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**POMONA, CA** – On Monday, May 4<sup>th</sup>, the Pomona City Council approved allocation of over \$2 Million in Federal Community Development Block Grant and CARE Act Coronavirus funding to assist residents and businesses impacted by the Covid-19 Pandemic. Program guidelines and application processes are currently being developed in anticipation of accepting applications beginning May 18, 2020.

These Federal Grant Funds will provide:

- **Housing Assistance** - \$750,000 in Rental, Mortgage and Utility Assistance for up to 3 months for Low Income Households impacted by Covid-19 related loss of income and an additional \$500,000 in homeless prevention funding, motel vouchers, and assistance to extremely low income households.
- **Business Assistance** – Over \$500,000 in Business Relief Grants will be available for small businesses impacted by Covid-19 related loss of income.
- **Food Provision** - \$300,000 in funding for food provision to Low Income Households – \$200,000 of this funding could be awarded through vouchers that can be claimed at participating stores, food banks and/or farmers markets. \$100,000 is awarded to supplement the delivery of meals to low income senior households, expanding the City's Senior Meal program.
- **Essential Equipment** – Covid-19 related equipment/services for City employees, facilities and programs
- **Burial Costs** – Households in need of assistance to bury a family member lost to Covid-19 related illness.
- **Homeless Street Outreach** – Over \$190,000 to expand outreach and safety efforts to those individuals and families living without homes.

For additional information or updates regarding this funding please call 909-620-2368 or visit the City of Pomona Covid-19 Resources Page at [www.ci.pomona.ca.us/covid-19](http://www.ci.pomona.ca.us/covid-19)

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