

GUIDEHOUSE ELIGIBILITY ASSESSMENT

Project Name	Family Emergency Readiness EXPO 2020
Estimated Cost	\$4,000
Risk Level (for non-revenue loss categories)	Low
LFRF Supporting Guidance	<p><i>Per the SLFRF Final Rule, nonprofits have faced significant challenges due to the pandemic's increased demand for services and changing operational needs, as well as declines in revenue sources such as donations and fees. Nonprofits eligible for assistance are those that experienced negative economic impacts or disproportionate impacts of the pandemic and meet the definition of "nonprofit" - specifically those that are 501(c)(3) or 501(c)(19) tax exempt organizations.</i></p> <p><i>"Recipients may respond to the public health emergency or its negative economic impacts by, among other activities, providing assistance to nonprofits." (Final Rule, p. 153).</i></p> <p><i>"A recipient may identify a negative economic impact experienced by a nonprofit, or class of nonprofits, and design and implement a response to that negative economic impact." (Final Rule, p. 156).</i></p> <p><i>"Recipients may identify classes of...nonprofits...that have experienced a disproportionate impact based on academic research or government research publications, through analysis of their own data, or through analysis of other existing data sources. To augment their analysis, or when quantitative data is not readily available, recipients may also consider qualitative research and sources like resident interviews or feedback from relevant state and local agencies, such as public health departments or social services departments. In both cases, recipients should consider the quality of the research, data, and applicability of analysis to their determination." (Final Rule, p. 45).</i></p> <p><i>"If the recipient is providing funds to the individual or entity for the purpose of directly benefiting the individual or entity as a result of experiencing a public health impact or negative economic impact of the pandemic, that individual or entity is acting as a beneficiary. Acting as a beneficiary, the individual or entity is not subject to subrecipient monitoring and reporting requirements." (Final Rule, p. 211).</i></p> <p>The appropriate recipient determination for the Lodge is a "beneficiary" as they will receive funds to remedy the negative economic impact they experienced and will not be</p>

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	<p>executing any sort of program on behalf of the county, like a subrecipient.</p> <p>From Page 13 of the Final Rule overview: <i>“The difference between “beneficiaries” and “sub-recipients.” Beneficiaries are households, small businesses, or nonprofits that can receive assistance based on impacts of the pandemic that they experienced. On the other hand, sub-recipients are organizations that carry out eligible uses on behalf of a government, often through grants or contracts. Sub-recipients do not need to have experienced a negative economic impact of the pandemic; rather, they are providing services to beneficiaries that experienced an impact.”</i></p>
Proposed Expenditure Category	EC 2.34 Assistance to Impacted Nonprofit Organizations (Impacted or Disproportionately Impacted)
Disadvantaged Communities Requirement?	N/A
Other potential reporting requirements	N/A
Recommendations	<p>The Howell Masonic Lodge would complete the following on behalf of Livingston County to ensure compliance with ARPA SLFRF guidance:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hardship questionnaire to demonstrate economic harm due to the pandemic • The Howell Masonic Lodge will need to show that they experienced \$4,000 in lost revenue / increased costs due to the pandemic. • Beneficiary agreement between Livingston County and Howell Masonic Lodge <p>Additional Notes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Lodge is a nonprofit entity. • The Lodge holds an annual raffle and the key event where the lodge sells raffle tickets is at the annual Family Emergency Readiness Expo. This raffle / event is a key fundraising event for the Lodge. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The Lodge uses these funds raised through the raffle to help county residents deal w/ disasters. • In 2020, the Family Emergency Readiness Expo 2020 and raffle were cancelled for COVID, and the Lodge was not able to raise these funds - this is a demonstrated negative economic impact. • The project is providing the Lodge funding to replace the money that the Lodge could have raised through the raffle at the 2020 Family Emergency Readiness Expo. • The appropriate recipient determination for the Lodge is a “beneficiary” as they will receive funds to remedy the negative economic impact they experienced and will not

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