Have you or your business been economically impacted by the COVID-19 public health emergency? We want to hear from you!

Please email ARPA@townofkentct.org with a brief narrative about how the COVID-19 public health emergency has economically affected you or your business. This is a first step in a needs assessment process.

Kent will receive a total of $821,855 over a two-year period.

The first allocation of this funding has been received in the amount of $410,927 and must be distributed by the end of the calendar year 2024.

The Federal Government has issued four categories for use of these funds, a broad overview of the uses are as follows:

- Revenue replacement for government services to the extent of the reduction in revenue due to the COVID-19 public health emergency.
- COVID-19 expenditures or negative economic impacts of COVID-19, including assistance to small businesses, households, and hard-hit industries, and economic recovery.
- Premium pay for essential workers (limited to up to $13 per hour, in addition to wages or remuneration of the worker otherwise receives) Premium pay is limited to an aggregate amount not to exceed $25,000 per eligible worker.
- Investments in water, sewer and broadband infrastructure.

Additional detail, definitions and explanations on these restrictions are available in the IFR (interim final rule) that was issued on 5/10/2021.

The IFR establishes a framework for determining the types of programs and services eligible under this program, along with examples of uses that state and local governments may consider. These uses build on eligible expenditures under the Coronavirus Relief Fund issued through the CARES Act by recognizing a broad range of additional eligible uses. The objective of CSLFRF is to help governments support the families, businesses, and communities hardest hit by the COVID-19 public health emergency.