

South Dakota Department of Labor and Regulation

Federal Funding Summary

Unemployment Insurance Grants for COVID-19 Response:

Emergency Unemployment Insurance Stabilization and Access Act of 2020 (EUISAA) – \$2,536,508

- The Families First Act provided each State additional administrative funding for the additional work caused by increases in claims experienced during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Unemployment Insurance (UI) Program Fraud Detection Grant - \$1,228,000

- Funding is to assist with efforts to prevent and detect fraud, identity theft and recover fraud overpayments in all UI programs.

Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) Implementation Costs – \$511,759

- PUA is a new, temporary federal program created by the CARES Act that provides up to 39 weeks of unemployment benefits to individuals who are not eligible for regular Unemployment Insurance (UI) such as individuals who are self-employed or certain independent contractors.
- Funding has been provided specifically for program startup and implementation, mostly for system development expenses.

Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) Fraud Detection Grant Costs – \$3,061,800

- Funding is to assist with efforts to prevent and detect fraud, identity theft and recover fraud overpayments in the PUA Program.

Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) Administration Costs – Received to date: \$915,849

- Based on the monthly 902P report, DLR will be reimbursed for staffing and other administrative costs associated with running PUA.

Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) Continued Appropriation Act Implementation Costs – \$250,000

- Passage of legislation in December 2020 extended the PUA program until March 2021 along with making modifications to the program. This grant is to pay for implementation costs.

Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) Eligibility Updates Implementation Costs – \$100,000

- Federal guidance issued in early 2021 changed some eligibility requirements for the PUA program. This grant is to pay for implementation costs.

Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) American Rescue Plan Act Implementation Costs – \$100,000

- Passage of the American Rescue Plan Act in March 2021 extended PUA until September 2021. This grant is to pay for implementation costs.

Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) Expiration Guidance - \$100,000

- Additional federal guidance issued September 2021 explained how the PUA program is to be concluded by States and included funds to assist States with this.

Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) Detection and Recovery of Overpayments - \$591,261

- Funding is for detection and recovery of overpayments, both fraudulent and nonfraudulent.

Pandemic Emergency Unemployment Compensation (PEUC) Implementation Costs – \$91,493

- PEUC is a temporary program created by the CARES Act that provides up to 13 additional weeks of payments to individuals who have exhausted their regular Unemployment Insurance (UI) benefits.
- Funding has been provided specifically for program startup and implementation, mostly for system development expenses.

Pandemic Emergency Unemployment Compensation (PEUC) Fraud Detection Grant Costs – \$583,200

- Funding is to assist with efforts to prevent and detect fraud, identity theft and recover fraud overpayments in the PEUC Program.

Pandemic Emergency Unemployment Compensation (PEUC) Administration Costs – \$311,467

- DLR may be reimbursed for costs related to administering the PEUC program including staffing and operational costs. These costs are submitted after the completion of each quarter.

Pandemic Emergency Unemployment Compensation (PEUC) Continued Appropriation Act Implementation Costs – \$150,000

- Passage of legislation in December 2020 extended PEUC through March 2021 along with making modifications to the program. This grant is to pay for implementation costs.

Pandemic Emergency Unemployment Compensation (PEUC) American Rescue Plan Act Implementation Costs – \$75,000

- Passage of the American Rescue Plan Act in March 2021 extended PEUC until September 2021. This grant is to pay for implementation costs.

Pandemic Emergency Unemployment Compensation (PEUC) Detection and Recovery of Overpayments - \$147,108

- Funding is for detection and recovery of overpayments, both fraudulent and nonfraudulent.

Federal Pandemic Unemployment Compensation (FPUC) Implementation Costs – \$66,260

- FPUC is a temporary program created by the CARES Act provides a temporary emergency increase of \$600 per week in unemployment benefits to individuals who are collecting benefits from unemployment insurance.
- Funding has been provided specifically for program startup and implementation, mostly for system development expenses.

Federal Pandemic Unemployment Compensation (FPUC) Administration Costs – \$968,956

- DLR may be reimbursed for costs related to administering the FPUC program including staffing and operational costs. These costs are submitted after the completion of each quarter.

Federal Pandemic Unemployment Compensation (FPUC) Continued Appropriation Act Implementation Costs – \$100,000

- Passage of legislation in December 2020 reimplemented a temporary emergency increase of \$300 per week in unemployment insurance benefits to individuals who are collecting benefits from unemployment insurance. This grant is to pay for implementation costs.

Federal Pandemic Unemployment Compensation (FPUC) American Rescue Plan Act Implementation Costs – \$50,000

- Passage of the American Rescue Plan Act in March 2021 extended FPUC until September 2021. This grant is to pay for implementation costs.

Federal Pandemic Unemployment Compensation (FPUC) Detection and Recovery of Overpayments - \$565,800

- Funding is for detection and recovery of overpayments, both fraudulent and nonfraudulent.

First Week of Benefits Implementation Costs – \$12,959

- The CARES Act provides for UI recipients to receive UI benefits for the first week of being laid off from a job. Typically, recipients aren't eligible for benefits for the first week after being laid off.

UI Equity Grant - \$2,283,000

- Funds will be utilized on 4 separate projects in increase equity of access for claimants to unemployment compensation benefits: initial claims interface, new phone system, translation of documents, and addressing the RA appeals backlog.

Other DLR Grants:

National Dislocated Worker Grant – \$1,137,345

- This funding will extend current Dislocated Worker program funding, with additional services available for Disaster Relief Employment.
- Grant dollars will be used to minimize the impact of the public emergency for temporary and permanent layoffs, as well as long-term unemployed individuals.
- A portion of this funding is being utilized to pay for \$40 per credit of the students enrolled in the Upskill program.

Comprehensive and Accessible Reemployment through Equitable Employment Recovery (CAREER) grant: \$2,107,312

- To build on the success of the South Dakota Virtual Job Service and related technology integrations, DLR will use CAREER grant funding to continue to increase customer access by removing barriers of language, location/transportation, and availability outside of state employee work hours through online systems and translation services.
- Funds will be used on an interview preparation module that uses artificial intelligence to give feedback and improve skills, translation of forms and resources to other languages, and a web-based module to help citizens understand what programs and services DLR can offer them virtually.