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DIVISION OF ECONOMIC & HOUSING STABILITY

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July 20, 2021

The Honorable Ken Weyler, Chairman
Fiscal Committee of the General Court
State House
Concord, NH 03301

His Excellency, Governor Christopher T. Sununu
and the Honorable Council
State House
Concord, NH 03301

REQUESTED ACTION

Pursuant to the provisions of RSA 14:30-a, VI, authorize the Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Economic and Housing Stability, Bureau of Family Assistance, to accept and expend federal Pandemic Emergency Assistance Funds (PEAF), in the amount of \$4,130,240 from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families for the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) program, effective upon Fiscal Committee and Governor and Executive Council approval through June 30, 2023, and further authorize the allocation of these funds in the accounts below. 100% Federal Funds

05-95-045-4500-24660000 HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES, DEPT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, BUREAU OF FAMILY ASSISTANCE, TANF PEAFF

SFY21

000-403950	Federal Funds	\$	-	\$	4,130,240	\$	4,130,240
	TOTAL REVENUE	\$	-	\$	4,130,240	\$	4,130,240
041 - 500801	Audit Fund Set Aside	\$	-	\$	4,130	\$	4,130
501 - 500425	Payments to Clients	\$	-	\$	4,126,110	\$	4,126,110
	TOTAL EXPENSES	\$	-	\$	4,130,240	\$	4,130,240

EXPLANATION

This request is being made to accept Pandemic Emergency Assistance Funds (PEAF) available for SFY 2022 for the TANF Pandemic Emergency Assistance funding under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 or the "ARPA 2021" (Public Law 117-002) passed into law on March 12, 2021. These funds are discretionary, with no General Funds match required. The notice of funds awarded was received in April 2021.

TANF Pandemic Emergency Assistance funding will be dispersed through a one-time allotment via EBT card to SNAP and TANF households on a per child-basis. These funds will be available late fall or early winter 2021 to offer families support in the transition as COVID-related programs expire.

Funds are being budgeted in Class 501 (Payments to Clients) and will be used to assist families in transition from the pandemic. Funds are being budgeted for Audit costs (Class 041) per state requirements.

Area served: Statewide

Source of funds: These funds are 100% Federal from the Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families for the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) program.

In the event that these Federal Funds become no longer available, General Funds will not be requested to support this program.

Respectfully submitted,



Lori A. Shibinette
Commissioner



ADMINISTRATION FOR
CHILDREN & FAMILIES

330 C Street, S.W. Washington DC 20201

April 16, 2021

Commissioner

New Hampshire DHHS
129 Pleasant St
Concord, NH 03301-3852

Re: Notice of Award - FY 2021

Dear Grantee:

This grant award represents obligation for fiscal year 2021 for the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) program, Pandemic Emergency Assistance Funds (PEAF). These funds are subject to requirements of the American Rescue Plan Act, Public Law 117-2 and Title IV-A of the Social Security Act.

Appropriation	CAN	This Action	Cumulative
75-X-1552	2021G990228	\$4,145,239.81	\$4,145,239.81
75-X-1552	2021G996115		\$28,971,482.00
		Total \$4,145,239.81	\$33,116,721.81

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With the acceptance of this award, you agree to administer this grant in compliance with conditions set forth in the applicable program instructions, terms and conditions, departmental regulations, and OMB Circulars. This award is also subject to the requirements of Section 106 (g) of the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000, as amended (22 U.S.C. 7104).

The general terms and conditions governing mandatory grant programs and additional program-specific requirements for this program are available at <https://www.acf.hhs.gov/grants/mandatory-formula-block-and-entitlement-grants>.

Further, in accordance with Department of Treasury regulations 31 CFR Part 205, implementing the Cash Management Improvement Act, you agree to limit your request to draw Federal funds to the minimum amount needed and to time the request in accordance with the actual, immediate requirements in carrying out programs funded through this award. Failure to adhere to these requirements may cause the suspension of grant funds.

Funds included in this award will be made available through the DHHS Payment Management System (PMS). Questions pertaining to payments should be directed to DHHS Division of Payment Management, Post Office Box 6021, Rockville, MD 20852; telephone 1-877-614-5533. Fiscal reporting questions regarding this grant should be directed to your ACF Grants Management Specialist.

Please transmit a copy of this letter to the office authorized to request funds covered by this award.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Deanne Meyer
Grants Management Officer

This award represents the initial TANF Pandemic Emergency Assistance award authorized under The American Rescue Plan Act, Public Law 117-2; section 403(c) of the Social Security Act. States may use funds to provide certain non-recurrent, short term (NRST) benefits to recipients and for associated administrative costs (up to a 15-percent cap). All grantees must use funds to supplement, and not supplant, other federal, state, tribal, territorial, or local funds.