

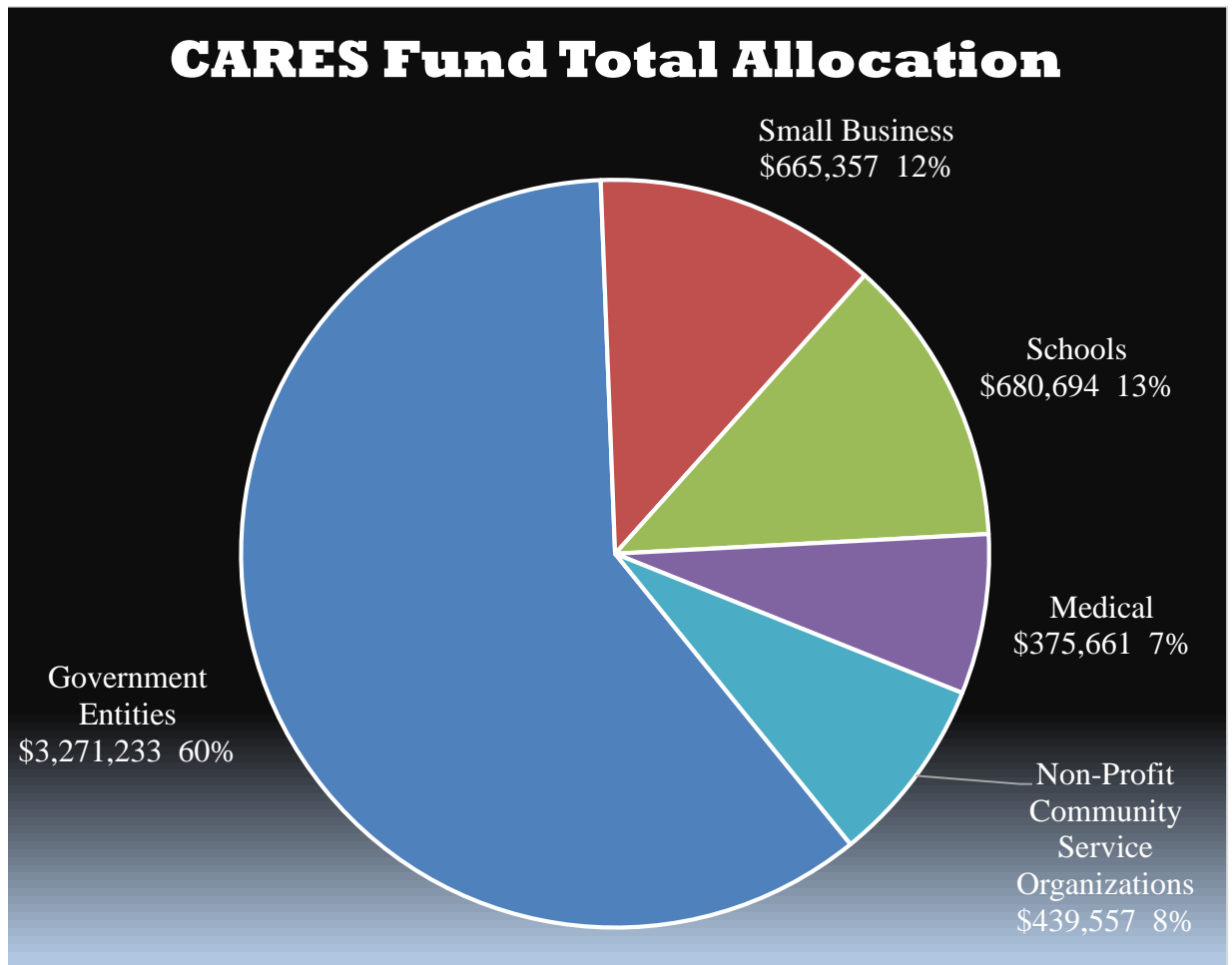
Where The MONEY WENT From CARES Funding

For Continued Transparency, the Camden County Auditor's office has prepared a Transparency report of CARES funds received in Early May of 2020. After discussion, the Auditor's office and Commission discussed areas to focus on the use of the money and allotments based on areas of need in the community. The funds were administered by the Auditor's office and all expenditures approved by the Camden County Commissioners. **CARES Funds use were mandated with guidelines provided by the Federal and State Treasury offices for the offset of the COVID pandemic expenditures.** Multiple areas were funded with requests that met within the guidelines. County and other Government entities, Schools, Medical, Small Business, and Non-Profit Community Organizations. The main purpose was to help our community survive the pandemic within guidelines of CARES funds. Long hours were put in by multiple government entities combating the COVID pandemic serving our community. As you can see the break out of the major areas previously mentioned of where the funds were utilized. Once those areas of CARES funds were allocated to the above-mentioned entities they were further categorized into three areas of funding categories for their organizations.

1. **PPE/Sanitization**-included costs for facemasks, gloves, face shields, personal protection equipment, hand sanitizers, cleaning, cleaning supplies for sanitization, and disinfectant. Equipment for sanitization of facilities and necessary equipment. Thermometers for temperature checking for government facilities and private businesses.
2. **Infrastructure**-included costs for computers, internet, software, and communication for teleworking or working remotely (like from home) for government and business. Telecommunications including educational software, distance learning, social distancing, and computers and internet devices for students and buses for students. Barriers for cough and sneeze shields, signage for social distancing, and no-touch process. Water bottle filling stations for sanitary purposes in some schools. Freezers and refrigeration for extra space for prepared meals for students.
3. **Economic**-included payroll more specifically Overtime for government entities, Small Businesses during the pandemic, utilities, mortgage payments, and/or rent. Cost of goods for Non-profit Community Organizations-Food Banks and shelters that help our community. Social Distancing personnel- needed position due to COVID.

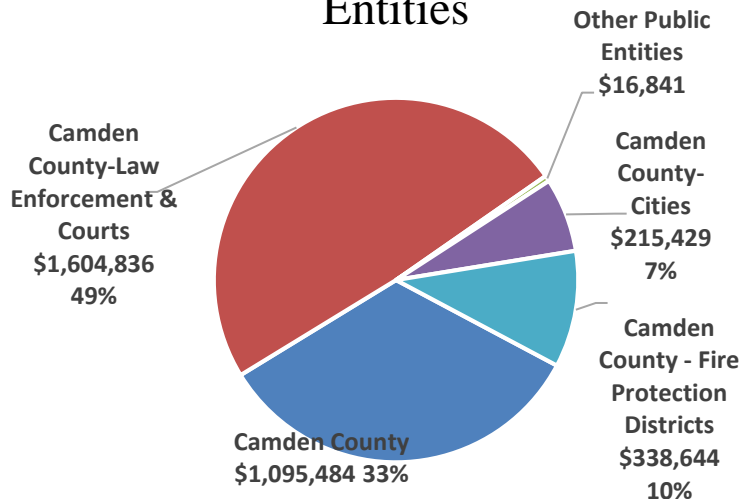
Camden County CARES FUNDING TRANSPARENCY

CARES-Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act



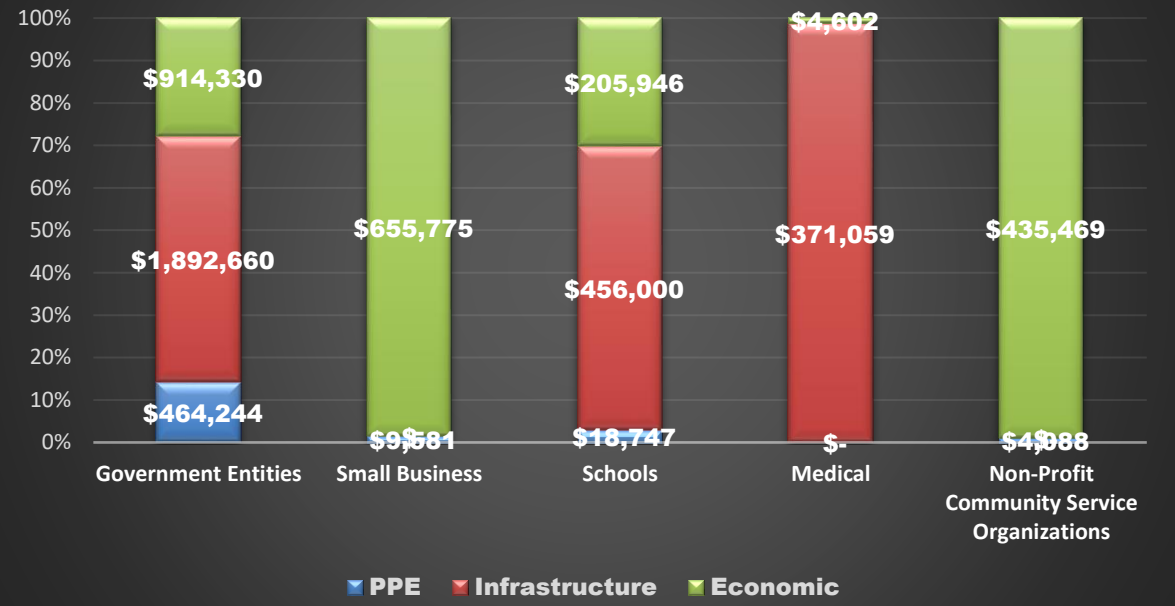
Where The CARES MONEY WENT (Cont.)

CARES Funds to Government Entities



Government-Multiple government entities applied and the county reviewed all applications spreading the money out to the applicants while trying to be reasonable to all entities based on allocable amounts. Cities include Camdenton, Osage Beach, Linn Creek, and Sunrise Beach including the County Library extensions. There were various County Fire Districts that applied as well. Funds for government entities included PPE/Sanitization, Infrastructure, and Economic areas depending on the need and request from the entities. Due to the pandemic, our Health Department put in many long hours, testing, and working diligently to comply with the State and Federal Health Department requirements while many times putting their lives in danger to serve our community. In the beginning, the County was allotted less than 5 testing kits, yet fortunate to have them as neighboring counties received none. The county closed as did most other counties nationwide, (Commission and Health Department issued a stay home order from April 7th to April 23) but soon reopened. At which time the County provided facemasks and hand sanitizers to citizens and businesses to help with the reopening. The county continued in the pandemic fight to keep the county and businesses open to help businesses to survive.

Use of CARES funds breakout



The reopening business and small businesses the County was able to meet all of its budgeted tax revenue. The County had over \$2.3 million of qualifiable COVID expenditures that were not reimbursed to allow for funds to be spread across the county to other Public entities/governments, Businesses, Schools, Medical and Not for Profit Community Service organizations. While reviewing the applications the County continually watched to be sure they were within guidelines at the allotment to entities. Camden County looked at needs within the County government at areas to assist in keeping the county operational while mitigating COVID 19 pandemic. From this, the County took on two projects Court audio/video and Sheriff radios; these two projects totaled roughly a little over \$1.6 million concerning helping the county in its ongoing issues to maintain operations during the pandemic.

The first one was the Polycam audio/video system to allow the court system to continue to function and allow for social distancing. This project was presented by the County's Judges, Prosecuting Attorney, and Sheriff's office as a much-needed upgrade due to the pandemic. This will allow courts to be held and video conferences with the lawyers, Judge, and the prisoner while the prisoner does not have to be transported from the correction facility whether it be local or state.

Where The CARES MONEY WENT (Cont.)

Camden County Two Project reasoning and justification by Departments.

Court Audio/Video Project

The Camden County Sheriff's Office along with the Camden County Justice Center is in the process of updating and implementing new technology with Mission Electronics for a Polycom system. Our Polycom system will allow the Camden County Adult Detention Facility to directly communicate with the Camden County Justice Center as well the Missouri Department of Corrections and other entities. The primary benefits in using our CARES funds for this upgrade and new technology implementation for the sheriff's office will be security and budgetary cost savings. The Camden County Adult Detention Facility is a 148-bed facility processing approximately 2800 prisoners per year. Daily, prisoners need transportation to and from other correctional facilities for writs of habeas corpus on court appearances. Polycom will allow for minimal prisoner movement and utilize secure technology for these court appearances drastically reducing risks associated with care, custody, and control of prisoners.

Polycom will also reduce budgetary expenditures associated with the prisoner movement. When moving prisoners, especially high risk, it is not uncommon to utilize two deputies or more depending on the nature of the prisoner's offense(s). The time associated with these daily movements cost money in the form of man-hours and vehicle expenses. For example, the Camden County Sheriff's Office utilizes two full-time deputies for prisoner transport. Each of these deputies drives approximately 250 miles per day to and from other correctional facilities totaling roughly 67,000 miles per year on each of our transport vehicles. Fuel, oil changes, new tires, and overall new transport vehicle purchases every year or every other year is an annual expense consideration. Polycom will reduce the need for certain prisoner travel thereby reducing staffing and vehicle maintenance costs along with the aforementioned security concerns.

From The Courtside, the new system will allow us to more efficiently resolve cases in that we can have defendants, civil litigants, and even witnesses appear remotely when appropriate. This will not only make it easier to schedule matters but can also reduce litigation costs. The new system and its technology will also make trials, including jury matters, more effective. We truly believe it will be a great benefit to Camden County.

Sheriff's Office Radios

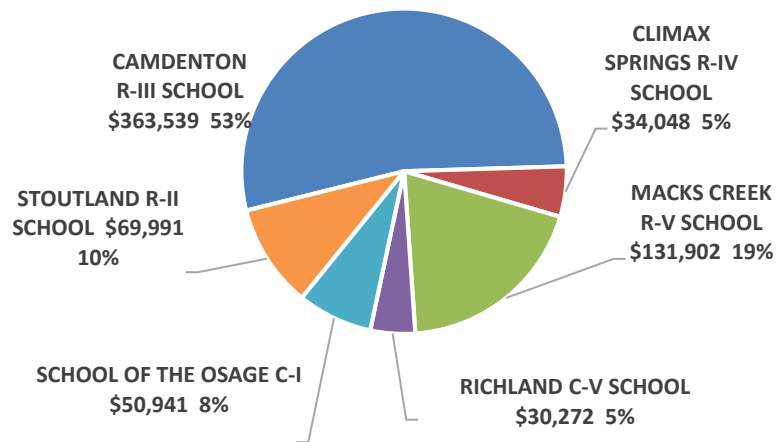
The second was the County Sheriff's radio system that was out of date and not compatible with other emergency and law enforcement agencies that were presented by the Sheriff's office.

The Camden County Sheriff's Office faced many issues in 2020 when responding to COVID-19 related incidents. One of the biggest obstacles has been communications. With the current radio system, deputies had coverage difficulties when contacting not only dispatch but responding agencies. The current radio system was not equipped with MOSWIN trunking which allows for interoperability with other responding agencies. Also, in many areas, there is a lack of cellular service to contact medical staff who are responding to these COVID-19 related incidents. Due to these issues, many times deputies cannot relay information to dispatch. If services were available they rely on codes to warn first responders of the dangers of COVID-19 and protect HIPPA-protected information. The code was constantly changed as many average citizens would eventually learn what the code meant, thus releasing HIPPA protected information to the public.

The Sheriff's office has since significantly fixed these impactful issues using CARES Relief funds to purchase radios. The radios are capable of being on the MOSWIN system and have used in-car repeaters to increase radios coverage. Also, the new radios are equipped with AES encrypted options to allow deputies to relay COVID-19 related responses without allowing the average citizen to hear this HIPPA protected information. This funding has since allowed deputies to be able to have the interoperability to respond safely to these COVID-19 related incidents while also providing information to other first responders.

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CARES Fund to Schools

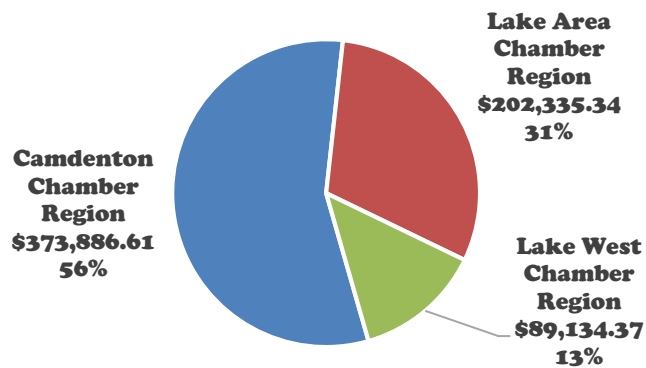


Schools-All of the Public Schools in Camden County applied and received funding. Schools that are physically located in the County include Camdenton, Macks Creek, Stoutland, and Climax Springs. We also have two school districts that have Camden county resident students that attend their schools such as Richland and School of the Osage that are physically located outside of the County. We looked at all schools based on the enrollment of students that are county residents. Two schools total enrollment are county residents being Camdenton and Macks Creek. Stoutland and Climax Springs have students that reside in other counties of roughly 40 to 48% of their enrollment is outside of the county. Again based on these numbers and the schools requested funding within guidelines was how funds were awarded. Those schools that were physically located out of the county or had students out of the county applied in both counties for CARES funds. The majority of the school districts also applied for state DESE matching grants of CARES funds that required County matching funds. All schools that applied were approved for matching grants. The County reviewed each school's request in order to comply with the guidelines to aid them in remaining open and from costs during the spring/summer closure.

Medical-The county had two applicants: the Medical Missions for Christ and Lake Regional Hospital. These areas and organizations that were funded will help our community through the pandemic and long after it has passed. Lake Regional application was for a Critical Care Ambulance unit that would transport COVID and critical care patients that currently would require an existing ambulance to be taken out of service because of COVID and not able to respond to another emergency. With a current overworked system, the hospital saw the need for a Critical Care unit for transport to larger Hospitals in Springfield or Columbia. From nursing homes and other care facilities that were only able to be currently meet by the hospital helicopter. The commission after review with the state-level guidelines agency approved this purchase to again help our local community.

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CARES Funds for Camden County Small Business



Testimonials (Cont.)

"The Camden County business grant has helped us get caught back up on our mortgage and remarkably helped on the bills we had due even while being shut down. I want to thank the Lake West Chamber and everyone involved in helping us out. We were so scared, being only open for 2 ½ months then had to shut down. Our business is coming back now and we feel we can make it now thanks to the grant money. Again, we want to thank all involved, especially the County Commissioners... Happy Holidays to all."

"2020 has certainly been a year of uncertainty. Nearly every aspect of our daily lives has been changed by COVID."

"Our Business was truly blessed for the Contributions and partnership with the Chamber along with Camden County to receive funding assistance to be able to continue in our mission of being committed to a Spirit of Excellence. Our Business was able to remain open in 2020 and achieve our RCI Gold Crown rating for the 20th consecutive year despite all the chaos of COVID. We look forward to continuing this adventure together with our Chamber and Business partners throughout the Lake Area and wish Good Health to all!"

Small Businesses-This was one of the largest parts of our CARES funding endeavors to the community. The County enlisted the three local chambers Camdenton, Lake Ozark, and Lake West Chambers to help publicize and promote the small business grants. The chambers were the point of contact for applications and receipt of documents for the CARES small business program of 84 total applications 71 were approved and only 13 denied because of inadequate documentation for the reimbursement of allowable expenditures or completion of the applications. Funds were tracked by Lake Area Chambers regions as you can see in the graph to include chamber and non-chamber businesses. Roughly 41% of the applications were non-chamber members and 36% of the money awarded was to non-chamber members roughly totaling over \$237,000. The three chambers created a group of 9 community members to aid in the review of applications to the guidelines. The County with the aid of the Chamber team followed guidelines for small business grants as allowed by CARES funding to support our local business through the pandemic. Many of the businesses needed PPE supplies and others needed help creating or building barriers to allow for social distancing for reopening. The economic support was in the form of utilities, mortgage payments, and rent allowed by the guidelines. No revenue reimbursement was allowable. Due to the pandemic, it was expressed how these businesses truly needed help to survive the effects of the pandemic on their business.

Testimonials of Businesses that received CARES funds

"With the Camden County, CARES funding our business will rebound in 2021. While we will never make up the revenue we lost in 2020, the assistance provided by the Camden County CARES funding will enable us to continue operations and to again bring high-level entertainment to the Lake of the Ozarks."

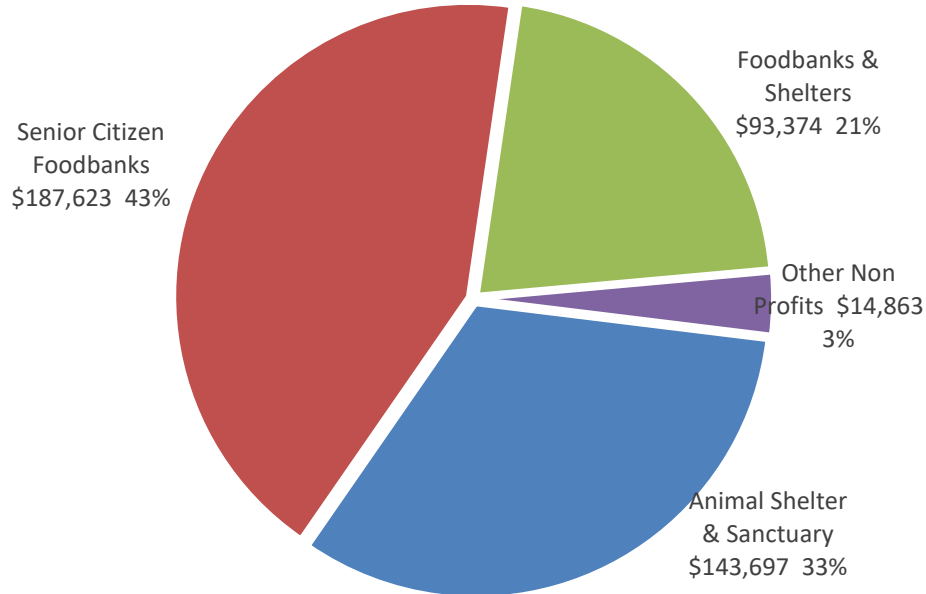
"We would like to express our greatest gratitude to the Camden County CARES Program. As you know by now, our newly purchased business was suffering the potential of closing our doors before receiving the help from our local Chamber of Commerce and the County CARES to fund. This has allowed our doors to stay open..."

"The Camden County CARES Business Assistance Grant Program was one of the most impactful endeavors for small businesses in Camden County. For many, these extra funds helped to ease the burden as they worked through the pandemic in 2020 and into 2021."

"The CARES Act funding provided a lifeline in an already difficult financial year. We incurred many unbudgeted healthy and safety COVID mitigation expenses from operating our camp, Lake of the Ozarks Scout Reservation in Laurie this year. Because of these efforts, we operated a safe and COVID free summer camp. Thank you to Camden County for making these funds available."

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Camden County Non Profit Community Organizations



Non-Profits-As the year progressed we realized how much our community service organizations were suffering. These community service organizations were probably our second most impactful effect on our community. These organizations were comprised of Foodbanks, homeless shelters, senior centers/foodbanks and animal shelters or sanctuaries. All of these organizations have been hit hard as the biggest part of their funding comes from local Churches and thrift stores that were closed for more than 30 days dramatically affecting donations. Fortunately, the guidelines were more lenient for these organizations especially our three base groups-food, shelters, and sanctuaries for humans and animals. Once seeing these applications it was apparent the need was there. Loss of donations was an allowable CARES guidelines and all food and related necessities of the organization like utilities, rent, etc. Keeping our food banks and shelters open was of absolute importance for our community.

Testimonials of Non-Profits that received CARES funds

"This money is greatly appreciated and will be used to help feed area seniors. At this time, we can only serve meals curbside and homebound..."

"I cannot begin to tell you how much this money is appreciated. There are very few times I am speechless and this is one of them. Thank you, thank you, thank you."

"You don't realize how much this means"

".. this is awesome news"

"Oh my goodness. That is such great news for us!!! Thank you all so much for helping us."

This report was provided by the Camden County Auditor's office.

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