



STATE OF ARKANSAS
ASA HUTCHINSON, GOVERNOR

CARES Act Steering Committee
Wednesday, August 8, 2020 3:30p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Draft AGENDA

- 1) Welcome & Opening Remarks: Secretary Elizabeth Smith
 - Approval of Minutes
- 2) Proposals
 - a) **Department of Agriculture** – Secretary Wes Ward
 - i) Request for Cost Sharing Program for Meat Processors - \$5,000,000
This request will require additional Appropriation
 - ii) **Department of Agriculture** – Secretary Wes Ward –
Request for reimbursement of \$215,4336 for the Department of Agriculture for IT to provide for communication and computer equipment and electronic licensing and permitting programs for all 5 divisions of the Department. No additional appropriation needed.
 - b) **Department of Human Services** –Secretary Cindy Gillespie
And American Academy of Pediatrics Pediatric immunization assistance (\$8.77 million) to reimburse enhanced immunization initiatives at private primary care practices that participate in the Vaccines for Children (VFC) program for vaccinations to be administered prior to the deadline for school attendance, the reimbursements will be available through October 1, 2020. This request will require additional appropriation.
 - c) **Arkansas Department of Health - Chief of Staff Stephanie Williams Minority Health Commission, Director Sharonda Love**
Coalition for Tobacco Free Arkansas Amount Requested: \$100,020
To provide education materials and media coverage targeting communities of color, primarily, African Americans. No additional appropriation needed.
 - d) **Department of Correction** – Secretary Solomon Graves
Request for \$384,998 to establish temporary medical facilities, emergency food storage equipment, sanitization, and quarantine expenses. No additional appropriation needed.
 - e) **Department of Inspector General** – Secretary Elizabeth Smith
Request for reimbursement \$8,024.20 for portal to receive medical records electronically from providers. No additional appropriation needed.
- 3) Items previously approved-
 1. **Department of Human Services** – Secretary Cindy Gillespie
Emergency Response Reimbursement Payment - request to extend time for distribution of funds. Funds had already been approved, but only a small number has been disbursed. Requesting utilization time be extended to allow for more applications in order to utilize the funding. Previous approval \$23,400,000 amount spent to date \$1,177,125.
 2. Update regarding funds expended to date - DFA
- 4) Adjournment