



Board Policy #10

TITLE: GO Virginia Economic Resilience and Recovery Program

EFFECTIVE DATE: 04/17/2020 – 05/07/2021

AUTHORITY: § 2.2-2486 - §2.2-2489 of the Code of Virginia

POLICY STATEMENT: It is the policy of the Virginia Growth and Opportunity Board that \$14.66M in FY20 statewide competitive funds will be used to create the Economic Resilience and Recovery Program.

Each Regional Council may apply for up to \$1.0 million to support strategic initiatives in response to the economic crisis caused by the COVID-19 pandemic. To accelerate the deployment of resources, DHCD will administratively approve applications of \$100,000 or less that meet the program guidelines through a Fast Access process. Regions may access up to \$300,000 using the Fast Access process. Any funds accessed using the Fast Access process will count toward their \$1.0M regional cap.

The remaining \$5.66M will be held in an opportunity fund to support responsive proposals that have a significant statewide economic impact. A single region or multiple regions may apply for these funds.

Funds not obligated when this program sunsets will be returned to the regular statewide competitive pool.

Local match requirements will be waived for this program and total match requirements will be reduced by half due to a finding by the Board of fiscal distress across the entire Commonwealth because of the COVID-19 pandemic.

APPROVAL AND REVIEW: This Board policy was reviewed and approved on 12/07/2020.

SUPERSESION: This Board policy is new and will expire on 5/7/21 unless otherwise extended by the Board.

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