

Purpose of the Webpage:

Ohio Poverty Law Center’s research and data are designed to support informed public dialogue and policy in Ohio. OPLC consults and collaborates with other organizations to ensure that its research and data are relevant and timely and strives to be a knowledgeable and respected source of credible information for policymakers, advocates, media, and the public.

Data and Methodology:

SFRF – For this data set, initial information about allocations was gathered from House Bill 168¹, Controlling Board Meetings², House Bill 687³, and House Bill 377⁴ and the United States Department of Treasury (USDOT)⁵. Further information was gathered to determine what percentage, if any, of the allocated funds had been spent and what they were spent on. This was done by thoroughly reviewing Governor DeWine’s News Releases⁶, pulling data from the Ohio Checkbook⁷, watching Office of Budget and Management webinars⁸, and researching local media sources⁹.

LRFR (Cities) – For this data set, eight of the 11 most populous¹⁰ cities in Ohio were chosen to collect data on. The cities are Columbus, Cleveland, Cincinnati, Toledo, Akron, Dayton, Canton,

¹ https://search-prod.lis.state.oh.us/solarapi/v1/general_assembly_134/bills/hb168/EN/07/hb168_07_EN?format=pdf

² <https://ecb.ohio.gov/Public/MeetingsAndAgendas.aspx>

³ https://search-prod.lis.state.oh.us/solarapi/v1/general_assembly_134/bills/hb687/EN/04/hb687_04_EN?format=pdf

⁴ https://search-prod.lis.state.oh.us/solarapi/v1/general_assembly_134/bills/hb377/EN/05/hb377_05_EN?format=pdf

⁵ <https://home.treasury.gov/system/files/136/fiscalrecoveryfunds-statefunding1-508A.pdf>

⁶ <https://governor.ohio.gov/media#:~:text=Headed%20to%20Ukraine-,Governor%20DeWine%20Launches%20Ohio%20Crime%20Lab%20Efficiency%20Program%20to%20Eliminate,crime%20laboratories%20across%20the%20state.>

⁷ <https://checkbook.ohio.gov/>

⁸ <https://obm.ohio.gov/home/news-and-events/2022%20Regionals%20Roundtable%20Dollars%20and%20Sense>

⁹ <https://www.starbeacon.com/>

¹⁰ <https://worldpopulationreview.com/states/cities/ohio>

and Youngstown. The allocation amount was pulled directly from the United States Department of Treasury website¹¹. Further information on where funds were spent or appropriated was gathered from city government websites, local media sources, city council meeting minutes and agendas, and recovery plan reports.

LFRF (Counties) – The counties of the cities chosen were also selected. The counties included: Summit, Stark, Hamilton, Cuyahoga, Franklin, Montgomery, Lucas, and Mahoning. Information on how funds were spent or appropriated was researched through county board of commissioner meeting minutes and agendas, county government sites, recovery plan reports, and local media sources. Data was also collected from the National Association of Counties ARPA tracker¹².

Childcare – For this data set, information about appropriated funds was gathered from the Ohio checkbook¹³. Additional information was gathered from the Governor’s News Releases¹⁴, the Department of Job and Family Services and committee hearings.

Homeowner Assistance Fund– For this data set, information was gathered from the Ohio Housing and Financing Agency¹⁵. This required ongoing communication with the agency via telephone e-mail as well as thorough review and analysis of relevant annual reports required by the United States Department of Treasury (USDOT). Information on the statewide allocation and the fund itself was also gathered from the USDOT website¹⁶.

¹¹ <https://home.treasury.gov/system/files/136/fiscalrecoveryfunds-metrocitiesfunding1-508A.pdf>

¹² <https://www.naco.org/resources/featured/arpa-investment-tracker>

¹³ <https://checkbook.ohio.gov/>

¹⁴ <https://governor.ohio.gov/media#:~:text=Headed%20to%20Ukraine-,Governor%20DeWine%20Launches%20Ohio%20Crime%20Lab%20Efficiency%20Program%20to%20Eliminate,crime%20laboratories%20across%20the%20state.>

¹⁵ <https://ohiohome.org/>

¹⁶ <https://home.treasury.gov/system/files/136/HAF-Guidance.pdf>

CRF – For this data set, information on allocations was gathered from Controlling Board meetings, 133rd GA House Bill 481¹⁷, 133rd GA House Bill 614¹⁸, 134th GA Senate Bill 108¹⁹, 134th GA Senate Bill 109²⁰, 134th GA House Bill 110²¹, and 134th GA House Bill 170.²² Information on how the allocated amounts were expended was gathered using the Ohio Checkbook and searching by line item.

HEERF - Information for this data set was compiled using information from USASpending.gov and allocation tables and guidance letters from the U.S Department of Education’s HEERF III webpages.²³ Because these allocations were sent directly from the U.S. Department of Education to the Institution of Higher Education, no State of Ohio resources were used in tracking these allocations.

Head Start – Information for this data set was compiled using information from USASpending.gov and guidance letters from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.²⁴ Because these allocations were sent directly from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services to Head Start providers, no State of Ohio resources were used in tracking these allocations.

¹⁷ <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA133-HB-481>

¹⁸ <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA133-HB-614>

¹⁹ <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA134-SB-108>

²⁰ <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA134-SB-109>

²¹ <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA134-HB-110>

²² <https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA134-HB-170>

²³ <https://www2.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ope/arp.html>

²⁴ <https://eclkc.ohs.acf.hhs.gov/policy/pi/acf-pi-hs-21-03>

SFRF in Border States – Information for this data set was compiled using data from the Council of State Governments,²⁵ the National Conference of State Legislatures,²⁶ and from searching each state’s legislative records for passed legislation relating to ARPA SFRF.

ESSER – Data for this funding source was compiled using allocation data from the Ohio Department of Education²⁷ and the U.S. Department of Education²⁸, and using spending data from the Ohio Checkbook.

EANS – Data for this funding source was compiled using allocation data from the Ohio Department of Education²⁹ and the U.S. Department of Education³⁰, and using spending data from the Ohio Checkbook.

IDEA – Data for this funding source was compiled using allocation data from the Ohio Department of Education³¹ and the U.S. Department of Education³², and using spending data from the Ohio Checkbook.

Broadband – Information for the broadband funding matrix was compiled using resources from the Federal Communications Commission, the U.S. Department of Treasury, the National Telecommunications and Information Administration, the U.S. Department of Agriculture, and Federal Funds Information for States. Links to sources can be found in the matrix.

²⁵ <https://web.csg.org/recovery/arpa-utilization-data-by-state>

²⁶

<https://app.powerbi.com/view?r=eyJrIjoieMmQ2NDRIINDYtN2NkZC00OTE2LThjYzQtYjAzNTE2ZDRjZWFiIiwidCI6IjM4MmZiOGlwLTRkYzMtNDUwNy04MGJkLTM1OTViMjQzMmZhZSIsImMiOiJ9>

²⁷ <https://ccip.ode.state.oh.us/DocumentLibrary/Default.aspx?ccipSessionKey=638084438294643319>

²⁸ <https://oese.ed.gov/offices/education-stabilization-fund/elementary-secondary-school-emergency-relief-fund/>

²⁹ <https://ccip.ode.state.oh.us/DocumentLibrary/Default.aspx?ccipSessionKey=638084438294643319>

³⁰ <https://oese.ed.gov/offices/education-stabilization-fund/emergency-assistance-non-public-schools/>

³¹ <https://ccip.ode.state.oh.us/DocumentLibrary/Default.aspx?ccipSessionKey=638084438294643319>

³² <https://www2.ed.gov/policy/speced/leg/arp/index.html>