

# COVID Response Funding Update

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# Background

March 2020 - County began COVID-19 response operations

April 2020 - County received \$194 million in Coronavirus Relief Funds (CRF) to be used for necessary direct and “second order effects” expenditures due to the public health emergency

May-November 2020 - Board appropriated CRF (and other direct funding) toward the response, based on CRF Funding Plan

February 2020 – County received \$19.3 million in Emergency Rental Assistance funds

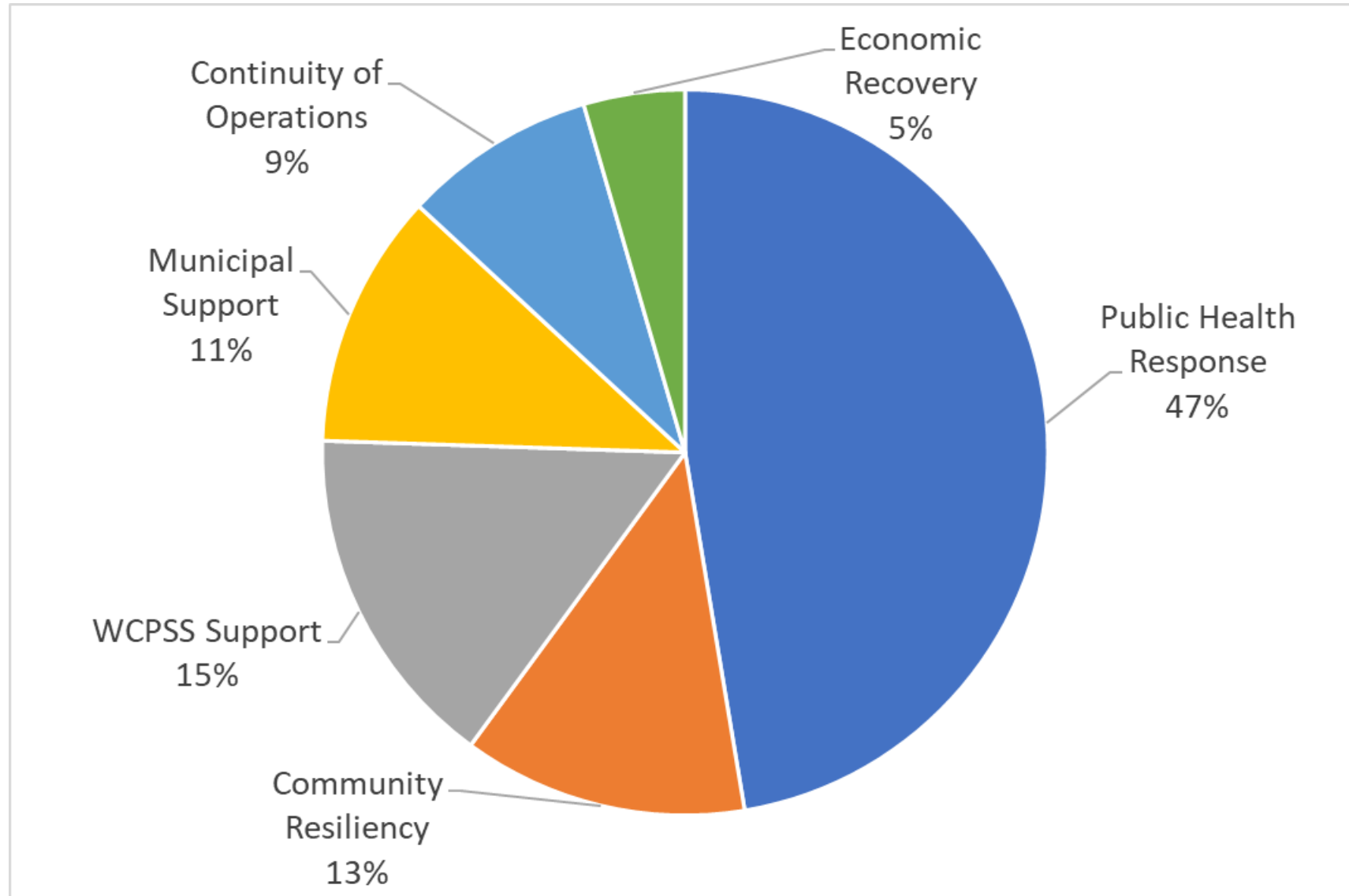
# CRF Funding Plan & Expenditures

Through the end of February, the County had expended or encumbered **96%** of the Coronavirus Relief Funds.

Category / Program	Adjusted Budget (Feb 2021)	Expenditures (2/26/2021)	Encumbered	Remaining Budget
Public Health Emergency Response	\$92.9	\$76.2	\$13.0	\$3.7
Community Response & Resiliency	\$24.9	\$16.5	\$7.4	\$1.0
Continuity of Operations	\$65.8	\$64.7	\$1.1	\$0.0
Economic Recovery	\$10.3	\$8.5	\$1.9	\$0.9
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$193.9</b>	<b>\$165.9</b>	<b>\$22.4</b>	<b>\$5.6</b>

*Numbers in millions.*

# How the County Used CRF



# Continued Community Response Programs

## Rent and Utility Assistance

Telamon continues to administer program using new ERA funds

Combining funding received by County and City of Raleigh

Can be used for up to 12 months of:

- Rent and rental arrears
- Utility and home energy costs
- Other housing stability services

Funding must be spent by 12/31/21

## Food Security

Cooperative extension continues to work with food security partners

County allocated additional \$1 million of remaining CRF to provide a step-down approach in services through June 30

# Public Health Emergency Response

## Testing & Monitoring

Contracted testing costs approximately \$2.3 million/week (average 24,000 tests/week)

High-volume testing will continue at least through widespread vaccine availability

Public Health staff monitor key metrics around COVID spread and community impacts

## Vaccination Management

To date, 50,000+ vaccines have been administered

“All hands-on deck” staffing approach

Currently have 3 static vaccination sites AND consistently partner with sites in vulnerable communities

Future costs will be related to:

- Staffing

- Communications and technology

- Facility use and maintenance

# Funding Updates

**County** – Received approximately \$2.4 million from NCDHHS from its share of CDC vaccination dollars (*to be appropriated today*)

**State** – HB196 (*approved*) includes \$8.9 million from NCDHHS from its share of CDC testing and enhanced detection funding (*to be appropriated today*)

**Federal** – American Rescue Plan

- Wake to receive approximately \$215 million (in 2 annual allocations)
- Once County submits paperwork, would receive funds within 60 days
- **Staff reading guidance now and will return to BOC with funding plan**

# Today's Requested Action

**To continue funding the County's response to COVID-19:**

- 1. Accept and appropriate \$11.4 million from NCDHHS to support vaccination management and testing operation costs, and**
- 2. Appropriate \$10 million of the County's General Fund unassigned fund balance as an interim funding approach until other sources are received.**

Following today's action:

- Staff will continue to identify all eligible and appropriate uses of federal and state allocations and apply expenses to the extent possible
- Monitor state and federal funding activity and provide updates/requested appropriations to the Board as available





# Questions & Discussion

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# Appendix A

## Supplemental COVID-Response Funding As of February 26, 2021

Department/Program	Description	Amount	Expenditures
Housing	HUD/CDBG – housing assistance, home maintenance/rehab	\$2,878,000	\$742,000
	HUD/ESG – street outreach, rapid re-housing, sheltering	\$2,337,000	\$495,000
	HUD/HOPWA– rental assistance, case management	\$133,000	\$-
Human Services	Ryan White Program – client and lab services, clinical supplies	\$114,000	\$79,000
	DHHS/CDC – surveillance, epidemiology, mitigation/prevention	\$1,740,000	\$1,740,000
	DHHS – CDC – Testing & Contact Tracing Efforts	\$2,157,000	\$2,061,000
	FTA– transportation cleaning supplies, PPE, planning studies	\$3,348,000	\$-
	NCDOT – PPE, cleaning, modifications, fuel for rural transit	\$874,000	\$55,000
	DSS – additional adult and child protective services staffing needs	\$393,000	\$123,000
	DPH – epidemiology, testing, mitigation, and prevention	\$305,000	\$305,000
	DHHS – vaccination implementation	\$295,000	\$-
CAWD	Commerce – Dislocated Workers Grant – job training	\$693,000	\$98,000
	Biotechnology Center Grant	\$54,000	\$4,000
Elections	State Board of Elections – HAVA and State CARES Act funds	\$1,156,000	\$1,113,000
EMS	DHHS – offset non-billable costs	\$640,000	N/A
	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$17,063,000</b>	<b>\$6,593,000</b>