CORONAVIRUS EMERGENCY SUPPLEMENTAL FUNDING (CESF) ROUND 2

GRANT SUMMARIES

PROJECT TITLE:	Coronavirus Emergency Supplemental Funding (CESF) 2021
Application Number:	2020-VD-21-4-71
Agency:	ComCor, Inc.
Federal Award:	\$60,630
Summary:	The CESF grant will provide funds for items needed, as a result of the pandemic, that ComCor currently struggles to fund, including PPE and sanitation supplies. In addition, the virus has increased the amount of time clients spend on the grounds, as a result of quarantines and social distancing rules. This has made some services difficult to provide and it has made job hunting and interviewing extremely difficult for the clients. Therefore, funds will also be utilized for electronic and digital communication equipment. These items will allow Comcor to respond to operational changes by significantly increasing the quality of existing services that they provide for clients that have been negatively impacted by COVID-19. These services include allowing ComCor to help their clients safely participate in treatment, have meetings with staff members, have video visitation with family and friends, while also maintaining proper sanitation precautions.

PROJECT TITLE:	12th Judicial Diversion
Application Number:	2020-VD-21-16-54
Agency:	12 th JD Office of the District Attorney
Federal Award:	\$93,768
Summary:	The Civil Citation Network is a new electronic citation database available to all law enforcement agencies within the jurisdiction. Electronic citations will be a new law enforcement engagement tool that will help save time, enhance efficiency, and improve safety for themselves as well as the community in which they serve. By administering citations in this manner, it will minimize contact time between officers and offenders. Thus, helping lessen the spread of the Coronavirus. Therefore, the 12 th Judicial District Attorney's Office will utilize the CESF grant to purchase technology, which includes televisions, mounts, laptops, software, a server upgrade, installation, and the Civil Citation Network database and internal case management system.

PROJECT TITLE:	16th Judicial District COVID-19 Relief Fund
Application Number:	2020-VD-21-16-54
Agency:	16th Judicial District Attorney's Office
Federal Award:	\$20,000
Summary:	The CESF grant will provide resources to the 16 th Judicial District Attorney's Office to enable essential employees to work remotely as a result of COVID-19. Due to the pandemic, courts in Colorado shifted to a virtual platform, requiring the vast majority of courtroom appearances by attorneys to a video format. This hybrid-type of court appearances necessitated that all attorneys have the ability to appear either in person or via WebEx. Therefore, seven new laptops will be purchased, and as a result of the increased use of laptops, which require additional data storage, there is an increased demand on the server. Therefore, funds will be used to purchase an upgraded server.

PROJECT TITLE:	2021 CESF Supplies for City of Boulder PD
Application Number:	2020-VD-21-20-50
Agency:	City of Boulder
Federal Award:	\$15,000
Summary:	The City of Boulder has been hit hard with the financial crisis due to Covid-19, and the Police Department has had to reduce its budget significantly. Funding from this grant will cover the costs of the much-needed cleaning supplies and personal protective equipment including gloves, masks and goggles to prevent the spread of Covid-19 and to aid first responders and other essential staff to safely conduct their duties.

PROJECT TITLE:	CESF - Short Staffing Overtime Expenses
Application Number:	2020-VD-21-1-69
Agency:	City of Black Hawk Police Department
Federal Award:	\$46,600
Summary:	The economic downturn of the pandemic severely impacted the City of Black Hawk. Several items had to be cut out of the budget to include five FTE positions in the Black Hawk Police Department. These positions included four police officers and one dispatcher. The critical work of maintaining a public safety system in Black Hawk continued even with the drop in City revenue. In order to staff the Communications Center, which dispatches police, fire, and EMS for Black Hawk, as well as maintain safe minimum staffing in patrol, there have been excessive overtime expenses. The CESF grant will help to reduce the burden of overtime costs related to the reduction of staffing for police and dispatch.

PROJECT TITLE:	DCJ CESF Jail Data Sharing Grant
Application Number:	2020-VD-21-1-68
Agency:	Colorado Division of Criminal Justice (DCJ)
Federal Award:	\$175,000
Summary:	As states are looking to reduce jail populations in response to the COVID-19 crisis, there is a pressing need for public entities to properly provide needed services to individuals during confinement, as well as upon community reentry. The ability to share information among these domains quickly and effectively can dramatically affect public safety and the quality and continuity of care provided to individuals released from incarceration. Reentering offenders often experience gaps or delays in service and also homelessness as they transition from jails and prison to the community. To avoid these costly gaps in services and to ensure continuous and efficient treatment of these individuals, it is essential that Colorado invest in a justice-health information exchange that enables the sharing of jail custodial data and inmate health data electronically. This project will build an information technology infrastructure that will facilitate cross-agency data-sharing between jails and other criminal justice entities. DCJ is building a cross-agency data sharing platform to connect county jails to the statewide Colorado Integrated Criminal Justice Information System (CICJIS) through their respective Jail Management Systems (JMS). CICJIS facilitates the information exchange between the Department of Corrections, Judicial Department, the Department of Public Safety, the Department of Human Services - Division of Youth Services, and the Colorado District Attorney's Council. However, since CICJIS is not connected to any JMS, there is a significant gap in information sharing. While the ultimate goal is to connect all county jails and JMS systems to CICJIS, the immediate goal of this CESF grant is to connect seven pilot jails to CICJIS through their individual JMS systems.

PROJECT TITLE:	Critical Education for Peace Officers
Application Number:	2020-VD-21-18-60
Agency:	County Sheriffs of Colorado
Federal Award:	\$84,631
Summary:	In 2020 there were sweeping changes to expectations of law enforcement due to COVID-19, civil unrest, and legislation that was passed. COVID-19 also forced agencies to look at jail populations and management practices. In addition, there have been high rates of attrition of peace officers across the state creating more vacancies, which are filled by newcomers to the profession and who need more training. The need for education and training for law enforcement has increased exponentially, yet the funding continues to be reduced. Specific training needs that have not been met include Crisis Intervention Teams, Detention Skills Mini-Academy, and Mental Wellness for sheriffs and deputies. The additional training will help in creating more officers throughout the state that will be able to assist agencies in implementing Crisis Intervention Teams to help people in crisis get the help they need rather than going to jail, when appropriate. In addition, detention employees will receive refreshed training to help navigate the changes that have come and any future changes resulting from the pandemic. In addition, wellness programs are anticipated to help the sheriffs and other law enforcement professionals learn and use coping skills in dealing with the unique stresses brought on by the pandemic. The focus of this grant is on providing opportunities across the state for all law enforcement professionals to get the training they need. Some courses will be offered via an online training platform and others in the classrooms.

PROJECT TITLE:	COVINE Enhanced VINE
Application Number:	2020-VD-21-18-62
Agency:	County Sheriffs of Colorado
Federal Award:	\$156,500
Summary:	Colorado has a Victim Rights Constitutional Amendment requiring rights for victims. Among those rights are many required notifications. As the COVID-19 pandemic began, Governor Polis issued an Executive Order suspending certain regulatory statutes related to criminal justice. The Order was put in place to expedite release of prisoners whose release normally would be evaluated and/or released through parole or local correctional boards. This resulted in many releases from state prison facilities and local jails as well. COVID-19 has created many challenges for prisons and jails. With COVID-19 infections of law enforcement personnel and inmates, many normally predictable transfers or releases have become complicated. Inmates were released to reduce jail populations or protect inmates from COVID-19 spread. While these procedures are essential for health reasons, it creates tremendous stress on victims of crime. This grant will assist in funding Enhanced VINE, an advanced platform to the statewide victim notification system used by sheriffs and the Division of Youth Services, that will provide additional victim resources beyond notifications of the release/transfers of inmates. These funds will be used for the migration of the data from the current VINE program to the new enhanced Vine platform. This will provide a seamless transition for all current victims to use and be part of the new enhanced platform. The grant helps provide essential safety and support to Colorado crime victims who feel isolated and vulnerable due to the complications of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Delta County Pretrial Services
2020-VD-21-7-67
Delta County Criminal Justice Services, FKA Delta County Alternative
Sentencing Department
\$162,695
Delta County will utilize this grant to complete the development and offering of pretrial services, which will depopulate the pretrial detention population, thereby decreasing inmate and staff exposure to COVID-19. This allows the county to comply with orders delivered from the Governor's Office relating to social distancing and other measures to decrease COVID-19 exposure. This is a population that is high-risk of negative environmental outcomes that are inherent to the pandemic. The funding from the CESF grant would satisfy two of the funding priorities, which include: (1) systems to create or enhance screening processes used to determine eligibility for pretrial release; and (2) systems to create or enhance pretrial supervision for those released from jail or lockup, as well as assist in the social distancing and other guidelines detailed in the Governor's March 25, 2020 guidance. The funding would create a position for a Pretrial Services Manager responsible for the Delta County Pretrial Services Program's daily operations. The CESF funding will also allow for the development of a Pretrial Services Compliance Officer, who will provide supervision to those pretrial defendants from jail or lockup. This program will further depopulate the Delta County jail population, thus decreasing the exposure of COVID-19 that otherwise would be encountered by the pretrial jail population and jail staff.

PROJECT TITLE:	Denver Police Department CESF
Application Number:	2020-VD-21-2-63
Agency:	Denver Police Department (DPD)
Federal Award:	\$102,110
Summary:	Since the beginning of the pandemic, Denver's police officers have worked on the frontlines, adapting the Department's services to adjust to unique circumstances in this unprecedented time. In 2020, DPD incurred nearly \$785,000 in unbudgeted overtime costs directly related to its COVID-19 response. Officers have faced increased risks to themselves and their families, often unknowingly exposing themselves to infection. Their responsibilities have included their typical duties, but have increased as their colleagues and families have fallen ill, and they have had to extend their shifts to attend to new COVID-19-related processes and procedures. In addition, officers have been responsible for providing increased services to Denverites in the form of security and traffic direction at mass testing and mass vaccination sites. The emotional and mental toll brought on by serving on the front lines during this pandemic cannot be understated. Mental health checks provide necessary touchpoints to officers and civilians and provide an opportunity to assess whether additional emotional support services may be necessary. To continue to respond and react to this crisis, additional funding is needed to ensure that DPD can provide the appropriate level of services to Denver's citizens. DPD is utilizing this grant for officer overtime and funding for mental health wellness checks for all DPD sworn and civilian employees.

PROJECT TITLE:	Safety and Contactless Project
Application Number:	2020-VD-21-2-72
Agency:	Denver Sheriff Department
Federal Award:	\$47,560
Summary:	The Denver Sheriff Department will utilize funding to aid efforts to help the incarcerated population manage their way through this COVID-19 pandemic. This project will provide 40 videos in place of services since outside community partners do not have jail access due to the COVID-19 restrictions. The topics of the videos include re-entry, community support, housing information, health care, employment, family needs, educational resources, reentry organizations, human services, financial literacy, and civic engagement. The goal for the videos is to provide a warmer hand-off from the jail to community partners that will support clients upon release. This grant will help to ensure inmates who wish to have re-entry information are provided with customized support that is available for them upon release.

PROJECT TITLE:	Arvada PD Decontamination
Application Number:	2020-VD-21-1-59
Agency:	Department of Public Safety, Arvada Police Department
Federal Award:	\$4,000
Summary:	The CESF funding will allow Arvada PD to purchase the needed disinfecting and cleaning supplies to be used for COVID-19 decontamination. Multiple officers have been diagnosed with COVID-19, and have had numerous exposures, including quarantines that resulted from in-service training situations. These supplies will be used for officers to clean and disinfect vehicles, gear, and clothing after an exposure to COVID-19, or during routine activities where exposure is a risk. This will allow Arvada PD to help increase officer safety and decrease the number of illness outbreaks or potential outbreaks that come from cross-contaminations.

PROJECT TITLE:	COVID Supplemental Funding for Garfield County Criminal Justice
Application Number:	2020-VD-21-9-64
Agency:	Garfield County
Federal Award:	\$45,390
Summary:	This grant will be used to pay for increased operational costs and staff overtime associated with the many challenges brought on by the COVID-19 response within this agency. In addition to staff overtime, this grant will cover the costs of sanitizing supplies and personal protective equipment in an effort to protect staff and clients and to prevent COVID-19-spread within the facility.

PROJECT TITLE:	Grand County Sheriff's Office CESF 2021
Application Number:	2020-VD-21-14-53
Agency:	Grand County Sheriff's Office
Federal Award:	\$25,710
Summary:	This grant will be utilized to purchase supplies and equipment for Grand County Sheriff's Deputies to protect them from COVID-19, while protecting and serving the residents and visitors of Grand County. Having access to equipment like the self-contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA), Tyvek Suits, and 3M filtered masks will help ensure that that the patrol division is protected when going into scenes where COVID-19 is known to be, as well as the emergencies where the COVID-19 status is unknown. Patrol deputies and dually trained deputies respond to medical calls county-wide. As a result, officers are issued medical kits based on their approved/certified scope of care. With COVID-19 and the risk of exposure, they are forced to discard supplies within these medical kits due to COVID-19 exposure risk and inability to use items that would normally have been recycled.

PROJECT TITLE:	Coronavirus Emergency Supplemental Funding CESF
Application Number:	2020-VD-21-1-73
Agency:	Intervention, Inc.
Federal Award:	\$190,393
Summary:	Intervention Inc., a Colorado non-profit, provides criminal justice programming. The purpose of this grant is to support activities in preventing and managing COVID-19 in their residential community corrections facilities. Specifically, Intervention provides technology monitoring services to Jefferson County pretrial services that create/enhanced pretrial supervision for those released from jail to assist in social distancing. The pretrial technologies provided by Intervention allow local jails and judicial officers to not only safely divert adult offenders from local detention centers but to put into place a system to track and support adults released from or diverted from the local detention centers. Successful diversion comes with a cost to the offender. This grant will assist pretrial offenders placed on technologies they may not have the ability to pay for. The funds will allow pretrial offenders to be on technology instead of being incarcerated in the local detention facilities. It will reduce the offender payment burden and still allow the courts and local pretrial officers to monitor clients out on bond. While on technology, the pretrial client remains out of the jail and saves the local jail on bed days. This assists the jails in managing in-house populations and mitigates COVID-19 inside the local jails. In addition, Intervention will keep the clients and staff safe and healthy, and potentially reduce the spread of the virus into the community, by purchasing personal protective equipment and sanitizing supplies with this grant. The purchase of these supplies will affect the daily practices at the residential facilities of approximately 900 clients and 400 staff.

PROJECT TITLE:	Electronic Monitoring Fees to Reduce Congregate Housing Populations
Application Number:	2020-VD-21-21-56
Agency:	Mesa County Criminal Justice Services Department (MCCJSD)
Federal Award:	\$50,000
Summary:	Mesa County CJSD budgets for the cost of electronic monitoring every year. With COVID-19, Mesa County saw a decrease in new pretrial cases due to fewer law enforcement arrests and an increase in the use of summons. With more pretrial clients being placed on GPS, this caused the cost for equipment and monitoring to go up. CJSD is on track to have \$128,000 in expenditures with \$70,000 allocated in the budget for electronic monitoring. CJSD will utilize this grant to pay for expenditures over \$70,000 as they continue to see electronic monitoring utilized by the courts and by the Mesa County Detention Facility as a way to reduce congregate housing due to COVID-19. This assistance will allow CJSD to continue to assist reducing the jail population while assisting public safety and defendant-accountability and thereby not taking away funding from other essential programs.

PROJECT TITLE:	7 th Judicial District Attorney's Office Equipment and Technical Assistance Support in Response to COVID-19
Application Number:	2020-VD-21-7-55
Agency:	Office of the District Attorney, 7th Judicial District
Federal Award:	\$6,135
Summary:	CESF grant funding will assist the 7 th Judicial District Attorney's Office in responding to COVID-19 by preventing the need for staff to work in confined spaces at the same time. Therefore, in an effort to provide for adequate social distancing, provision of an additional laptop and an additional server would allow for remote working capabilities, while safely and securely housing large amounts of data. The funding would also support the IT assistance needed to properly set-up the additional laptops and server.

PROJECT TITLE:	Providing Supplemental Personal Protective Equipment in the Weld County Jail to Mitigate Coronavirus Infection
Application Number:	2020-VD-21-19-51
Agency:	Weld County Government
Federal Award:	\$55,997
Summary:	The Weld County Sheriff's Office is using 2021 CESF funds to purchase additional personal protective equipment to include gloves, masks, and protective eyewear to shield inmates and staff at the jail from Coronavirus and to reduce the spread of infection.