

KAC and Office of Recovery County Webinar Series

July 15th 2020

Agenda

- Office of Recovery Updates
- Updates from the Direct Aid Plan and Reimbursement Reporting Template
- Presentation by the Kansas Children's Cabinet
- Presentation by the Kansas Department of Children and Families and the Kansas Department of Disability and Aging Services
- Next Steps

Office of Recovery Updates

- Round One Updates

- Counties who have submitted their resolutions will receive an email today indicating that their Round 1 allocation have been initiated via direct deposit.
 - Depending on your bank, the transaction may take 2-3 to process. If funds do not appear in your account by Monday, please notify our office.
- We will send notices to all counties who have not submitted resolutions or have submitted an incomplete resolution.
- Additional FAQs are up on the website at <https://covid.ks.gov/spark-recovery-office/>.
- All resources, webinars, and other materials are all on the website as well under “county resources” and “webinars.”

- Round Two Updates

- SPARK Steering and Executive Committees will meet next week to discuss proposals for Round 2 funding for health, connectivity, economic development, and education investments.

Office of Recovery Updates

- Additional clarifications:
 - **Public educational institutions, cities, etc. in multiple counties:** As stated in the resolution, the county in which the institution's headquarters is housed is the county responsible for that institution. However, this does not mean that *only* that county can provide funds to that institution. Counties can share costs as needed.
 - **Can counties submit direct aid plans or other forms early?** Yes, you may submit your direct aid plan early. Once approved, you may begin spending.
 - **Where do I find federal guidance?** All guidance can be found on the covid.ks.gov website or the Department of the Treasury Website at <https://home.treasury.gov/policy-issues/cares/state-and-local-governments>. Reporting dates in federal guidance are specific to the State of Kansas, not counties.

Updates to the Direct Aid Template

- New Direct Aid Template and associated memo are posted on <https://covid.ks.gov/spark-recovery-office/>
- This document should **not** be used to record already incurred expenditures or reimbursements, it is **not** a reporting form
- What has changed?
 - There are now three types of tabs: planned independent expenditures, program tabs, and transfer tabs.
 - The program tab now includes a budget narrative to ensure that there are justifications for all expenditures.
 - All transfers to schools, cities, etc. should now be in a separate transfers tab, with itemized expected expenditures for that transfer.

Reporting and Planning Overview for August 15th Deadline

- By **August 15th**, you will submit two documents to the Office of Recovery through the online submission portal:

County Reimbursement Reporting Form

- Presented during the July 9th Webinar
- Official reporting document to track reimbursements for the reporting period of **March 1st – July 31st**
- Reimbursements can be either for the county or for sub-recipients.
- To be used for accounting and compliance purposes.

Direct Aid Planning Form

- Presented during the July 10th webinar.
- A planning tool used to outline spending plans for remaining funds. Should incorporate all funds not accounted for in the reimbursement reporting form. **Must be approved before direct funds are spent.**
- Can include transfers to sub-recipients, county level planned spending, or new programs.
- Can be amended as needed beyond August 15th.

Presentation by Children's Cabinet

Presentation by DCF/KDADS

Next Steps

- Review changes to Direct Aid Form and continue to solicit proposals
- Continue to submit guidance interpretation questions
- Continue to organize and collect reimbursements
- Next Webinar:
 - July 17: 2PM – 3:30PM
 - Focused on frequently asked questions regarding direct aid template, reimbursement reporting form, timelines, and other key areas.