

SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA



ITEM: 2.3  
(ID # 13550)

MEETING DATE:  
Tuesday, September 29, 2020

FROM : EXECUTIVE OFFICE:

SUBJECT: EXECUTIVE OFFICE: CORONAVIRUS AID, RELIEF AND ECONOMIC SECURITY ACT (CARES ACT) MONTHLY REPORT SEPTEMBER 2020. All Districts. [\$0]

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors:

1. That the Board of Supervisors receive and file the CARES Act monthly report for SEPTEMBER 2020.

ACTION:


  
Lisa D Brandl 9/24/2020

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MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

On motion of Supervisor Perez, seconded by Supervisor Jeffries and duly carried by unanimous vote, IT WAS ORDERED that the above matter is approved as recommended.

Ayes: Jeffries, Spiegel, Washington, Perez and Hewitt  
Nays: None  
Absent: None  
Date: September 29, 2020  
xc: EO

Kecia R. Harper  
Clerk of the Board  
By   
Deputy

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<b>SOURCE OF FUNDS: N/A</b>			<b>Budget Adjustment:</b>	No
			<b>For Fiscal Year:</b>	20/21

**C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION:** [Approve]

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**Summary**

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The Executive Office continues to work the Sheriff's and Probation departments to determine CARES act eligibility criteria within the county's jails and juvenile halls. Direct care response services including COVID-19 testing and telehealth technology are being provided to inmates within the county jails as a result of funding provided for building improvements that allowed for social distancing and spread mitigation.

RUHS-Public Health provided grants in the total amount of \$11.1 million to local partners to provide congregate care support, training, PPE to Skilled Nursing Facilities (SNFs) and County-wide Community Health Centers.

**Total Estimated Expenses: \$34,000,000**

**Homelessness/Rental Assistance/Sheltering/Workforce Development:**

**Riverside County Rental Relief Fund**

On June 2, the Board created the Riverside County Rental Relief Fund (RCRRF) in the amount of \$30 million of CARES Act funding for renters and landlords affected by economic impacts from COVID-19. The RCRRF program is administered through the Housing, Homelessness Prevention and Workforce Solutions Department (HHPWS) and was officially launched on June 15<sup>th</sup>. The second application period opened on July 15<sup>th</sup> and closed on July 25<sup>th</sup>. This application period resulted in 3,741 applications with 1,483 self-reported that they met the eligibility requirements. Inland SoCal United Way and Lift to Rise are currently processing payments to landlords. To date, more than 1,100 payments are in process totaling \$2.7 million.

Attachment I, *Data Analysis for the July 2020 Application Period*, provides a detailed demographic report for the second applicant pool. The trends noted in the first application period continue; the majority of pre-eligible applicants (72%) are low or extremely low income; the five communities with the highest applicants continues to be Riverside, Moreno Valley, Corona, Hemet and Palm Springs; 58% of applicants report being out of work due to COVID-19; and 77% of applicants reported having insufficient income to pay August rent. The analysis also notes that the average unpaid rent balance has increased to \$2,802.19 and 41% of applicants are three or more months behind on rent. Starting August 15, 2020 Inland SoCal United Way and Lift to Rise are accepting rolling applications and no longer have an application window. Applications can be made by calling 2-1-1 or visiting [www.unitedlift.org](http://www.unitedlift.org)

**Non-Profit Assistance Fund**

On June 9, the Board committed \$5 million in CARES Act funding for the Non-Profit Assistance Fund to assist the nonprofit sector. HHPWS also administers this program in partnership with the Inland Empire Community Foundation (IECF). Small grants up to \$10,000 will be issued to qualified non-profits who are financially impacted by COVID-

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19. The application period ran from July 1<sup>st</sup> - July 30<sup>th</sup>. This round of applications resulted in 447 grants to nonprofits totaling \$4,000,000. This is 96% of the original goal to serve 465 nonprofits. IECF will have \$650,000 remaining for a second round of grant disbursements which will launch on September 7<sup>th</sup>. Applications and additional information can be accessed online at [www.iegives.org](http://www.iegives.org).

**Distance Learning**

On July 17<sup>th</sup>, Governor Newsom announced new statewide rules that will shift most California public schools to full time distance learning to curb the spread of COVID-19. In response to this announcement, the Board of Supervisors approved an allocation of \$10 million in CARES funding to the Riverside County Office of Education to support the "All For One" campaign which is an effort to bridge the digital divide which disproportionately affects low-income students and students of color. HHPWS serves as a lead on this funding allocation which will provide funding for the purchase of device and hotspots.

**Youth Community Corps**

On August 4<sup>th</sup>, the Board of Supervisors launched the Youth Community Corps with an allocation of \$2 million CARES Act funding. The Youth Community Corps is designed to both engage youth in vocational training and to provide opportunities for youth to support larger community efforts which address the economic impacts of COVID.

The program will provide youth (ages 16-24) countywide with a paid internship at a local nonprofit or municipality. Participating youth will receive a \$2,150 stipend for a 6-week internship or a \$4,550 stipend for a 12-week internship. The Corps is expected to serve 100 youth per Supervisorial District for a total of 500 youth. To date, the program has received 669 applications from youth and has already begun to the process of onboarding youth and service site locations. More information on the Youth Community Corps can be found online at <https://www.rivcworkforce.com/Portals/0/YCCFlyer-Business.pdf/>.

**Homes for the Harvest**

On July 24, 2020, Governor Gavin Newsom announced the launch of the Housing for the Harvest program. The program is designed to provide temporary hotel housing options for essential farm and food processing employees who are either COVID-19 positive or exposed, who do not require hospitalization, to have safe and suitable places to isolate. On August 25<sup>th</sup>, the Board of Supervisors allocated \$1,000,000 in CARES Act Funding to launch a local Homes for the Harvest program. The Riverside County program will provide expanded housing options, wrap around supportive services and a financial assistance fund for farmworkers with lost wages due to quarantine/isolation. TODEC, a local non-profit, will serve as the program coordinator and service provider.

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The program is expected to serve over 200 farmworkers and will launch on September 7th.

**Pathways to Employment**

The Board of Supervisors approved an allocation of \$4 million CARES funding to address the financial impacts of COVID on unemployed residents through the formation of the Pathways to Employment program. Pathways to Employment will target adults ages 18 and over that have been impacted by COVID and lost income/employment during the pandemic. Participants will be provided employment opportunities where they

will receive a living wage stipend and be provided job training and mentoring opportunities helping them acquire sought-after job skills and experience necessary to succeed in today's changing work environment. The program will match unemployed/underemployed adults with local nonprofits and government entities that are struggling with increases in demand for services. Participating adults will receive a \$5,120 stipend for an 8-week job placement or a \$7,680 stipend for a 12-week job placement. CAP anticipates serving 100 adults per Supervisorial District for a total of 500 adults. The program is currently in the implementation phase and is currently recruiting participants. Applications can be submitted via <https://www.capriverside.org/>.

Additionally, the department is developing programming for the remaining amount in the areas of: shelters/ temporary non-congregate settings, operating Project Room Key through December, 2020, facilitation of distance learning for Adult Schools , expansion of domestic violence and youth sheltering options, implementation of respite care program for homeless individuals exiting inpatient care, transitional sheltering support, implementation of resource navigators to assist low-income households, and conversion of job training programs to distance learning formats.

**Total Estimated and Committed Expenses: \$60,000,000**

**Regional Health Care System Response (formerly Regional Hospital Response):**

This category relates to reimbursement to our regional hospitals and community health centers for expenses incurred as a response to the pandemic, as well as preparation for current and future COVID-19 coordination with the county's Emergency Operations Center. The Executive Office in collaboration with RUHS-Public Health evaluated FY 19/20 actual expenses incurred in addition to projected expenses through December 30,2020. Based on the projections, the Executive Office reduced the regional hospitals and community health centers allocation to \$21 million from the original allocation of \$34 million.

**Total Estimated Expenses: \$21,000,000**



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**Total Needs Exceed Funding Available**

Based on the latest projections obtained from partners and county departments, the actual costs incurred, amount of estimated expenses and existing commitments exceed the total CARES Act allocation. To proactively mitigate the funding shortage, the Executive Office funding administration team evaluated FY20/21 projections, reduced some of the expense categories and is currently evaluating additional funding from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and the California Disaster Assistance Act (CDAA) to eliminate the county "out-of-pocket" contribution considering current funding constraints. Funding is critical to meet the continued demands associated with COVID-19. Revised expenses category allocations and estimated expenses are outlined in Attachment C.

CARES Act Funding Received:	\$431,091,226
Estimated CARES Act Funding from CA:	<u>\$ 56,203,000</u> (Received to-date: \$18,367,231)
Total CARES Act Revenue:	\$487,294,226
Less COVID-19 Actuals & Estimated Expenses and Commitments:	<u>-\$547,743,944</u>
<b>Estimated CARES Funding Shortage:</b>	<b>-\$ 60,449,718</b>
<b>Estimated External Funding Sources (FEMA &amp; CDAA)</b>	<b><u>\$ 60,449,718</u></b>
<b>Projected Unfunded Amount</b>	<b>\$0</b>

**Impact on Residents and Businesses**

Use of CARES Act funding benefits the county residents through providing assistance to regional hospitals, community health centers and congregate care facilities as they care for those impacted by COVID-19. Additionally, the Rental Assistance, Non-Profit and Small Business grants enable residents to stay in their homes, small businesses to continue their operations and assists non-profits to fulfill their missions. Assistance provided to the Riverside County Office of Education facilitates distance learning for K-12 students through the purchase of devices. The Youth Community Corp engages the county's youth by responding to the employment issues facing this group as a result of COVID-19, as well as providing civic engagement activities. The Pathways to Employment program offers opportunities to unemployed residents. The Homes for the Harvest program offers safe and suitable places for farmworkers to isolate. CARES Act funding represents a critical funding mechanism as the county continues its essential services to residents in the areas of medical care, public health response, testing, PPE's, social services, public safety and general government services.

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**ATTACHMENTS:**

- Attachment A California Department of Finance CARES Act Quarterly Report
- Attachment B CARES Act Funding Allocations – September 2020
- Attachment C CARES Act Estimated Expenses
- Attachment D Business Assistance Program
- Attachment E RivCo Responds Infographic
- Attachment F August 24, 2020 - Press Release – MSJC Menifee Valley Campus  
“Masks are Medicine” Campaign
- Attachment G Business Ambassador Program
- Attachment H September 2, 2020 – Press Release – RUHS first Same Day Care  
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- Attachment I Rental Assistance Program  
August 20, 2020 – United Lift Data Analysis

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**2.4**  
(MT 13456)

On motion of Supervisor Washington, seconded by Supervisor Spiegel and duly carried by unanimous vote, IT WAS ORDERED that the recommendation from the Executive Office regarding Coronavirus relief and Economic Security Act (Cares Act) Monthly Report September 2020, is continued to Tuesday, September 29, 2020 at 9:30 a.m. or as soon as possible thereafter.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Jeffries, Spiegel, Washington, Perez and Hewitt  
Nays: None  
Absent: None

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a full true, and correct copy of an order made and entered on September 15, 2020 of Supervisors Minutes.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of the Board of Supervisors  
Dated: September 15, 2020  
Kecia R. Harper, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, in  
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By: *Y. Priscilla Castro* Deputy

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The Executive Office continues to work the Sheriff's and Probation departments to determine CARES act eligibility criteria within the county's jails and juvenile halls. Direct care response services including COVID-19 testing and telehealth technology are being provided to inmates within the county jails as a result of funding provided for building improvements that allowed for social distancing and spread mitigation.

RUHS-Public Health provided grants in the total amount of \$11.1 million to local partners to provide congregate care support, training, PPE to Skilled Nursing Facilities (SNFs) and County-wide Community Health Centers.

**Total Estimated Expenses: \$34,000,000**

**Homelessness/Rental Assistance/Sheltering/Workforce Development:**

**Riverside County Rental Relief Fund**

On June 2, the Board created the Riverside County Rental Relief Fund (RCRRF) in the amount of \$30 million of CARES Act funding for renters and landlords affected by economic impacts from COVID-19. The RCRRF program is administered through the Housing, Homelessness Prevention and Workforce Solutions Department (HHPWS) and was officially launched on June 15<sup>th</sup>. The second application period opened on July 15<sup>th</sup> and closed on July 25<sup>th</sup>. This application period resulted in 3,741 applications with 1,483 self-reported that they met the eligibility requirements. Inland SoCal United Way and Lift to Rise are currently processing payments to landlords. To date, more than 1,100 payments are in process totaling \$2.7 million.

Attachment I, *Data Analysis for the July 2020 Application Period*, provides a detailed demographic report for the second applicant pool. The trends noted in the first application period continue; the majority of pre-eligible applicants (72%) are low or extremely low income; the five communities with the highest applicants continues to be Riverside, Moreno Valley, Corona, Hemet and Palm Springs; 58% of applicants report being out of work due to COVID-19; and 77% of applicants reported having insufficient income to pay August rent. The analysis also notes that the average unpaid rent balance has increased to \$2,802.19 and 41% of applicants are three or more months behind on rent. Starting August 15, 2020 Inland SoCal United Way and Lift to Rise are accepting rolling applications and no longer have an application window. Applications can be made by calling 2-1-1 or visiting [www.unitedlift.org](http://www.unitedlift.org)

**Non-Profit Assistance Fund**

On June 9, the Board committed \$5 million in CARES Act funding for the Non-Profit Assistance Fund to assist the nonprofit sector. HHPWS also administers this program in partnership with the Inland Empire Community Foundation (IECF). Small grants up to \$10,000 will be issued to qualified non-profits who are financially impacted by COVID-

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19. The application period ran from July 1<sup>st</sup> - July 30<sup>th</sup>. This round of applications resulted in 447 grants to nonprofits totaling \$4,000,000. This is 96% of the original goal to serve 465 nonprofits. IECF will have \$650,000 remaining for a second round of grant disbursements which will launch on September 7<sup>th</sup>. Applications and additional information can be accessed online at [www.iegives.org](http://www.iegives.org).

**Distance Learning**

On July 17th, Governor Newsom announced new statewide rules that will shift most California public schools to full time distance learning to curb the spread of COVID-19. In response to this announcement, the Board of Supervisors approved an allocation of \$10 million in CARES funding to the Riverside County Office of Education to support the "All For One" campaign which is an effort to bridge the digital divide which disproportionately affects low-income students and students of color. HHPWS serves as a lead on this funding allocation which will provide funding for the purchase of device and hotspots.

**Youth Community Corps**

On August 4<sup>th</sup>, the Board of Supervisors launched the Youth Community Corps with an allocation of \$2 million CARES Act funding. The Youth Community Corps is designed to both engage youth in vocational training and to provide opportunities for youth to support larger community efforts which address the economic impacts of COVID.

The program will provide youth (ages 16-24) countywide with a paid internship at a local nonprofit or municipality. Participating youth will receive a \$2,150 stipend for a 6-week internship or a \$4,550 stipend for a 12- week internship. The Corps is expected to serve 100 youth per Supervisorial District for a total of 500 youth. To date, the program has received 669 applications from youth and has already begun to the process of onboarding youth and service site locations. More information on the Youth Community Corps can be found online at <https://www.rivcoworkforce.com/Portals/0/YCCFlyer-Business.pdf>.

**Homes for the Harvest**

On July 24, 2020, Governor Gavin Newsom announced the launch of the Housing for the Harvest program. The program is designed to provide temporary hotel housing options for essential farm and food processing employees who are either COVID-19 positive or exposed, who do not require hospitalization, to have safe and suitable places to isolate. On August 25<sup>th</sup>, the Board of Supervisors allocated \$1,000,000 in CARES Act Funding to launch a local Homes for the Harvest program. The Riverside County program will provide expanded housing options, wrap around supportive services and a financial assistance fund for farmworkers with lost wages due to quarantine/isolation. TODEC, a local non-profit, will serve as the program coordinator and service provider.

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The program is expected to serve over 200 farmworkers and will launch on September 7th.

**Pathways to Employment**

The Board of Supervisors approved an allocation of \$4 million CARES funding to address the financial impacts of COVID on unemployed residents through the formation of the Pathways to Employment program. Pathways to Employment will target adults ages 18 and over that have been impacted by COVID and lost income/employment during the pandemic. Participants will be provided employment opportunities where they

will receive a living wage stipend and be provided job training and mentoring opportunities helping them acquire sought-after job skills and experience necessary to succeed in today's changing work environment. The program will match unemployed/underemployed adults with local nonprofits and government entities that are struggling with increases in demand for services. Participating adults will receive a \$5,120 stipend for an 8-week job placement or a \$7,680 stipend for a 12-week job placement. CAP anticipates serving 100 adults per Supervisorial District for a total of 500 adults. The program is currently in the implementation phase and is currently recruiting participants. Applications can be submitted via <https://www.capriverside.org/>.

Additionally, the department is developing programming for the remaining amount in the areas of: shelters/ temporary non-congregate settings, operating Project Room Key through December, 2020, facilitation of distance learning for Adult Schools , expansion of domestic violence and youth sheltering options, implementation of respite care program for homeless individuals exiting inpatient care, transitional sheltering support, implementation of resource navigators to assist low-income households, and conversion of job training programs to distance learning formats.

**Total Estimated and Committed Expenses: \$60,000,000**

**Regional Health Care System Response (formerly Regional Hospital Response):**

This category relates to reimbursement to our regional hospitals and community health centers for expenses incurred as a response to the pandemic, as well as preparation for current and future COVID-19 coordination with the county's Emergency Operations Center. The Executive Office in collaboration with RUHS-Public Health evaluated FY 19/20 actual expenses incurred in addition to projected expenses through December 30,2020. Based on the projections, the Executive Office reduced the regional hospitals and community health centers allocation to \$21 million from the original allocation of \$34 million.

**Total Estimated Expenses: \$21,000,000**

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**Total Needs Exceed Funding Available**

Based on the latest projections obtained from partners and county departments, the actual costs incurred, amount of estimated expenses and existing commitments exceed the total CARES Act allocation. To proactively mitigate the funding shortage, the Executive Office funding administration team evaluated FY20/21 projections, reduced some of the expense categories and is currently evaluating additional funding from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and the California Disaster Assistance Act (CDAA) to eliminate the county "out-of-pocket" contribution considering current funding constraints. Funding is critical to meet the continued demands associated with COVID-19. Revised expenses category allocations and estimated expenses are outlined in Attachment C.

CARES Act Funding Received:	\$431,091,226
Estimated CARES Act Funding from CA:	<u>\$ 56,203,000</u> (Received to-date: \$18,367,231)
Total CARES Act Revenue:	\$487,294,226
Less COVID-19 Actuals & Estimated Expenses and Commitments:	<u>-\$547,743,944</u>
<b>Estimated CARES Funding Shortage:</b>	<b>-\$ 60,449,718</b>
<b>Estimated External Funding Sources (FEMA &amp; CDAA)</b>	<b><u>\$ 60,449,718</u></b>
<b>Projected Unfunded Amount</b>	<b>\$0</b>

**Impact on Residents and Businesses**

Use of CARES Act funding benefits the county residents through providing assistance to regional hospitals, community health centers and congregate care facilities as they care for those impacted by COVID-19. Additionally, the Rental Assistance, Non-Profit and Small Business grants enable residents to stay in their homes, small businesses to continue their operations and assists non-profits to fulfill their missions. Assistance provided to the Riverside County Office of Education facilitates distance learning for K-12 students through the purchase of devices. The Youth Community Corp engages the county's youth by responding to the employment issues facing this group as a result of COVID-19, as well as providing civic engagement activities. The Pathways to Employment program offers opportunities to unemployed residents. The Homes for the Harvest program offers safe and suitable places for farmworkers to isolate. CARES Act funding represents a critical funding mechanism as the county continues its essential services to residents in the areas of medical care, public health response, testing, PPE's, social services, public safety and general government services.

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**ATTACHMENTS:**

- Attachment A California Department of Finance CARES Act Quarterly Report
- Attachment B CARES Act Funding Allocations – September 2020
- Attachment C CARES Act Estimated Expenses
- Attachment D Business Assistance Program
- Attachment E RivCo Responds Infographic
- Attachment F August 24, 2020 - Press Release – MSJC Menifee Valley Campus  
“Masks are Medicine” Campaign
- Attachment G Business Ambassador Program
- Attachment H September 2, 2020 – Press Release – RUHS first Same Day Care  
location
- Attachment I Rental Assistance Program  
August 20, 2020 – United Lift Data Analysis



# Coronavirus Relief Fund Reporting

## Review and Finalize

### General Information

[Edit](#)

**DUNS Number**

72514789

### Project Information

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**Project Name**

State CRF Allocation to Counties

**Entity Name**

County of Riverside

**Status of Project Completion**

Less than 50% completed

**Total Allocated**

\$ 56,203,000

**Total Interest Earned on CRF**

\$ 0

**Total Estimated Pandemic Response Costs**

\$ 548,743,944

**Reporting Cycle/Period**

Cycle 1: 3/1/2020 – 6/30/2020

### Transfer Information

**Transfer Type**

Advance Transfer

**Date of Transfer**

08/24/2020

# Attachment A



California Department of Finance  
CARES Act Quarterly Report

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## Amounts by Category

	Expenses By Category	Expenditures (Accrual basis - liability)	Obligations (Commitment)	Total, Expenditures and Obligations	Expenditures (Accrual basis - liability) 7/1/20- 8/30/20	Forecasted Expenditures 9/1/20 - 12/30/20	Total Estimated Expenditures
A	Administrative Expenses	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 87,000	\$ 298,080	\$ 385,080
B	Budgeted Personnel and Services Diverted to a Substantially Different Use	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 29,090,942	\$ 48,181,884	\$ 77,272,826
C	COVID-19 Testing and Contact Tracing	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 2,383,964	\$ 5,384,377	\$ 7,768,341
D	Economic Support (Other than Small Business, Housing, and Food Assistance)	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 5,000,000	\$ 14,500,000	\$ 19,500,000
E	Expenses Associated with the Issuance of Tax Anticipation Notes	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
F	Facilitating Distance Learning	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 596	\$ 1,000,000	\$ 1,000,596
G	Food Programs	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 5,384,570	\$ 10,769,140	\$ 16,153,710
H	Housing Support	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 10,000,000	\$ 44,200,000	\$ 54,200,000
I	Improve Telework Capabilities of Public Employees	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 2,854,198	\$ 8,352,594	\$ 11,206,792
J	Medical Expenses	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 32,445,100	\$ 37,005,869	\$ 69,450,969
K	Nursing Home Assistance	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 3,287,004	\$ 28,307,688	\$ 31,594,692
L	Payroll for Public Health and Safety Employees	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 10,815,329	\$ 19,523,629	\$ 30,338,958
M	Personal Protective Equipment	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 3,404,285	\$ 34,800,998	\$ 38,205,283
N	Public Health Expenses	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 9,000,221	\$ 40,791,300	\$ 49,791,521
O	Small Business Assistance	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 17,250,000	\$ 21,400,000	\$ 38,650,000
P	Unemployment Benefits	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 1,200,000	\$ 1,000,000	\$ 2,200,000



Q	Workers Compensation	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
R1		\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
R2		\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
R3		\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
R4		\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
R5		\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
R6		\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
R7		\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
R8		\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
R9		\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
R10		\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
	Subtotal A - Q:	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 132,203,209	\$ 315,515,559	\$ 447,718,768
	Subtotal R1 - R10	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
	<b>Grand Total A-R:</b>	<b>\$ 0</b>	<b>\$ 0</b>	<b>\$ 0</b>	<b>\$ 132,203,209</b>	<b>\$ 315,515,559</b>	<b>\$ 447,718,768</b>
				<b>Max Spend:</b> <b>\$ 56,203,000</b>			

Collaboration and Non-Duplication Efforts

The County of Riverside has partnered with non-profit agencies to offer outreach and subject-matter expertise to nursing homes and medical centers on COVID-19 related matters. In addition, we have enhanced our capabilities both technologically and physically to conduct contact tracing, early detection and testing deceased patients for COVID-19 to rapidly segregate them from non-COVID-19 related deaths. The County of Riverside did incur \$101K in FY 19/20 however, the report does not reflect any those costs since both installment payment received from the State were not received until July 20th and August 24 respectively. Furthermore, the costs incurred in FY 19/20 were expended and reimbursed against the \$431M CARES U.S. Treasury allocation which was directly awarded to the County of Riverside. FY 20/21 projections reflect accumulative expenditures and projections based upon costs incurred from July 1, 2020 through August 31, 2020 and anticipated to incur through December 30, 2020. The total Pandemic Response figure includes costs incurred between March 1, 2020 through June 30, 2020 and factoring CARES Funding from the U.S. Treasury. The County is currently assessing the various funding categories and is establishing a clear alignment to the funding sources to ensure non-duplication of efforts and / or expenses and full maximization of all available funding sources.

I am authorized by my employer, a recipient of federal Coronavirus Relief Funds (CRF) allocated by the State, to submit this expenditure report to the State. I have reviewed the data in the CRF Reporting portal. I certify this report is accurate and consistent with U.S. Treasury Guidance for expenditure of these funds.

Certify and Submit Record

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# Attachment B



CARES Act Funding Allocations  
September 2020

# CARES FUNDING ALLOCATIONS

## September 2020 Status Report



### Business Assistance Response

Department(s) Assigned:  
Business & Community Services

Original Estimate	\$50M
Actual Allocation	\$46.5M
In Process	\$3.5M



### Riverside County Government Response and Preparation

Department(s) Assigned:  
Executive Office  
- County Departments

Revised Estimate	\$322M
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<i>Actuals and Work in Progress:</i>	
FY 19/20	\$101M
<i>Capital Projects:</i>	
In Progress/Completed	\$74M
Evaluating	\$5.6M
FY 20/21	\$446M



### Congregate Care Facilities

*Includes Jails, Juvenile Hall, SNF's,  
Assisted Living & Rehabilitation*

Department(s) Assigned:  
Emergency Management Department  
RUHS: Public Health  
Sheriff  
Probation

Revised Estimate	\$34M
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<i>Work in Progress:</i>	
Jails & Juvenile Hall	\$15M
Other Facilities	\$19M



### Sheltering, Homelessness, Rental Assistance & Workforce Development

*Includes Distance Learning*

Department(s) Assigned:  
Housing, Homelessness Prevention &  
Workforce Solutions Department

Original Estimate	\$50M
Revised Estimate	\$60M



### Regional Health Care System Response

*Includes Regional Hospitals and  
Community Health Centers*

Department(s) Assigned:  
Emergency Management Department  
RUHS: Medical Center & Public Health

Original Estimate	\$34M
Revised Estimate	\$21M

<i>Work in Progress:</i>	
Community Health Centers	\$13M
Regional Hospitals	\$18M

# Attachment C



CARES Act Estimated Expenses

CARES Act Estimated Expenses September 2020 Monthly Report

Fiscal Year	Description	Status	CARES Act	Business Assistance Response	Sheltering, Homelessness, Rental Assistance and Workforce Development	RivCo Operations Response	Congregate Care Facilities	Regional Healthcare System Response	Total
19/20	CARES Act - Acceptance of Funding	Received from Federal Govt	\$ 431,091,226						\$ 431,091,226
20/21	CARES Act - Allocation from State	Not Received Yet	\$ 56,203,000						\$ 56,203,000
	<b>Total Estimated Revenue</b>		<b>\$ 487,294,226</b>						<b>\$ 487,294,226</b>
<b>Estimated Expenses</b>									
19/20	Small Business Grant	Administered through BCS Dept		\$ (46,575,000)					\$ (46,575,000)
19/20	Rental Assistance	Administered through HHWS			\$ (30,000,000)				\$ (30,000,000)
19/20	Non-Profit Assistance	Administered through HHWS			\$ (5,000,000)				\$ (5,000,000)
19/20	FY 19/20 All County Departments Reimbursement	EO Coordinating				\$ (72,237,542)			\$ (72,237,542)
20/21	Small Business Grant	In Progress		\$ (3,425,000)					\$ (3,425,000)
20/21	FY 20/21 District Attorney	COVID Response-Related				\$ (6,000,000)			\$ (6,000,000)
20/21	FY 20/21 Riverside University Health System - Medical Center	COVID Response-Related				\$ (6,000,000)			\$ (6,000,000)
20/21	FY 20/21 Riverside University Health System - Federally-Qualified Health Centers	COVID Response-Related				\$ (3,750,000)			\$ (3,750,000)
20/21	FY 20/21 Riverside University Health System - Public Health	Contact Tracers, other COVID-related expenses				\$ (36,751,543)			\$ (36,751,543)
20/21	FY 20/21 EOC - (Office on Aging) Great Plates	Great Plates - up to September 30, 2020				\$ (22,000,000)			\$ (22,000,000)
20/21	FY 20/21 EOC - (HHPSW Dept) Project Roomkey	Project Roomkey - up to December 30, 2020				\$ (10,000,000)			\$ (10,000,000)
20/21	FY 20/21 Emergency Operations Center	Supplies, rental equipment, Federal Medical Station, transport, PPE, Childcare for essential workers				\$ (45,610,272)			\$ (45,610,272)
20/21	FY 20/21 - Registrar of Voters	COVID Response-Related				\$ (5,000,000)			\$ (5,000,000)
20/21	FY 20/21 Public Defender	COVID Response-Related				\$ (2,000,000)			\$ (2,000,000)
20/21	FY 20/21 All other depts	Estimate only (workplace modification, labor costs)				\$ (57,644,728)			\$ (57,644,728)
20/21	FY 20/21 County Jails and Juvenile Halls	COVID Response-Related					\$ (15,000,000)		\$ (15,000,000)
20/21	RUHS Mobile Lab - Capital Project	Fixed Asset - Received				\$ (1,200,000)			\$ (1,200,000)
20/21	RUHS Emergency Room - Capital Project	In Progress				\$ (3,600,000)			\$ (3,600,000)
20/21	RUHS Rapid Clinic Care -Capital Project	In Progress				\$ (4,909,122)			\$ (4,909,122)
20/21	Emergency Operations Center - Capital Project	In Progress				\$ (20,000,000)			\$ (20,000,000)
20/21	DA Banning -Capital Project	In Progress				\$ (8,000,000)			\$ (8,000,000)
20/21	RUHS Behavioral Hlth Campus - Capital Project	Evaluating				\$ (18,000,000)			\$ (18,000,000)
20/21	Regional Hospitals	EO & EMD coordinating						\$ (18,000,000)	\$ (18,000,000)
20/21	Community Health Centers	EMD & Public Health coordinating						\$ (3,000,000)	\$ (3,000,000)
20/21	Housing/Sheltering	HHWS coordinating							\$ -
20/21	Congregate Care (SNF's, Rehab, Assist.Living)	EMD & Public Health coordinating					\$ (19,000,000)		\$ (19,000,000)
20/21	Youth Community Corp	HHWS coordinating			\$ (2,000,000)				\$ (2,000,000)
20/21	RCOE (K-12 education) - distance learning devices	HHWS coordinating			\$ (10,000,000)				\$ (10,000,000)
20/21	Private Schools - distance learning devices	HHWS developing program			\$ (1,000,000)				\$ (1,000,000)
20/21	Pathways to Employment	In Progress			\$ (4,000,000)				\$ (4,000,000)
20/21	Homes of Harvest	In Progress			\$ (1,000,000)				\$ (1,000,000)
20/21	Other Sheltering/Homelessness/Workforce Development	HHWS developing programs			\$ (7,000,000)				\$ (7,000,000)
	<b>Total Committed and Estimated Expenses</b>		<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ (50,000,000)</b>	<b>\$ (60,000,000)</b>	<b>\$ (322,703,207)</b>	<b>\$ (34,000,000)</b>	<b>\$ (21,000,000)</b>	<b>\$ (487,703,207)</b>

Department Abbreviation Key

BCS - Business and Community Services Department  
 HHWD - Housing, Homelessness and Workforce Solutions Department

EO - Executive Office  
 EMD - Emergency Management Department

Grand Total FY 19/20 and 20/21 CARES Act Revenue	\$ 487,294,226
Less Actuals, Committed and Estimated Expenses	\$ 547,743,944
Estimated Shortage in CARES Funding	\$ (60,449,718)
External Sources of Funding (FEMA & CDAAs)	\$ 60,449,718
Projected Unfunded Amount	\$ -
*Staff are currently identifying a modified funding strategy to ensure that all available sources of funding are maximized	

# Attachment D



Business Assistance Program



COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE



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# COVID-19 BUSINESS ASSISTANCE GRANT PROGRAM

## SUMMARY REPORT

SEPTEMBER 2, 2020





## COVID-19 Business Assistance Grant Program Summary

On June 2, 2020 the Board of Supervisors approved \$45 million in Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES) grant funding to aid small businesses enduring hardships due to the coronavirus pandemic. The COVID-19 Business Assistance Grant Program is available to small businesses in cities and unincorporated areas within Riverside County.

The program provides a \$10,000 grant to individual businesses affected by closures and interruptions in response to COVID-19. Many of the smaller businesses and sole proprietorships in the county were unable to obtain loan funding through the SBA Paycheck Protection Program. The COVID-19 Business Assistance Grant Program was designed to provide direct assistance in an efficient and accessible manner. In partnership with the non-profit organization, Main Street Launch, the program consists of an online application form with loadable documentation, review and verification, and the convenience of direct deposit to grantees. This program affords struggling businesses the ability to maintain service levels, retain employees, and address new health and safety practices required to continue operations.

The COVID-19 Business Assistance Grant Program has concluded two rounds of applications. Round I (June 3 - 19, 2020) and Round II (June 29 - August 31, 2020) and provided 2,667 grants as of the week ending August 1, 2020. This represents a total funding amount of \$26.67 million. This report reflects grants and funding provided as of the week ending July 25, 2020. Final funding and reporting for Round II is in process and will be provided upon completion. Eligibility requirements consistent in both rounds were as follows: Private for-profit businesses; business must have experienced a financial hardship as a result of COVID-19; businesses with less than 50 employees; and operating for a minimum of one-year as of March 1, 2020. Round II expanded eligibility included: Sole proprietors that do not have employees; and businesses that received the SBA Economic Injury Disaster Loan (EIDL) or advance.

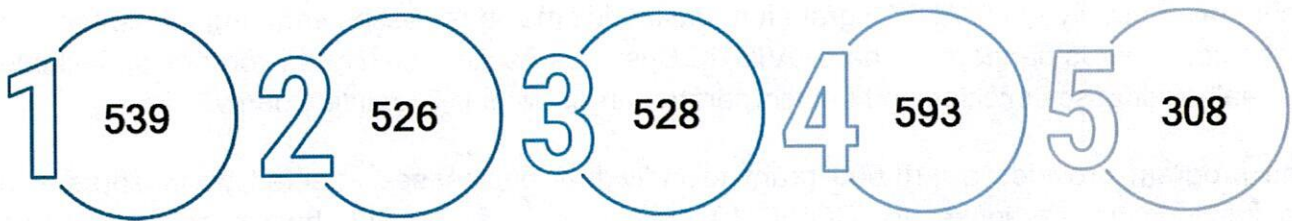
On September 16, 2020, Round III will open and run through October 30, 2020. Criteria from the previous two rounds will be carried over to Round III, as well as be expanded to include recipients of Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) loans of \$75,000 and under.

To promote the COVID-19 Business Assistance Program, flyers were distributed door-to-door to business communities throughout the county along with direct contact through email and phone calls. The grant program also gained public exposure through media outlets, webinars, and partnerships with cities and members of the Economic Recovery Task Force.

COVID-19 Business Assistance Grant recipients throughout the county, collectively through July 25, 2020.

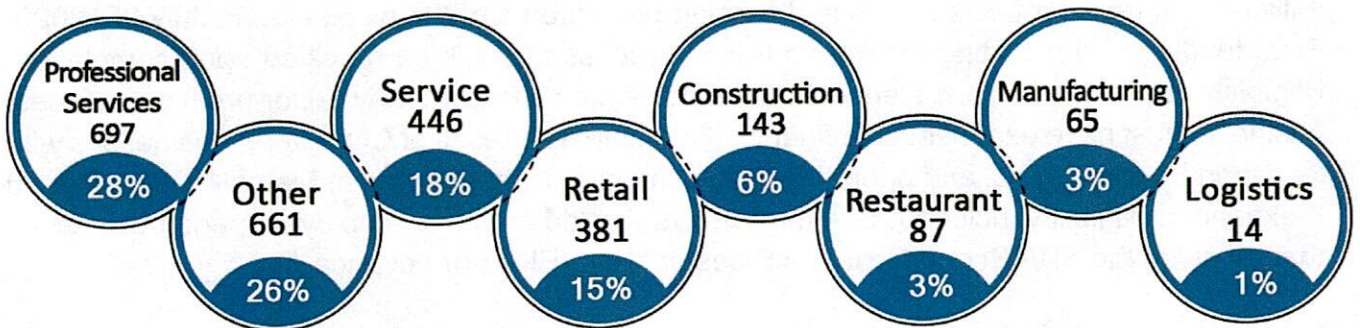
## BUSINESS ASSISTANCE GRANT PROGRAM NUMBER OF GRANTS - THROUGH 7/25/20

BY DISTRICT



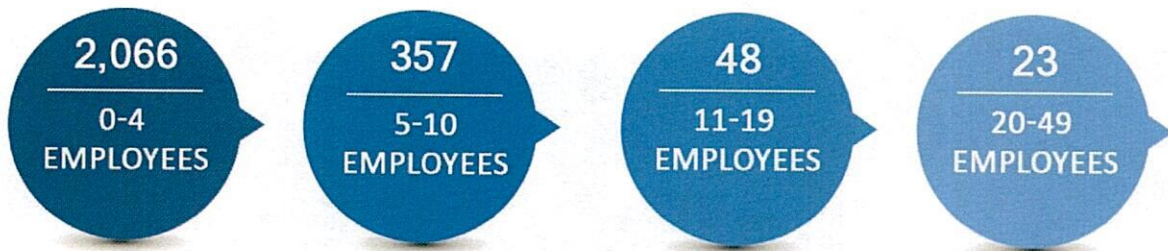
COVID-19 Business Assistance Grant funding through July 25, 2020 illustrated below by industry sector.

## FUNDED/COMMITTED BY SECTOR THROUGH 7/25/20



Size of businesses positively assisted by funding through the COVID-19 Business Assistance Grant program.

## SIZE OF BUSINESS BY NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES 2,494 TOTAL BUSINESSES



In addition, the following data was collected to reflect the grant funding recipients and, in each community, by Supervisorial Districts:

District 1	Funded
Canyon Lake	30
Corona	33
Gavilan Hills	1
Lake Elsinore	71
Lake Mathews	1
Meadowbrook	1
Murrieta	3
Perris	11
Riverside	357
Temecula	5
Temescal Valley	4
Wildomar	21
N/A	1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>539</b>

SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA



ITEM: 2.3  
(ID # 13550)

**MEETING DATE:**  
Tuesday, September 29, 2020

**FROM :** EXECUTIVE OFFICE:

**SUBJECT:** EXECUTIVE OFFICE: CORONAVIRUS AID, RELIEF AND ECONOMIC SECURITY ACT (CARES ACT) MONTHLY REPORT SEPTEMBER 2020. All Districts. [\$0]

**RECOMMENDED MOTION:** That the Board of Supervisors:

1. That the Board of Supervisors receive and file the CARES Act monthly report for SEPTEMBER 2020.

**ACTION:**

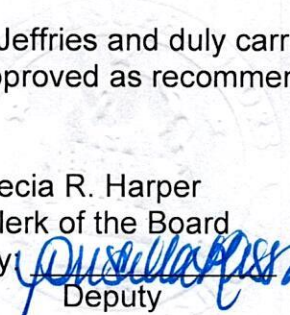

  
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Lisa D Brandl 9/24/2020

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**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

On motion of Supervisor Perez, seconded by Supervisor Jeffries and duly carried by unanimous vote, IT WAS ORDERED that the above matter is approved as recommended.

Ayes: Jeffries, Spiegel, Washington, Perez and Hewitt  
Nays: None  
Absent: None  
Date: September 29, 2020  
xc: EO

  
Kecia R. Harper  
Clerk of the Board  
By:   
Deputy

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The program will provide youth (ages 16-24) countywide with a paid internship at a local nonprofit or municipality. Participating youth will receive a \$2,150 stipend for a 6-week internship or a \$4,550 stipend for a 12- week internship. The Corps is expected to serve 100 youth per Supervisorial District for a total of 500 youth. To date, the program has received 669 applications from youth and has already began to the process of onboarding youth and service site locations. More information on the Youth Community Corps can be found online at <https://www.rivcoworkforce.com/Portals/0/YCCFlyer-Business.pdf>.

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On July 24, 2020, Governor Gavin Newsom announced the launch of the Housing for the Harvest program. The program is designed to provide temporary hotel housing options for essential farm and food processing employees who are either COVID-19 positive or exposed, who do not require hospitalization, to have safe and suitable places to isolate. On August 25<sup>th</sup>, the Board of Supervisors allocated \$1,000,000 in CARES Act Funding to launch a local Homes for the Harvest program. The Riverside County program will provide expanded housing options, wrap around supportive services and a financial assistance fund for farmworkers with lost wages due to quarantine/isolation. TODEC, a local non-profit, will serve as the program coordinator and service provider.

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The program is expected to serve over 200 farmworkers and will launch on September 7th.

**Pathways to Employment**

The Board of Supervisors approved an allocation of \$4 million CARES funding to address the financial impacts of COVID on unemployed residents through the formation of the Pathways to Employment program. Pathways to Employment will target adults ages 18 and over that have been impacted by COVID and lost income/employment during the pandemic. Participants will be provided employment opportunities where they

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Additionally, the department is developing programming for the remaining amount in the areas of: shelters/ temporary non-congregate settings, operating Project Room Key through December, 2020, facilitation of distance learning for Adult Schools , expansion of domestic violence and youth sheltering options, implementation of respite care program for homeless individuals exiting inpatient care, transitional sheltering support, implementation of resource navigators to assist low-income households, and conversion of job training programs to distance learning formats.

**Total Estimated and Committed Expenses: \$60,000,000**

**Regional Health Care System Response (formerly Regional Hospital Response):**

This category relates to reimbursement to our regional hospitals and community health centers for expenses incurred as a response to the pandemic, as well as preparation for current and future COVID-19 coordination with the county's Emergency Operations Center. The Executive Office in collaboration with RUHS-Public Health evaluated FY 19/20 actual expenses incurred in addition to projected expenses through December 30,2020. Based on the projections, the Executive Office reduced the regional hospitals and community health centers allocation to \$21 million from the original allocation of \$34 million.

**Total Estimated Expenses: \$21,000,000**

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**Total Needs Exceed Funding Available**

Based on the latest projections obtained from partners and county departments, the actual costs incurred, amount of estimated expenses and existing commitments exceed the total CARES Act allocation. To proactively mitigate the funding shortage, the Executive Office funding administration team evaluated FY20/21 projections, reduced some of the expense categories and is currently evaluating additional funding from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and the California Disaster Assistance Act (CDAA) to eliminate the county "out-of-pocket" contribution considering current funding constraints. Funding is critical to meet the continued demands associated with COVID-19. Revised expenses category allocations and estimated expenses are outlined in Attachment C.

CARES Act Funding Received:	\$431,091,226
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Less COVID-19 Actuals & Estimated Expenses and Commitments:	<u>-\$547,743,944</u>
<b>Estimated CARES Funding Shortage:</b>	<b>-\$ 60,449,718</b>
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**Impact on Residents and Businesses**

Use of CARES Act funding benefits the county residents through providing assistance to regional hospitals, community health centers and congregate care facilities as they care for those impacted by COVID-19. Additionally, the Rental Assistance, Non-Profit and Small Business grants enable residents to stay in their homes, small businesses to continue their operations and assists non-profits to fulfill their missions. Assistance provided to the Riverside County Office of Education facilitates distance learning for K-12 students through the purchase of devices. The Youth Community Corp engages the county's youth by responding to the employment issues facing this group as a result of COVID-19, as well as providing civic engagement activities. The Pathways to Employment program offers opportunities to unemployed residents. The Homes for the Harvest program offers safe and suitable places for farmworkers to isolate. CARES Act funding represents a critical funding mechanism as the county continues its essential services to residents in the areas of medical care, public health response, testing, PPE's, social services, public safety and general government services.

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**ATTACHMENTS:**

- Attachment A California Department of Finance CARES Act Quarterly Report
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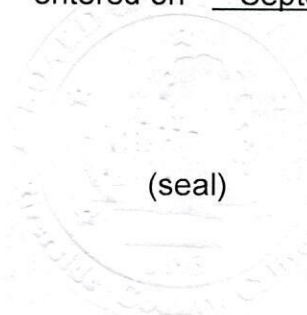
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(MT 13456)

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Roll Call:

Ayes: Jeffries, Spiegel, Washington, Perez and Hewitt  
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I hereby certify that the foregoing is a full true, and correct copy of an order made and entered on September 15, 2020 of Supervisors Minutes.



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WITNESS my hand and the seal of the Board of Supervisors  
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**FROM :** EXECUTIVE OFFICE:

**SUBJECT:** EXECUTIVE OFFICE: CORONAVIRUS AID, RELIEF AND ECONOMIC SECURITY ACT (CARES ACT) MONTHLY REPORT SEPTEMBER 2020. All Districts. [\$0]

**RECOMMENDED MOTION:** That the Board of Supervisors:

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**ACTION:**

  
Lisa D Brandl 9/10/2020

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The Executive Office continues to work the Sheriff's and Probation departments to determine CARES act eligibility criteria within the county's jails and juvenile halls. Direct care response services including COVID-19 testing and telehealth technology are being provided to inmates within the county jails as a result of funding provided for building improvements that allowed for social distancing and spread mitigation.

RUHS-Public Health provided grants in the total amount of \$11.1 million to local partners to provide congregate care support, training, PPE to Skilled Nursing Facilities (SNFs) and County-wide Community Health Centers.

**Total Estimated Expenses: \$34,000,000**

**Homelessness/Rental Assistance/Sheltering/Workforce Development:**

**Riverside County Rental Relief Fund**

On June 2, the Board created the Riverside County Rental Relief Fund (RCRRF) in the amount of \$30 million of CARES Act funding for renters and landlords affected by economic impacts from COVID-19. The RCRRF program is administered through the Housing, Homelessness Prevention and Workforce Solutions Department (HHPWS) and was officially launched on June 15<sup>th</sup>. The second application period opened on July 15<sup>th</sup> and closed on July 25<sup>th</sup>. This application period resulted in 3,741 applications with 1,483 self-reported that they met the eligibility requirements. Inland SoCal United Way and Lift to Rise are currently processing payments to landlords. To date, more than 1,100 payments are in process totaling \$2.7 million.

Attachment I, *Data Analysis for the July 2020 Application Period*, provides a detailed demographic report for the second applicant pool. The trends noted in the first application period continue; the majority of pre-eligible applicants (72%) are low or extremely low income; the five communities with the highest applicants continues to be Riverside, Moreno Valley, Corona, Hemet and Palm Springs; 58% of applicants report being out of work due to COVID-19; and 77% of applicants reported having insufficient income to pay August rent. The analysis also notes that the average unpaid rent balance has increased to \$2,802.19 and 41% of applicants are three or more months behind on rent. Starting August 15, 2020 Inland SoCal United Way and Lift to Rise are accepting rolling applications and no longer have an application window. Applications can be made by calling 2-1-1 or visiting [www.unitedlift.org](http://www.unitedlift.org)

**Non-Profit Assistance Fund**

On June 9, the Board committed \$5 million in CARES Act funding for the Non-Profit Assistance Fund to assist the nonprofit sector. HHPWS also administers this program in partnership with the Inland Empire Community Foundation (IECF). Small grants up to \$10,000 will be issued to qualified non-profits who are financially impacted by COVID-

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19. The application period ran from July 1<sup>st</sup> - July 30<sup>th</sup>. This round of applications resulted in 447 grants to nonprofits totaling \$4,000,000. This is 96% of the original goal to serve 465 nonprofits. IECF will have \$650,000 remaining for a second round of grant disbursements which will launch on September 7<sup>th</sup>. Applications and additional information can be accessed online at [www.iegives.org](http://www.iegives.org).

**Distance Learning**

On July 17th, Governor Newsom announced new statewide rules that will shift most California public schools to full time distance learning to curb the spread of COVID-19. In response to this announcement, the Board of Supervisors approved an allocation of \$10 million in CARES funding to the Riverside County Office of Education to support the "All For One" campaign which is an effort to bridge the digital divide which disproportionately affects low-income students and students of color. HHPWS serves as a lead on this funding allocation which will provide funding for the purchase of device and hotspots.

**Youth Community Corps**

On August 4<sup>th</sup>, the Board of Supervisors launched the Youth Community Corps with an allocation of \$2 million CARES Act funding. The Youth Community Corps is designed to both engage youth in vocational training and to provide opportunities for youth to support larger community efforts which address the economic impacts of COVID.

The program will provide youth (ages 16-24) countywide with a paid internship at a local nonprofit or municipality. Participating youth will receive a \$2,150 stipend for a 6-week internship or a \$4,550 stipend for a 12-week internship. The Corps is expected to serve 100 youth per Supervisorial District for a total of 500 youth. To date, the program has received 669 applications from youth and has already begun to the process of onboarding youth and service site locations. More information on the Youth Community Corps can be found online at <https://www.rivcoworkforce.com/Portals/0/YCCFlyer-Business.pdf>.

**Homes for the Harvest**

On July 24, 2020, Governor Gavin Newsom announced the launch of the Housing for the Harvest program. The program is designed to provide temporary hotel housing options for essential farm and food processing employees who are either COVID-19 positive or exposed, who do not require hospitalization, to have safe and suitable places to isolate. On August 25<sup>th</sup>, the Board of Supervisors allocated \$1,000,000 in CARES Act Funding to launch a local Homes for the Harvest program. The Riverside County program will provide expanded housing options, wrap around supportive services and a financial assistance fund for farmworkers with lost wages due to quarantine/isolation. TODEC, a local non-profit, will serve as the program coordinator and service provider.

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The program is expected to serve over 200 farmworkers and will launch on September 7th.

**Pathways to Employment**

The Board of Supervisors approved an allocation of \$4 million CARES funding to address the financial impacts of COVID on unemployed residents through the formation of the Pathways to Employment program. Pathways to Employment will target adults ages 18 and over that have been impacted by COVID and lost income/employment during the pandemic. Participants will be provided employment opportunities where they

will receive a living wage stipend and be provided job training and mentoring opportunities helping them acquire sought-after job skills and experience necessary to succeed in today's changing work environment. The program will match unemployed/underemployed adults with local nonprofits and government entities that are struggling with increases in demand for services. Participating adults will receive a \$5,120 stipend for an 8-week job placement or a \$7,680 stipend for a 12-week job placement. CAP anticipates serving 100 adults per Supervisorial District for a total of 500 adults. The program is currently in the implementation phase and is currently recruiting participants. Applications can be submitted via <https://www.capriverside.org/>.

Additionally, the department is developing programming for the remaining amount in the areas of: shelters/ temporary non-congregate settings, operating Project Room Key through December, 2020, facilitation of distance learning for Adult Schools , expansion of domestic violence and youth sheltering options, implementation of respite care program for homeless individuals exiting inpatient care, transitional sheltering support, implementation of resource navigators to assist low-income households, and conversion of job training programs to distance learning formats.

**Total Estimated and Committed Expenses: \$60,000,000**

**Regional Health Care System Response (formerly Regional Hospital Response):**

This category relates to reimbursement to our regional hospitals and community health centers for expenses incurred as a response to the pandemic, as well as preparation for current and future COVID-19 coordination with the county's Emergency Operations Center. The Executive Office in collaboration with RUHS-Public Health evaluated FY 19/20 actual expenses incurred in addition to projected expenses through December 30,2020. Based on the projections, the Executive Office reduced the regional hospitals and community health centers allocation to \$21 million from the original allocation of \$34 million.

**Total Estimated Expenses: \$21,000,000**

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**Total Needs Exceed Funding Available**

Based on the latest projections obtained from partners and county departments, the actual costs incurred, amount of estimated expenses and existing commitments exceed the total CARES Act allocation. To proactively mitigate the funding shortage, the Executive Office funding administration team evaluated FY20/21 projections, reduced some of the expense categories and is currently evaluating additional funding from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and the California Disaster Assistance Act (CDAA) to eliminate the county "out-of-pocket" contribution considering current funding constraints. Funding is critical to meet the continued demands associated with COVID-19. Revised expenses category allocations and estimated expenses are outlined in Attachment C.

CARES Act Funding Received:	\$431,091,226
Estimated CARES Act Funding from CA:	<u>\$ 56,203,000</u> (Received to-date: \$18,367,231)
Total CARES Act Revenue:	\$487,294,226
Less COVID-19 Actuals & Estimated Expenses and Commitments:	<u>-\$547,743,944</u>
<b>Estimated CARES Funding Shortage:</b>	<b>-\$ 60,449,718</b>
<b>Estimated External Funding Sources (FEMA &amp; CDAA)</b>	<b><u>\$ 60,449,718</u></b>
<b>Projected Unfunded Amount</b>	<b>\$0</b>

**Impact on Residents and Businesses**

Use of CARES Act funding benefits the county residents through providing assistance to regional hospitals, community health centers and congregate care facilities as they care for those impacted by COVID-19. Additionally, the Rental Assistance, Non-Profit and Small Business grants enable residents to stay in their homes, small businesses to continue their operations and assists non-profits to fulfill their missions. Assistance provided to the Riverside County Office of Education facilitates distance learning for K-12 students through the purchase of devices. The Youth Community Corp engages the county's youth by responding to the employment issues facing this group as a result of COVID-19, as well as providing civic engagement activities. The Pathways to Employment program offers opportunities to unemployed residents. The Homes for the Harvest program offers safe and suitable places for farmworkers to isolate. CARES Act funding represents a critical funding mechanism as the county continues its essential services to residents in the areas of medical care, public health response, testing, PPE's, social services, public safety and general government services.



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**ATTACHMENTS:**

- Attachment A            California Department of Finance CARES Act Quarterly Report
- Attachment B            CARES Act Funding Allocations – September 2020
- Attachment C            CARES Act Estimated Expenses
- Attachment D            Business Assistance Program
- Attachment E            RivCo Responds Infographic
- Attachment F            August 24, 2020 - Press Release – MSJC Menifee Valley Campus  
“Masks are Medicine” Campaign
- Attachment G            Business Ambassador Program
- Attachment H            September 2, 2020 – Press Release – RUHS first Same Day Care  
location
- Attachment I            Rental Assistance Program  
August 20, 2020 – United Lift Data Analysis

## County of Riverside Programs and Services

### Employment Training Panel

Riverside County currently has funding through the State of California Employment Training Panel (ETP) for manufacturers and distribution centers in the Riverside area to enhance the skills of their workforce. ETP pays 100% of customized training for eligible companies. Business eligibility is determined by using the California Employer Account number. Classes are given by UC Riverside and customized to meet the needs of the company.

EDA will also pursue opportunities to create additional targeted, advanced manufacturing training program to in furthering job training skills and help develop a pipeline of future job candidates for the company's expansion in Riverside County.

### Riverside County International Business Office

The International Business Office (IBO) assists business owners, corporate officers, investors, and entrepreneurs with export and import assistance with the objective of creating new jobs and investment within the county. The IBO serves as your link to developing and existing markets overseas, including our United States Export Assistance Centers, Foreign Agricultural Services, United States Chambers of Commerce operating abroad, United States Commercial Service, Foreign Trade Offices, and investors from other nations interested in establishing a business location in the County of Riverside.

The IBO is also directly responsible for government-to-government relations, as it pertains to economic development, trade, tourism, and good will building with the Organization of American States, United Nations, and all nations and governments formally recognized by the government of the United States of America. This office also exists to promote the use of the North American Free Trade Agreement, Central American Free Trade Agreement, and existing trade agreements or treaties. These treaties open markets for goods and products produced within the County of Riverside that are manufactured, or grown in Riverside County. IBO is strategically placed within the Riverside County Business & Community Services Department to have direct access to the vast resources, support, and assistance from its team of highly dedicated professionals within the agency.

## Foreign-Trade Zone

### Benefits of a Foreign-Trade Zone

- **Duty Deferral.** Delayed payment of duties on goods that enter the U.S. market
- **Duty Exemption.** No duties on or quota charges on imported goods that are later re-exported
- **Inverted Tariff.** Manufacturing-specific benefits – with case-by-case approval by the FTZ Board – can include reduction of duties if a lower tariff rate applies to the finished product leaving the zone than the tariff rates that would have applied on foreign components.
- **Logistical Benefits.** Reductions in merchandise processing fees because zone users may be able to file a single customs “entry” (and pay a single fee) per week rather than making multiple entries during the course of a week.
- **Other Benefits.** Elimination of duties on waste, scrap and defective parts.

### Other Advantages

- **Enhancing Competitiveness.** By reducing costs, FTZs improve U.S. competitiveness. FTZs help businesses reduce production, transaction, and logistics-related costs by lowering effective duty rates, allowing special entry procedures, and encouraging production closer to market.
- **Creating/Retaining Jobs and Encouraging Investment.** By helping local employers remain competitive, zones can contribute to maintaining or boosting employment opportunities. Plus, lower FTZ-based production costs encourage increased investment in U.S. facilities.

### About the Foreign-Trade Zone Program

- Retail sales are prohibited within a zone
- The FTZ Act prohibits residence within a zone
- With the exception of formal customs entry procedures, all other local, state and federal laws and regulations apply (including labor and immigration laws)
- FTZs remain under the direct supervision of U.S. Customs and Border Protection
- FTZs are within the territory of the U.S. and merchandise stored in a FTZ is considered imported into the U.S.

## **Using a Foreign-Trade Zone**

Once a zone location has been established by the FTZ Board, companies are required to "activate" the zone with U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) prior to beginning FTZ operations. Zone activity occurs under the supervision of CBP and FTZs remain within the jurisdiction of all other local, state and federal governments or agencies.

## **Types of Companies Using a Foreign-Trade Zone**

Large and small companies alike use a Foreign-Trade Zone: seventy percent of Foreign-Trade Zone users are small businesses. These companies defer, reduce or eliminate U.S. Customs duties and fees. Such companies include importers, manufacturers, distributors, assemblers of products, and exporters of imported merchandise and/or products containing imported merchandise. A company that does not buy or receive imported products from foreign or domestic vendors, and does not plan to do so, will not benefit from the use of a Foreign-Trade Zone.

## **Financing Programs**

### **Industrial Development Bond Financing**

Industrial Development Bond financing may be a valuable tool to finance the acquisition of facilities or equipment. Bond financing has traditionally offered rates that are lower than conventional financing. Business and Community Services would be happy to facilitate discussions with an appropriate bonding partner to investigate further.

A manufacturer can finance projects at a lower interest rate than conventional financing because the interest paid to the bondholders is exempt from federal (and in some instances state) income taxes. Eligible manufacturers can use the low-cost, bond proceeds to finance the acquisition and rehabilitation, or construction of manufacturing facilities. Bond proceeds may also be used for the acquisition of new equipment.

The financing structure is fairly simple. An industrial development authority will issue bonds and loan the proceeds to the Company. The Company's obligation to repay the loan is secured by a direct-pay Letter of Credit.

The initial term of the Letter of Credit will typically be less than the term of the bonds, which

could be as long as thirty years. Renewal or replacement of the Letter of Credit will keep this structure in place until final repayment of the bonds.

The issuer of the bonds will depend upon a number of considerations, including the desire for local participation. Cities, counties, and certain state agencies are empowered to establish such authorities, as well as to join with other agencies to form such authorities.

The authority will receive proceeds at closing from the sale of bonds to the underwriter, which in turn are disbursed to the Company. The rate on the bonds is adjustable and is reset weekly by the Underwriter in its capacity as Remarketing Agent.

Bonds can be issued by the California Infrastructure and Economic Development Bank (I-Bank), cities, counties, and joint powers authorities.

- \$10 million maximum loan
- Interest rate 20-30% below conventional financing rates
- Primary business activity: manufacturing, processing, fabrication
- Primary use: acquisition, construction, rehab, equipment

## **Recycling Market Development Zone Program**

The Recycling Market Development Revolving Loan Program (Loan Program) provides low-interest loans to private businesses and not-for-profit organizations to increase diversion of non-hazardous solid waste from California landfills and to promote market demand for secondary and postconsumer materials.

The program can fund a maximum of 75% of costs directly attributed to an eligible project up to a maximum of \$2,000,000 whichever is less. Eligible uses include:

- Machinery and equipment,
- Working capital,
- Real estate purchase (maximum of \$1,000,000)
- Real estate improvements,
- Refinancing of onerous debt that results in increased diversion, and
- Funds can also be used for financing loan-closing points.

## Riverside County Revolving Loan Program

The Riverside County Small Business Financial Assistance Program provides business loans from \$25,000 to \$380,000. Interest rates are variable and based on several factors. Money may be used for start-up or existing companies for the following purposes:

- Equipment
- Inventory
- Working Capital
- Real Estate
- Business acquisition
- Construction

Eligible borrowers must be at least 18 years of age living in Riverside County. The business must be a legal entity that is run for-profit and operate in Riverside County. Borrowers must be able to show the ability to repay the loan and demonstrate the credit to make the project viable is not available.

Typical borrowers are start-up or existing businesses that have been declined for a loan by a lender or are having difficulty obtaining a loan for their business. They do not meet minimum debt to income ratios with insufficient credit history. Borrower must be current with credit status. No minimum credit score required. No Federal, State or local tax delinquencies will be considered.

Approval time is approximately 8 weeks from receipt of completed application package. Repayment terms are 3 to 5 years for working capital, 7 years for equipment, and up to 10 years for real estate. Co-borrower must sign personal guarantee and have minimal ownership percentage.

To apply contact Riverside County Economic Development to obtain application forms and a detailed list of required documents. All applicants will be required to receive technical assistance from the Small Business Development Center as condition of consideration of loan.



## **United States Small Business Administration (SBA) Financing**

### **What SBA Offers to Help Small Businesses Grow**

The SBA offers many and varied programs to small businesses, and the qualifications for each are specific. SBA can help facilitate a loan for with a third party lender, guarantee a bond, or help find venture capital. Understanding how SBA works is the first step towards receiving assistance. SBA provides a number of financial assistance programs for small businesses that have been specifically designed to meet key financing needs, including debt financing, surety bonds, and equity financing.

### **Guaranteed Loan Programs (Debt Financing)**

SBA does not make direct loans to small businesses. Rather, SBA sets the guidelines for loans, which are then made by its partners (lenders, community development organizations, and micro-lending institutions). The SBA guarantees that these loans will be repaid, thus eliminating some of the risk to the lending partners. So when a business applies for an SBA loan, it is actually applying for a commercial loan, structured according to SBA requirements with an SBA guaranty. SBA-guaranteed loans may not be made to a small business if the borrower has access to other financing on reasonable terms.

SBA loan guaranty requirements and practices can change as the Government alters its fiscal policy and priorities to meet current economic conditions. Therefore, you can't rely on past policy when seeking assistance in today's market.

### **Bonding Program (Surety Bonds)**

SBA's Surety Bond Guarantee (SBG) Program helps small business contractors who cannot obtain surety bonds through regular commercial channels.

A surety bond is a three-party instrument between a surety (someone who agrees to be responsible for the debt or obligation of another), a contractor and a project owner. The agreement binds the contractor to comply with the terms and conditions of a contract. If the contractor is unable to successfully perform the contract, the surety assumes the contractor's responsibilities and ensures that the project is completed.

Through the SBG Program, the SBA makes an agreement with a surety guaranteeing that SBA will assume a percentage of loss in the event the contractor should breach the terms of the contract. The SBA's guarantee gives sureties an incentive to provide bonding for eligible contractors, thereby strengthening a contractor's ability to obtain bonding and greater access to contracting opportunities for small businesses.

SBA can guarantee bonds for contracts up to \$5 million, covering bid, performance and payment bonds, and in some cases up to \$10 million for certain contracts.

### Venture Capital Program

SBA's Small Business Investment Company (SBIC) Program is a public-private investment partnership created to help fill the gap between the availability of growth capital and the needs of small businesses. The SBA does not invest directly in small businesses, relying instead on the expertise of qualified private investment funds. The SBA licenses these funds as SBICs and supplements the capital they raise from private investors with access to low-cost, government-guaranteed debt.

With these two sources of capital backing them, SBICs search across the United States for promising businesses in need of debt or equity financing. SBICs are similar to other investment funds in terms of how they operate and their pursuit of high returns.



## Utility Incentives

### Southern California Edison

Southern California Edison is committed to helping our customers maintain and grow their business by providing safe and reliable energy. We help our customers reduce cost and conserve energy by providing energy efficiency and demand response programs. Our Business Services team also works closely with our strategic partners at the city, county, and state level to address issues impacting a company's success and provide resources to help businesses reach their highest potential.

Southern California Edison offers a number of programs to help qualifying customers reduce energy usage and lower electricity costs.

- Energy-efficiency and demand-response programs
- Demand response programs provide financial incentives for voluntary energy reduction
- Business Energy Efficiency programs; lighting, refrigeration, food service, AC, equipment rebates
- California solar Initiative (CSI) program offers cash incentives for going solar
- Savings by design program for new expansion facility rebates

[www.sce.com/wps/portal/home/business/savings-incentives](http://www.sce.com/wps/portal/home/business/savings-incentives)

### Southern California Gas Company

The Southern California Gas Company offers efficiency programs for business including:

- Small business equipment rebates, [www.socalgas.com/business/rebates/](http://www.socalgas.com/business/rebates/)
- Incentives by industry, [www.socalgas.com/business/rebates/industry/index.html](http://www.socalgas.com/business/rebates/industry/index.html)
- Foodservice Equipment Rebates, [www.socalgas.com/business/rebates/parr.html](http://www.socalgas.com/business/rebates/parr.html)
- Savings by design, [www.socalgas.com/business/sbd/](http://www.socalgas.com/business/sbd/)
- Rebates for Suppliers and Installers

<http://www.socalgas.com/for-your-business/>

## Strategic Partnerships

### Western Riverside Council of Governments HERO Program

The Western Riverside Council of Governments operates a Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) program named HERO which is a financing plan that specializes in funding Commercial energy and water efficiency products as well as renewable energy systems.

- HERO offers up to 20 year financing at fixed rates.
- HERO creates a special tax assessment on the property.
- HERO eliminates the barriers of high upfront costs.

Samas Capital is a Premier International Financial Innovator and Asset Manager of Structured Products.

The purpose is to provide innovative financing solutions for clients by structuring financial products that bridge the gap to the capital markets. The focus is to employ securitization methodology to fund and invest in stable and predictable long-term cash flows.

Samas Capital has brought expertise and focus to the Renewable Energy Sector by providing competitive financing solutions to market for Commercial clients.

Samas Capital is proud to provide a comprehensive PACE program that includes but is not limited to the following:

- Comprehensive PACE program solution that is customized to the client's needs
- Proven implementation program administration package
- Experience in setting up programs across the nation.
- Corporate resources to manage a streamlined origination process including a full service call center with over 100 client support specialists available to assist the client
- State of the art underwriting solutions for the property and economics of the project.
- The expertise to provide due diligence on the renewable energy project from energy efficiency retrofit to very large solar projects.



### University of California, Riverside

Business and Community Services will facilitate engagement with the University of California, Riverside to identify potential partnership opportunities with the schools of Engineering. These opportunities could include collaboration on technology development and implementation and assistance with identifying candidates for positions when appropriate.

### California Manufacturing Technology Consulting

Business and Community Services will arrange a meeting with the California Manufacturing Technology Consulting (CMTTC), a non-profit consulting firm, to determine ways to assist in the achievement of improvements in productivity and profitability at the facility in the county of Riverside.

## State of California Programs and Services

### Overview

The following is a compilation of resources businesses may utilize in connection with operational considerations in California. Please note that this is not an exhaustive list. Actual dollar amounts associated with each incentive require detailed information to estimate and Riverside County will facilitate interaction with the Governor’s Office of Economic Development and other State agencies to determine more detailed incentive and program information.

### The Governor’s Office of Economic Development Permit Assistance

- Purpose:** Eliminate permitting redundancies at the state level and expedite project development
- Service:** Start-to-finish permit streamlining provided for qualified projects
- Application:** Request services from the Permit Assistance Unit
- Reference:** <http://www.business.ca.gov/Programs/Permits.aspx>
- Additional Info:** Through the Permit Assistance unit, The Office of Economic Development can facilitate permit processing related to the proposed

expansion. The Office of Economic Development can assist with local, state, and federal permitting issues.

## Consolidated Permitting

The Office of Economic Development has partnered with the California Environmental Protection Agency to enhance the state's Consolidated Permit Process. Consolidated Permitting is a process whereby a permit applicant can request to have all of their state environmental permits coordinated by one agency. This can make the process easier by providing a single point of contact for multiple permits, and by helping to identify needed permits earlier in the process. It may also reduce the need to provide duplicate information to various permitting agencies.

Reference: <http://calgold.ca.gov/>

## Tax Credits and Exemptions

### Full Sales Tax Exclusion – Advanced Manufacturing

**Purpose:** To stimulate advanced manufacturing in the state by exempting purchases made by manufacturers that meet defined "advanced manufacturing" criteria.

**Incentive:** A sales tax exclusion from both state and local sales tax collection on equipment purchases for qualifying businesses that conduct qualifying activities. Sales tax rates vary by jurisdiction (typically 7% to 9.25%)

**Application:** Filed with the California Alternative Energy & Advanced Transportation Financing Authority (CAEATFA)

**Reference:** CAEATFA

<http://www.treasurer.ca.gov/caeatfa/ste/index.asp>



**To qualify:**

Projects must describe how they meet:

- A. manufacturing processes that improve existing, or create entirely new materials, products, and processes through:
  - the use of science, engineering, or information technologies,
  - high-precision tools and methods,
  - a high-performance workforce, and
  - innovative business or organizational models
- A. Uses any of the following technology areas:
  - Micro- and nanoelectronics, including semiconductors.
  - Advanced materials.
  - Integrated computational materials engineering.
  - Nanotechnology.
  - Additive manufacturing.
  - Industrial biotechnology.
- B. How the proposed Project results in a substantive advancement, whether incremental or breakthrough, beyond the current industry standard, in the production of materials and products.
- C. How the proposed Project is a sustainable manufacturing system that minimizes the use of resources while maintaining or improving cost and performance (this cannot include systems or technologies required to be undertaken pursuant to state or federal law or regulations).

**Additional Info:**

Recently adopted legislation (AB 1422) effective on January 1, 2014 will enable applicants to choose to qualify under requirement C or D above.

**Partial Sales & Use Tax Exemption**

**Purpose:** To incentivize manufacturing projects in the state by exempting purchases made by qualified manufacturers including R&D activities

**Incentive:** Exemption from the state’s portion of sales tax on equipment purchases

**Calculation:** Elimination of 4.1875% of sales & use tax on equipment purchases

**Application:** Self-certification via Board of Equalization

**Reference:** CA Department of Tax and Fee Administration

<https://www.cdtfa.ca.gov/industry/manufacturing-exemptions.htm>

**Additional Info:** Qualified manufacturing and R&D activities will be determined by NAICS code.

## New Employment Credit

**Purpose:** To incentivize companies to hire targeted population groups from economically distressed areas with income earning opportunities between 150% and 350% of minimum wage

**Incentive:** State corporate income tax credit for employers with net increases in employment that hire qualified employees within qualified areas

**Calculation:** 35% of the incremental dollar value above 150% of minimum wage (currently \$13.50 per hour), but not greater than 350% of minimum wage (currently \$31.50 per hour), multiplied by the number of hours worked. Tax credit may be applied for five consecutive years.

**Application:** Filed with Franchise Tax Board, online

**Reference:** Franchise Tax Board

[https://www.ftb.ca.gov/online/New\\_Employment\\_Credit\\_Reservation/index.shtml](https://www.ftb.ca.gov/online/New_Employment_Credit_Reservation/index.shtml)

**Additional Info:** Credit is available to companies located within designated geographic areas. Please check this website for geographic verification: <http://maps.gis.ca.gov/gobiz/dga/default.aspx>. Credits are applied to new hires only. A credit carry forward may be claimed for 5 taxable years subsequent to the year the credit was generated.

**Caveat:** FTB is required to provide employer names, the amounts of tax credit claimed, and the number of new jobs created for each taxable year, as a searchable database on its website for each taxable year.

## California Competes Tax Credit

**Purpose:** To incentivize competitive, merit-based investments and job creation/retention projects statewide

**Incentive:** State income tax credit for companies expanding and/or retaining their presence in California

**Application:** Filed with the Office of Economic Development

**Reference:** The Governor's Office of Economic Development

<http://www.business.ca.gov/Programs/CaliforniaCompetesTaxCredit>

**Additional Info:** Credit amount depends on the following 11 factors:

- (1) The number of employment positions applicant will create or retain in this state.
- (2) The compensation paid or proposed to be paid by the applicant to its employees, including wages, benefits, and fringe benefits.
- (3) The amount of investment in this state by the applicant.
- (4) The extent of unemployment or poverty in the area according to the United States Census in which the applicant's project or business is proposed or located, as supplemented by the information provided by California's Employment Development Department on <http://www.labormarketinfo.edd.ca.gov/> or the equivalent website, as it may change from time to time.
- (5) The incentives available to the applicant in this state, including incentives from the state, local government, and other entities.
- (6) The incentives available to the applicant in other states.



- (7) The duration of the proposed project and the duration the applicant commits to remain in this state.
- (8) The economic impact in this state of the applicant's project or business.
- (9) The strategic importance of the applicant's project or business to the state, region, or locality.
- (10) The opportunity for future growth and expansion in this state by the applicant's business.
- (11) The extent to which the anticipated benefit to the state exceeds the projected benefit to the applicant from the tax credit.

Commencing with the current fiscal year 2014/15, \$150 million in credits are available, in FY2015/16 through 2018/19 the amount may be as high as \$200 million per fiscal year. The program requires that no more than 20% be awarded to any one individual company per fiscal year. Should a company receive a CA Competes Credit allocation, it is still eligible to also claim the New Employment Credit.

**Small Business:** A small business set-aside equivalent to 25% of the total tax credits allocated shall be awarded to businesses with annual gross receipts of under \$2MM.

**Caveat:** Credit awards are competitive and subject to credit availability. Companies are required to execute an agreement between the company and the State which will include the State's right to recapture should the company fail to perform according to contractual terms and conditions. Information pertaining to the project and credits awarded are subject to be posted online to The Office of Economic Development's website.



## California Research Credit

- Purpose:** To incentivize research and development activities in the state by providing a state income tax credit for research related expenses including wages, supplies, and contract research cost.
- Incentive:** Income tax credit for research and development conducted in California
- Calculation:** 15% credit for qualified in-house research expenses, 24% credit for basic research payments to outside organizations.
- Application:** File form 3523 with Franchise Tax Board on corporate income tax return
- Reference:** <https://www.ftb.ca.gov/forms/misc/1082.pdf>
- Additional info:** The state's research credit mirror's the federal credit for increasing research. Various limitations apply.

## Financing

### Industrial Development Revenue Bond Program

Industrial Development Bonds (IDBs) are tax-exempt securities issued up to \$10 million by a governmental entity to provide funds for the acquisition, construction, rehabilitation and equipping of manufacturing and processing facilities for private companies. IDBs can be issued by the I-Bank, local Industrial Development Authorities, or by Joint Powers Authorities. There are several benefits to IDB financing including: interest rates generally 20% to 30% below comparable commercial alternatives; terms longer than conventional financing, often up to 30 years; comprehensive funding used for construction and take-out financing for land, buildings and equipment; bonds are assumable if the business is sold to an entity engaged in a qualified use; and no prepayment penalty. The IDB financing process can generally be completed within 120 to 150 days. I-Bank staff and a financing team, which typically consists of an underwriter, bond counsel and financial advisor, will assist the applicant through each stage of the process.

<http://www.ibank.ca.gov/industrial-development-bond-financing/>

## California Capital Access Program

The CalCAP program insures loans made by participating lender banks to businesses in order to assist them in growing their business. Loans can be used to finance the acquisition of land, construction or renovation of buildings, the purchase of equipment, other capital projects and working capital. These funds are administered by enrolled, participating lender banks. Your project will have to qualify under their respective underwriting practices.

Reference: <http://treasurer.ca.gov/cpcf/calcap/index.asp>

CalCAP Lender List: <http://treasurer.ca.gov/cpcf/calcap/sb/institutions.pdf>

## California Capital Access Program Collateral Support

The California Capital Access Program Collateral Support (CalCAP CS) pledges cash to cover the collateral shortfall of loans of \$100,000 or more. CalCAP CS provides up to 40% of the loan value, with the possibility of an additional 10% for businesses located in a Severely Affected Community.

Reference: <http://treasurer.ca.gov/cpcf/calcap/collateral/index.asp>

CalCAP C.S. Lender List: <http://treasurer.ca.gov/cpcf/calcap/collateral/institutions.pdf>

## Small Business Loan Guarantee Program

(Similar to CalCAP) The program is designed to encourage lending participants to make small business loans that otherwise would not be made. Special emphasis is placed on the expansion of business and the creation and retention of jobs in California. Funds are administered by enrolled, Financial Development Corporations.

Reference: <http://www.ibank.ca.gov/small-business-finance-center/>

## Academic Partnerships

### Community College Workforce Development

**Purpose:** To prepare students for potential employment with specific company after graduation/certification from program

**Resource:** State sponsored customized workforce training program

**Application:** Administered by California Community College system

**Effective:** Immediately, once curriculum is established and training process determined

**Reference:** <http://www.ccewd.net/> and <http://doingwhatmatters.cccco.edu/>

**Additional Info:** The California Community College system promotes economic growth and global competitiveness through industry-specific education, training and services that contribute to a highly skilled and productive workforce.

## International Business Assistance Programs

### State Trade and Export Promotion

The California State Trade and Export Promotion grant (STEP) combines a network of state, federal, private and non-profit trade promotion organizations in California to deliver focused export promotion activities, targeting 700 California small and medium size companies with a projected outcome of \$25 million in new exports. The California project will conduct about 20 unique export promotion activities to include domestic and market-focused marketing campaigns, customized product/promotion localization assistance, matchmaking services connecting small businesses to potential customers, and follow up support to assist firms in creating international sales.

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# Attachment I



Rental Assistance Program  
Data Analysis



Inland SoCal United Way

**LIFT TO RISE**



# **UNITED LIFT**

**DATA ANALYSIS**

**JULY 2020 APPLICATION PERIOD**

August 20, 2020

Prepared by Lift To Rise

In collaboration with Inland SoCal United Way

Made possible by the County of Riverside

## Key Takeaways

- **Of the 2,086 applicants, 1,463 (69%) met the eligibility requirements** based on self-reported responses on the application form.<sup>1</sup>
- Among pre-eligible applicants, **45% report being Extremely Low-Income** (earning 30% or below Area Median Income (AMI)), **28% report being Very Low-Income** (earning between 30% and 50% AMI), and **19% report being Low-Income** (earning between 50% and 80% AMI).
- Among pre-eligible applicants, **67% live in the United Way catchment area** (Northwest County, Southwest County, and Hemet-San Jacinto regions) and **33% live in the Lift to Rise catchment area** (East County and Pass regions).
- The five cities/communities with the **most pre-eligible applicants** are **Riverside (270), Moreno Valley (212), Corona (112), Hemet (72), and Palm Springs (72)**.
- The five cities/communities with the **highest number of pre-eligible applicants per capita** (per 10,000 residents) are **Mountain Center (117.6), Thermal (110.4), Aguanga (35.9), Winchester (30.7), and Desert Hot Springs (21.1)**.
- The **most common employment occupation** categories of pre-eligible applicants are **food preparation and food service (12%), healthcare practitioners and support (10%), sales and retail (8%), personal care and service (8%), and warehouse and packaging (6%)**.
- Among pre-eligible applicants, **58% report being out of work due to COVID-19, 14% are working part-time, and 12% are working full-time, yet only 28% are receiving Unemployment Insurance benefits**.
- The **average unpaid rent balance** among pre-eligible applicants is **\$2,802.19**, and **41% are three or more months behind on rent**.
- At the time of application **77% of pre-eligible applicants stated that they would not be able to pay rent in August**.
- Pre-eligible applicants are **disproportionately Black and disproportionately female**.
- More than **47%** of pre-eligible applicants report being **single parents**, and nearly **two-thirds** of pre-eligible applicants have **at least one school-aged (K-12) child** in their household.

<sup>1</sup> For the purposes of this analysis, these applicants are referred to as "pre-eligible" applicants. Applications are not deemed fully eligible until review and verification of documents. Pre-eligible applicants stated on their applications that: 1) their address is within Riverside County, 2) they pay rent, 3) they are behind on rent payments in any month(s) between April 2020 and November 2020, 4) they can attribute their inability to pay rent to the COVID-19 pandemic, and 5) they are not related to their landlord by blood, marriage, or adoption. United Lift is currently screening all pre-eligible applicants to verify eligibility.



## Introduction & Background

The United Lift Rental Assistance Program is a coordinated effort between Riverside County, Inland SoCal United Way, and Lift To Rise to keep Riverside County families and residents housed by providing one-time direct rental assistance to households that are behind on rent payments due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. The program will last from June until November, 2020 and will assist 10,000 households. Riverside County has allocated \$33 million of federal funds for this program – \$30 million from the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act and \$3 million from the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program – making it one of the most generous emergency rental assistance programs in the state in terms of funding per capita. Other organizations such as the Desert Healthcare District and the Regional Access Project Foundation have also contributed resources to support this effort.

This Data Analysis will present findings from the July, 2020 application period, during which United Lift received a total of 2,086 applications and deemed 69% (1,436) of those applications “pre-eligible” for assistance, pending verification of eligibility documentation. Data collected from the applications reveals that the COVID-19 pandemic has had a severe economic impact on households across the county. Nearly six in ten (58%) of July's 1,436 pre-eligible applicants report being out of work due to the pandemic, nearly eight in ten (77%) believe they will not be able to pay next month's rent, and more than four in ten are already at least three months behind on payments. The data also shows that the average unpaid rent balance in July (approximately \$2,800) was more than \$250 or 10% higher than the average balance in June, suggesting that unpaid balances are continuing to pile up.

According to the data, the pandemic's impact is not distributed evenly across the county's residents – nearly half (45%) of pre-eligible applicants are considered Extremely Low-Income (earning at or below 30% of Area Median Income) based on their reported 2019 household incomes. Eligible applicants are also disproportionately Black, and two-thirds identify as female. And, in terms of geographical distribution, the cities/communities with the highest number of applications per capita are concentrated in the Coachella Valley and Hemet-San Jacinto regions. The United Lift Rental Assistance Program seeks to keep the county's most impacted and vulnerable families and residents housed in the midst of the COVID-19 pandemic.

## Data & Methodology

The data analyzed in this report comes directly from United Lift's July 2020 rental assistance application, administered via Qualtrics.<sup>2</sup> The application window lasted from July 15 until July 25, 2020. United Lift offered the 72-question application in both English and Spanish and asked applicants about household composition, rent details and landlord information, income, employment, housing quality, demographic information, contact information, and the extent to which COVID-19 has impacted them. Data on population counts comes from the US Census Bureau.

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<sup>2</sup> All data collected was self-reported by the applicants via the application, which means that applicant responses are subject to misreporting. This analysis does not include information on the verified applications, which are still being processed, and therefore includes potentially misreported data. Subsequent reports will detail findings of preceding months based on verified data.

After the application period closed, United Lift cleaned and organized the data using both Microsoft Excel and STATA software. Data cleaning included removing duplicate applications from the same address, reformatting the data for analysis purposes, and tagging pre-eligible applications. After cleaning and organizing the data, United Lift used ArcGIS and Tableau software to create the maps and other data visualizations included in this report.

## Key Findings & Implications

The following section will detail notable findings and trends that appeared in the data. These findings fit into the following categories: applications, geographical distribution, income, employment, rent and housing characteristics, and demographics and household composition.

### APPLICATIONS

After data cleaning and organization, the applicant pool contained 2,086 total applications.<sup>3</sup> Of these total applications, 1,436 (69%) were pre-eligible for assistance. At this time, United Lift is still processing payments and thus does not have complete information on how many of the pre-eligible applicants will be receiving assistance. The July application was updated to allow applicants to upload verification documents (which was not a feature of the June application) to streamline the review process and expedite assistance payments. It is possible that because of this change to the application, applicants who may have otherwise completed the application without submitting documents did not do so in July, which could explain the fact that July had about 1,000 fewer pre-eligible applicants than June. Reporting on the true number of eligible applicants from June is still ongoing, but it seems that, because applicants did not submit eligibility documentation with their June applications, a sizeable portion of those initially deemed pre-eligible in June were later found to be ineligible after failing to provide sufficient eligibility documentation.<sup>4</sup>

### GEOGRAPHICAL DISTRIBUTION

The five cities/communities<sup>5</sup> with the highest number of total applicants are Riverside (333), Moreno Valley (245), Corona (135), Hemet (88), and Cathedral City (86). Riverside and Moreno Valley were the two cities/communities with the highest number of applications in June as well, likely due to the fact that they are the two most populous cities in Riverside County. In June, Corona, Hemet, and Cathedral City were all in the top ten cities/communities with the most total applications, but in July they moved into the top five. As Figure 1, below, indicates, the cities/communities with the highest number of applications are clustered in the Northwest County and Hemet-San Jacinto regions of the county.

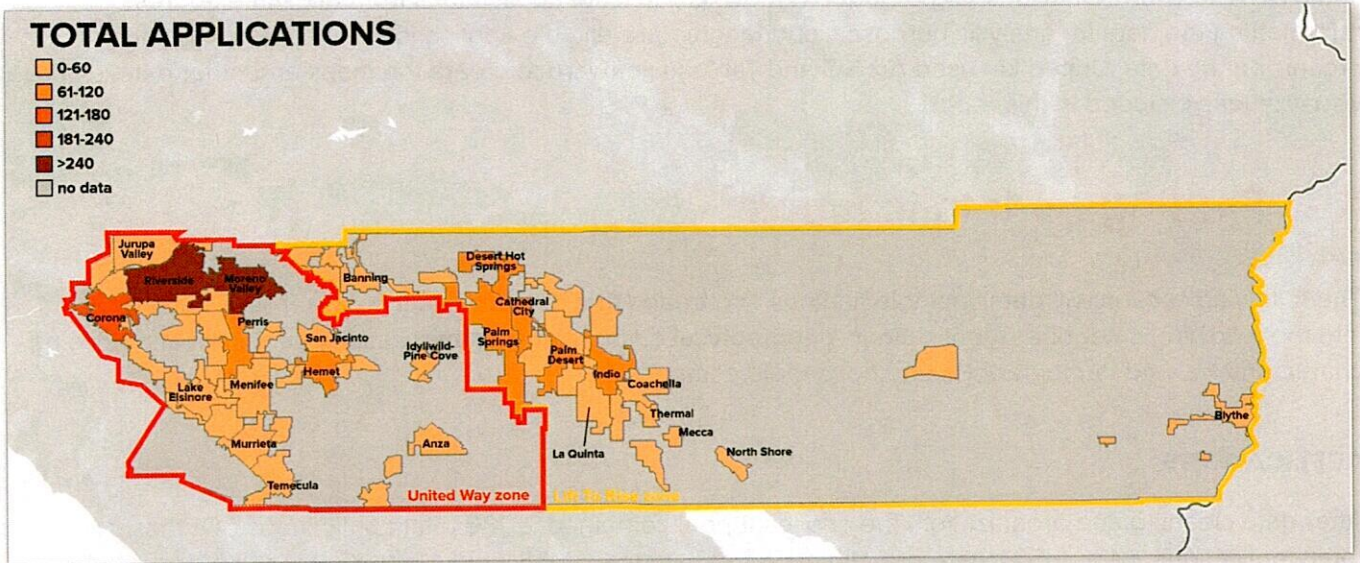
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<sup>3</sup> "Total applications" refers to all applications that were at least 75% completed, regardless of eligibility. Qualtrics, the survey software used to administer the application, recorded 5,463 application attempts, about half of which were less than 5% completed. This suggests that a large portion of these recorded attempted applications were people who clicked on the United Lift application link, saw that they were not eligible for the program or decided that they did not want to apply, and then closed the application. After the application period ended on July 25, United Lift resent application links to approximately 800 applicants who initially made it at least 25% of the way through the application but did not finish it to give them an additional opportunity to complete their applications. This yielded an additional 90 completed applications, which count towards the number of "total applications" for the July application period. United Lift only reviewed applications that were at least 75% completed because those that were less complete did not contain enough information to determine program eligibility.

<sup>4</sup> Many of those applicants who faced documentation issues were unable to provide acceptable forms of proof of COVID-19 impact and proof of income.

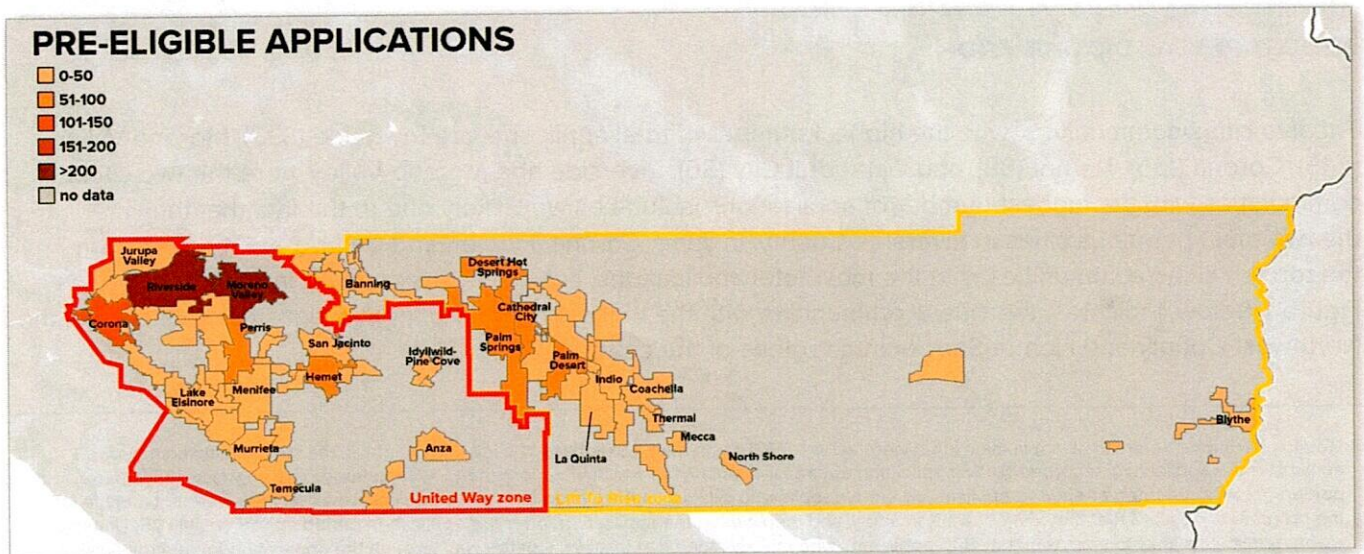
<sup>5</sup> This report uses the term "cities/communities" because all of the maps in this section show both the cities and the unincorporated Census-Designated Places in Riverside County.

Figure 1. Geographical Distribution of All Applications Received



Like in Figure 1, Figure 2, below, shows a high volume of pre-eligible applications in the Northwest County region. The five cities/communities with the most pre-eligible applications are Riverside (270), Moreno Valley (212), Corona (112), Hemet (72), and Palm Springs (72). The cities/communities with high volumes of pre-eligible applications appear to be the same as those with high volumes of total applications, suggesting that the rate of pre-eligibility remains consistent across the county, as it was in June.

Figure 2. Geographical Distribution of Pre-Eligible Applications



See Figures 3 and 4, below, for the number of both total and pre-eligible applications from each city and Census-Designated Place, respectively.

**Figure 3.** Total and Pre-Eligible Applications by City

City	Total Applications	Pre-Eligible Applications
Riverside	333	270
Moreno Valley	245	212
Corona	135	112
Hemet	88	72
Cathedral City	86	70
Palm Springs	84	72
Palm Desert	80	68
Desert Hot Springs	69	61
Perris	69	55
Indio	66	49
Lake Elsinore	59	50
Temecula	52	50
Coachella	50	39
Murrieta	46	36
San Jacinto	39	32
Menifee	28	27
La Quinta	24	21
Eastvale	22	20
Jurupa Valley	22	13
Beaumont	13	10
Banning	12	10
Wildomar	9	9
Rancho Mirage	8	7
Norco	8	6
Blythe	5	4
Calimesa	3	3
Canyon Lake	3	2
Indian Wells	1	1

**Figure 4.** Total and Pre-Eligible Applications by Census-Designated Place<sup>6</sup>

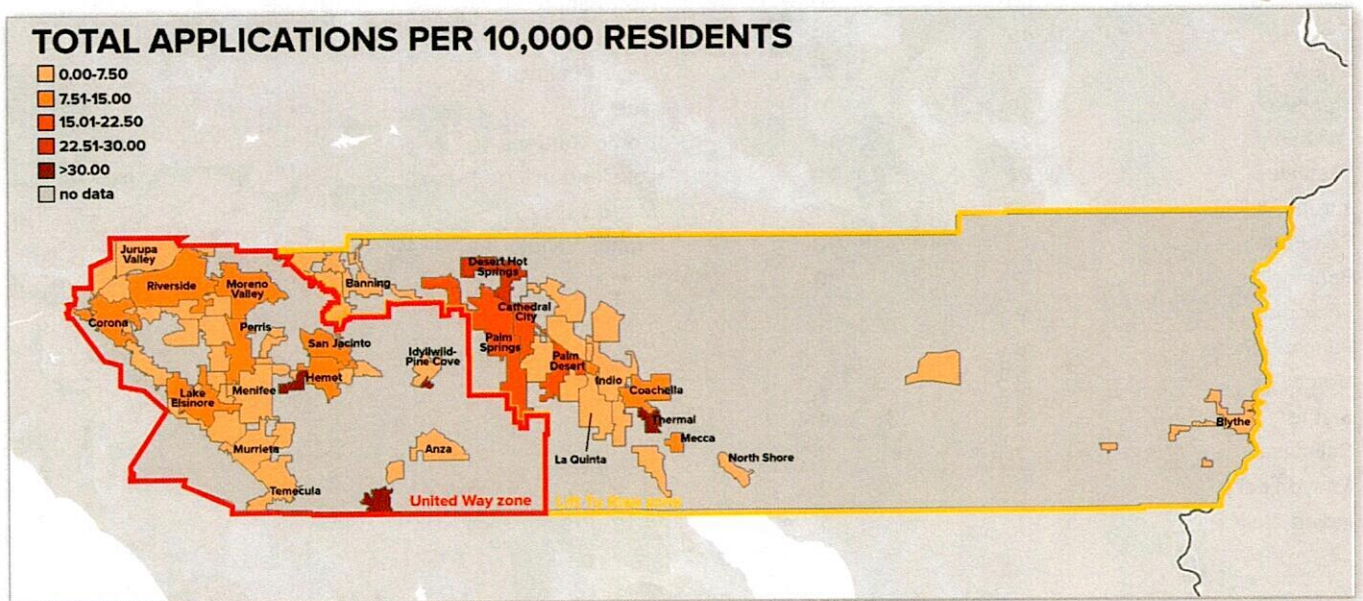
Census-Designated Place	Total Applications	Pre-Eligible Applications
Thermal	20	15
Winchester	10	9
Bermuda Dunes	9	7
Mecca	7	3
Aguanga	3	3
Mountain Center	2	1
Whitewater	2	2
Oasis	2	2
Homeland	2	2
Thousand Palms	2	2
Romoland	1	1
Idyllwild-Pine Cove	1	1
North Shore	1	1
Desert Edge	1	1
Desert Palms	1	1
Nuevo	1	1
Home Gardens	1	1
Lakeland Village	1	1
Mead Valley	1	0
French Valley	1	1

<sup>6</sup> This figure does not show the Census-Designated Places that had 0 applications: Anza, Cabazon, Cherry Valley, Coronita, Desert Center, East Hemet, El Cerrito, El Sobrante, Good Hope, Green Acres, Highgrove, Indio Hills, Lake Mathews, Lake Riverside, Lakeview, March ARB, Meadowbrook, Mesa Verde, Ripley, Sky Valley, Temescal Valley, Valle Vista, Vista Santa Rosa, Warm Springs, and Woodcrest.

In addition to examining the absolute numbers of both total and pre-eligible applications, United Lift also looked at applications per capita.<sup>7</sup> This allows for a comparison in which applications from each city/ community are measured accounting for their different population sizes.

The five cities/communities with the highest number of total applications per 10,000 residents are: Mountain Center (235.3), Thermal (137.2), Aguanga (35.9), Winchester (34.1), and Desert Hot Springs (23.9). It is important to note that, while the absolute number of applications from these cities/communities is relatively low, they are small communities in terms of population, which drives up their per capita rate. The June application period saw a heavy concentration of cities/communities with high per capita application rates clustered in the Coachella Valley region, especially in the Southern portion of the Coachella Region. In July, the Coachella Valley region again has a high concentration of cities/communities with high per capita application rates, but now the northern portion of the Coachella Valley has particularly high per capita application rates. High per capita application rates also appear in the Hemet-San Jacinto region and in Aguanga, a remote community in the Southeast County region. The fact that the cities/communities with the highest number of applications per capita are concentrated in the Coachella Valley and the Hemet-San Jacinto region speaks to a greater and more urgent need for rental assistance in these areas. See Figure 5, below, for a map of total applications per 10,000 residents in the cities/communities across the county.

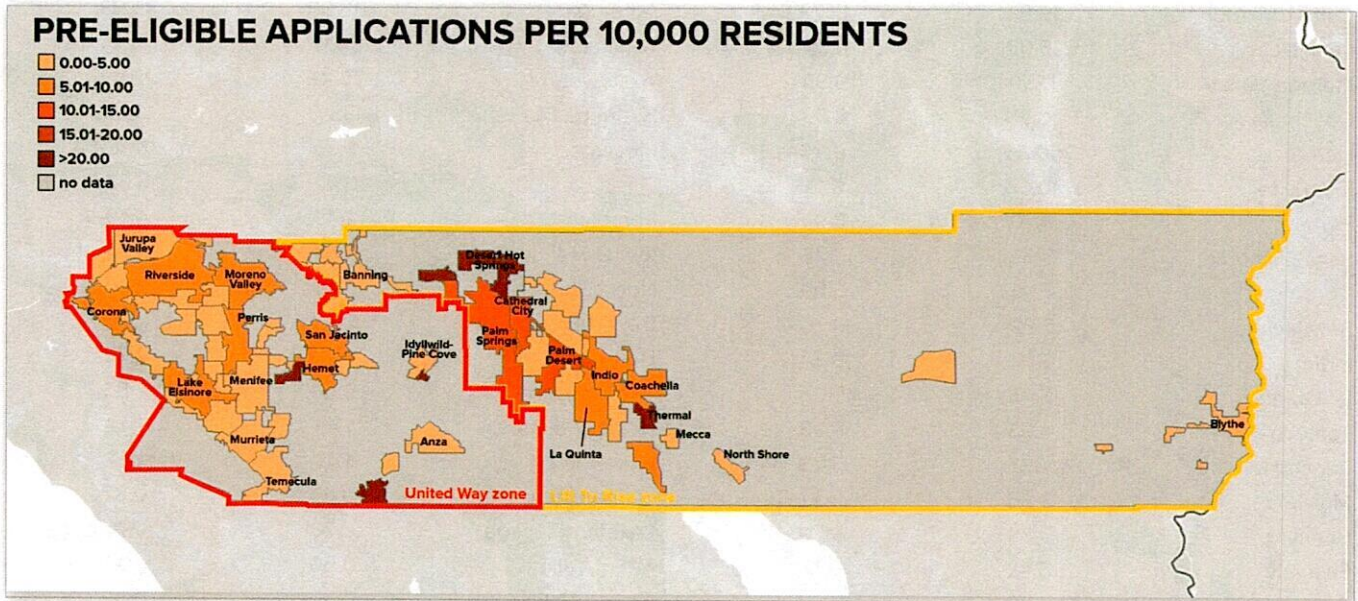
**Figure 5. Geographical Distribution of All Applications Received, Per 10,000 Residents**



<sup>7</sup> Per capita measures are based on the US Census Bureau's July 1, 2019 population estimates for cities, and the American Community Survey 2018 5-Year Estimates for Census-Designated Places that are not incorporated cities.

Like with Figure 5, Figure 6 reveals that the cities/communities with the highest number of pre-eligible applications per 10,000 residents are concentrated in the Coachella Valley and Hemet-San Jacinto regions. The five cities/communities with the highest number of pre-eligible applicants per capita (per 10,000 residents) are Mountain Center (117.6), Thermal (110.4), Aguanga (35.9), Winchester (30.7), and Desert Hot Springs (21.1). These high per capita rates in small communities suggests that the less populous cities/communities of the county, especially in the Coachella Valley and Hemet-San Jacinto regions, are at a particularly high risk of needing rental assistance.

**Figure 6.** Geographical Distribution of Pre-Eligible Applications, Per 10,000 Residents



See Figures 7 and 8, below, for the number of both total and pre-eligible applications per capita from each city and Census-Designated Place, respectively.

**Figure 7.** Total and Pre-Eligible Applications per 10,000 Residents, by City

City	Total Applications per 10,000 residents	Pre-Eligible Applications per 10,000 residents
Desert Hot Springs	23.9	21.12
Palm Springs	17.31	14.84
Cathedral City	15.63	12.73
Palm Desert	15.02	12.76
Moreno Valley	11.50	9.95
Coachella	10.93	8.53
Hemet	10.31	8.44
Riverside	10.05	8.15
Perris	8.70	6.94
Lake Elsinore	8.52	7.22
Corona	7.95	6.59
San Jacinto	7.92	6.50
Indio	7.19	5.34
La Quinta	5.75	5.03
Temecula	4.53	4.36
Rancho Mirage	4.32	3.78
Murrieta	3.96	3.10
Banning	3.84	3.20
Eastvale	3.43	3.12
Calimesa	3.28	3.28
Norco	3.01	2.26
Menifee	2.95	2.85
Canyon Lake	2.66	1.77
Beaumont	2.55	1.96
Blythe	2.54	2.03
Wildomar	2.42	2.42
Jurupa Valley	2.01	1.19
Indian Wells	1.83	1.83

**Figure 8.** Total and Pre-Eligible Applications per 10,000 Residents, by Census Designated Place

Census-Designated Place	Total Applications per 10,000 residents	Pre-Eligible Applications per 10,000 residents
Mountain Center	235.29	117.65
Thermal	147.17	110.38
Aguanga	35.93	35.93
Winchester	34.12	30.71
Whitewater	20.49	20.49
Bermuda Dunes	13.20	10.27
Mecca	9.76	4.18
Oasis	6.62	6.62
Romoland	4.49	4.49
Idyllwild-Pine Cove	4.07	4.07
North Shore	3.46	3.46
Desert Edge	2.99	2.99
Homeland	2.73	2.73
Thousand Palms	2.56	2.56
Desert Palms	1.44	1.44
Nuevo	1.42	1.42
Home Gardens	0.87	0.87
Lakeland Village	0.76	0.76
Mead Valley	0.50	0
French Valley	0.30	0.30

## INCOME

The data shows that 46% of pre-eligible applicants are considered Extremely Low-Income, 28% are Very Low-Income, and 18% are Low-Income.<sup>8</sup> This breakdown of income levels is almost identical to the breakdown among June applicants. This suggests that the United Lift Rental Assistance Program continues to reach primarily low-income households, the bulk of which are considered Extremely Low-Income (see Figure 9, below).

**Figure 9.** Income Breakdown of Pre-Eligible Applications

Income Level	Percentage of Pre-Eligible Applications
Extremely Low-Income	46%
Very Low-Income	28%
Low-Income	18%
Not Low-Income	8%

These figures are important to note because rent is only one of many monthly expenses for households, which must also pay for healthcare, groceries, utilities and other bills. Low-income households are forced to pick and choose how they spend their limited resources, which are becoming even more limited as a result of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. The June Data Analysis report detailed how average monthly incomes among applicants in the months after the start of the pandemic (April, May, and June) were roughly half of what they were in the months before the start of the pandemic (January and February). While July's application did not ask about monthly income, it is likely that monthly incomes starting in August, 2020 will be even lower for many households whose \$600/week federal unemployment benefits subsidy has expired.<sup>9</sup> Furthermore, as detailed in the following Employment section, the amount of applicants who are unemployed due to COVID-19 increased by nearly 12% from June to July. The United Lift Rental Assistance Program will thus increasingly act as a lifeline for households whose incomes continue to fall but whose monthly rents remain unchanged.

## EMPLOYMENT

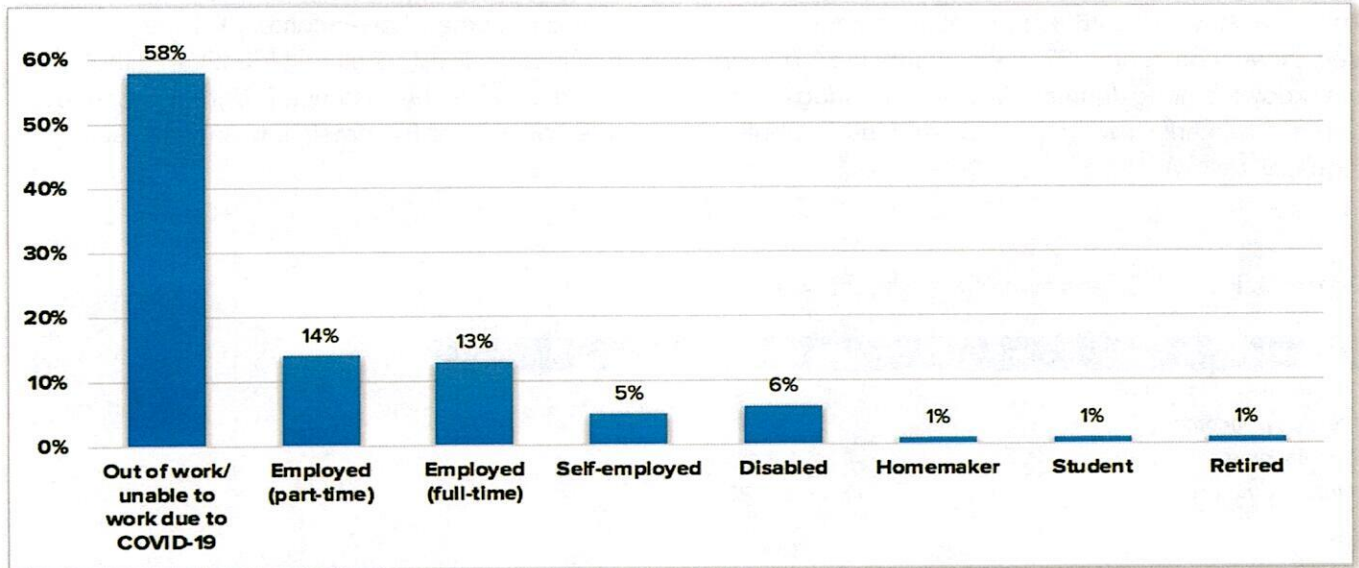
Almost 6 in 10 (58%) pre-eligible applicants report being out of work or unable to work due to COVID-19. This is a 12% increase from last month's application period in which 52% of applicants reported being out of work or unable to work due to COVID-19. Figure 10, on the following page, reveals that, while 32% of pre-eligible applicants that are still working (including self-employment), only 13% of pre-eligible applicants are working full-time. As mentioned in the previous Income section, this high unemployment rate among pre-eligible applicants, combined with ongoing workplace closures as a result of stay-at-home orders across California suggest that paying rent will become increasingly difficult as the COVID-19 pandemic continues.

<sup>8</sup> Extremely Low-Income is defined as earning at or below 30% of Area Median Income (AMI), Very Low-Income is defined as earning between 30% and 50% of AMI, and Low-Income is defined as earning between 50% and 80% of AMI. These statistics presented here are based on applicants' reported 2019 household income and the federal government's 2020 AMI limits for the Riverside-San Bernardino-Ontario Metropolitan Statistical Area (<https://www.huduser.gov/portal/datasets/il/il2020/2020summary.odn>). On July's application, applicants selected their income range (intervals of \$5,000) for 2019 instead of providing an exact number. For this analysis, United Lift generated a random number within the stated range for each applicant, which, in addition to household size, it used to determine income level compared to AMI.

<sup>9</sup> The subsequent Data Analysis Report, released on September 20, 2020, will detail information about how monthly incomes have changes since the unemployment benefits subsidy expiration on July 31.



**Figure 10.** Employment Status of Pre-Eligible Applicants

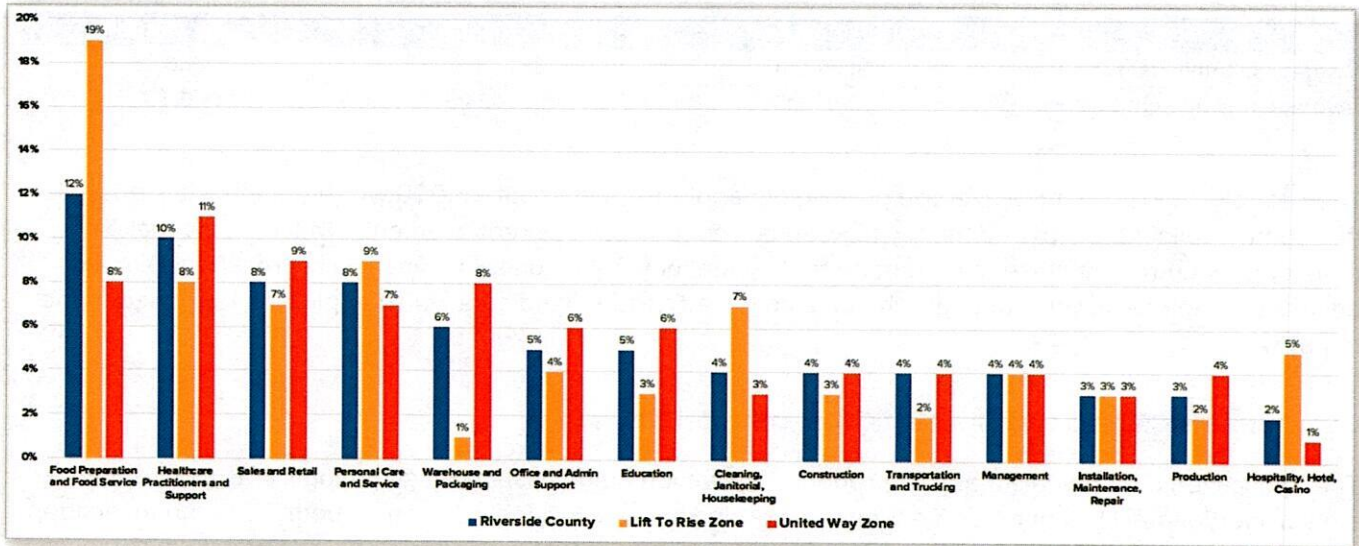


The application data also reveals that approximately 29% of pre-eligible applicants report receiving Unemployment Insurance (UI) benefits even though 58% are unemployed. The share of applicants receiving UI benefits was four percentage points higher in July than in June, which aligns with the increase in unemployed applicants. However, the rate of UI benefits receipt continues to be low given the high unemployment rate. This low rate of (UI) receipt could suggest a few things – that there is a sizeable number of undocumented pre-eligible applicants who are thus ineligible for UI, that many pre-eligible applicants are ineligible for UI for other reasons, or that many pre-eligible applicants are not aware that they are eligible for UI benefits.

Figure 11, on the following page, shows that food service, healthcare, sales and retail, personal care and service, and warehouse/ packaging occupations are the most common among July's pre-eligible applicants, which suggests that employees from these industries have been disproportionately impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. Countywide, 12% of applicants work or worked in food preparation/service, 10% as healthcare practitioners or in healthcare support roles, 8% in sales and retail, 8% in personal care and service roles (like hairstylists, massage therapists, and child care services), and 6% in warehouse and packaging roles. For the most part, the breakdown of occupations among pre-eligible applicants in July was very similar to June's breakdown. Notable exceptions include the share of pre-eligible applicants in warehouse/ packaging occupations, which increased by 200% from June to July, and the share of pre-eligible applicants in cleaning/janitorial/housekeeping occupations, which decreased by 55% in the same period.

However, when looking at the Lift to Rise and United Way catchment zones separately, the data shows the most impacted occupations differ by region. For example, 19% of July's pre-eligible applicants in the Lift to Rise zone work or worked in food preparation/service, as compared to 8% of pre-eligible applicants in the United Way zone. Warehouse and packaging occupations were much more common among pre-eligible applicants in the United Way zone (8%) than in the Lift to Rise zone (1%). Lift to Rise zone pre-eligible applicants were more likely to work in cleaning/janitorial/housekeeping and hospitality/hotel/casino occupations and less likely to work in healthcare and education occupations than those from the United Way zone. These differences highlight the variation in economic drivers across the county and call attention to the industries that are most impacted in each zone.

**Figure 11.** Top 10 Occupations of Pre-Eligible Applicants, Countywide vs. LTR vs. UW



**RENT AND HOUSING CHARACTERISTICS**

Among pre-eligible applicants, more than 41% report being at least three months behind on rent payments (see Figure 12, below). This represents an 11% increase from June, with the share of pre-eligible applicants at least four months behind on rent increasing by more than 50% in the same period. These increases point to unpaid rent balances piling up and the growing burden on renter households as the pandemic continues. At the time of application 77% of pre-eligible applicants stated that they would not be able to pay rent in August. According to the data, 12% of pre-eligible applicants have already received an eviction notice in the past three months, which was the same share of applicants in June.

**Figure 12.** Distribution of The Number of Months Behind on Rent Among Pre-Eligible Applicants

Number of Months Behind on Rent	Percentage of Pre-Eligible Applications
1 Month	30%
2 Months	27%
3 Months	23%
More than 3 Months	18%

Countywide, the average unpaid rent balance of those who are behind on rent was \$2,802.19 in July, which is a 10% increase from June. This increase again signals that unpaid rent is piling up for households across the county. Figure 13, on the following page, shows that the average unpaid balance in the United Way catchment zone is about \$700 higher than it is in the Lift to Rise zone, which is likely attributable to the higher average monthly rent price in the United Way zone.

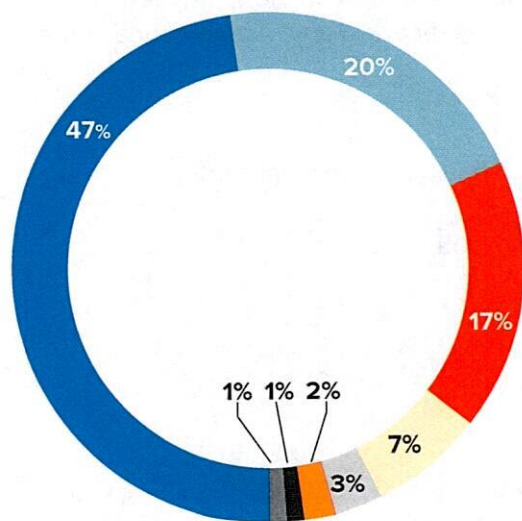
**Figure 13.** Average Monthly Rent Price and Average Unpaid Rent Balance, Countywide vs. LTR vs. UW

	Riverside County	Lift To Rise Zone	United Way Zone
<b>Average Monthly Rent Price</b>	\$1,398.51	\$1,171.26	\$1,510.36
<b>Average Unpaid Rent Balance</b>	\$2,802.19	\$2,362.28	\$3,018.71

The data also shows that the average pre-eligible applicant is in about \$5,000 worth of debt.<sup>10</sup> It is possible that some applicants borrowed money to keep current on previous rent payments, which would make them appear current or close to current on rent, when they are actually in a financially precarious situation because of their debt. Unfortunately, the data collected does not indicate which applicants borrowed money to pay rent.

**DEMOGRAPHICS AND HOUSEHOLD COMPOSITION**

The application data reveals that a disproportionately high number of pre-eligible applicants are Black that a disproportionately low number are White. According to the US Census Bureau, about 7% of the Riverside County population is Black, yet 20% of pre-eligible applicants identify as Black. This represents a 33% increase from the share of Black pre-eligible applicants in the June application period. Conversely, 34% of the county population is White but only 17% of pre-eligible applicants are White.<sup>11</sup> These disproportionalities suggest that Black households are more at risk of housing instability as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic than White households. In June, pre-eligible applicants were also disproportionately Hispanic/Latino, but in July, 47% of pre-eligible applicants identified as Hispanic/ Latino, which is slightly below the rate county-wide (50%). Figure 14, below, shows the racial breakdown of July's pre-eligible applicant pool.



**Figure 14.** Pre-Eligible Applicants by Race

- Hispanic or Latinx - 47%
- Black - 20%
- White- 17%
- Other Race - 2%
- More Than One Race - 7%
- Native Hawaiian / Asian Pacific Islander - 1%
- American Indian / Alaska Native - 1%
- Asian - 3%

<sup>10</sup> This figure refers to the average debt balance from credit cards and other forms of unsecured debt.

<sup>11</sup> US Census Bureau Quick Facts (2019). <https://www.census.gov/quickfacts/riversidecountycalifornia>

In addition to racial disparities, the July data also revealed that 64% of pre-eligible applicants identify as female. Additionally, approximately 36% of pre-eligible applicants report having at least one child under the age of five in their household, and approximately 63% report having at least one school-aged child (K-12) in their household (see Figure 15 and Figure 16, below). The July data also shows that 47% of pre-eligible applicants identify as single parents. These statistics suggest that the COVID-19 pandemic is disproportionately impacting women, many of them single mothers with young children.

**Figure 15.** Percentage of Pre-Eligible Households with Children Aged 0-5, by Number of Children

Number of Children Aged 0-5 in Household	Percentage of Pre-Eligible Applications
0	64%
1	23%
2	11%
3	2%
4	<1%
5+	<1%

**Figure 16.** Percentage of Pre-Eligible Households with School-Aged Children, by Number of Children

Number of School-Aged Children (K-12) in Household	Percentage of Pre-Eligible Applications
0	37%
1	24%
2	22%
3	11%
4	5%
5+	1%

About 13% of pre-eligible applicants reported having at least one senior adult, aged 65 or older, in their household, and nearly a quarter reported having at least one disabled person in their household (see Figures 17 and 18, below). Households with senior adults and/or disabled people likely face additional burdens related to healthcare costs and COVID-19 precautions, suggesting that rental assistance will be especially beneficial for them.

**Figure 17.** Percentage of Pre-Eligible Households with Seniors Aged 65+, by Number of Seniors

Number of Seniors in Household	Percentage of Pre-Eligible Applications
0	87%
1	9%
2	3%
3+	1%

**Figure 18.** Percentage of Pre-Eligible Households with Disabled Person(s), by Number of Disabled Persons

Number of Disabled Persons in Household	Percentage of Pre-Eligible Applications
0	76%
1	20%
2	3%
3+	1%

# Attachment H



September 2, 2020  
Same Day Care Location  
Press Release

*Photo caption: Riverside University Health System launched their first Same Day Care location, providing options for those who have lost health insurance, those who need immediate care and for patients who have trouble scheduling appointments with their current provider.*



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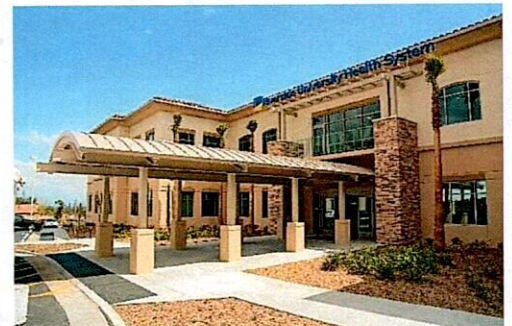
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# Riverside University Health System's first Same Day Care location makes healthcare more accessible during the COVID-19 pandemic and beyond

*Riverside University Health System launched its first Same Day Care location in Corona*

**CORONA, CALIF., September 2, 2020** — [Riverside University Health System \(RUHS\)](#) launched their first Same Day Care location on August 17. Now open at the RUHS Corona Community Health Center, the new service provides additional healthcare options to those who have lost insurance, lack immediate accessibility to their providers and for patients seeking same day walk-in care.

Operating similar to an urgent care, patients can be seen for acute and chronic illnesses, aches and pains, acute and chronic injuries, and providing lab tests—including COVID-19 testing—vaccinations and other services like x-rays and ultrasounds, to name a few. In addition to more urgent needs, physicians also can service diabetes care and any other health needs a primary care doctor usually offers. The location also has a pharmacy for convenience.



The facility will be open after hours and on the weekends to help meet the needs of working community members who may not have scheduling flexibility during normal office hours. Same Day Care services offers extended hours and is open Monday through Friday from 11 a.m. until 8 p.m., and on Saturday and Sunday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Patients do not need an appointment and the clinic offers low-cost payment options for those who do not have insurance.

Sandra Orahim-Juarez, RUHS Corona Community Health Center administrative service manager, says she hopes the new service will provide more opportunities for care because the pandemic has limited many healthcare options for some individuals.

“We aim to serve everyone, whether they are insured or uninsured patients,” Juarez says. “We offer both specialists and resources in hopes of being a one stop shop for patients. The pandemic has changed how we provide healthcare to the community, and this clinic serves as an example of how the staff at Riverside University Health System goes above and beyond to adjust and meet the needs in an ever-changing healthcare climate.”

Mahbuba Khan, MD, family medicine physician who services the clinic, says patient needs are always top of mind whenever Riverside University Health System launches new resources.

“Our flexibility with the hours the clinic is open will provide more options for our community,” Khan says. “We work hard to make sure that providing healthcare is seen as a partnership that meets the needs of the people.”

RUHS Community Health Centers accept patients with IEHP, Medical, Medicare, MISP, uninsured. If a patient does have insurance, staff is encouraging patients to call ahead for Same Day Care.

#### **About Riverside University Health System**

Riverside University Health System (RUHS) includes a 439-bed Medical Center, 13 Community Health Centers, and several primary and specialty clinics throughout Riverside County, California. With more than 6,000 staff members and over 125 years of experience serving Riverside County communities, RUHS continues its commitment to and legacy of delivering exceptional, compassionate care with a focus on public health, behavioral health, community wellness, and medical education. Visit [ruhealth.org](http://ruhealth.org) to learn more.