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AGENDA

1. 2021-2022 Funding Landscape Presentation and Q&A with Joe Morris
2. In the Trenches – Fireside Chat with Gloria Salazar
3. In the Trenches – Fireside Chat with Angelina Benedetti
4. Open Q&A
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# Fiscal Relief Fund Allocations

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<td>Non-Entitlement Units of Local Government</td>
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*Source: U.S. Treasury*
What about Special Districts?

- The statute authorizes state, territorial and tribal governments; counties; metropolitan cities; and non-entitlement units of local government to transfer amounts paid from the Fiscal Recovery Funds to a number of specified entities. By permitting these transfers, Congress recognized the importance of providing flexibility to governments seeking to achieve the greatest impact with their funds, including working with other levels or units of government or private entities to assist recipient governments in carrying out their programs.

- This includes special-purpose districts that perform specific functions in the community, such as fire, water, sewer or mosquito abatement districts. Specifically, under section 602(c)(3), a State, territory, or Tribal government may transfer funds to a “private nonprofit organization . . . a Tribal organization . . . a public benefit corporation involved in the transportation of passengers or cargo, or a special-purpose unit of State or local government.”

Source: U.S. Treasury
Timing of Funds

• **Local governments** will receive funds in two tranches, with 50% provided beginning in May 2021 and the balance delivered approximately 12 months later.

• **State governments** that have experienced a net increase in the unemployment rate of more than 2 percentage points from February 2020 to the latest available data as of the date of certification will receive their full allocation of funds in a single payment; other states will receive funds in two equal tranches.

Source: U.S. Treasury
## Eligible Uses

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<th><strong>Support Public Health Response</strong></th>
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<td>Fund COVID-19 mitigation efforts, medical expenses, behavioral healthcare, and certain public health and safety staff.</td>
<td>Respond to economic harms to workers, families, small businesses, impacted industries, and the public sector.</td>
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<th><strong>Replace Public Sector Revenue Loss</strong></th>
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<td>Use funds to provide government services to the extent of the reduction in revenue experienced due to the pandemic.</td>
<td>Offer additional support to those who have and will bear the greatest health risks because of their service in critical infrastructure sectors.</td>
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<td>Make necessary investments to improve access to clean drinking water and invest in wastewater and stormwater infrastructure.</td>
<td>Make necessary investments to provide unserved or underserved locations with new or expanded broadband access.</td>
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*Source: U.S. Treasury*
• Section 602(c)(1) and section 603(c)(1) require that payments from the Fiscal Recovery Funds be used only to cover costs incurred by the state, territory, tribal government or local government by **December 31, 2024.**

• **Flexibility:** Projects funded with these funds must be completed by **December 2026.**
Fiscal Relief: Revenue Loss

Source: U.S. Treasury
Recipients can use these funds for the provision of government services to the extent of the revenue reduction experienced during COVID-19 health emergency.

“General Revenue”: Revenues collected by a government that are generated from its underlying economy including taxes.

What’s included?
- Taxes, fees and other revenues to support government services
- Other fees: Parking, ports, zoos, etc.

What’s not included?
- Federal transfer funds, intergovernmental funds, refunds, utilities revenues, refunds, insurance of debt proceeds and liquor store revenues

Source: U.S. Treasury
# GFOA Revenue Loss Calculator

## Base Year Revenue Worksheet

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## Background Information

1. Fiscal Year End: June
2. Base Year Revenue Period: 6/20/2020
3. Calculation Date: 12/31/2020
4. Number of Months: 18

## Estimate Revenue

- **Base Year Revenue**: $1
- **Growth Rate**: 4.1%
- **Counteractual Revenue**: $1

## Reduction in Revenue

- **Fiscal Year Ended**: 12/31/2020
- **Revenue Reduction**: $0
- **Revenue Reduction %**: -5.8%

Source: GFOA
Eligible Funding Areas

- **Government Services** can include but are not limited to maintenance or pay-go funded building of infrastructure including:
  - Roads;
  - Modernization of **cybersecurity** including hardware and software & protection of critical infrastructure,
  - Health services;
  - Environmental remediation;
  - School or educational services;
  - Provision of police, fire and emergency services

Source: U.S. Treasury
ARPA Fiscal Relief: Infrastructure & Broadband

• The Interim Final Rule outlines eligible uses within each category, allowing for a broad range of necessary investments in projects that improve access to clean drinking water, improve wastewater and stormwater infrastructure systems, and provide access to high-quality broadband service.

• Necessary investments are designed to provide an adequate minimum level of service and are unlikely to be made using private sources of funds.

Source: U.S. Treasury
Broadband

• The Interim Final Rule provides that eligible investments in broadband are those that are designed to provide services meeting adequate speeds and are provided to unserved and underserved households and businesses.

• Eligible projects are expected to be designed to deliver, upon project completion, service that reliably meets or exceeds symmetrical upload and download speeds of 100 Mbps.

• The Interim Final Rule treats users as being unserved or underserved if they lack access to a wireline connection capable of reliably delivering at least minimum speed of 25 Mbps download and 3 Mbps upload as households and businesses lacking this level of access are generally not viewed as being able to originate and receive high-quality voice, data, graphics and video telecommunications.

Source: U.S. Treasury
Infrastructure Improvements

• **Water** - Recipients may use Fiscal Recovery Funds to invest in a broad range of projects that improve drinking water infrastructure, such as building or upgrading facilities and transmission, distribution and storage systems, including replacement of lead service lines.

• **Wastewater** - Recipients may use Fiscal Recovery Funds to construct publicly owned treatment infrastructure, manage and treat stormwater or subsurface drainage water, facilitate water reuse and secure publicly owned treatment works, among other uses.

• **Each of the state programs established under the CWSRF have the flexibility to direct funding to their particular environmental needs, and each state may also have its own statutes, rules and regulations that guide project eligibility.**

Source: U.S. Treasury
What’s Next? The Infrastructure Bill

• Infrastructure Deal
  • Repair roads, bridges etc.
  • Build a national network of electronic vehicle chargers
• Make necessary improvements to water infrastructure and public transit
• Invest $65 billion into broadband
• Cybersecurity

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Key Takeaways

- **Temporary & Transformational**: These are one-time funds that can have an impact.

- **Be Mindful**: Be mindful of the “funding cliff”

- **Follow the Money**: These funds won’t necessarily stop with the prime recipient...each jurisdiction will have their own approach to distributing funds.

- **Invest Now to Save Later**: Thoughtful investments in technology including cybersecurity and broadband will help to better serve constituents now and reduce costs long-term.

- **Immediate investments**: Look to make an immediate impact by investing in solutions that deliver long-term benefits.

- **Partnering**: Explore collaboration and partnering to pool funds to maximize the impact of the funds.
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KCLS COVID Response

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Special Districts: Understanding the Special Districts 2021-2022 Funding Landscape & Emerging Opportunities
August 18, 2021
Angelina Benedetti, Interim Director of Library Outreach, Programs, and Services
Four service solutions

- Extended Wi-Fi
- Hotspots and Digital Navigation
- TeleConnect
- Lockers
Service Response

- Nimble
- Scope beyond pandemic response
- Pilot projects to build on
- Grant funded
- Partner based
Grant funded

- $418,000 in grant funding from CARES (Coronavirus Aid Relief and Economic Security) and KCLS Foundation
- Seven separate grants
- CARES funding administered by WA State Library and King County
- KCLS Foundation
Extended Wi-Fi

45 KCLS locations
Finished January 2021
$25,000 CARES grant from State Library
Response from local lawmakers
Impact
Hotspots and Digital Navigation
What are Digital Navigators?

“Digital Navigators are individuals who address the whole digital inclusion process — home connectivity, devices, and digital skills — with community members through repeated interactions.”

From NDIA – National Digital Inclusion Alliance - https://www.digitalinclusion.org/
Community Partnerships

KCLS partners with social service organizations, low-income housing providers, school districts, and agencies serving people who are experiencing homelessness to increase digital equity and access for King County’s most impacted community members.

These patrons rely most heavily on in-building library services.
Service Partners

- Shelters (family, youth, singles)
- Day centers
- Transitional housing sites
- Behavioral health treatment clinics
- Confidential emergency program
- Tent Cities
- Vocational training programs
- Senior housing
- King County Housing Authority properties
- Schools
Impact

299 hot spots deployed

2400 people accessing Wi-Fi

47 laptops distributed
Stories of Impact

"[Client] started attending school to earn a 2 year degree to support herself and her two kids. She would have to re-watch all of her classes because her internet was spotty. Being a single mom, working part time, attending budget/parenting classes, [client] didn’t have much time to spare. In some cases, [client] had to decide between working on a school assignment or watching all of her class. With the hot spot [client] can now fully participate in class and finish assignments.”

- Acres of Diamonds transitional housing for families

“Clients are using the computers the whole time they are available. Before, I felt like I had to "screen" for computer use if someone wanted to look for jobs online and someone just wanted to check social media. Now because we have two computers, clients can use computer time to check their email, talk to friends/family on Facebook, read local news, browse Wikipedia for random things they're interested in, etc. I've helped a bunch of people print out bus directions, the fact that we can look up directions and go over them together in the same place I can give them the bus tickets is great.”

- Downtown Emergency Services Center (DESC) shelter
“KentHOPE’s Sunrise House had no access for WIFI. We were starting new programs for homeless women and children, some who were joining in an employment support program. We received a call about the availability of the WIFI units at that time. The timing was so perfect. Thanks to the King County Library, we have internet access for the women to research and apply for jobs and housing. These are vital components to the women gaining successful employment and a home to call their own. They are also able to take care of mental health and medical appointments and in our current guidelines for COVID, we are all much safer with these virtual options.”

- KentHOPE shelter
SHAG and KCHA housing

OUR CURRENT REALITY

Shag Resident Landscape

- $12,738 Average Income Section-8
- $24,260 Average Income
- 73 Average Age

- 69% Women
- 16% Section-8 Vouchers
- 29% Disabled
- 12% Under Age 62

SHAG - https://www.housing4seniors.com/
SHAG and KCHA housing
Communities in Schools of Kent

Making a Difference

At Communities In Schools of Kent, our 360 case-managed students show outstanding progress towards their personal goals.

- 95% Stayed in School
- 92% Improved Attendance
- 94% Improved Behavior
- 90% Improved Coursework

* Outcomes reflect data from last school year

From Communities in Schools of Kent - https://kent.ciswa.org/
Communities in Schools of Kent
KCLS TeleConnect

Bridging the technology gap by providing equipment and private space for online health and social service appointments at the library
Why is it needed?

Addresses barriers to:

• Connectivity
• Equipment
• Digital Literacy
• Transportation
How Does it Work?

Service provider reserves a room and provides Zoom link

Patron arrives at library

KCLS staff sets up iPad and logs in for the patron

Patron and provider have appointment

KCLS staff logs out and sanitizes room
5 Pilot Locations

- Enumclaw
- Federal Way 320th
- Skyway
- Tukwila
- Woodmont
Librarians testing the equipment

Executive Director dropped in during testing
Lockers
Patrons across the county use lockers at two locations – Bothell and Covington

- Items are held for three days in one location, one day in another
- Median time from notice to pick-up is 27 hours
- Holds do not expire on closed service days
- 16,772 items were requested for locker pick-up from October 2020 thru February 2021
“Dear @KCLS, are you going to add more pickup lockers?”

- Demand at Bothell exceeds capacity of the lockers
  - Reducing pick-up window from three to one day to move materials through more quickly
- Some KCLS libraries are not suitable sites for locker installation
  - Physical layout of some buildings does not meet power/network needs
  - New locker design addresses issues of dampness
Questions?

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