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DHCD is administering over \$1.78 billion of pandemic related funding.

-5 stages of funding

-Set up brand new programs and deployed funds efficiently and effectively to get the money out to Marylanders as quick as possible

-Working with stakeholders, partners and other agencies

-Careful execution in program development, awards, funding, and compliance



5 stages of awards to DHCD

\$1,257.8 billion in program funding for Marylanders plus \$528 million to local jurisdictions = \$1.785 billion

Programs/Purposes	Stage	Timeframe	Fund source	TOTAL
Community Development Block Grant I, II, III Emergency Services Grant Community Services Block Grant	Stage 1	May 2020	CARES Act, direct federal budget allocation to existing programs	\$52.44 million
Rental Assistance Nonprofit assistance Entertainment Venues & Main Street assistance Broadband expansion	Stage 2	Fall 2020	CARES CRF/GEER and Rainy Day	\$119.8 million
Rental assistance	Stage 3	January 2021	Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2021	\$258.0 million
Emergency Housing Nonprofit assistance through local govts Entertainment Venue & Main Street assistance Broadband expansion	Stage 4	February 2021	RELIEF Act	\$49.0 million
Rental assistance & mortgage assistance Broadband expansion HOME Funds for homelessness prevention Housing Choice Voucher Program	Stage 5	April 2021	American Rescue Plan (ARPA)	\$778.5 million
Local Fiscal Relief Funds	Stage 5	April 2021	American Rescue Plan (ARPA)	\$528 million



May 2020 \$53.6m Federal assistance through CARES Act direct allocation to existing federal programs

Program	Dollar Amount	Purpose of Funds	Method of deployment	Recipients	Encumbered	Spent to date
CDBG I, II, III	\$26,114,705 over 3 rounds	Food programs, rental assistance, services to seniors and the disabled	Round I, formula: Round II and III: application Round	Counties: CDBG I- non entitlement areas CDBG II and III- statewide	\$26,114,705	\$1,701,182
ESG I & II	\$13,296,307	Rapid rehousing, homelessness prevention, shelter operations, outreach	Formula	16 Continuums of Care covering all 24 jurisdictions	\$9,490,803	\$2,541,240
CSBG	\$13,033,824	Provide anti- poverty assistance to those at <=200% FPL	Formula	17 Community Action Agencies and 8 nonprofits, covering all 24 jurisdictions	\$12,914,834	\$5,459,558



Fall 2020

\$119.8m in resources directed to DHCD by Governor Hogan: CARES Act CRF and Rainy Day

Program	Dollar Amount	Purpose of Funds	Recipients	Encumbered	Spent to date
Rental Assistance	\$20,000,000 Cares Act CRF	Grant funds to assist tenants experiencing financial hardship	State Program: landlord program for Assisted Housing Properties. County Program: tenant application	\$20,000,000	\$20,000,000
Nonprofit Assistance:	\$41,093,842 CARES Act CRF	Provide grants to nonprofits facing financial hardship	Nonprofits	\$41,093,842	\$41,093,842
Business Assistance: Entertainment Venues	\$30,000,000 Rainy Day Funds	Grant funds used to assist venues facing financial hardship	Venues, promoters and independent movie theatres	\$30,000,000	\$30,000,000
Broadband Expansion	\$8,735,000 CARES Act CRF	Student access program, to increase internet access for students;	22 school jurisdictions, provided service to 65,000 students	\$8,735,000	\$8,735,000
Broadband Expansion	\$15,000,000 CARES/GEER	Create broadband network for educational use	Nonprofit partnership (CSM) to build educational broadband network	\$15,000,000	\$443,177
Main Streets	\$5,000,000 Rainy Day funds	Grant funds to nonprofit and local government Main Street organizations to support businesses facing hardships	33 designated Main Street communities and Baltimore City's 8 designated Main Street neighborhoods	\$5,000,000	\$5,000,000



January 2021 \$258 million from the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2021

Program	Dollar Amount	Purpose of Funds	Recipients	Status of the program	Plan	Encumbered	Expensed, to date
Rental Assistance (ERAP 1.0)	\$258,076,806	Grant funds to assist tenants experiencing financial hardship	State Program: landlord based program for State Assisted Housing Properties. County Program: distributed to counties based on formula.	Program development: February- April All programs are OPEN and accepting applications	\$193,000,000 for Counties \$40,000,000 for State Program \$20,000,000 set aside for later rental assistance deployment	\$70,903,222.	\$286,861 Represents spending through May. Counties are currently spending- will submit for reimbursement to DHCD

Current Program Status:

State Assisted Housing Program	County programs using State allocation
Program opened on May 15th	All programs open as of May 15th.
Applications to date: 884 requests for 3,236 rental months	Monthly reporting for all 24 jurisdictions to begin in June. Unofficial data through May 31: over 6,000 applications



February 15, 2021 \$49 million in resources directed to DHCD by Governor Hogan's RELIEF Act

Program	Dollar Amount	Purpose of Funds	Recipients	Encumbered	Spent as of 6/15. *Funds will be spent by June 30th
Broadband Expansion	\$2,000,000	Grant funds to assist Internet Service Providers expand service	Project specific ISPs	\$2,000,000	\$1,382,080
Emergency Housing	\$15,000,000	Grant funds to provide up to 30 days of emergency housing assistance	16 Continuums of Care, representing all 24 jurisdictions	\$15,000,000	\$8,636,663
Nonprofit Assistance through local Governments	\$20,000,000	Provide grants to nonprofits facing financial hardship	Local Governments	\$20,000,000	\$19,857,241
Additional Business Assistance: Entertainment Venues	\$10,000,000	Grant funds used to assist venues facing financial hardship	Venues and promoters	\$10,000,000	\$7,271,241
Additional Main Street assistance	\$2,000,000	Grant funds to nonprofit and local government Main Street organizations to support businesses facing hardships	33 designated Main Street communities and Baltimore City's 8 designated Main Street neighborhoods	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000



April 2021 \$778 million to DHCD through the American Rescue Plan (ARPA) and \$528 million Local Relief Funds

Program	Dollar Amount	Purpose of Funds	Projected Recipients	Timeline for deployment
Rental Assistance (ERAP 2.0)	\$204,204,098	Grant funds to assist tenants experiencing financial hardship	Program development still under way.	Program development still under way. Plan for seamless transition from ERAP 1.0 to 2.0
Homeownership Assistance Fund (HAF)	\$248,588,848	Grant or loans to homeowners facing hardship	Direct to Homeowners.	Phased rollout, beginning in September. Program development underway
Broadband Expansion	\$300,000,000	Multiple programs, multiple recipients	ISPs, nonprofits, municipalities	Phased rollout, beginning in early Fall 2021.
HOME Funds	\$23,971,559	Grant funds used to assist venues facing financial hardship	Program development under way. Awaiting HUD guidance	Fall 2021
Housing Choice Voucher	\$1,748,268	Emergency Vouchers specifically to prevent homelessness	Qualified Tenants	July 2021-December 2021
Other funding flowing through DHCD				
Local Fiscal Relief Funds	\$528,000,000	Fiscal relief to be used for purposes set forth by Treasury	Municipalities, based on formula	OPEN. Municipalities are able to draw funds once documents have been submitted to DBM

