

The Judiciary, State of Hawai'i

Status of CARES Funding Disbursements and Expenditures

On April 30, 2020, the Hawai'i Department of the Attorney General (Department) was awarded the state-allocated Coronavirus Emergency Supplemental Funding (CESF) Program in the amount of \$3,642,919. The CESF program is administered by the U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance. CESF is part of the CARES Act enacted on March 27, 2020. The Department's role is to administer the state-allocated CESF and to ensure that the funds are used in the most advantageous and coordinated manner and when possible, CESF is not duplicative with other CARES Act funding.

In June 2020, the Hawai'i State Judiciary (Judiciary) submitted a grant application to the Department of the Attorney General, Crime Prevention and Justice Assistance Division (CPJAD). In July 2020, the CPJAD awarded the Judiciary CESF program funds in the amount of \$750,000.

Recognizing the significant impact, the COVID-19 pandemic has had on the Judiciary's courts and programs, a committee of stakeholders was convened to plan how to best address critical needs in this new, fiscally challenging environment. The Chief Court Administrators, Judges, and the Administrative Department Directors were surveyed to identify the most pressing needs in their circuit or program. Each of the circuits and administrative departments had an opportunity to submit their request for CESF funding based on the unique needs of their court, program, and community.

The Judiciary is utilizing the CESF funds to prevent, prepare for, and/or respond to the COVID-19 as we continue to reopen our courts, address the backlog of court cases, ensure the health and safety of court personnel and users, and minimize the risk of spreading COVID-19 in the courts.

Status update of all CARES funding disbursements and expenditures:

1. What are the total dollars appropriated, disbursed and expended to date?

The Judiciary was appropriated \$750,000. See the attached spreadsheet for the appropriation breakdown per circuits/programs and funds disbursed and expended to date.

2. Reason(s) for unspent funds?

The unspent funds to date are \$170,684. Currently, orders are in the process of being filled by vendors. Funds will be expensed and disbursed as items are received and employees individual time sheets are processed for overtime payment.

3. What programs/services or other purchases have resulted from the CARES funds?

The Judiciary identified the following priority areas for the FY 2020 CESF Program:

- Temperature Verification Kiosks
- Acrylic/Polycarbonate Barriers/Office Partitions
- Technology Hardware
- Translation
- Electrostatic Sprayers/Cold Foggers/Air Purifiers
- Overtime

- PPE and Sanitation Supplies

Refer to the attached CESF grant application for further detail.

4. Who is being served by the programs/services or other purchases?

All Judiciary employees and court users statewide will benefit from the CESF program funds.

5. What metrics of performance have been established to ensure funds will be spent by December 2020?

The Judiciary's Program Administrator, Fiscal Officer, and Planner are monitoring the purchasing progress very closely to ensure all grant requirements are met.

CPJAD, CESF Phase 1, Project Period: January 20, 2020 to December 30, 2020. Subrecipients are required to submit the following Progress Report information to CPJAD:

A. Summarize the accomplishments made with CESF to prevent, prepare, and/or respond to COVID-19.

B. What problems/barriers were encountered, if any, that prevented you/your organization from completing the activities described in the Agreement, Part II. Narrative?

C. Are you on track to complete the timeline and activities as outlined in the Agreement, Part II. Narrative. If no, please state what is being done to address the delay(s) or issue(s) impacting you/your organization.