

## **STATE OF ARKANSAS Department of Finance and Administration**

## **ALLOWABLE ITEMS FOR COVID-19**

Below are COVID-19 items that have been pre-approved by the Arkansas CARES Act Steering Committee for purchases and/or reimbursables. The list is to provide guidance for your application request. For requested items not listed below, please include appropriate justification for each in the RFA Budget Justification Narrative. (This list is subject to updates.)

N95 Masks KN95 Masks Surgical Masks **Isolation Gowns** Gloves Face Shields **Goggles/Safety Glasses** No Touch Thermometers Forehead Thermometers Ear Thermometers Thermometer Covers **Batteries** Basic First Aid Kit **Rubbing Alcohol** Hand Sanitizer Siphone Pump (for Hand Sanitizer in drum or bucket) Plastic Bottles (for Hand Sanitizer in drum or bucket) **Sanitizing Sprays** Sanitizing Cleaners Sanitizing Soaps Sanitizing Wipes Bleach Mop Bucket Mop Handle Mop Trash Cans with Lids Garbage Bags Clear Shower Curtain (used to separate customer from employee) Shower Curtain Rods (used to separate customer from employee)

The items listed below have been added as allowable expenses. This information was retrieved from the Federal Register: The Department of the Treasury -Coronavirus Relief Fund program guidance. Posted 01/15/2021 Federal Register :: Coronavirus Relief Fund for States, Tribal Governments, and Certain Eligible Local Governments

**Public health expenses such as:** Expenses for communication and enforcement

Expenses for acquisition and distribution of medical and protective supplies, including sanitizing products and personal protective equipment, for medical personnel, police officers, social workers, child protection services, and child welfare officers, direct service providers for older adults and individuals with disabilities in community settings, and other public health or safety workers in connection with the COVID-19 public health emergency

Expenses for disinfection of public areas and other facilities, *e.g.*, nursing homes, in response to the COVID-19 public health emergency

Expenses for technical assistance to local authorities or other entities on mitigation of COVID-19-related threats to public health and safety

Expenses for public safety measures undertaken in response to COVID-19

Expenses for quarantining individuals

Payroll expenses for public safety and similar employees whose services are substantially dedicated to mitigating or responding to the COVID-19 public health emergency

Expenses of actions to facilitate compliance with COVID-19-related public health measures, such as:

Expenses for food delivery to residents, including, for example, senior citizens and other vulnerable populations, to enable compliance with COVID-19 public health precautions.

Expenses to facilitate distance learning, including technological improvements, in connection with school closings to enable compliance with COVID-19 precautions.

Expenses to improve telework capabilities for public employees to enable compliance with COVID-19 public health precautions.

Expenses of providing paid sick and paid family and medical leave to public employees to enable compliance with COVID-19 public health precautions.

COVID-19-related expenses of maintaining state prisons and county jails, including as relates to sanitation and improvement of social distancing measures, to enable compliance with COVID-19 public health precautions.

Expenses for care for homeless populations provided to mitigate COVID-19 effects and enable compliance with COVID-19 public health precautions.