CARES – DPHHS/Governor’s – Coronavirus Relief Fund (CFDA 21.019) Food Security Funds Financial Assistance distributed from the State of Montana Governor’s Office through the Montana Department of Health & Human Services in support of school funding for pandemic-related impacts that may be expended for the following purposes as outlined in the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act):

CARES Act
The CARES Act provides that payments from the CRF may only be used to cover costs that:
1. Are necessary expenditures incurred due to the public health emergency with respect to the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID–19); and
2. Were incurred during the period that began on March 1, 2020 and ends on December 30, 2020.

OPI Accounting Guidance
Revenue should be deposited to: Expenditures should be coded to:
Miscellaneous Programs Fund 15 Miscellaneous Programs Fund 15
Revenue Source 7730 Program 773
Unique Project Reporter Code is required Unique Project Reporter Code is required

Allowable Expenses from the DPHHS announcement are listed below:
The funding may be used for expenditures such as facility expansion, equipment upgrades, staffing costs, costs associated with changes to distribution, cleaning/sanitation supplies, shelving, freezer space, storage space, and delivery costs. Other costs associated with increasing the capacity of the entity to meet the needs of the population they serve may also be eligible.

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