Members of the AAQC 75-Member Governing Body Annual Meeting State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds Update

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# AR Counties Website Resources

- Overview of Final Rule
- Final Rule Policy Language
- Treasury Reporting and Compliance Guide
- Project and Expenditure Report User Guide
- 2 CFR Part 200
- Policy Guides
  - Replacing Lost Public Sector Revenue
  - Broadband
  - Capital Expenditures
  - Premium Pay
  - Public Sector Capacity
  - · Responding to the Public Health and Economic Impacts of Covid
  - Water and Sewer Infrastructure



#### Keys to Compliance

- Refer to Final Rule to ensure eligible use
- Review and Understand <u>SLFRF Assistance Listing</u> <u>via Sam.gov</u>
- Treasury Reporting and Compliance Guide
- Treasury Project and Expenditure Report Portal User Guide
- Ensure compliance with **2 CFR Part 200**, Treasury requires compliance with the following provisions:
  - Subpart B, General provisions
  - Subpart C, Pre-Federal Award Requirements and Contents of Federal Awards
  - Subpart D, Post Federal; Award Requirements
  - Subpart E, Cost Principles
  - Subpart F, Audit Requirements
- Review and comply with reporting requirements

### The following 2 CFR Policy requirements also apply to this assistance listing:

- 2 C.F.R. Part 25, Universal Identifier and System for Award Management;
- 2 C.F.R. Part 170, Reporting Subaward and Executive Compensation Information; and
- 2 C.F.R. Part 180, OMB Guidelines to Agencies on Governmentwide Debarment and Suspension (Non-procurement).

Document, Document...and then Document some more!

#### Project and Expenditure Report Reporting Revenue Replacement/Provision of Government Services Allowance

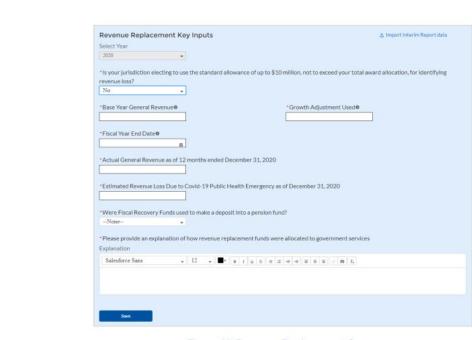


Figure 32 Revenue Replacement Screen

Based on the recipient's election, certain information will display in Treasury's Portal which the recipient will need to complete, as noted in the table below:

Data	Standard Allowance - Yes	Standard Allowance- No
Base Year Revenue	N/A	Required
Fiscal Year End Date	N/A	Required
Growth Adjustment Used	N/A	Required
Actual General Revenue as of 12	N/A	Required
months ended December 31, 2020		
Estimated Revenue Loss	N/A	Required
Select whether Fiscal Recovery Funds	Required	Required
were used to a make a deposit into a	-	
pension fund. Please note that no		
recipients except for Tribal governments		
may use Fiscal Recovery Funds to		
make a deposit to a pension fund		
Provide an explanation of how revenue	Required	Required
replacement funds were allocated to		
government services: Please provide an		
explanation		



#### Defining Conflicts of Interest

As part of accepting the Award Terms and Conditions for SLFRF, each recipient agreed to maintain a conflict-of-interest policy consistent with 2 C.F.R. § 200.318(c) and 2 C.F.R. § 200.112 that is applicable to all activities funded with the SLFRF award.

A recipient may not use control over SLFRF funds for their own private gain. Furthermore, no employee, officer, or agent may participate in the selection, award, or administration of a contract supported by a federal award if he or she has a real or apparent conflict of interest.

Recipients may avoid conflicts of interest in providing assistance to nonprofits or making subrecipient awards by making aid available to nonprofits on generally applicable terms or utilizing a competitive grant process, respectively.

Decisions concerning SLFRF funds must be free of undisclosed personal or organizational conflicts of interest, both in fact and in appearance.

Recipients and subrecipients are required to establish policies and procedures to manage potential conflicts of interest and are required to report to Treasury any potential conflict of interest related to procurement and awarding of contracts per 2 C.F.R. § 200.318(c)

Consistent with this policy, elected officials are prohibited from using their official position and control over SLFRF funds for their own private gain.

This policy also prohibits, among other things, elected officials from steering funds to projects in which they have a financial interest or using funds to pay themselves premium pay.



Any amount used in violation of use of funds, eligible uses, or deposits into pensions policies, may be identified at any time prior to December 31, 2026.

#### Recoupment

On an annual basis, a recipient that is a State or territory must calculate and report any amounts used in violation of the tax policy section.

#### Projects Highlighted by Treasury

#### **Arkansas**

Benton County, Arkansas partnered with the Northwest Arkansas Council to host vaccination and testing clinics in an effort to mitigate the transmission of COVID-19. Northwest Arkansas Council also completed a survey on willingness to be vaccinated in different geographical, demographic, and occupational groups in Benton County.

The State of Arkansas used over \$64 million to increase hospital bed capacity and support an alternative care facility to respond to COVID-19's health impacts.

**Little Rock, Arkansas** committed \$800,000 to provide retention incentives - or bonus pay - to staff in recognition of their work during the pandemic and to help retain public sector staff.

**Springdale, Arkansas** used funds to replace revenue loss experienced due to the pandemic; of these funds, \$1 million will be used for salaries and benefits for the police department.

#### Projects Highlighted by Treasury

- Kenai Peninsula Borough, Alaska will use \$5.4 million to replace revenue lost due to the pandemic; these funds will support educational services at the local school district and critical infrastructure projects for educational facilities and a bridge.
- Savannah, Georgia used nearly \$28 million to replace revenue lost due to the pandemic; these funds supported public safety services through the Fire Department and Police Department
- Canyon County, Idaho will use \$6 million to replace revenue lost due to the pandemic; the county will use these funds for essential government services including law enforcement patrols and equipment and operating county facilities.

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- Jones County, Mississippi will use funds to replace revenue lost due to the COVID-19 pandemic; the county will use \$5 million of those funds to repair streets and bridges and to purchase new fire trucks.
- Madison County, Mississippi will provide fiber to home broadband service to a largely underserved rural area in the northeast portion of the county
- **Missoula, Montana** will use funds to provide mental health crisis intervention training for law enforcement, first responders, and frontline service providers to identify, understand, and safely respond to signs of mental illness and substance use disorders and connect individuals with appropriate care.
  - During the pandemic, Missoula has seen a sharp increase in behavioral health needs, especially in emergency rooms and the jail.

Q&A