# AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN – LOCAL GOVERNMENTS

### Funding for Non-Entitlement Units of Local Governments FAQs

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#### **General Questions**

Q. Is there a deadline to apply to receive funding?

A. Federal guidelines require that the state distribute funds to Non-Entitlement Units (NEUs) within 30 days of receipt of funds by the state. Therefore, it is expected that local governments will apply for their funds within that 30-day period.

Q. How quickly can a local government expect to receive funding?

A. From the time an application is submitted, and the requirements are verified, an entity can typically expect to receive funding within 10 business days.

#### **Required Document Questions**

Q. What documents are local governments required to submit during the online application process?

A. The required documents include:

- Total non-entitlement units of local government (NEU) NEU budget (defined as the annual total operating budget, including general fund and other funds, in effect as of Jan. 27, 2020) or the top-line expenditure total (in exceptional cases in which the NEU does not adopt a formal budget)
  - `The total amount distributed to an NEU cannot exceed an amount equal to 75% of its most recent budget as of Jan. 27, 2020.
- Award terms and conditions agreement as provided by the U.S. Department of Treasury (must be signed\*)
  - View a copy of the Award Terms and Conditions for Non-Entitlement Units of Local Government.
- Assurances of compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 provided by the U.S. Treasury Department — (must be signed\*)

\*Documents requiring a signature can be signed electronically.

#### **Allocation Questions**

Q. What amount has the federal government allocated to each of the 254 NEUs of Local Governments in South Carolina?

A. Click here to view the estimated allocations for NEUs.

Q. Will local governments receive the entire allocation amount specified by the federal government?

A. The total amount distributed to an NEU cannot exceed an amount equal to 75% of its most recent budget as of Jan. 27, 2020. The federal government will provide the funding in two allocations. The first allocation will be provided upon receipt of the state's certification. The second allocation will be provided within 12 months thereafter. The state will only provide funding after it has been received from the federal government.

Note: This document will be updated with additionally questions and answers as needed.