



MEMORANDUM

To: Mayor and City Council

From: Mike Land, City Manager and Mindi Hurley, Director of Community Development

Date: June 9, 2020

Reference: CARES Funding Presentation

Dallas County is providing CARES Funding to municipalities in Dallas County to assist with expenditures related to COVID-19. These funds are allocated to each municipality based on population. The City of Coppel will receive \$2,228,490, which is based on \$55 per resident with a current population estimate of 40,518. The qualifying expenditures for these funds include medical, public health measures, governmental services and employment or business economic support that occur between the dates of March 1, 2020 and December 30, 2020.

We just received information from Denton County related to the CARES Act funding allocation. For Coppel, Denton County is distributing \$45,210.00.

The following are recommendations for City Council to consider as expenditures for these funds:

METROCREST SERVICES:

The four cities, Addison, Carrollton, Farmers Branch and Coppel are continuing their support of Metrocrest Services during the Covid-19 emergency in support of our communities social services needs. To this end, for Coppel, in addition to the one time grant of \$85,000 (which will be reimbursed to the City through the CARES Act funding) Metrocrest has identified additional funding needs specifically attributable to COVID-19 for the months between August 2020 and December 2020 totaling \$159,550.

Recall the initial one time ask covered additional Covid-19 specific expenditures beginning March 1, 2020 and projecting through July 31, 2020.

The additional \$159,550 as identified is beyond the City of Coppell's annual distribution from the City of Coppell, this year, and being considered for next year's 20-21 budget.

The attached spreadsheets were provided by Tracy for the purposes of determining and allocating the costs of services to the four partnering Cities.

CHILDREN'S ADVOCACY CENTER:

Dr. Lynass provided an update on Coppell service expenses directly related to COVID-19. Expenses incurred beginning March 1 through May 31, 2020 totaled \$7,500. Based on their projections through the end of 2020, they are expecting an additional \$18,000 in expenses.

Please see the attached memo from Dr. Lynass on the impact of Covid-19 on their services.

BUSINESS ECONOMIC SUPPORT:

Due to COVID-19, numerous businesses in the City of Coppell were required to close their doors or limit their service offerings. As a result, these businesses have suffered economically. In order to help them in their recovery efforts, the City would like to expend some of the CARES Act funding dollars to provide economic support to those businesses through forgivable grants. The following are proposed grant programs for businesses:

I. Business Assistance Grants for Restaurants-

Restaurants that have been in existence at their current location for no less than 12 months will be awarded forgivable grants. Grants will be awarded based on occupancy load. The restaurant will be awarded \$55 per allowable occupant. Criteria to qualify:

- The restaurant must be located within the city limits of Coppell and must be in current compliance with the City of Coppell Code of Ordinances, including all applicable zoning and land use ordinances;
- The restaurant must have a physical store front in Coppell;
- The restaurant must have been in business and operating at the current location for a minimum of 12 months as of March 1, 2020;
- The restaurant must employ 50 or fewer full-time or full-time-equivalent employees;
- The restaurant must have endured a 25% or greater reduction in sales/business due to the COVID-19 pandemic;

II. Business Retrofit Grants-

- a. Businesses retrofitting their physical space to meet public health and/or safety concerns will be reimbursed for expenditures up to \$5,000. Items eligible for reimbursement include plexiglass barriers, cleaning supplies that are used to clean common contact surfaces, hand sanitizing stations, PPE supplies, costs to create an on-line purchasing system, contactless faucets, upgrading payment system and

upgrading sanitation systems (such as UV systems). Items available to be purchased from Coppell businesses must be purchased from Coppell businesses to receive reimbursement. A list of those items and businesses will be provided before grant applications are released. All other purchases will be reimbursed after receipt is submitted. Criteria to qualify:

- The business must be located within the city limits of Coppell and must be in current compliance with the City of Coppell Code of Ordinances, including all applicable zoning and land use ordinances;
- The business must have a physical store front in Coppell;
- The business must have been in business and operating at the current location for a minimum of 12 months as of March 1, 2020;
- The business must be open to the public to conduct business.

If City Council is interested in pursuing these grant programs, staff will proceed with creating the necessary documents to administer the programs.