

To: Interested Local Government and Non-Government Organizations/Businesses

From: Woodson County Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF) Task Force

Subject: CRF funding from the Federal Gov't Cares Act

Date: JULY 6, 2020

The US Federal gov't passed the Cares Act which has provided funding to the State of KS for relief of necessary expenditures incurred due to the public health emergency with respect to the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (Covid-19), not accounted for in the budget most recently approved for the county as of March 27, 2020; and incurred during the period that begins March 1, 2020 and ends on December 30, 2020.

Woodson County is slated to receive funding that can be used for the following examples of public health expenditures:

- COVID-19 related expenses of public hospitals or clinics
- COVID-19 testing and quarantine costs
- Payroll of employees substantially dedicated to COVID -19 mitigation or response
- Expenses for establishing and operating public telemedicine capabilities
- Technological improvements to facilitate distance learning
- Improving telework capabilities
- Grants to small businesses to reimburse the costs of business interruption caused by required closures (utility bills, mortgage payments, food loss due to closure, etc)
- Government payroll support program
- Unemployment insurance costs related to COVID-19

The following are examples of public health expenditures NOT allowed:

- Damages covered by insurance
- Payroll or benefits for employees not substantially dedicated to mitigating or responding to COVID-19
- Expenses that will be reimbursed under any federal program
- Reimbursement to donors for donating items or services
- Workforce bonuses other than hazard pay or overtime
- Severance pay
- Legal settlements
- Revenue shortfalls

Additional guidance for allowable expenditures may be available from the State of Kansas, at a later date. Any funds distributed by Woodson County must be spent in compliance with Federal and State rules and regulations. Any funds used for expenditures that are deemed in non-compliance with the State and Federal rules and regulations will have to be returned by the applicant. Additional information can be found at <https://covid.ks.gov/spark-county-resources/> . Woodson County will begin accepting itemized expenses incurred by local government entities, schools, etc immediately. Organizations and Businesses need to obtain an application and apply for assistance. These applications need to be turned in to the Woodson County Treasurer's office or emailed to caresact@woodsoncounty.net . All expenses will need to include invoices or receipts. Deadline for application is Friday July 31st, 2020.

Questions? Call Michelle Zimmerman, Woodson County Treasurer at 620-625-8605 ext 4 or email caresact@woodsoncounty.net