

# Surviving ARP and Single Audit

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### Learning Objectives

- 1. Gain an understanding of Uniform Guidance (Single Audit) requirements
- 2. Understand the impact of ARP funding on Single Audit testing
- Develop planning processes/tools for ARP funding



# Single Audit Requirements

# What is a Single Audit?

**Uniform Guidance** 

Office of Management and Budget

Federal Expenditures > \$750K

High Risk / Scrutiny

# Single Audit Reporting Requirements

#### Report of Federal Awards

- Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards (SEFA)
- SEFA Notes
- Auditor Opinions UG and GAS
- Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs

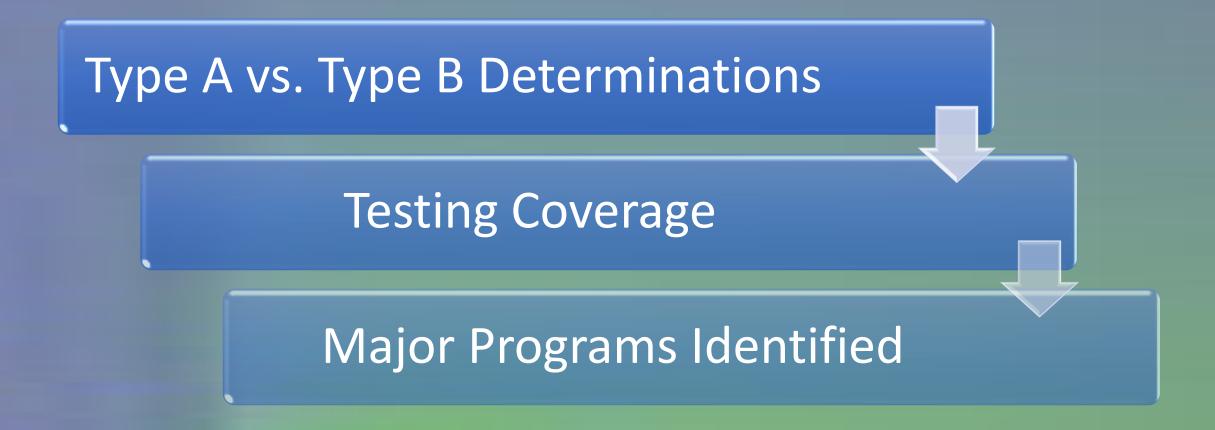
#### Data Collection Form

Corrective Action Plans (CAPs)

# SEFA Example

Federal Awarding Agency/Program Title	Federal CFDA Number	Additional Award Identification (Optional)	Name of Funder Pass-Through Entity	Identifying Number Assigned By Funder Pass-Through Entity	Total Amount Provided to Sub-Recipients	Federal Expenditures	Federal Program Total	Cluster Name	Cluster Total
DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE	Number	(Optional)	Entity	Enuty	Sub-Recipients	Expenditures	Total	Nume	Total
DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE									
BULLETPROOF VEST PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM	16.607					\$1,226	\$1,226	N/A	\$0
TOTAL DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE									
						\$1,226			
DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY									
COVID-19 CORONAVIRUS RELIEF FUND	21.019	COVID-19	COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS	N/A		\$13,768	\$13,768	N/A	\$0
COVID-19 CORONAVIRUS RELIEF FUND	21.019	COVID-19	LAKE COUNTY, ILLINOIS	N/A		\$779,408	\$779,408	N/A	\$0
TOTAL DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY									
						\$793,176			
TOTAL EXPENDITURE OF FEDERAL AWARDS						\$794,402			

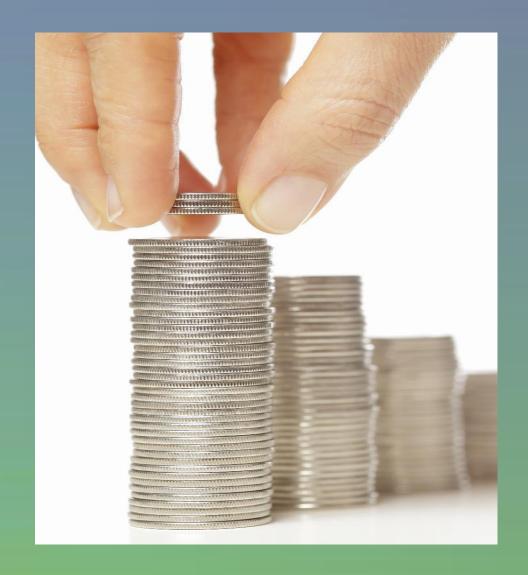
# What Guides Auditor Testing?



# Impact of ARP on Single Audit

# ARP Impact on Single Audit

- Increased federal spending = increased likelihood of single audit
- Change in the federal programs tested by your auditors
- IL Statutory impacts new GATA requirements
  - GAGAS audit
  - Auditor opinion on CYEFR
- Increased oversight from state and federal agencies
- Multi-year impact



## When to Report ARP on SEFA

 Per AICPA: For certain fiscal year ends, while costs may have been incurred, award may not have been finalized – Report on SEFA in year award was approved (unless specific guidance from federal agency provided)

Apr-20	May-20	Jun-20	FYE	Jul-20	Aug-20	Dec-20
\$100K	\$200K	\$400K		\$1M	\$300K	
Costs incurred	Costs incurred	Costs incurred		Awarded  Costs applied to award from Apr-20, May-20 and Jun-20	Costs incurred	Release F/S and Single Audit

Scenario 3			
What expenditures should be reported on the SEFA at	\$0 (i.e., because there was no award until Jul-20)		
6/30/20?			
What expenditures should be reported on the SEFA at	¢1.NA (i.e. sum of costs incurred Ann Aug 20)		
6/30/21?	\$1 M (i.e., sum of costs incurred Apr-Aug 20).		

Other scenarios addressed as well (<u>Here</u>)

# What is Being Tested?



The Compliance Supplement for ARP funding sources is not yet available

# ARP Funding Documentation to be Tested

Contract Agreement / Award Notice

Submissions to State / Fed Agency

Expenditure
Detail and
Support

Subrecipient
Agreements
/
Monitoring
Records

# How to Prepare for Your Single Audit

### SEFA Preparation

- Track grant spending throughout the year
- Research CFDA #s (https://beta.sam.gov/search?index=cfda)
- Reconciled total federal expenditures to CYEFR

#### **Document Retention**

- Contract agreements and award notices
- Subrecipient agreements (if applicable)
- When applicable, support for eligibility determinations and other compliance requirements

## **Expenditure Records**

- Separate general ledger accounting
- Copies of invoices, payroll records, and other support

#### Communication

- Confirm timing with auditor before, during, or after financial audit
- Verify programs to be tested and obtain request list
- Provide finding responses / corrective action plans

# Planning Considerations for ARP

# ARP Usage of Funds



#### Public health and economic impacts

- COVID-19 response (operating response, behavioral healthcare, capital investment)
- Negative economic impact response (household, business, and NFP assistance)



#### Premium pay

• Essential workers (healthcare, retail, public health, warehouse, drivers, janitors, child care, educators, social/human services, and more



#### Revenue loss

• Funds received must be used to provide government services, not to pay debt service or replenish reserves (in addition to other restrictions)

# ARP Usage of Funds



#### Investments in infrastructure

- Water and sewer
- Broadband



#### Investments in housing

- Affordable housing, homelessness, or risk of homelessness
- Funding from various agencies (HUD, EDA, etc.)



#### Administrative and consulting costs

- Support of effective management/oversight of program
- Compliance with legal, regulatory and other requirements

# Ineligible Expenditures

Pension deposits: extra payment outside of normal payment timing that reduces an unfunded liability

May not offset reduction in net tax revenue that results from a change in law, regulation or administrative interpretation

Cannot be used as a match to federal programs

Subject to provisions in the Uniform Guidance, including cost principles (different that CRF)

## Where to Start with FRF

- 1. Confirm/track your allocation amount
- 2. Determine who needs to be involved in the spending decisions
- 3. Form a committee with the appropriate personnel (management, elected officials, citizens)
- 4. Determine the needs within the community
- 5. Prepare a budget or wish list of spending categories
- 6. Determine if costs are eligible under the guidance
- 7. Develop program administrative rules
- 8. Review policies and procedures surrounding spending to ensure they are up-to-date and compliant with federal guidelines (timekeeping, procurement, subrecipient monitoring)
- 9. Consider other federal funding to determine if a single audit will be needed

# **Exploring Other Funding Opportunities**

Economic
Development
Administration
(EDA) programs

Coronavirus
Capital Projects
Fund

Emergency Connectivity Fund Additional funding opportunities with DOT, FEMA, and EPA

## Strategy Considerations

#### STRATEGIC NEEDS ASSESSMENT & SPENDING PLAN

• Develop understanding of revenue loss, programmatic and department needs and strategy for deployment of allocation

#### TREASURY RULE MONITORING

• Ongoing review related to Treasury guidelines and state-determined expenditure eligibility

#### PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT

• Establish procedures, mechanisms and administration for fund distribution to businesses, not-for-profit organizations and individuals

#### **COMPETITIVE FUNDING PURSUIT**

• Develop competitive grant opportunities with assistance around strategy, eligibility, applications and grant implementation

#### **COMPLIANCE**

• Compliance documentation and reporting for funds allocated by Treasury, state and grant programs

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# QUESTIONS?