



# Cook County Government COVID-19 Funding Response Plan

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# Framing the Need

## Cook County Government

### Operational Needs:

- Direct COVID-19 expense reimbursements to County agencies/departments
- PPE/Cleaning Supplies
- Labor costs (overtime, emergency paid leave)
- Redesign of workspaces
- Telework equipment

### Support Public Health Initiatives

- Contract Nurses
- Contact Tracing
- Alternative Housing Plan
- Administrative Support

## Suburban Municipalities

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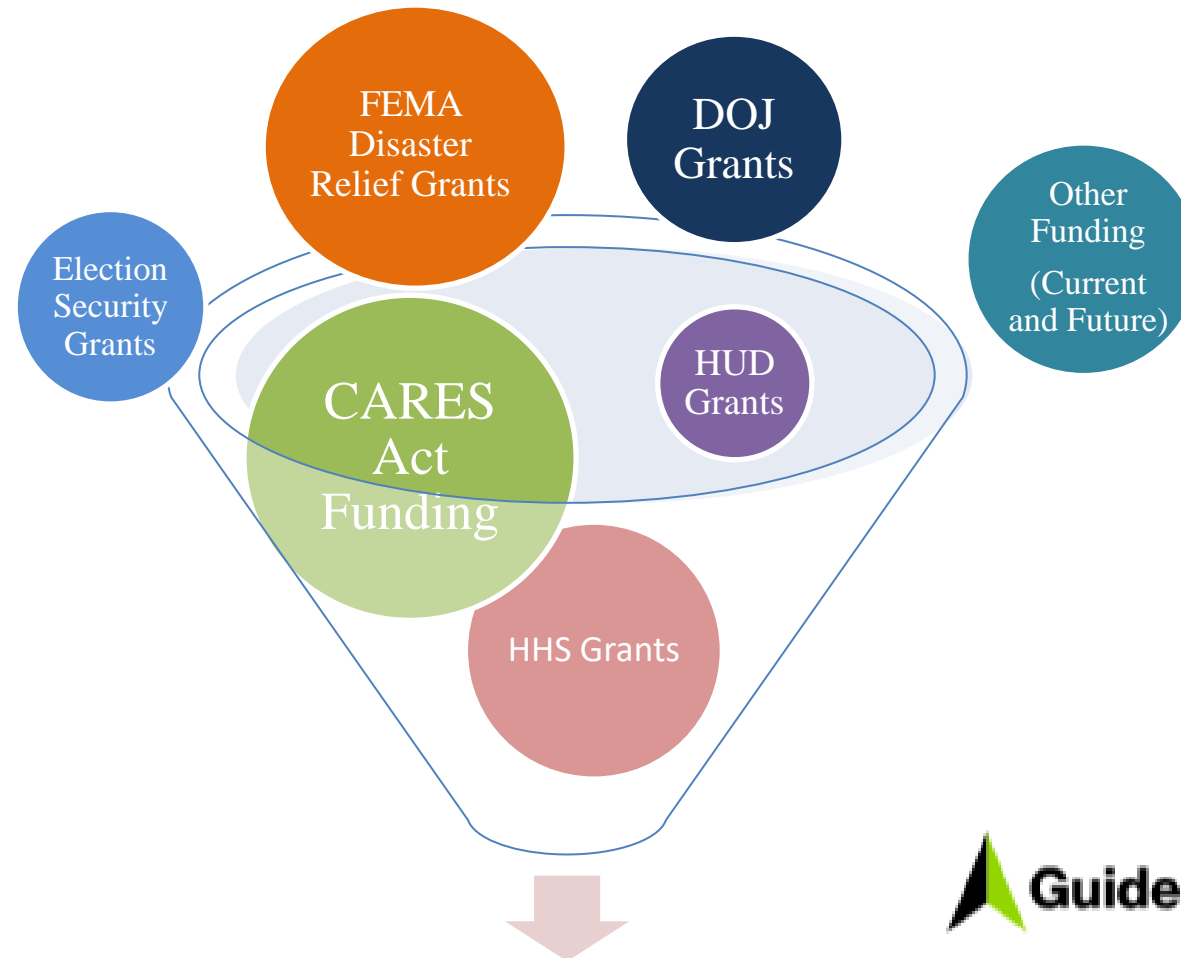
### Support Economic Development Initiatives

- Mortgage, Rental & Utility Assistance Programs
- Technical Assistance Programs
- Small Business Grants
- Social Services & Non-Profit Grants

### Revenue Loss and Indirect Cost Reimbursements\*

*\*Funding not currently provided*

# Funding Coordination



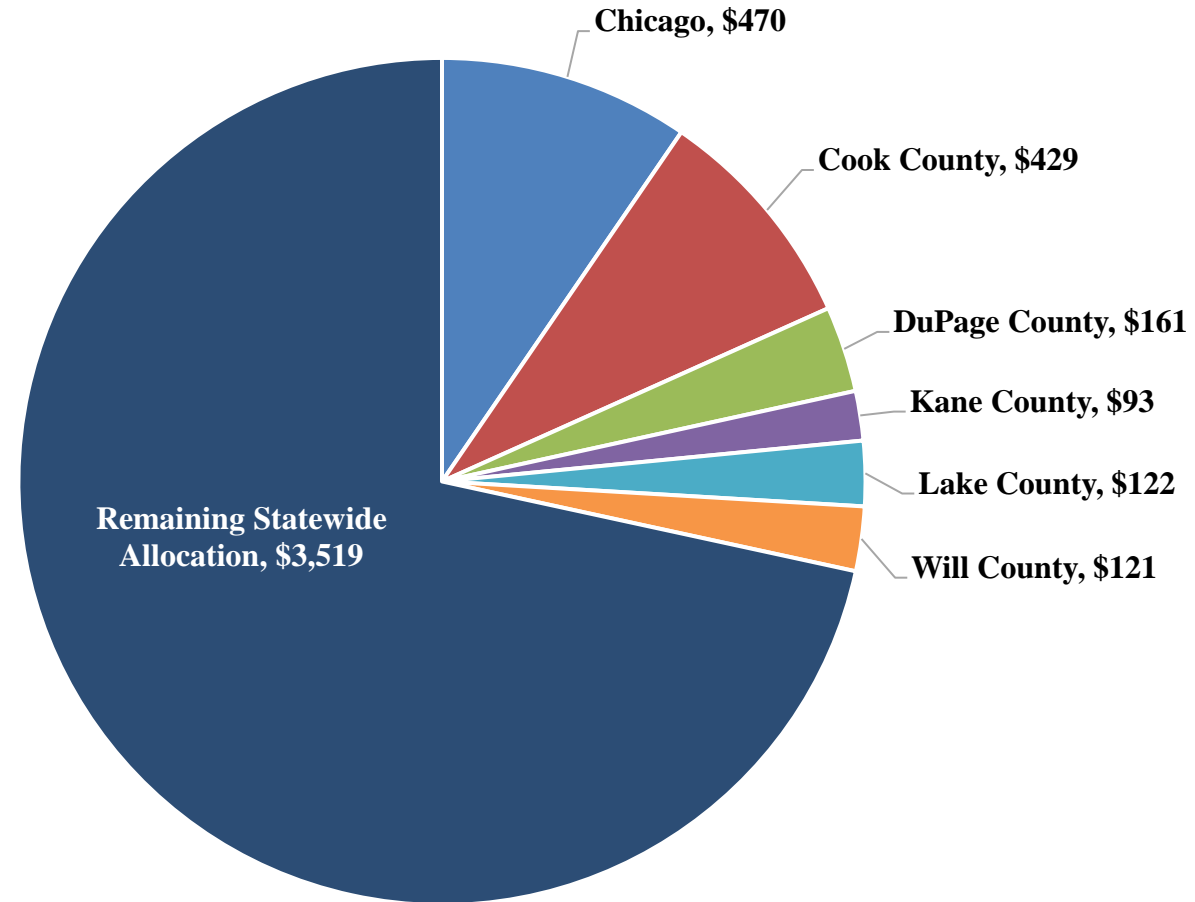
## Comprehensive Funding Matrix

- Overlapping Eligibility
- Cover unanticipated and unbudgeted expenditures
- Maximize Equitable Recovery
- Support Cash Flow Needs

# CARES Act – Coronavirus Relief Fund allocations for the State of Illinois

**State of Illinois received \$4.9 Billion from the Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF)**

**Direct disbursements were made by the Federal government to cities or counties with populations of 500,000 or more**

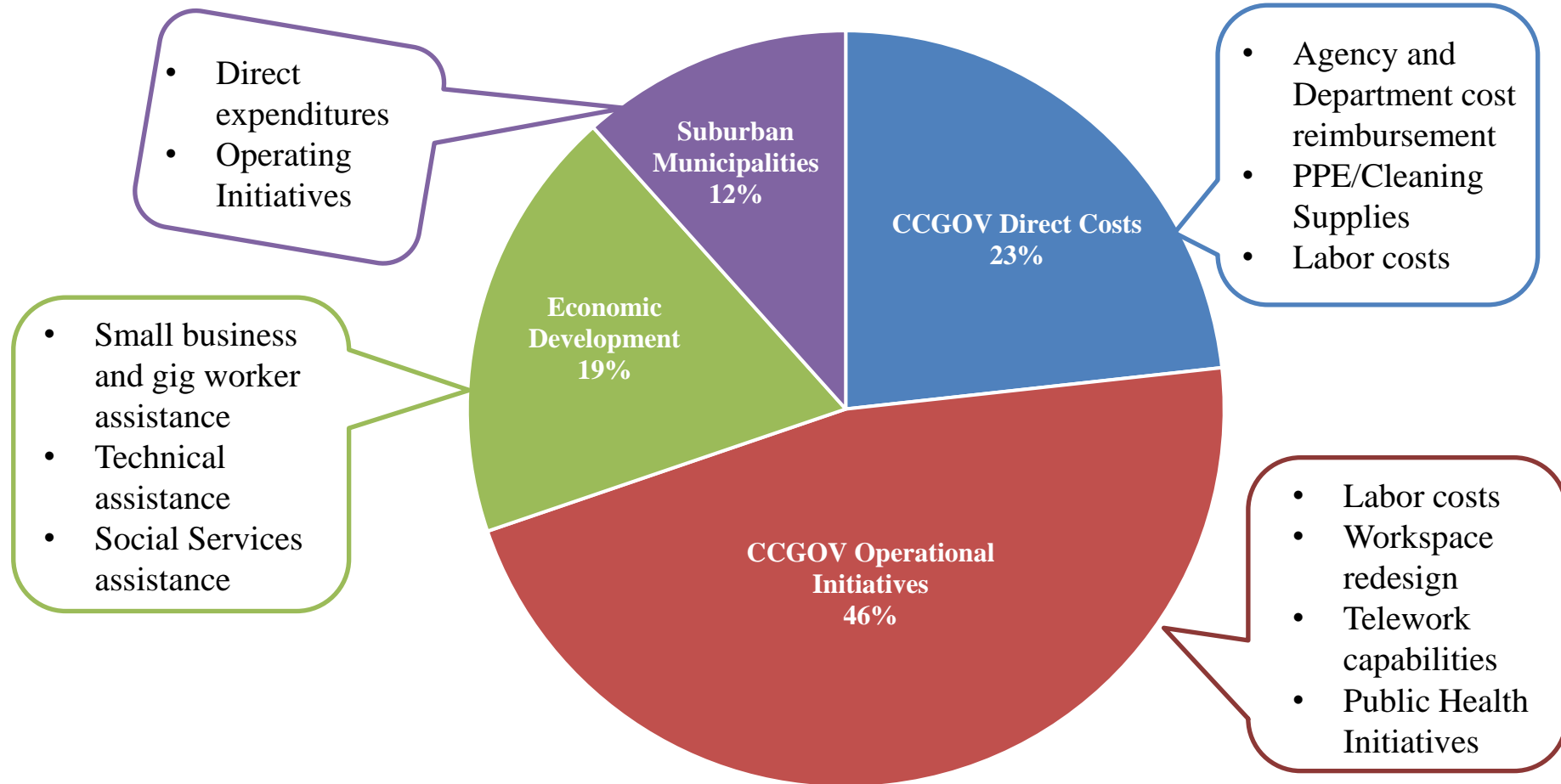


**The Cook County region when including the City of Chicago received \$899 Million**

# Cook County Funding Coordination – CARES Act

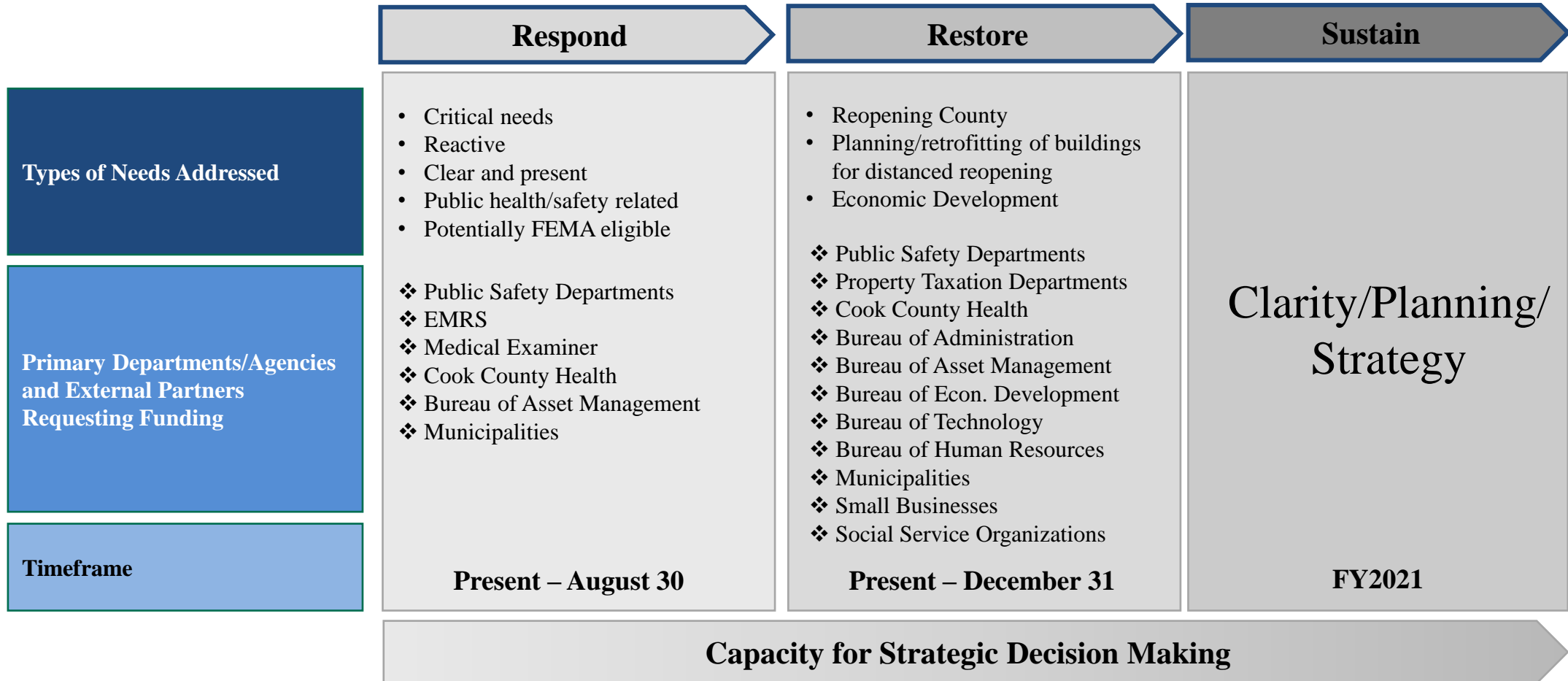
**CARES Act funding has several competing priorities that need to be addressed**

**\$429M Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF)\***



\*Allocations are for the purpose of illustration and are subject to change based on new guidance from U.S. Treasury and final policy decisions

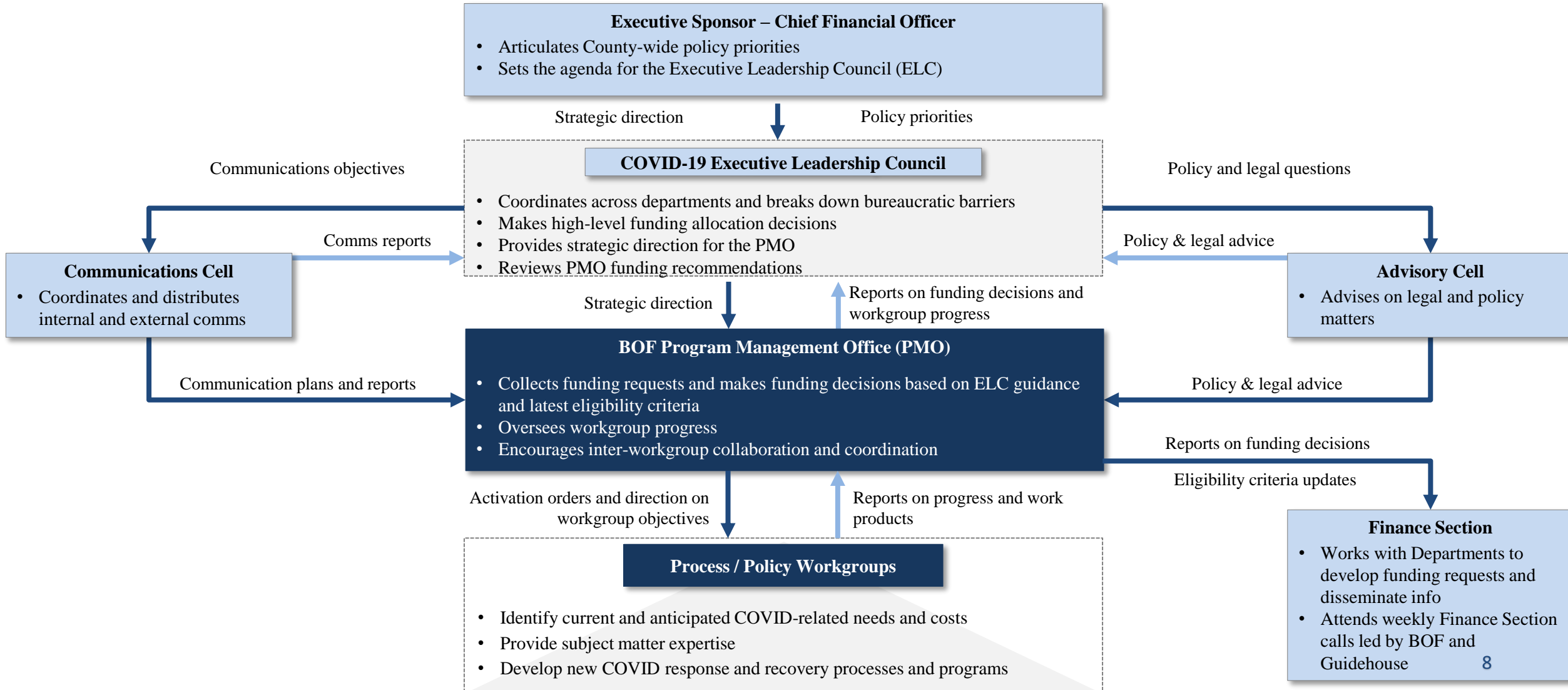
# Funding Allocation Approach



**Once critical needs are met with rapid response/direct funding – the County will consider options for strategically allocating remaining funds for longer term needs.**

# Program Management Governance Structure

Overall strategic policy guidance provided by County Board President and Board of Commissioners





# Suburban Municipality Funding Approach

# Suburban Municipality Allocation

- Cook County Suburban Municipalities will be able to apply for reimbursement of direct expenditures related to COVID-19 consistent with their respective allocations
- Cook County has allocated Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF) resources to Suburban Municipalities in a way that reflects the diverse impact of the pandemic on our communities
- Factors include:
  - Initial needs data collected through mid-May survey
  - Municipal population
  - Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP) community demographic data
  - Public health data

# County Understanding of Suburban Municipality Needs

In May Cook County surveyed Suburban Municipalities regarding the financial impact of COVID-19

- Majority of municipalities were forced to make unbudgeted expenditures due to COVID-19
- Most municipalities reduced spending in other areas to account for COVID-19
- Salary/Hiring and Capital Projects make up most of the reductions

**\$51 Million**

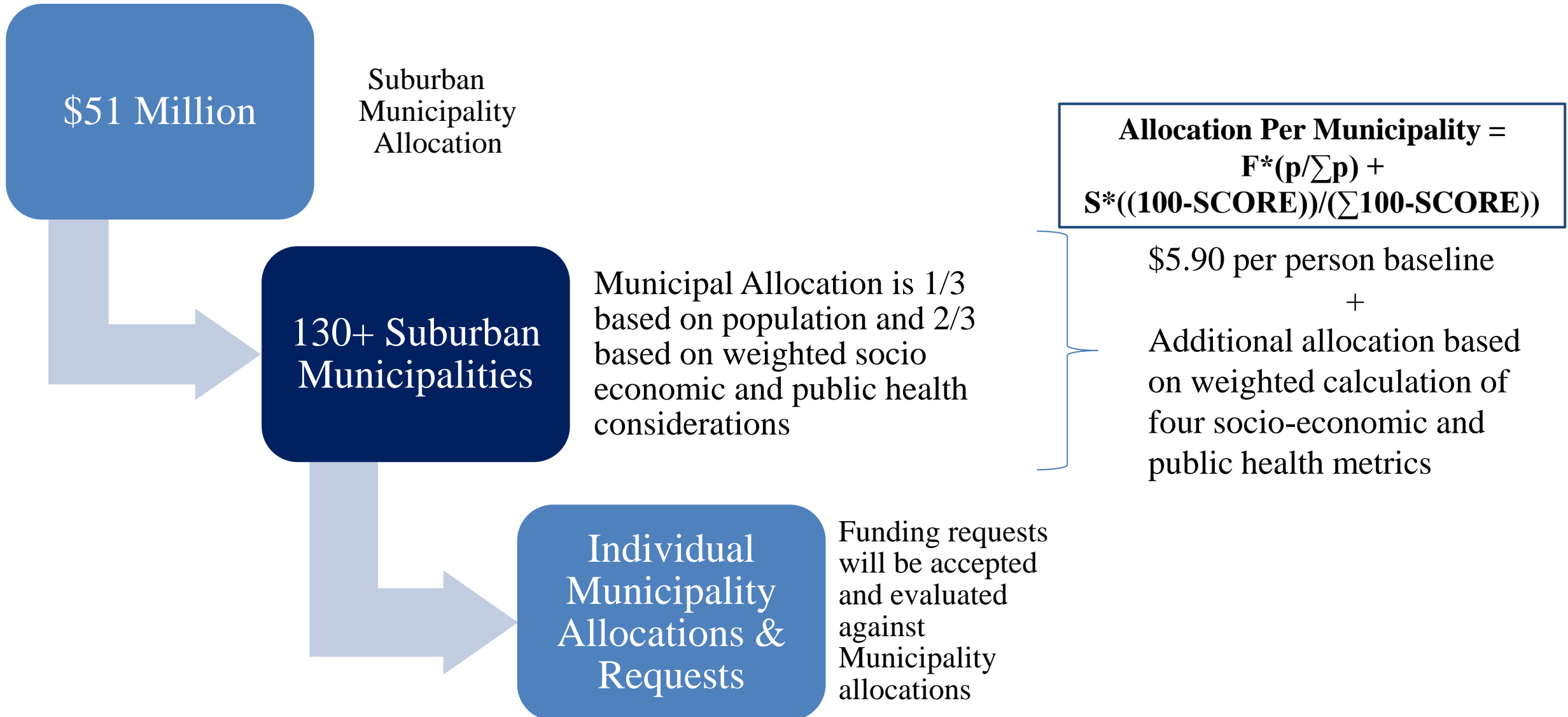
## Suburban Municipalities

### Operational Needs Expressed by Respondents:

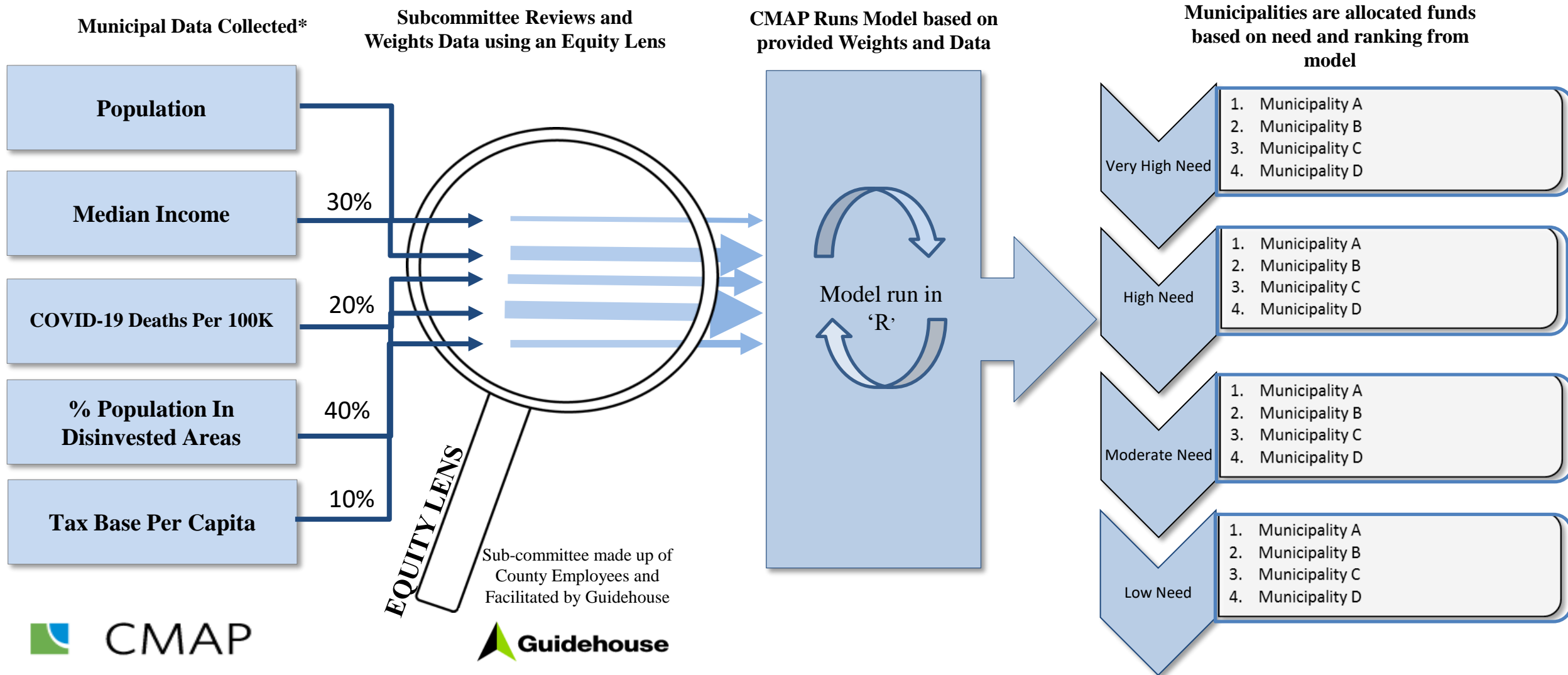
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**CRF Funding is Not Eligible for Revenue Loss and Indirect Cost Reimbursements**

# Initial Suburban Municipality Allocations



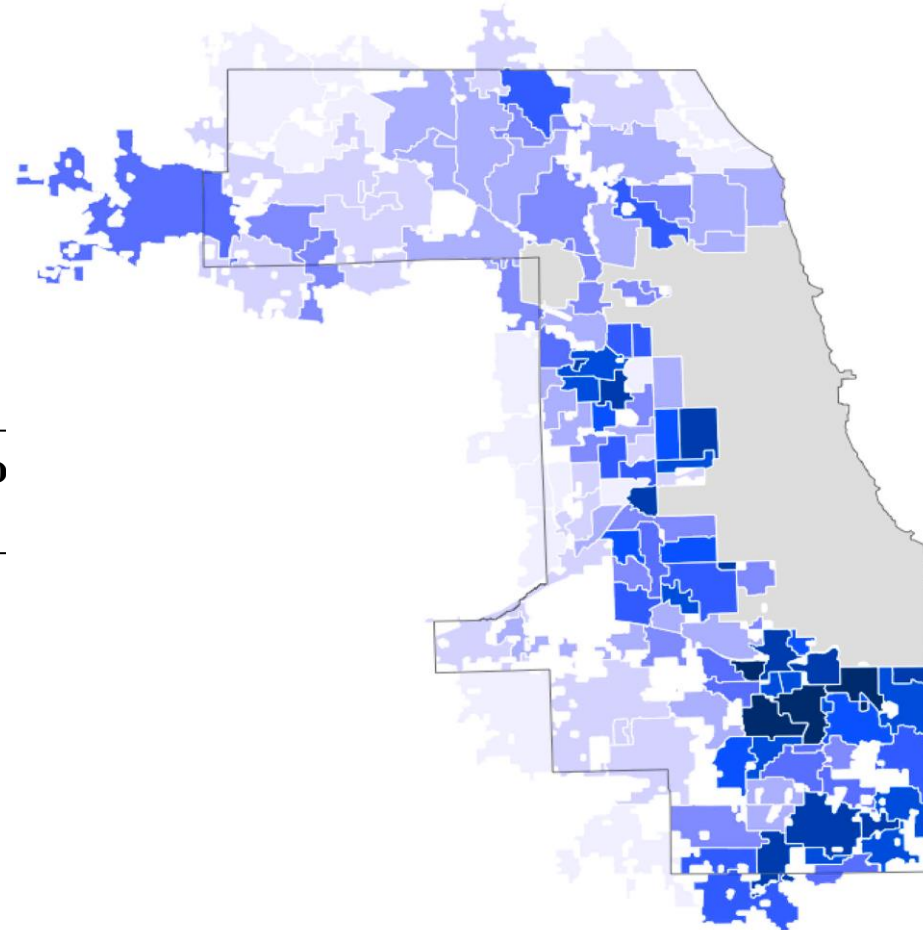
# Determining Allocations: Equitable Distribution Model



\*Sources include US Census, Cook County Medical Examiner's Office, CMAP data and analysis

# Suburban Municipality Allocation

**Resulting allocations ensure all Suburban Municipalities receive an allocation that reflects the population, economic, social and public health factors of their community**



**A darker color corresponds to  
higher relative allocation**

# Economic Development Funding Approach

# Review of Rapid Response to Equitable Recovery Plan

## Rapid Response Plan (March – April)

**01**

### **Business Assistance**

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- Assessment of small business needs via survey
- Launch of **Cook County Community Recovery Initiative** to provide technical assistance and financial support

**02**

### **Community**

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- Assessment of suburban critical service needs
- \$154,000 to 6 suburban homeless shelters
- Membership in EMRS Housing Task Force
- Collaboration with philanthropy on emergency funding needs

## Equitable Recovery (May – Onward)

**03**

### **Planning for Resiliency**

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- Continued Technical Assistance to ensure access for all communities and businesses to federal and local resources
- Target underserved and under-resourced communities
- Regional approach and collaboration
- Address business and community needs



# Community Recovery Initiative Phase I & II Updates

In two months, our technical assistance network provided educational webinars, one-on-one loan application assistance, and connected vulnerable businesses to a variety of lenders and financial resources.

**500+**  
Businesses  
Assisted

**4000+**  
Webinar  
Participants

**\$7.1M**  
Loans  
Approved

**\$40 M**  
Requested in  
Recovery Funds



# Rapid Response to Equitable Recovery Timeline

March - April

May

June

July

August -  
December  
2020

## Developed Phase I & II

- Rapid Response plan to address COVID-19 impact
- Announced Community Recovery Initiative
- Provided funding to organizations supporting homelessness

## Engaged

- Partners to identify high need areas for equitable recovery plan
- Cook County COVID-19 Response Plan: from Rapid Response to Equitable Recovery

## Launched

- \$10M zero interest Community Recovery Fund

## Developing Phase III

- Equitable Recovery initiatives address funding and technical assistance gaps in five key areas
- Execution of partnership agreements and IGA's

## Launching Phase III

- Launch programs for Housing and Emergency Social Services
- Launch a series of initiatives to assist small businesses, manufacturers and workforce

# Equitable Recovery Program Phase III Overview

**CARES ACT funded Equitable Recovery Programs will identify vulnerable businesses and people with emergent needs and provide critical supports for:**

## Business Recovery

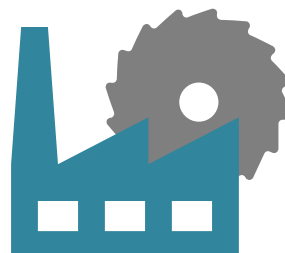
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BUSINESSES**



**WORKFORCE**



**MANUFACTURING**



## Community Recovery

**HOUSING**

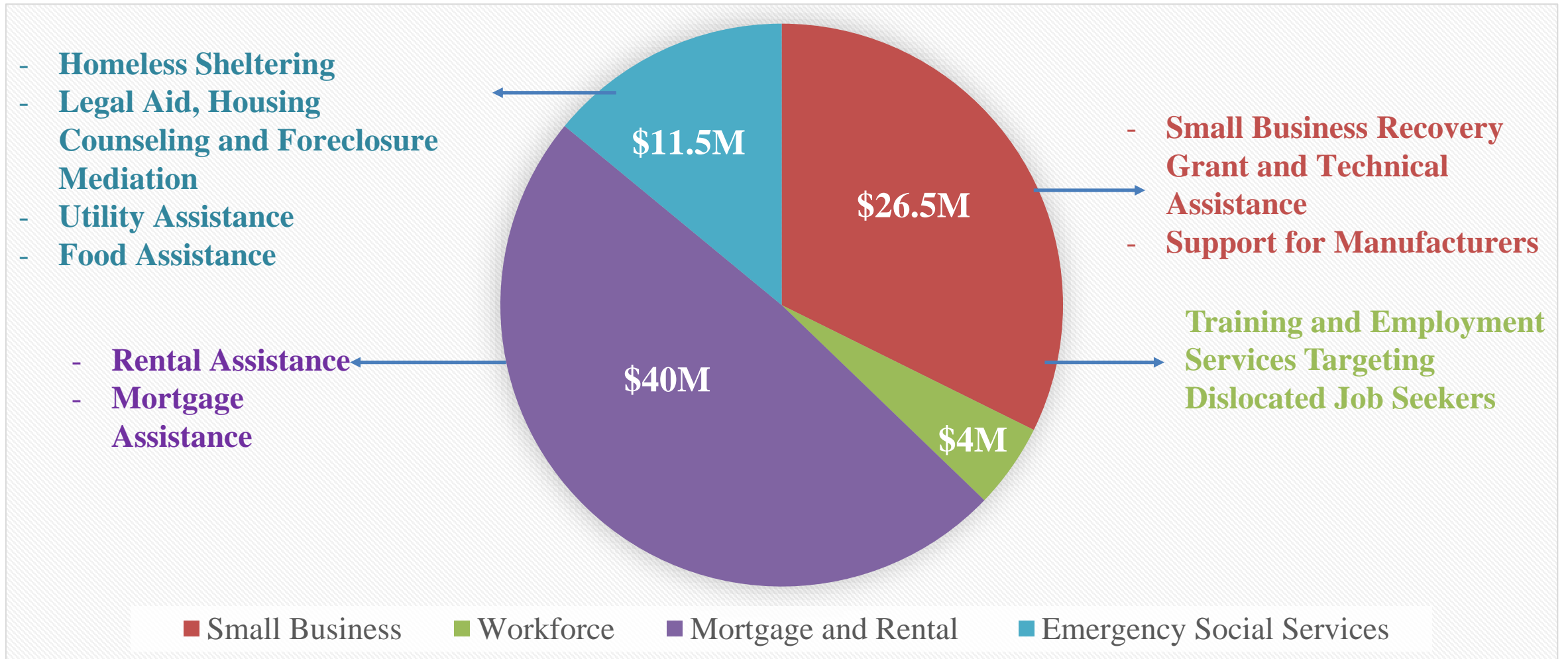


**EMERGENCY  
SUPPORTIVE SERVICES**



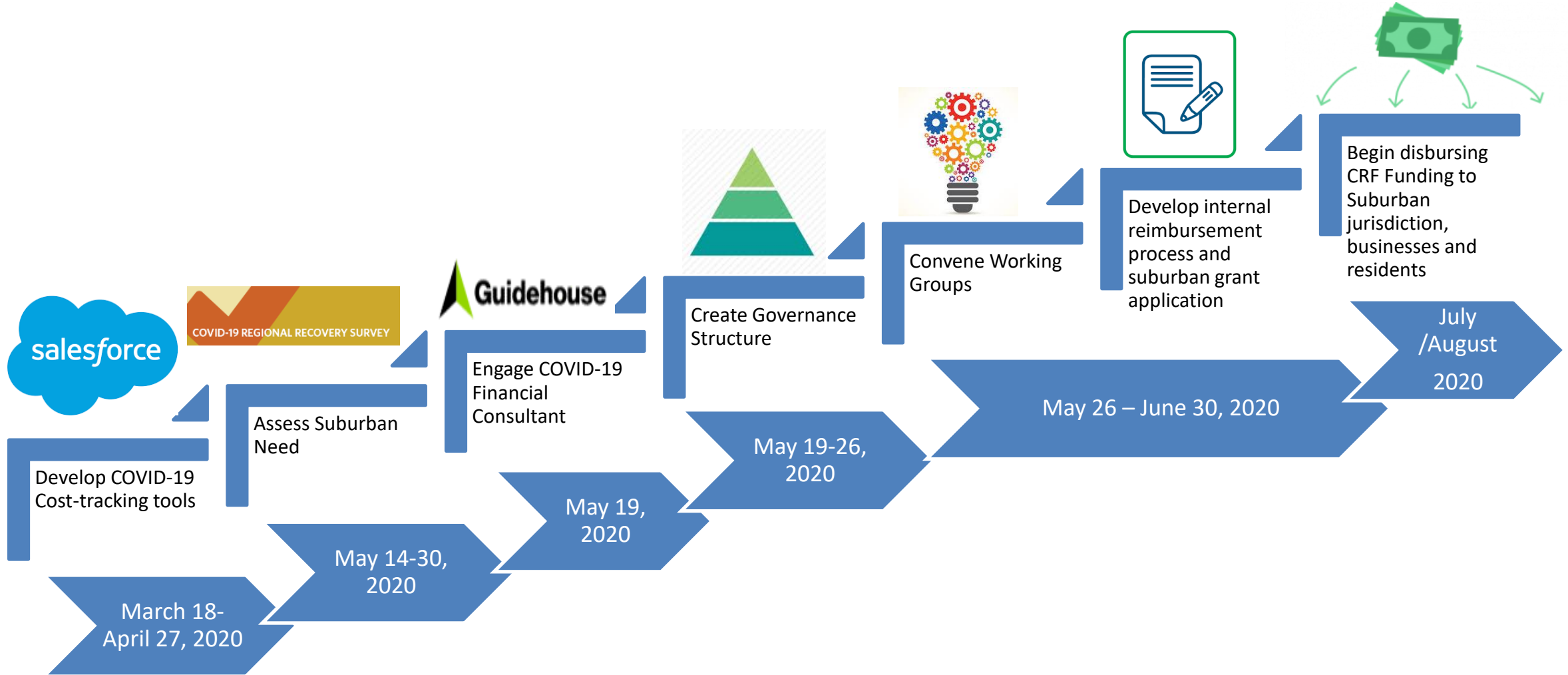
# Equitable Recovery Funding Coordination

## \$82 Million Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF) allocation for Economic and Community Development



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# Timeline





# Questions