state match	6
AHS - DVHA	\$ 15,756	Admin expenses - DXC	7
AHS - DAIL	\$ 200,000	Admin expenses, SEOC, direct and indirect costs	7
ACCD/AHS	\$ 1,000,000	Microbusiness EMBRACE technical assistance	10
ACCD/AAFMM	\$ 1,000,000	Everyone Eats	12
PSD	\$ 500,000	Water/sewer arrearsages	14
AOE - Efficiency Vermont	\$ 4,550,000	PK-12 HVAC program, additional funds.	18
AHS - DCF	\$ 4,000,000	Workforce Stabilization Payments to child care providers	23
AHS - DCF	\$ 846,000	Further funding for the Parent Child Centers	23
AHS - DCF	\$ 2,100,000	Eligible COVID income losses/expenses for child care programs	23
AHS - DCF	\$ 15,000	VT Donor Milk Center	25
AHS - DVHA	\$ 808,955	Medical home incentive for COVID testing	26
AHS - DAIL	\$ 375,000	Build capacity at Burlington Health & Rehab (SNF) to free up beds at UVMHC	30
AHS - VDH	\$ 3,500,000	Strengthen testing capacity at UVMHC, CIC Health contract	32
AHS - VDH	\$ 3,240,479	Fall COVID testing at independent colleges, AVIC request	33
AHS/DFR	\$ 8,000,000	Additional hazard pay - second round anticipated overage	45
<b>Total Approved 11/5/2020</b>	<b>\$ 32,883,795</b>		

**Seven (7) Proposals Remaining for further Legislative input and JFC action within required timeframe**

Economic Recovery Task Force

ACCD	\$ 75,000,000	Expand economic recovery grant program	8
ACCD	\$ 750,000	RestartVT Business Assistance - small business technical assistance	9
AAFMM	\$ 2,075,000	Infrastructure improvements to increase local meat processing capacity, training	15
AAFMM	\$ 335,000	Buy Local campaign	15

Education

VSAC	\$ 1,900,000	Interest payments for borrowers deferring payments due to COVID	20
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Human Services

AHS	\$ 700,000	Stay-at-home stipend to help financially stressed individuals to quarantine	22
AHS - DVHA	\$ 931,880	VITL - reinforce real-time Health Information Exchange between VDH and providers	28

**Total Remaining for Action \$ 81,691,880**

**Approved and Remaining \$ 114,575,675**



STATE OF VERMONT  
GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
LEGISLATIVE JOINT FISCAL COMMITTEE

Preliminary Agenda

Thursday, November 5, 2020

Meeting available by LIVE Stream

- 10:00 a.m. Call to order and approve minutes of October 22, 2020 [Action Item]
- 10:05 a.m. A. Administration's Fiscal Updates  
*Adam Greshin, Commissioner, Department of Finance & Management*
1. FY 2021 Budget Adjustment Pressures
  2. Caseload Reserve
  3. Tax Computer System Modernization Fund Report [...further amended by Sec. E.111.1 of Act 11 (H.16) of SS2018]
- 10:20 a.m. B. Coronavirus Relief Fund - Re-allocation Request
1. Discussion on CRF reallocation legislation [B.1108 of Act 154 of 2020]
  2. Administration request for CRF reallocations {CRF Tracking} {CRF Appropriations Status} [Action Items]
    - a. **Total Amount Requested: \$265,000.** The Agency of Natural Resources requests additional funding to cover costs incurred to execute various CRF programs tasked to the Agency as well as additional expenses incurred since June 30, 2020.
    - b. **Total Amount Requested \$331,000.** Of Buildings and General Services CRF Funds from the Property Management Division to the Information Centers Division in the amount of \$30,000, \$270,000 to the Fee for Space program, and \$30,615 to the AOA Financial Services Division in FY2021.
    - c. **Total Amount Requested: \$100,000.** The Department of Public Service requests a reallocation of program funding to defray the agency's administrative costs to deliver the Temporary Broadband Lifeline Program ("TBL Program") authorized by Section 13(d) of Act 137.
    - d. **Total Amount Requested: \$100,000.** The Department of Public Service requests a reallocation of program funding to cover the balance of the agency's contractual costs to deploy Wi-Fi hot spots in communities throughout Vermont.
    - e. **Total Amount Requested \$750,000.** The Agency of Administration requests reallocated CRF to continue the engagement of our CRF Consultant. (Federal Audit)
    - f. **Total Amount Requested \$1,186,990.** The Department of Mental Health requests additional CRF funding for Vermont Psychiatric Care Hospital (VPCH) and Middlesex

Therapeutic Community Residence (MTCR) staffing, PPE, and other contract related expenditures.

- g. **Total Amount Requested \$215,756.** DVHA is requesting \$15,756 in additional CRF funding for administrative costs including contractual adjustments needed for the pandemic. DAIL is requesting \$200,000 for staff costs attributed to pandemic response and time serving the State Emergency Operations Center (SEOC).

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expenses  
initiatives  
economic recovery

- h. **Total Amount Requested: \$75,000,000 - \$100,000,000.** The Agency of Commerce and the Department of Taxes requests an increase in funding to fund Expanded Economic Development Grants unmet need requests closer to the business and nonprofits unmet need figures. *Cap at 300K/business. (ACCD/TAX) unmet need! #300M!*

- i. **Total Amount Requested: \$750,000.** The Agency of Commerce and Community Development requests additional funding to enable the state's small business technical assistance network to provide additional services to COVID-19 impacted businesses. *Does not include TAX unmet need!*

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- j. **Total Amount Requested: \$1,000,000.** ACCD and AHS seek funding to enable the Community Action Agencies to offer their EMBRACE technical assistance and financial assistance to additional micro-business clients.

- k. **Total Amount Requested: \$1,000,000.** ACCD and AG seek funding to extend the Restaurants and Farmers Feeding the Hungry Program, now known as the Vermont Everyone Eats program through December 30, 2020.

- l. **Total Amount Requested: \$500,000.** (Spending above \$500,000 up to \$750,000 is possible if the timeframes for program implementation extend beyond December 30.) The Department of Public Service requests additional funding to leverage the existing VCAAP to assist residential and nonresidential customers of community and municipal water and sewer systems who have suffered economic hardship due to loss of income because of COVID-19. *Amherst*

- m. **Total Amount Requested: \$2,410,000.** Agency of Agriculture, Food and Markets requests the following CRF reallocations in two critical program areas: Buy Local Campaign and Expanded Meat Processing.

Education

- n. **Total Amount Requested: \$4.55 million.** Efficiency Vermont and the Agency of Education request for additional CRF funding for shovel-ready School IAQ projects. *HVAC*

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- o. **Total Amount Requested: \$1.9 million.** VSAC anticipates spending \$2.35 million of COVID funds for State Grant Appeals, \$100,000 for the Advancement Grant, \$1.5 million in Technology stipends, and \$30,000 in emergency micro grants for a total of \$3.98 million between now and December. We are proposing to spend the remaining funds to offset the costs to VSAC and borrowers of providing targeted student loan relief to borrowers seeking payment accommodations because of COVID-19. We are offering two approaches to providing this relief for consideration. These proposals assume no extension in the December Federal expenditure deadline or the impact of the 2nd wave of COVID which is now being experienced across the country either of which could increase demand. *A. Principal  
B. Interest*

AHS

- p. **Total Amount Requested: \$700,000.** The Agency of Human Services is seeking funding for the creation of a financial support program for Vermonters that have tested positive for COVID-19 or have been asked by the Department of Health to quarantine. The request for funding is through December 30, 2020.

- q. **Total Amount Requested: \$6,946,000.** DCF seeks funding to cover additional needs in the Child Care Grant Program and to provide Workforce Stabilization funding to child care providers/employees.
- r. **Total Amount Requested: \$808,955** DVHA requests CRF to support 34 Blueprint-participating Patient Centered Medical Homes in expanding current COVID-19 specimen collection for diagnostic testing in accordance with the State of Vermont's coordinated COVID-19 testing plan.
- s. **Total Amount Requested: \$931,880** DVHA requests CRF for expenditures resulting from the use of the Vermont Health Information Exchange (VHIE) to meet the State's needs for real-time exchange of health information as part of its public health response to COVID-19.
20. t. **Total Amount Requested: \$375,000.** AHS and DAIL seek the re-allocation of CRF funding to enhance capacity at Burlington Health and Rehabilitation, a Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF) to reduce inpatient admission pressures on UVMHC and increase the available hospital beds across the state to ensure capacity for any potential COVID surge during the fall and winter.
- u. **Total Amount Requested: \$3,500,000.** The Agency of Human Services is seeking additional funding for COVID-19 testing through December 30, 2020.
- v. **Total Amount Requested: \$3,240,479.** The Department of Health submits the following request for Coronavirus Relief Fund allocation to Vermont independent colleges for testing costs. AVIC
23. w. **Total Amount Requested: \$8 million.** The Agency of Administration CRF request for additional support for the Hazard Pay program.

- 11:10 a.m. C. Grants (if needed)
- 11:15 a.m. D. Fiscal Officers – *Stephen Klein, Chief Fiscal Officer, Joint Fiscal Office*
1. Preliminary Revenues through October
  2. Other
- 11:30 a.m. Adjourn and Next Meetings (*November 20 and December 9 and 21*)

Updated 11/4/2020 at 1:42 p.m.

*Notable Dates:*

*November 13 at 10:00 a.m. – Health Reform Oversight Committee*

*December 3 at 10:00 a.m.- All Legislative Briefing via videoconference*