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Just FYI

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Do you have anything to share to back up the \$1 million?

Thanks!!

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It sounds like there might be traction at MMB/GO to submit a CRF request for the Shelter needs, and they are wondering what amount to put forward. We were originally planning to request \$1M for vaccines and \$1M for shelter.

Because we can tap into FEMA resources for vaccinations, my preference is to request two months of shelter funding, which is about what we can afford within the LTC staffing pool underspending.

Does this sound good to folks?

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Andrea

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Subject: \$1M for Protective Space

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Thanks!!

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To: [Grumdahl, Eric \(MHFA\)](#); [Minge, Ahna B \(DHS\)](#); [Reisenauer, Ashley \(DHS\)](#); [Simonett, Andrea L \(DHS\)](#); [Pollock, Daniel L \(DHS\)](#)
Subject: RE: \$1M for Protective Space
Date: Wednesday, April 7, 2021 8:02:28 AM
Attachments: [image001.jpg](#)
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[image003.png](#)
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[image005.jpg](#)
[image006.jpg](#)

Thanks all.

I think there are a few logistical pieces we may need to work through as it relates to the access and distribution of funds for isolation spaces and ESP funded services. In previous allocations, it's my understanding that funds for these activities "sat" in different areas—thus the access points/processes were different. Additionally, the distribution of funds for isolation space versus ESP funded activities were different (i.e. established contract with provider versus an assurances form/upfront payment). Let me know if we should start to think through these logistics...

Katelyn

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Sent: Tuesday, April 6, 2021 3:58 PM
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Subject: Re: \$1M for Protective Space

Awesome!

Looping in Katelyn from the OEO team since Andrea is away this week.

The \$3.7 million for ESP-funded settings does not include isolation spaces. Carolyn Ham estimated that the isolation space funds needed to sustain all of the spaces operating now would be \$1.5 million through the end of the fiscal year.

Since I'm guessing the combo of those two amounts is more than we can get, how about we simply max out the request (whatever that underspent amount would be) and in the CRF justification, name both isolation space and ESP activities as eligible for the funds, so we can apportion and adapt over time based on demand.

In addition, we could estimate how much time the requested amount would cover, but make the eligible period all the way through the end of the fiscal year to encourage or at least allow providers to stretch the dollars.

Happy to take a stab at writing that up -- would just need to know what the total dollar figure we should target would be.

Katelyn, anything to add for OEO?

My only other question would be: do we think that CRF requests will move, or will they end up stalled until after session?

Thanks -- this would be a welcome development!

Eric

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Subject: RE: \$1M for Protective Space

Hi Eric!

It sounds like there might be traction at MMB/GO to submit a CRF request for the Shelter needs, and they are wondering what amount to put forward. We were originally planning to request \$1M for vaccines and \$1M for shelter.

Because we can tap into FEMA resources for vaccinations, my preference is to request two months of shelter funding, which is about what we can afford within the LTC staffing pool underspending.

Does this sound good to folks?

Thanks!

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Sent: Monday, April 5, 2021 12:42 PM

To: Minge, Ahna B (DHS) <Ahna.B.Minge@state.mn.us>; Greeman, Dave X (DHS) <dave.greeman@state.mn.us>; Simonett, Andrea L (DHS) <andrea.simonett@state.mn.us>; Balleria, Marina C (DHS) <marina.balleria@state.mn.us>

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Subject: Re: \$1M for Protective Space

We do! Here's what we got from the survey that closed on Friday. The survey went out to everyone OEO is funding with COVID-related ESP ("ESP-CV") and CRF ("CRF-ESP") dollars operating this calendar year. This means that our universe for the survey was limited to organizations who may be facing funding cliffs for program operations that we are currently supporting -- not everyone who might want funding.

We got responses from 72 organizations, which we consider to be a pretty robust response especially considering that it was only open for two and a half days. Of those who responded, 29 indicated that they are facing funding cliffs that will require them to discontinue program operations that they would otherwise sustain. We got this on a monthly breakdown and by activity, as presented in the table below. The total for the rest of the State Fiscal Year is \$3.7 million.

I'm sure this is not 100% perfect information, but suspect that if it misses anything, it does not include some programs or costs that it might otherwise also need support. That is, I would

suspect it is a conservative estimate, if anything.

I hope this information is helpful. Please let us know if there's anything else we can do on our end!

Eric

Reported Funding Needs:

	April	May	June	April -June Total
Staff	\$403,177.00	\$425,536.00	\$469,729.00	\$1,298,442.00
Food	\$105,670.65	\$124,752.81	\$158,920.65	\$389,344.11
Hygiene	\$55,227.00	\$60,464.00	\$58,044.00	\$173,735.00
Shelter	\$576,870.00	\$594,570.00	\$627,767.00	\$1,799,207.00
All	\$1,140,944.65	\$1,205,322.81	\$1,314,460.65	\$3,660,728.11

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Subject: RE: \$1M for Protective Space

Hi Eric,

Do you all have any additional information that you could share on this yet?

Thanks,

Ahna

From: Grumdahl, Eric (MHFA) <Eric.Grumdahl@state.mn.us>

Sent: Tuesday, March 30, 2021 9:00 AM

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Subject: Re: \$1M for Protective Space

Confirming that we are going to attempt a quick survey of current grantees. Hoping to have better intel to share by the end of the week. Thanks again all for the help and problem-solving!

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Sent: Monday, March 29, 2021 9:02 PM

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Subject: Re: \$1M for Protective Space

Andrea and I are brainstorming a way to estimate the gap more precisely. We're going to connect about it in the morning and will loop back ASAP. If we can pull off what we're thinking about, it will take us a couple of days to get some more precise numbers. More in the morning. Thanks to you all for your help and creativity!

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Adding Marina

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Subject: RE: \$1M for Protective Space

Hi Again,

+Marina

I just talked with MMB, and there is a real need to understand the current spending on the award and how much is needed before June.

Is there any way to estimate this without calling providers? Or is there some way to call just a couple large providers? Happy to help figure something out.

Thanks,

Ahna

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Sent: Thursday, March 25, 2021 12:57 PM

To: Simonett, Andrea L (DHS) <andrea.simonett@state.mn.us>; Grumdahl, Eric (MHFA) <Eric.Grumdahl@state.mn.us>

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Subject: RE: \$1M for Protective Space

Hi Andrea,

That doesn't seem like the best use of time. Do you have any sense of when the funding is going to run out?

Also, do you know what portion of the funding at this stage is being used for protective space? I could submit and expedited request to FEMA, which would give us half of the funding up front. However, then we could only use it for protective spaces. (Adding Josh to the thread).

Thanks!

Ahna

From: Simonett, Andrea L (DHS) <andrea.simonett@state.mn.us>

Sent: Thursday, March 25, 2021 12:26 PM

To: Minge, Ahna B (DHS) <Ahna.B.Minge@state.mn.us>; Grumdahl, Eric (MHFA) <Eric.Grumdahl@state.mn.us>

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Subject: RE: \$1M for Protective Space

Hi Ahna,

Since funds are still being used by providers, we have not required them to submit a report or data at this time. Typically we wait until after the funding period, and once the funds are fully expended, to solicit that information. We have information on what providers proposed to do during the period Jan-June (numbers they intended to serve, services they planned to deliver) and can provide that if it would be helpful. The CRF and ESP funding we had would have supported some of that proposed work, but not all of it.

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Is it possible to get an update on how much has been spent and obligated of the existing awards, data about last rounds, etc? I think we're going to need more up to date data than the November provider submissions. Anything you have would be useful.

Thanks!

Ahna

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To: [Pollock, Daniel L \(DHS\)](#); [Meier, Erin \(DOT\)](#)
Cc: [Irber, Kari J \(DHS\)](#)
Subject: RE: DHS-FEMA.xlsx Applications approved
Date: Wednesday, March 24, 2021 10:37:51 AM

I would say something like the following:

DHS is in the process of receiving FEMA reimbursement for \$1.15 million in eligible shelter activities. This proposal would repurpose \$1 million of that reimbursement for additional protective spaces.

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Sent: Tuesday, March 23, 2021 4:59 PM

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Cc: Irber, Kari J (DHS) <kari.irber@state.mn.us>

Subject: FW: DHS-FEMA.xlsx Applications approved

So should I update my memo to state that we plan to state that we're planning to distribute at least \$600k of the FEMA funds already -received back out as new ESP (protection space funds)

Best

DP

From: Ham, Carolyn (DHS) <Carolyn.Ham@state.mn.us>

Sent: Tuesday, March 23, 2021 1:52 PM

To: Pollock, Daniel L (DHS) <Daniel.Pollock@state.mn.us>

Subject: DHS-FEMA.xlsx Applications approved

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