
Joint COVID-19 Response Legislative Workgroup

Teleconference Meeting

***THIS MEETING WILL*
*BEGIN SHORTLY***

**May 6, 2020
10:00 a.m.**

Agenda Overview

(10:00 a.m. - 10:05 a.m.)

- I. Briefing from Maryland Department of Commerce
- II. Briefing from Health Facilities Association of Maryland
- III. Briefing from Maryland Department of Labor
- IV. Closing Remarks

Briefing from MD Dept. of Commerce

(10:05 a.m. - 10:25 a.m.)

- Presentation from Secretary Schulz
- Limited Questions and Answers
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Maryland COVID-19 Emergency Relief Grant Fund Overview

- Certified 4,763 grant applications totaling \$46.8 million (as of May 5)
- Received 20,190 applications totaling over \$195 million. There was \$50 million allocated to the grant fund.
- Built a new IT system to handle applications after the program was launched.
- Brought in more than 150 volunteers from other agencies to process applications.

Maryland COVID-19 Emergency Relief Grant Fund Overview

- Many applications were incomplete or contained errors. We worked with as many applicants as we could to correct these.
- This added time to the review process.

Grant Applications Approved Since Friday Morning as of 5/5/2020 @8:30am	1,378	\$ 13,505,427
Grant Applications Reviewed by Managers Since Friday Morning as of 5/5/2020 @8:30am	1,691	\$ 16,534,052
Grant Applications Submitted on 3/23 & 3/24 that have been approved as of 5/5/2020 @8:30am	3,425	\$ 33,625,954
Grant Checks cut as of 5/4/2020 @ 4pm	284	\$ 2,820,675

Maryland COVID-19 Emergency Relief Grant Fund Overview

- Applications received on March 23 and 24 will utilize the vast majority of the \$50 million.
- More than \$1 million in grants from those first two days will go to nonprofits.
- Continuing to review applications. If more money is allocated to the fund, we'll be able to pick up where we left off.

Maryland COVID-19 Emergency Relief Loan Fund Overview

- Our review team has prioritized grant applications to get those funds disbursed as quickly as possible.
- We have certified 239 loan applications totaling \$10.9 million (as of May 5)
- There was \$75 million allocated to the loan fund.

Maryland COVID-19 Emergency Relief Manufacturing Fund Overview

- Certified 44 grant applications totaling \$3.3 million dollars (as of May 5).
- There were \$5 million dollars allocated to the loan fund to support manufacturers producing PPE.
- Companies are making face shields, masks, gowns, ventilators & ventilator compliments, battery packs, and other PPE.

Briefing from Health Facilities Assoc. of MD

(10:25 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.)

- Presentation from Joseph DeMattos, Jr. President, Health Facilities Association of Maryland (HFAM)
- Limited Questions and Answers
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Briefing from MD Dept. of Labor

- Presentation from Secretary Robinson
- Limited Questions and Answers
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Closing Remarks

- Check Hearing Schedule on Maryland General Assembly website for committee meetings
- Next meeting will be May 13 at 10 a.m.