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October 23, 2023

The Honorable Ken Weyler, Chairman  
Fiscal Committee of the General Court  
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His Excellency, Governor Christopher T. Sununu  
and the Honorable Council  
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**REQUESTED ACTION**

Pursuant to RSA 14:30-a, VI, authorize the Department of Education to accept and expend Child Nutrition Supply Chain Assistance 4<sup>th</sup> Round of funds in the amount of \$3,364,124 from the United States Department of Agriculture, effective upon Fiscal Committee and Governor and Council approval through September 30, 2024. 100% Federal Funds

Funds to be budgeted as follows:

**FNS-CN Supply Chain Asst**  
Account: 06-56-56-562010-72100000

	Description	<u>Budget Request</u>
<b>Income</b>		
000-400374	Federal Funds	\$3,364,124
<b>Expenditures</b>		
072-500577	Grants Federal	\$3,364,124
	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$3,364,124</b>

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**EXPLANATION**

The New Hampshire Education Department (NHED), Bureau of Student Wellness, Office of Nutrition Programs and Services received the Child Nutrition Supply Chain Assistance Grant 4<sup>th</sup> Round. These resources will be referred to as Supply Chain Assistance (SCA R2 & R3) funds. State agencies will distribute SCA R4 funds to School Food Authorities (SFAs) to help defray the costs of challenges such as unanticipated cancellation of food and supply contracts, reduced availability of certain foods, unexpected substitution of certain products, unpredictable increases in food and supply prices, and other identified challenges. This investment will support direct purchasing of unprocessed or minimally processed domestic food products by school food authorities to address immediate supply chain disruption barriers. As these challenges are both extensive and widespread, these funds are targeted to provide a rapid and direct response via financial relief to affected school districts.

The NHED has been awarded the requested \$3,364,124 for the Child Nutrition Supply Chain Assistance Fund and one hundred percent of the grant award will be allocated to all eligible program operators. The state will allocate the funds no later than April 1, 2024, and obligated funds will be expended no later than September 30, 2024.

The NHED, upon receipt of regulatory and guidance documents from the United States Department of Agriculture, will reimburse funds to NSLP and SBP program sponsors based on the payment calculation provided by the USDA Food and Nutrition Service. The NHED will pay reimbursements and deliver funds via the existing reporting and application software, the online MyNHDOE Food and Nutrition System (F&N).

In support of the objectives noted above, the Department commits to: The notification must include the SFA's calculated payment amount, information on the proper use of funds, and instructions for completing the required attestation of need/eligibility as a prerequisite for accepting funds. The department commits to document and retain records of all activities related to its administration of this reimbursement program, consistent with standard review and recordkeeping requirements of the Child Nutrition Programs.

**The following appropriation authorities are being requested:**

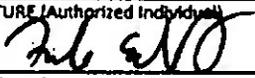
<u>Class</u>	<u>Class Description</u>	<u>Explanation</u>
072	Grants – Federal	Appropriation for the distribution of funds to grant sub-recipients.

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

Respectfully submitted,



Frank Edelblut  
Commissioner of Education

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE- FOOD AND NUTRITION SERVICE  <b>GRANT/COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT</b>	1. GRANT/AGREEMENT NO. USDA-FNS-CN SUPPLY CHAIN ASSISTANCE FUNDS-NERO-NH		2. FEDERAL AWARD DATE Amended 8/11/2023	
	3. IS THIS AN R&D AWARD? NO	5. UNIVERSAL IDENTIFIER NUMBER (DUNS) YUC4D2DQ56E1 (UEI)		6. FEDERAL AWARD IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (FAIN)
	4. CFDA NUMBER 10.555			
7. FEDERAL AWARDDING AGENCY USDA Food and Nutrition Service	8. CFDA NAME National School Lunch Program			
9. RECIPIENT NAME  Bureau of Student Wellness and Nutrition New Hampshire Department of Education 101 Pleasant Street Concord, NH 03301 ATTN: Kelly Rambeau	10. ACCOUNTING AND APPROPRIATION DATA FN.CN.3089.01.0100			
	11. AMOUNT OF FEDERAL FUNDS OBLIGATED BY THIS ACTION \$3,364,124		12. TOTAL AMOUNT OF FEDERAL FUNDS OBLIGATED \$ 4,828,990	
	13. TOTAL AMOUNT OF THE FEDERAL AWARD \$ 4,828,990			
	14. PLACE OF PERFORMANCE New Hampshire			
18. MAIL REQUESTS FOR REIMBURSEMENT TO	15. BUDGET APPROVED BY AWARDDING AGENCY \$ 4,828,990			
	16. TOTAL APPROVED COST SHARING/MATCHING (WHERE APPLICABLE) N/A		17. INDIRECT COST RATE FOR THE FEDERAL AWARD (PLEASE INCLUDE IF THE DE MINIMIS RATE IS CHARGED) 0.00	
	19. SPONSOR (SPONSORING FNS PROGRAM)			
20. START DATE 10/01/2022		21. END DATE 09/30/2024		
22. FEDERAL AWARD PROJECT DESCRIPTION Supply Chain Assistance grants.				
<p>The Grantee/Cooperator hereby assures and certifies that they will comply with the regulations, policies, guidelines and requirements as they relate to the applications, acceptance, and use of Federal funds for this Federally-assisted project including: 2 CFR Chapter I (Office of Management and Budget Government-wide Guidance for Grants and Agreements) and Chapter II (Office of Management and Budget Guidance) as well as 2 CFR Part 200 (Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards); and any USDA Implementing regulations, such as 2 CFR Part 400 (Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards), 2 CFR Part 415 (General Program Administrative Regulations), 2 CFR Part 416 (General Program Administrative Regulations for Grants and Cooperative Agreements to State and Local Governments), and 2 CFR Part 418 (New Restrictions on Lobbying).</p>				
23. REMARKS  This is a modification to the grant providing the third round of SCA funding and provides additional funding and extends the award performance period end date to September 30, 2024.				
SIGNATURE OF GRANTEE/COOPERATOR			UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	
SIGNATURE (Authorized Individual) 	DATE 9.13.23	SIGNATURE (Grant Official) LIZBETH SILBERMANN	Digitally signed by LIZBETH SILBERMANN Date: 2023.09.15 11:26:09 -04:00	DATE
NAME (Type) Frank Edelblut		NAME (TYPE)		
TITLE Commissioner		TITLE		
TELEPHONE NUMBER 603-271-3144		TELEPHONE NUMBER		

1. GRANTOR AGENCY: <b>USDA - Food and Nutrition Service</b>	2. APPROPRIATION: <b>See below under Appropriation column</b>
3. NII EDUCATION DEPT BUS MA  101 Pleasant Street  CONCORD VENDOR NO. S3391501 000  NII 03301-0000	4. TITLE OF GRANT: <b>Child Nutrition (2 Year)</b>
5. APPORTIONMENT YEAR: 2023 GAD NUMBER: 4NH308904 AMENDMENT: 001	6. ESTIMATED ANNUAL GRANT AWARD:
7. GRANT PERIOD FROM: 10/01/2022 GRANT PERIOD TO: 09/30/2024	

APPROPRIATION	FAIN	ACCOUNT ID	PCA TITLE	CFDA NO.	PREVIOUS LEVEL	INCREASE/DECREASE	CURRENT LEVEL
122/33539	234NH904N8903	202322N890344	-SCHOOL/CN LOCL FOOD PROC & MG	10.555	\$1,464,866.00	\$0.00	\$1,464,866.00
123/43539	234NH904N8903	202323N890344	-SCHOOL/CN LOCL FOOD PROC & MG	10.555	\$0.00	\$3,364,124.00	\$3,364,124.00
<b>Total:</b>					<b>\$1,464,866.00</b>	<b>\$3,364,124.00</b>	<b>\$4,828,990.00</b>

9. SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS/COMMENTS

Please note that the Financial Official (FO) assigned by the above grantee organization is responsible for maintaining valid banking information for this grant. This includes certifying that correct routing and transit numbers(ABA/RTN) and bank account numbers have been entered into the ASAP.gov payment system. The Food and Nutrition Service and the United States Treasury are not responsible for a misdirected payment in the event that the FO entered the incorrect ABA/RTN or bank-account number information.

Fourth Allocation of Supply Chain Assistance (SCA) Funds to Alleviate Supply Chain Disruptions in the School Meal Programs

10. AUTHORIZATION ALLOWANCE HOLDER (DESIGNEE)  Food and Nutrition Service Northeast Regional Office 10 Causeway Street, Room 501  Boston MA 02222 Telephone: 617-565-5300	SIGNATURE: - Electronically Signed by - LISA FITZGERALD	
	DATE: 08/29/2023	TELEPHONE NO: 617-565-6460