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Dear Mr. Casa,

Thank you for your letter of July 24 regarding the state's guidance surrounding eligibility for the federal Coronavirus Relief Funds (CRF) for nonprofit organizations that received funding under the federal Paycheck Protection Program (PPP).

Please be assured that we recognize and appreciate the work of community nonprofit providers and their staff who have been on the front lines delivering essential services to the state's most vulnerable residents during the COVID-19 pandemic. Governor Lamont has committed up to \$125 million in relief to non-profit providers through the Coronavirus Relief Fund. These finite federal funds are critical in supporting the strategies and extreme needs to effectively respond to and combat COVID-19 in the interest of public health for our State. As of yesterday, we have a 0.7% positivity rate. We appreciate your partnership in this continued work.

As stated by Governor Lamont over a week ago, please note a clarification to the state's policy such that receiving PPP will not preclude receipt of CRF. We will allow CRF to be used to support uncovered expenses as long as the specific expenses under CRF are not also reported as part of a PPP loan forgiveness request. Between the two funding sources, nonprofit providers should not receive grant reimbursement for the same costs. In addition, providers cannot receive CRF funding to cover lost revenue.

The providers of your organization should be hearing shortly from the state agencies with which they contract regarding the details of this new guidance.

Thank you for raising this issue on behalf of your membership.

Sincerely,



Melissa McCaw
Secretary, OPM

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