



# Economic Recovery Hub FAQ

## **What is considered an eligible cost or expense for ARPA SFLRF funds?**

Eligible expenditures will vary to a degree based on the restrictions of individual business cases and contracts. That said, there are some general guidelines that can be followed. For economic grants offered through DECD, eligible uses of funds can include:

- Recouping financial loss experienced during the COVID-19 pandemic
- Hiring or retaining qualified workers
- Mitigate the effects of the increased cost of goods
- Reimbursement of costs to acquire Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)
- Facility upgrades like increased seating to allow for social distancing or the installation of new HVAC systems to improve air quality and prevent the spread of disease

Questions about specific uses should be addressed to the DECD project lead.

## **What forms of documentation are acceptable?**

While there is no set list of acceptable documentation, the following forms of acceptable documentation can be used as an example:

- Tax returns
- Profit & loss statements
- Receipts for qualifying expenses
- Balance sheets/bank statements

The important thing is that the documentation clearly supports the need being claimed by the applicant.

## **Are there restrictions on who can receive funds?**

Applicants must attest that the business to be supported by this funding is not debarred from receiving federal funds and is not:

- Engaged in illegal activity;
- Engaged in marijuana or cannabis-related activities;
- Principally engaged in promoting religion;
- Primarily engaged in political or lobbying activities; nor
- A private club that limits the number of memberships for reasons other than capacity or a business that restricts patronage.