



## Governor Brad Little

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July 27, 2020

Alex J. Adams, Chairman  
Coronavirus Financial Advisory Committee (CFAC)  
304 N 8<sup>th</sup> St, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor  
Boise, ID 83702

Chairman Adams,

I have reviewed the recommendations of the Coronavirus Financial Advisory Committee, agree with and approve the funding recommendations as follows:

- \$40,000,000 to the Department of Health and Welfare to increase COVID-19 testing capacity throughout Idaho, as described in Appendix A, of which \$3,000,000 will pass through to the Idaho Board of Pharmacy.
- \$10,000,000 to the Department of Administration to augment PPE for our schools, as described in Appendix B.

In my judgment, these are necessary expenditures incurred due to the public health emergency and align with the U.S. Treasury guidance on allowable uses of funds.

Please work with the State Controller on carrying out these recommendations and reporting all expenditures to Transparent Idaho.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Brad Little", is written over a blue horizontal line.

Brad Little  
Governor

Appendix A




IDAHO DEPARTMENT OF  
HEALTH & WELFARE

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Alex Adams  
Administrator, Division of Financial Management

FROM: Dave Jeppesen   
Director, Department of Health and Welfare

DATE: July 20, 2020

RE: CFAC Funding Requests – SARS-CoV-2 Testing

The following is an initial summary of anticipated demands for testing funding for SARS-CoV-2. Detailed information is still to be determined, along with final cost and logistics.

| Service                         | Justification  | Funding Request |
|---------------------------------|--|-----------------|
| Idaho Laboratory Enhancement    | Provide a source of funding for Idaho labs to increase turn around time and capacity for testing including the purchase of additional testing equipment and supplies as well as lab upgrades.  | \$3,000,000     |
| Testing in Education Settings   | Testing for school staff across the state is designated as Priority Group 4 in the Testing Task Force recommendations document. This same priority for testing of asymptomatic individuals without a close contact of a positive case, is not generally covered by commercial insurance. Funding these tests would cover the cost for school staff to be tested if they do not have commercial insurance or the commercial insurance denies payment for testing. | \$21,000,000    |
| Long Term Care Facility Testing | The Long Term Care Strike Team recommended staff and resident testing ( <a href="https://coronavirus.idaho.gov/wp-">https://coronavirus.idaho.gov/wp-</a>  | \$13,000,000    |

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|              | <a href="content/uploads/2020/06/LTCF-Testing-Strategy-FINAL-2020_6_3.pdf">content/uploads/2020/06/LTCF-Testing-Strategy-FINAL-2020_6_3.pdf</a> ) and due to volume, additional laboratory capacity is needed. Funding would be used to contract with an out of state laboratory that could be focused on LTCFs, including billing and reporting results. Molecular Testing Laboratory provides this same service to the state of Washington and is available for Idaho. Funding would cover staff without commercial insurance or staff whose insurance denies payment for testing. |                     |
| Pharmacy     | Support point of care testing in pharmacies statewide with an emphasis on rural pharmacies. This would require the purchase of point of care testing machines along with the accompanying test kits so that pharmacists can administer tests directly to patients.   | \$3,000,000         |
| <b>Total</b> |  | <b>\$40,000,000</b> |

Appendix B



**BRAD LITTLE**  
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# State of Idaho

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July 21, 2020

Alex Adams  
Administrator, Division of Financial Management  
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RE: CFAC Funding Requests – COVID-19 Safety Supplies for Idaho Schools

Alex,

The following is an estimate of the cost to provide masks, gloves, sanitizer, and plexiglass for Idaho schools as they reopen. Demand is not fully known at this time and supply is still tight, so the final cost may be either higher or lower than the estimates below.

| Product                | Unit Qty       | Unit Cost       | Request Amount*     |
|------------------------|----------------|-----------------|---------------------|
| 3-Ply Disposable Masks | 50 masks       | \$50.00         | \$ 3,600,000        |
| Nitrile Gloves         | 100 pairs      | \$10.00         | \$ 3,600,000        |
| Hand Sanitizer         | 1 Gallon       | \$25.00         | \$ 1,800,000        |
| Plexiglass Sheet Stock | 1 Sheet (1/4") | \$15.00/sq. ft. | \$ 1,000,000        |
| <b>Total Request</b>   |                |                 | <b>\$10,000,000</b> |

\* Estimate initial demand from 720 schools for 9-months

Kind regards,

Keith Reynolds  
Director  
Department of Administration

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