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Update on Federal and State Actions Affecting County Funding

Federal and State Executive, Legislative and Judicial Actions Pima County Board of Supervisors Presentation March 18, 2025





Federal Executive Orders & Other Actions

- Since January 20th, there have been over 89 Executive Orders issued and signed, with over 121 legal actions in response to the Executive Office actions
- Federal Funding and Pima County Grants
 & Budget Implications Paused Funding
- Substantial Reduction in Federal Workforce with Court actions to reverse course on firing of employees
- Federal Budget and Expiration of March 14th Continuing Resolution
- State-level Update



Pima County Grant Portfolio Overview

Impacted CFDA* numbers represented \$157M in FY2024 reported grant expenditures

Of the \$157M, \$105M (67%) are from:

- American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) awarded and ramping down
- Emergency Rental Assistance Program (ERAP) awarded and ramping down
- Emergency Food and Shelter Program (EFSP) awarded and closing out
- FEMA Shelter Services Program (SSP) March 12th paused reimbursement ~\$10M

The remaining FY2024 grant expenditures **\$52M (33%)** are representative of discretionary grants and reoccurring grants

Currently reviewing programmatic, staffing, timelines of grant obligations with departments accounting for FY2025 YTD expenditures

*Catalog of Federal Directed Assistance



Congressionally Directed Federal Funds

Pause of <u>Congressionally Directed</u> Funding:

American Rescue Plan Act - signed into law 2021

Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act – signed into law 2021 Notice of Pause within EOs

Inflation Reduction Act – signed into law 2022 Notice of Pause within EOs

Shelter and Services Program - Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2023 Pima County and other recipients received notice of temporary withholding of payments



House Budget Bill and March 14th Impact

March 14th is the expiration date for Continuing Resolution HR10545

House Budget Proposal – passed with significant proposed cuts to programs such as Medicaid, FEMA, Veteran Services, among many others

Senate has advanced the bill to avoid government shut down



Federal Workforce

- Estimated number of Federal Workers across Arizona
 - ~63,817 (~34,000 if not including postal workers, intelligence agencies or appointees)
 - ~12,016 estimated in Pima County
- Federal Judge ordered six federal agencies to rehire thousands of workers with 'probationary' status – issued March 13th
- The large-scale February layoffs will be reflected in April / May's Bureau of Labor Statistics reporting and UCFE benefits data



State Legislative Update

Just over 2 months in this year's legislative session:

- Floor activity is running about 2 weeks behind and there are still bills to hear in the House of origin
 - Bill review and committee assignments averaging 10 – 15 days

There are still a sizable number of bills moving through the system limiting local authority and transferring costs to county government

There is little progress on a new state budget and no negotiations with the Governor's Office on a budget.

New State revenue numbers come out after the April 15th – final versions of budget proposals slated for April, but anticipated delays.



Thank you!



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