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CAMERON COUNTY RECEIVED A $41 MILLION INITIAL ALLOCATION OF THE CORONAVIRUS STATE AND LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUNDS AS ESTABLISHED BY THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT OF 2021

On May 10, 2021, the U.S. Department of Treasury announced the launch of the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds as established by the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 to assist with emergency funding in response to the unprecedented strains and revenue shortfalls in light of COVID-19.

On Tuesday, May 12, 2021, Cameron County submitted a request to the U.S. Department of Treasury to be recipients of the determined federal funds. Half of the total amount, $41 million out of the $82.1 million funds was allocated on May 19, 2021. Local governments will receive total funds in a twelve-month span, 50% allocation in May 2021, followed by the remaining balance within the next twelve months.

The funds allocated to Cameron County will provide substantial flexibility to meet the needs of our area which include the following: supporting public health expenditures, address revenue shortfalls and negative economic impact, aid our communities that were hit hardest by the crisis, provide premium pay for essential workers, invest in water, sewer and drainage improvements, and provide broadband infrastructure and connectivity.

"The Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds will provide a needed and necessary economic resource to address our County's monthly economic losses and revenue shortfalls and therefore, lessen our budget constraints which many local governments such as Cameron County, have encountered. Working through this unprecedented health crisis, this financial assistance will help boost our local economy and thus, provide the much-needed resources our families and communities deserve. We will work diligently to prioritize the awarded funds," stated Cameron County Judge Eddie Treviño, Jr.

The Cameron County Judge's Office will provide related news and updates.

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