

# Alaska COVID-19 Relief Funds – Timeline as of April 2023

## **Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act**

Date of Enactment: March 27, 2020

Alaska received award: April 12, 2020

Amount: \$6,489,103

### **Guidance received:**

- Information About COVID-19 of CCDF Lead Agencies: Relevant Flexibility in CCDF Law: March 13, 2020
- Summary of Child Care Provisions of Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act or “CARES Act”: April 6, 2020
- CCDF Discretionary Funds Appropriated in the CARES Act: April 29, 2020
- Clarifications for Reporting CCDF Direct Services on the ACF-801 Report During the COVID-19 Response: June 6, 2020

### **Fully Spent in 2020 and supplemented with \$10 million of COVID relief funds:**

Provided Capacity Building Grants to child care providers for March, April, and May 2020, and supported families with co-pays.

## **Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Act**

Date of Enactment: December 27, 2020

Alaska received award: February 1, 2020

Amount: \$18,899,904 available until September 30, 2023

### **Guidance received:**

- Planned Use of Child Care and Development Fund CRRSA Funds Report: February 12, 2021
- CCDF Discretionary Funds Appropriated in the CRRSA Act: April 14, 2021
- Information Memorandum: April 29, 2021

Submitted plan for use of CRRSA funds on February 24, 2021- Approved by OCC.

### **Obligated to date: \$18,899,904**

Provided scholarship funds to the University of Alaska system for early childhood

Provided funding to thread for:

- COVID response capacity
- ROOTS Award- funding to individuals working in the field and in the SEED registry
- Infrastructure support-completion of Provider Portal to support child care programs access to resources
- Free training for child care available to all individuals
- Quality and Professional Development supports

- Sponsorships
- New Provider Start Up
- Child Care Campaign
- Community Innovation Grants
- Child Care Provider Improve Grants

**Fully Obligated in 2022:** funds will be fully spent and liquidated by June 30, 2023.

**American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)- Stabilization**

Date of Enactment: March 11, 2021

Alaska received award: April 14, 2021

Amount: \$45,336,010 available until September 30, 2023

**Guidance received:**

- ARP Act Stabilization Grants: March 10, 2021
- Information Memorandum: May 10, 2021
- ARP Act Subgrant Resources: May 25, 2021
- ARP Act reporting requirements are out for public comment and are not yet finalized states use.

**Obligated to date: \$45,336,010**

**Fully Obligated in 2022:** funds will be fully spent and liquidated by June 30, 2023.

- Phase 1 distributed approximately \$4.5 million September 2021-December 2022
- Phase 2 distributed approximately \$16.5 million starting in January 2022-June 2022
- Phase 3 distributed approximately \$23 million February 2023-March 2023
- Administrative costs approximately \$1.2 million
- Note: Additional funding supported stabilization grants, see **Stabilization Fast Facts** document for details

**Provider Town Hall meetings began November 2021, will continue quarterly.**

**American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Supplemental Discretionary**

Date of Enactment: March 11, 2021

Alaska received award: June 7, 2021

Amount: \$28,345,643 available until September 30, 2024.

**Guidance received:**

- ARP Act Discretionary Supplemental Funds: June 10, 2021
- Information Memorandum: June 11, 2021
- ARP Act reporting requirements are out for public comment and are not yet finalized states use.

**Obligated to date: \$1,824,000**

- Planning contract- Child Care Assistance Program improvements - \$98,000

- Child Care funds for Foster Families for June 2022-May 2023 - \$300,000
- UAA RSA FY24 - \$226,285
- Alaska Pyramid Model Leadership Project - \$16,000
- Sponsorships 2023 - \$100,000
- Contracts 2023 - \$1,100,000
  - Cost of Care Study
  - Workforce Study
  - Governor’s Child Care Taskforce Facilitator

**Continued Spending Planning efforts are ongoing and may include:**

- Infrastructure supports
- pilot efforts in subsidy program based on recommendations from First Children’s Finance
- Business supports to child care providers
- Increasing wages for early educators and family child care providers
- Building the supply of child care for underserved populations

**Must be Fully Obligated by 9/30/23:** funds will be fully spent and liquidated by June 30, 2024.