

## **Addendum C - Funds Allocated by EO D 2020 070 Section II.A(8)**

Four hundred fifty million dollars (\$450,000,000) for FY 2019-20 to be transferred from the CARES Act Fund to the Colorado Department of Higher Education for expenditures associated with actions to facilitate compliance with COVID-19-related public health measures and with the provision of economic support in connection with the COVID-19 emergency to stimulate the economy by supporting Colorado's workforce through increasing student retention and completions at state institutions of public higher education. Institutions receiving such funds commit to raise by no more than three (3) percent their FY 2020-21 resident undergraduate tuition rate, or to seek a waiver of this requirement from the Governor's Office.

### Allowable Uses

Expenses of actions to facilitate compliance with COVID-19-related State and local public health measures and mitigate the second-order effects of COVID-19 through the provision of economic support, such as:

- 1) Expenses related to health and safety precautions and services that are necessary to respond to the COVID-19 public health emergency, including:
  - a) Expenses to limit transmission of the COVID-19 virus among students and faculty, including:
    - i) Cleaning, sanitizing and ventilating school buildings, dormitories, and common spaces;
    - ii) Temperature monitoring, COVID-19 screening and testing, and contact tracing;
    - iii) Acquisition and distribution of medical and protective supplies; and
    - iv) Quarantining individuals;
  - b) COVID-19-related expenses of campus health clinics and similar facilities.
- 2) Expenses to meet the mental health needs of students experiencing trauma or mental health challenges as a result of the COVID-19 public health emergency.
- 3) Expenses to prepare for school closures and reopenings, including but not limited to planning, classroom reconfigurations, student health monitoring, and student outreach and communication.
- 4) Expenses to facilitate distance learning in connection with school closings to enable compliance with COVID-19 precautions, including:
  - a) Technological improvements, including but not limited to hardware, software, and internet connections;
  - b) Curriculum development, professional development for educators, online learning materials, and student outreach and support; and
  - c) Payroll and benefit costs of educational support staff or faculty responsible for developing online learning capabilities necessary to continue educational instruction in response to COVID-19-related school closures.

- 5) Expenses to recover lost learning time due to COVID-19, including restoring instructional hours that were reduced due to COVID-19 and adding supplemental instructional hours for vulnerable and at-risk students.
- 6) Personnel expenses that are necessary to respond to the COVID-19 public health emergency, including:
  - a) Payroll expenses for employees whose services are substantially dedicated to mitigating or responding to the COVID-19 public health emergency, such as campus safety officers, nurses, and healthcare providers;
  - b) Expenses to improve telework capabilities for employees to enable compliance with COVID-19 public health precautions;
  - c) Expenses of providing paid sick and paid family and medical leave to employees to enable compliance with COVID-19 public health precautions.
- 7) Expenses related to providing economic support to educate students affected by COVID-19 by maintaining enrollment, retention, and credential completion, including but not limited to:
  - a) Covering all or a portion of a student's cost of attendance;
  - b) Providing technology and technological support necessary to participate in distance learning in connection with school closings to enable compliance with COVID-19 public health precautions;
  - c) Maintenance of student employee compensation in the event that a student employee is unable to perform their assigned job duties as a result of COVID-19-related State or local public health orders or school closings; and
  - d) Emergency financial assistance to students who experience a health or economic emergency as a result of COVID-19.
- 8) Necessary expenses to comply with the provisions of this Notice of Award and Certification Letter as well as the allowable uses and conditions of use set forth in this addendum, including expenses incurred to perform necessary administrative and accounting functions related to the use of Coronavirus Relief Funds, up to the lesser of 0.5% of the recipient's allocation or \$200,000.

#### Conditions of Use

The following performance measures will be monitored by CDHE as a condition of receiving and expending monies from the CARES Act Fund, subject to audit by the Office of the State Auditor (OSA).

- 1) For expenses to provide economic support:
  - a) Increasing resident student enrollment in FY 2020-21 compared to projected resident student enrollment for Fall 2020; and
  - b) Increasing the number of credentials produced in Spring 2021 compared to the projected number of credentials expected to be produced. Credentials may include

certificates, undergraduate degrees, including associate's and bachelor's degrees, and graduate degrees, including master's, professional, and doctoral degrees.

- 2) For all other allowable uses, expense reports demonstrating specific costs.
- 3) Recipient commits to raise by no more than 3 percent its FY 2020-21 resident undergraduate tuition rate, or to seek a waiver of this requirement from the Governor's Office.