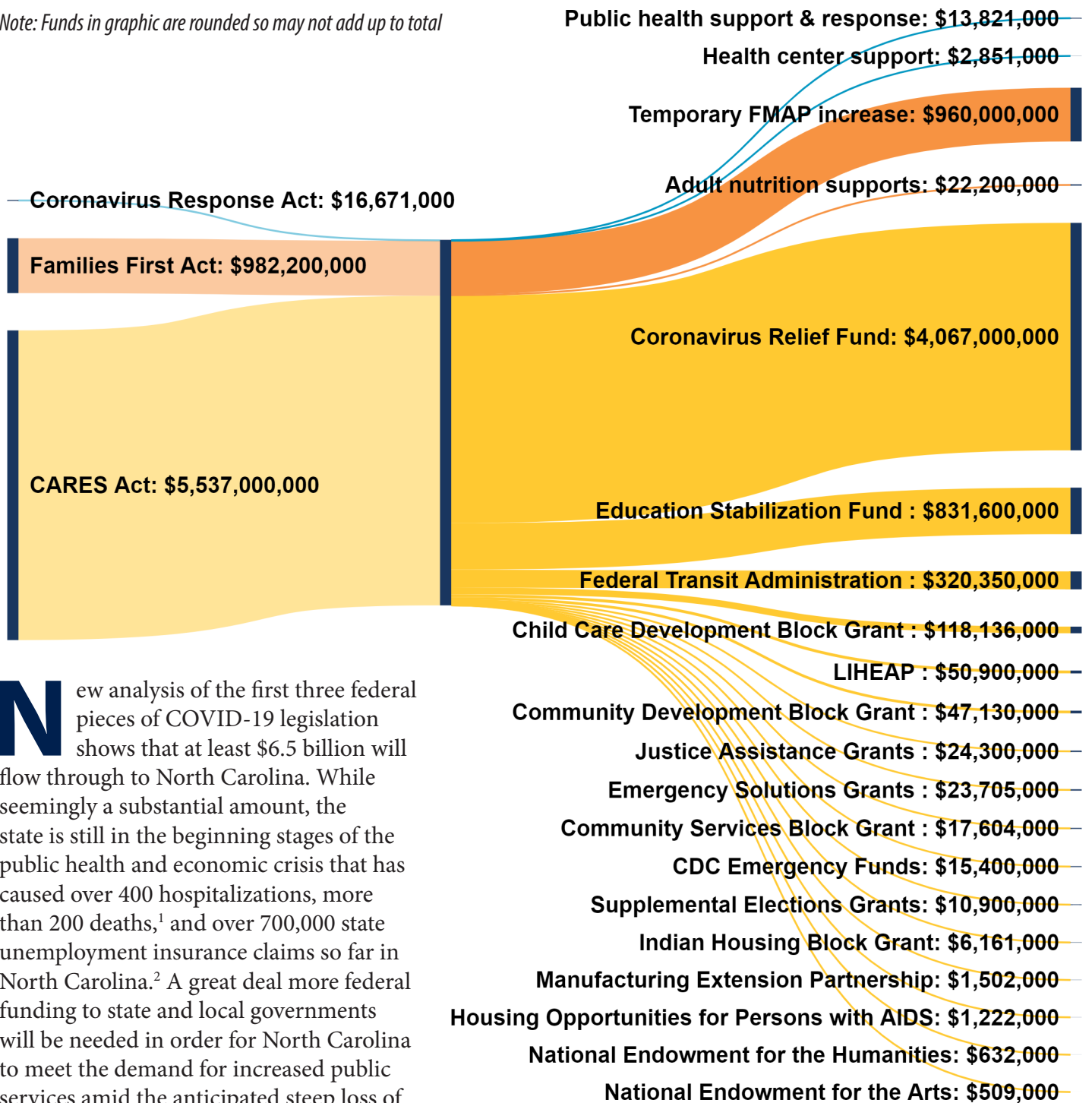


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Note: Funds in graphic are rounded so may not add up to total



**N**ew analysis of the first three federal pieces of COVID-19 legislation shows that at least \$6.5 billion will flow through to North Carolina. While seemingly a substantial amount, the state is still in the beginning stages of the public health and economic crisis that has caused over 400 hospitalizations, more than 200 deaths,<sup>1</sup> and over 700,000 state unemployment insurance claims so far in North Carolina.<sup>2</sup> A great deal more federal funding to state and local governments will be needed in order for North Carolina to meet the demand for increased public services amid the anticipated steep loss of revenue over the coming years.

The funds identified here do not represent a comprehensive list; instead, they provide an overview of the types of funds flowing through North Carolina either to the state or to other entities within the state. These dollars represent a critical federal commitment to meeting the needs in our communities and should be deployed to maximum and equitable effect.

1 NC Department of Health and Human Services. COVID-19 North Carolina Dashboard. Accessed at <https://www.ncdhs.gov/divisions/public-health/covid19/covid-19-nc-case-count>  
 2 NC Budget & Tax Center. Labor Market in N.C. Accessed at <https://www.ncjustice.org/projects/budget-and-tax-center/economy/labor-market-in-n-c/>

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<b>Coronavirus Preparedness and Response Supplemental Appropriations Act</b>	State and local public health support for COVID-19 response	\$13,820,515	Through the N.C. Division of Public Health, funds will be used to support and expand critical public health activities including epidemiology, surveillance, laboratory testing, case identification, public health management and risk assessment of people potentially exposed, data management, equipment and supplies, infection control, surge staffing, distribution and use of medical material, emergency operations and coordination, and risk communication.	<a href="#">U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention</a>
	Funding for HRSA-funded health centers	\$2,850,705	Funds may be used for activities and purchases to support health centers in the preparation, prevention, and response to COVID-19. These funds will be allocated across 39 Health Resources and Services Administration-funded health centers and systems in North Carolina, known as community health centers.	<a href="#">U.S. Health Resources and Services Administration</a>
<b>Families First Coronavirus Response Act</b>	Temporary FMAP Increase	Approximately \$960,000,000	Provides an increase in the Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP), or the federal match for Medicaid, as long as the state does not restrict eligibility, raise premiums, terminate enrollees except under certain conditions, or impose cost-sharing for COVID-19-related testing or treatment.	<a href="#">Center on Budget and Policy Priorities</a>
	Home-delivered nutrition services	\$22,200,000	Additional funds for the program to provide home-delivered meals to older adults through a network of community-based organizations.	<a href="#">N.C. Fiscal Research Division</a> and <a href="#">U.S. Health Resources and Services Administration</a>
<b>Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act</b>	Coronavirus Relief Fund	\$4,067,000,000	The North Carolina state government will receive \$3.6 billion of the total amount, and the remaining \$481 million will go to local governments with populations greater than 500,000 based on their share of the population. <a href="#">Funds are to be used to address necessary expenditures incurred due to the COVID-19 pandemic.</a>	<a href="#">U.S. Department of Treasury</a> and <a href="#">Center on Budget and Policy Priorities</a>
	Education Stabilization Funds	\$831,600,000	North Carolina will receive \$378 million for K-12 schools with the option for the state to retain up to 10 percent of the funds, \$357 million for higher education institutions, and \$95 million for the governor's emergency education relief grants	<a href="#">Center on Budget and Policy Priorities</a>
	Federal Transit Administration	\$320,350,162	Funds are distributed to urbanized areas, non-urbanized areas, and growing regions for public transit operators to protect public health and safety while ensuring access to transportation to jobs, medical treatment, food, and other essential services.	<a href="#">Federal Transit Authority</a>
	Child Care Development Block Grant	\$118,135,976	Support for child care and early education programs to maintain critical operations, including emergency staffing, so that first responders, health care workers, and other essential workers can access child care while they respond to the pandemic.	<a href="#">U.S. Administration for Children and Families</a>
	Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program	\$50,900,000	Funds to help lower-income households heat and cool their homes.	<a href="#">U.S. Representative Alma Adams' Office</a>
	Community Development Block Grant	\$47,129,728	Funds allow the state and 28 North Carolina cities and counties to rapidly respond to COVID-19 and the economic and housing impacts caused by it, including the expansion of community health facilities, child care centers, food banks, and senior services.	<a href="#">U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development</a>

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<b>Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act</b> (continued)	Justice Assistance Grants	\$24,300,000	Includes funds that will allow state and local police departments, jails, and prisons to meet needs, including PPE and other medical items to support law enforcement. Of the total, \$9,709,113, or 40 percent of funds are distributed to North Carolina local governments.	<a href="#">U.S. Representative Alma Adams' Office</a>
	Emergency Solutions Grants	\$23,704,641	The state and six North Carolina jurisdictions will receive funds to support individuals and families who are homeless or at risk of homelessness, and to support additional homeless assistance, prevention, and eviction prevention assistance. Eviction prevention activities, including rapid rehousing, housing counseling, and rental deposit assistance, will mitigate the adverse impacts of the pandemic on working families.	<a href="#">U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development</a>
	Community Services Block Grant	\$17,604,043	This approximate allocation is based on the funding allocated to North Carolina in FY 2015. These funds can be used to help communities address the consequences of increasing unemployment and economic disruption. The Act increases the income eligibility for services from 125 percent of the Federal Poverty Level to 200 percent.	<a href="#">U.S. Administration for Children and Families</a>
	CDC Emergency Funds	\$15,400,000	This is the minimum award amount that can be used to support state and local public health agencies to prevent, prepare for, and respond to COVID-19, including the purchase of PPE, surveillance for coronavirus, testing, contract tracing, infection control and mitigation, and other preparedness and response activities.	<a href="#">U.S. Representative Alma Adams' Office</a>
	Supplemental Elections Grants	\$10,900,000	These funds are intended to help the state prepare for the 2020 elections, including increasing the ability to vote by mail, expanding early voting, expanding online registration, and increasing in-person voting safety by adding additional facilities and poll-workers.	<a href="#">U.S. Representative Alma Adams' Office</a>
	Indian Housing Block Grant	\$6,160,838	The total amount allocated across five tribes located in North Carolina to protect health and safety in light of COVID-19.	<a href="#">U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development</a>
	Manufacturing Extension Partnership	\$1,502,000	These funds can be used to help small- and medium-sized manufacturers recover from the crisis and support the development of measures to respond to COVID-19.	U.S. Senate Appropriations Committee
	Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS	\$1,222,348	Funds will assist qualifying low-income households avoid evictions and minimize the effects of the crisis on housing, including relocation services to prevent the spread of COVID-19 for these at-risk households.	U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
	National Endowment for the Humanities	\$632,300	These funds will support organizations such as museums and libraries during the coronavirus crisis through grants from state arts and humanities agencies.	<a href="#">U.S. Senate Appropriations Committee</a>
	National Endowment for the Arts	\$508,700	These funds will support organizations such as museums and libraries during the coronavirus crisis through grants from state arts and humanities agencies.	U.S. Senate Appropriations Committee

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