



STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE



GOVERNOR'S OFFICE

for

EMERGENCY RELIEF AND RECOVERY

September 24, 2024

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

His Excellency, Governor Christopher T. Sununu
And the Honorable Council
State House
Concord, New Hampshire 03301

REQUESTED ACTION

Pursuant to RSA 14:30-a, VI, authorize the Governor's Office for Emergency Relief and Recovery (GOFERR) to accept and expend \$275,533 to support educational initiatives at the Brain Injury Association of New Hampshire effective upon approvals of the Fiscal Committee and Governor and Executive Council through June 30, 2025. This is an allowable use of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) State Fiscal Recovery Funds (SFRF) under Section 602(c)(1)(C) for provision of government services to the extent of the reduction in revenue. 100% Federal Funds.

Funds are to be budgeted as follows:

Table with 5 columns: CLASS, ACCOUNT, FY2025 CURRENT MODIFIED BUDGET, FY2025 BUDGET REQUEST, FY2025 REVISED BUDGET. Rows include EXPENDITURES (040-041-072-085-103), TOTAL EXPENSES, SOURCE OF FUNDS (000 - Federal Funds), and TOTAL REVENUE.

1 All direct program costs will be accounted for using activity 00FRF602GS0208A and all administrative and indirect costs will be accounted for using activity 00FRF602GS0208Z. Accounting classifications may be subject to technical changes at the discretion of the Department of Administrative Services' Division of Accounting Services.

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EXPLANATION

In New Hampshire there are over 8,500 traumatic brain injuries each year, according to NH hospital discharge data from the State DHHS CDC. More than 75 percent of these brain injuries are categorized as a concussion. Concussions are a common injury among children and adolescents, even for those not involved in team sports.

Approval of this item would result in a one-time award that would support a pilot of the NH Youth Health Learning Community: Concussion. This program would set up a public – private partnership between the State and 10 local school districts. The core focus will be building the capacity of these schools to meet the school-based challenges students face post-concussion. These pilot schools will be provided with leading practices on concussion training, resources, and access to technical assistance and expertise.

Funds for this item are made available through ARPA SFRF funding that has been reallocated from programs that did not expend their entire award amount.

Funds are to be budgeted as follows:

Class 072- Grants Federal to provide funding for an award as described above.

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

Respectfully submitted,



Taylor Caswell
Executive Director, GOFERR