



SPARK Taskforce
Executive Committee Meeting
August 6, 2020

Agenda

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| 1. Meeting Called to Order | Lyle Butler, Chair |
| 2. Additional FY-20 State Agency Reimbursements | Dr. DeAngela Burns-Wallace, Secretary of Administration |
| 3. KDHE Update on COVID-19 Testing | N. Myron Gunsalus, Jr, Director of KDHE Laboratories |
| 4. Director's Update on Recovery Office, Accounting & Compliance | Julie Lorenz, Executive Director |
| 5. Implementation Process & Round 3 Considerations | Julie Lorenz, Executive Director |
| 6. Discussion on Process & Round 3 | Committee Discussion |
| 7. Adjournment | Lyle Butler, Chair |



Additional FY-20 State Agency Reimbursements

State Agency Reimbursements for Expenses

	Amount	Notes
Transfer to Department of Corrections	\$2,977,599	Made prior to SPARK & HB 2016
Previously approved FY-20 COVID-19 Operational Expenses	\$16,764,667	Approved by SPARK Executive Committee on 6/15 and SFC on 6/16
Remaining FY-20 COVID-19 Operational Expenses	\$3,908,737	





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COVID-19 Testing



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- Serological Testing
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COVID-19 Testing



- **Viral (Diagnostic) Testing**

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- **Molecular Detection (PCR)**

- Most Sensitive
 - Routine and Rapid
 - Various Sample Types
 - Cost: About \$80 - \$120 (retail and reimbursable);

- **Antigen Detection**

- Less Sensitive
 - Rapid
 - Limited Sample Types
 - Less Expensive to Perform (less staff time but per test is similar)

- **Serological Testing**

COVID-19 Testing

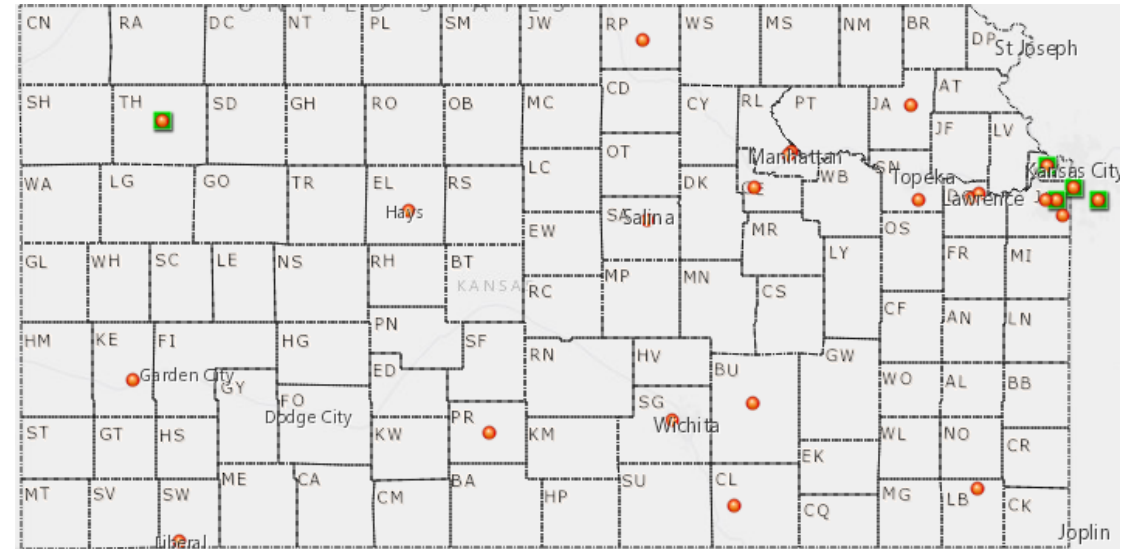


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- Serological Testing
 - Purpose of Serological testing: Used to confirm the presence or absence of antibodies produced by the body in response to a COVID-19 infection.
 - This testing is not used to detect current infection of COVID-19.
 - Routine Laboratory
 - Sample Type is Blood, either venous or capillary
 - Typical Lab Turnaround time
 - Rapid Test (“Stick Test” similar to pregnancy test)
 - Typically capillary Blood
 - Rapid but not available for home use or “Point of Care”

Who is Testing?

There are four significant testing facility types operational in Kansas for COVID-19 testing.

1. Kansas Health and Environmental Laboratories
2. Mobile Laboratories or Collection Teams
3. Major commercial reference laboratories
4. Local reference laboratories and captive laboratories (includes university labs)



COVID-19 Testing Labs in Kansas

Testing Turnaround and Costs



- Public funded labs
 - Average turnaround time for results: The state lab has anywhere from 24-72 hour turnaround time (TAT).
 - State Lab performs test for 30-40% of retail costs.
- Private labs (including universities)
 - Average turnaround time for results: Varies widely and changes often.
 - Not unusual for smaller lab with less samples to meet a 72 hours TAT
 - Larger labs can be 3 to 14 days depending on sample load. Typically 7 to 14 days turnaround time.
 - Charges/Costs typically \$80-120

State Testing Strategy



KDHE's appropriation of 20 Million will be used for the following purposes

- Equipment
- Testing Materials
- Initial Staff Costs

Purpose is to test those that will not be able to be tested through commercial or private means.

Thank You/Questions





Director's Update

147 Days

Until December 30, counting
today!



147 Days

Let's work together to make
them all count for Kansas!



Round 2 Distribution Overview & Accountability



LBC: report proceed with Connectivity

23 Programs
\$314 M

Applications:
9 Programs
\$154 M

- MOU's required
- Ongoing check of progress & funding distribution deadline
- **Ex: Grants to Food Producers**

Direct Transfers:
12 Programs
\$152 M

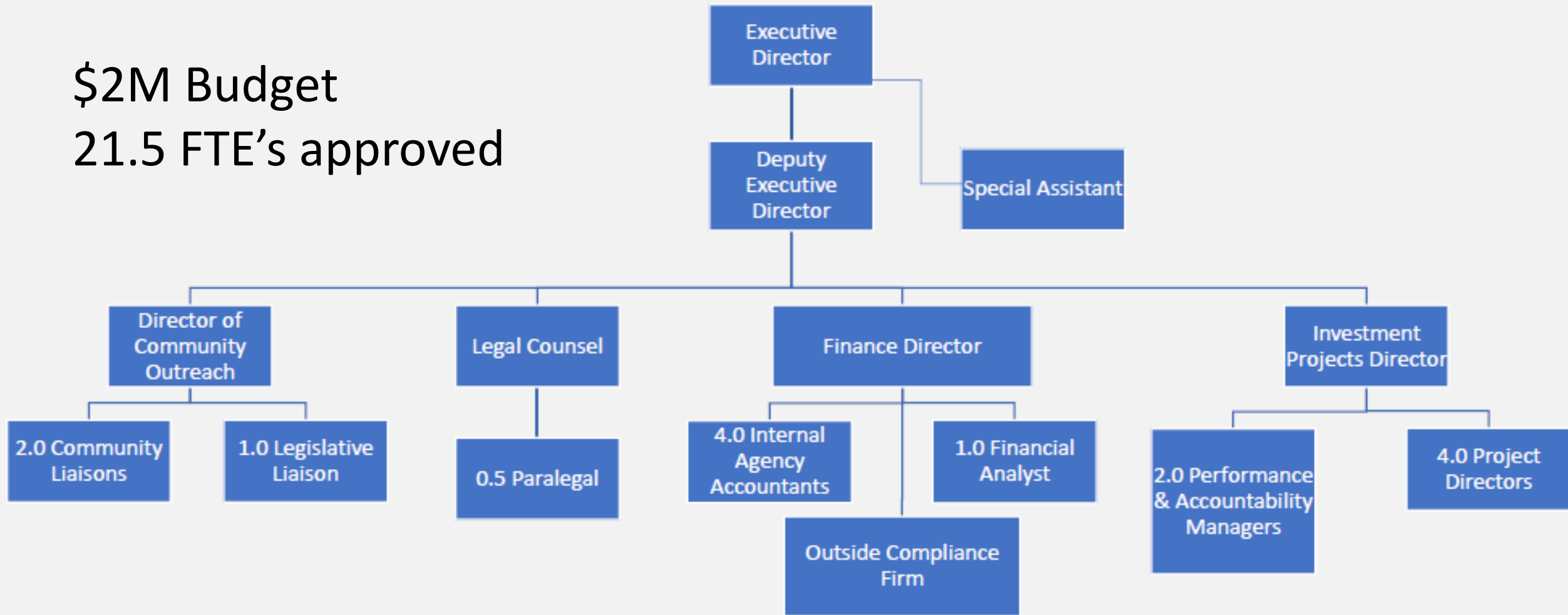
- Direct distribution to agencies, MOU required
- Receipts required
- Unused funds returned for round 3
- **Ex: Cars for Nurses**

Sub-contract:
2 Programs
\$8 M

- MOU's required
- Ongoing check of progress & funding distribution deadline
- **Ex: Contact Tracing**

Approved Recovery Office Structure

\$2M Budget
21.5 FTE's approved



Current Recovery Office Staff

New Recovery Office Hires:

- **Alicia Johnson-Turner** - Finance Director
- **Doug Gerber** – County Outreach
- **Megan Parsons** – Performance & Accountability Manager
- **Laura Pryor** – Public Affairs Liaison
- **10 State Employees, few FTE's.**
 - Some are temporarily assigned
 - Some have responsibilities to other agencies too

Challenges & Suggested Modifications

Challenges:

- Getting full-time staff hired for a temporary position
- Some staff must transition back to their agencies soon
- Accounting and compliance needs to be consistent, constant presence

Suggestions/Benefits:

- Outsourcing more allows us to hire more quickly and for specific expertise
- Avoids adding state workers for a temporary need



Accounting and Compliance

Our process is focused on value for Kansans, not just distribution

Value:

- External input and expertise through SPARK taskforce
- Legislative approval through SFC
- Encourages localized, collaborative solutions

Distribution:

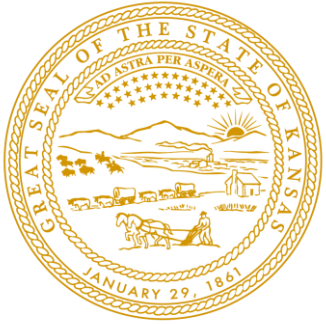
- Evolving needs and federal guidelines
- Tight deadline
- Partially grant based which requires evaluation



Example Work Activities Requiring Support

Financial tracking and reporting, e.g., county reporting, program and grant reporting:

- Technical assistance – CARES Act/Federal reporting
- Interpret and modify reporting / processes to comply with CARES Act legislation, e.g., training and support to implement new Treasury Guidance as it becomes available
- Tracking and reallocation processes to support Round 3, e.g., monthly reconciliation of county reports of disbursed CRF for accounting statements



Initial Research - CRF Consulting Cities & Counties

Nationwide*	
Consultant(s) Hired	N/A
Avg. Funds Received	\$116,000,000
Avg. Consultant Contract Size	\$1,545,600
Range of Percentage of Funds Received	0.07% to 5.8%

Johnson County hired
Witt O'Brien's & KU

Sedgwick County hired
Witt O'Brien's

*7 Cities/counties identified so far

** Contract cannot exceed \$150,000



Initial Research - CRF Consulting

States & Kansas Comparison

	National Avg.*	Nebraska	Kansas Proposed Estimate
Funds Received	\$1.4 B	\$1.083 B	\$1.034 B
Consultant Contract	\$4 M	\$5 M	\$3 to \$5 M
Percentage of Funds Received	0.31%	0.46%	0.29% to 0.48%

*8 States identified so far; number of reports not identified yet



SPARK Implementation Process

August Major Milestones & Input Opportunities

AUGUST

3 Executive Committee Meeting • Process, Round 3 considerations

10 SFC Meeting

Steering Committee Meeting **TBD** • Process, Round 3 considerations

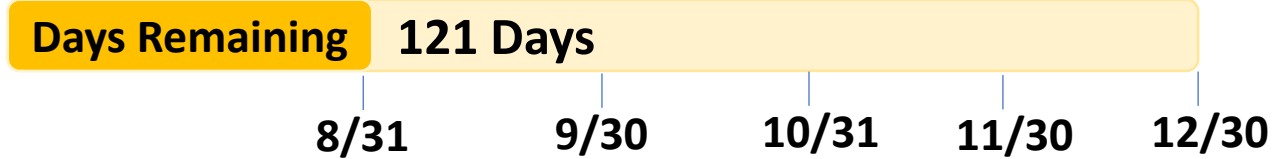
14 Target date for some round 2 apps to open

15 County Reports Due

Combined SPARK Meeting **TBD**

- Review 2nd Round progress
- Ex. Cmte. approves \$10 M +
- Review county spending summary to identify potential gaps for Round 3

31 Target date to have all round 2 apps open



To meet schedule we must accomplish this month:

- ✓ Distribute some round 2 funds
- ✓ Get consultant onboard
- ✓ Open applications for round 2

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Sept. Major Milestones & Input Opportunities

SEPT.

1

Submit report to SFC, Kansans • Expenditures to date
• Round 3 criteria being considered

Stakeholder listening sessions?

7

Begin scoring round 2 apps

10

Begin recoup unplanned round 1 funds

15

Final approval for county spending plans

Combined SPARK Meeting **TBD** • Review Round 2 selections & finalize Round 3 criteria
• Ex. Cmte. approves applications exceeding \$10 M

25

Target date for round 3 applications open

To meet schedule we must accomplish this month:

- ✓ Select & approve some round 2 projects
- ✓ Open round 3 applications

Days Remaining 91 Days

8/31

9/30

10/31

11/30

12/30

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Oct. Major Milestones & Input Opportunities

OCT.

7 Begin scoring 1st batch of round 3 selections

15 Begin rolling recoup of Round 2 funds

Combined SPARK Meeting **TBD**

- Review Round 3 selections
- Develop contingency plans
- Ex. Cmte. approves applications exceeding \$10 M

23 SFC presented round 3 selections for approval, review possible contingency plans

31

To meet schedule we must:

- ✓ Approve Round 3 selections
- ✓ Develop contingency plans

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Days Remaining 60 Days

8/31

9/30

10/31

11/30

12/30

Nov & Dec: Major Milestones & Input Opportunities

- Ongoing reports of expenditures & progress
- Meetings called, if needed, to implement contingency plans to avoid having to turn back funds
- Target: Final report submitted to SFC, SPARK on Jan. 20

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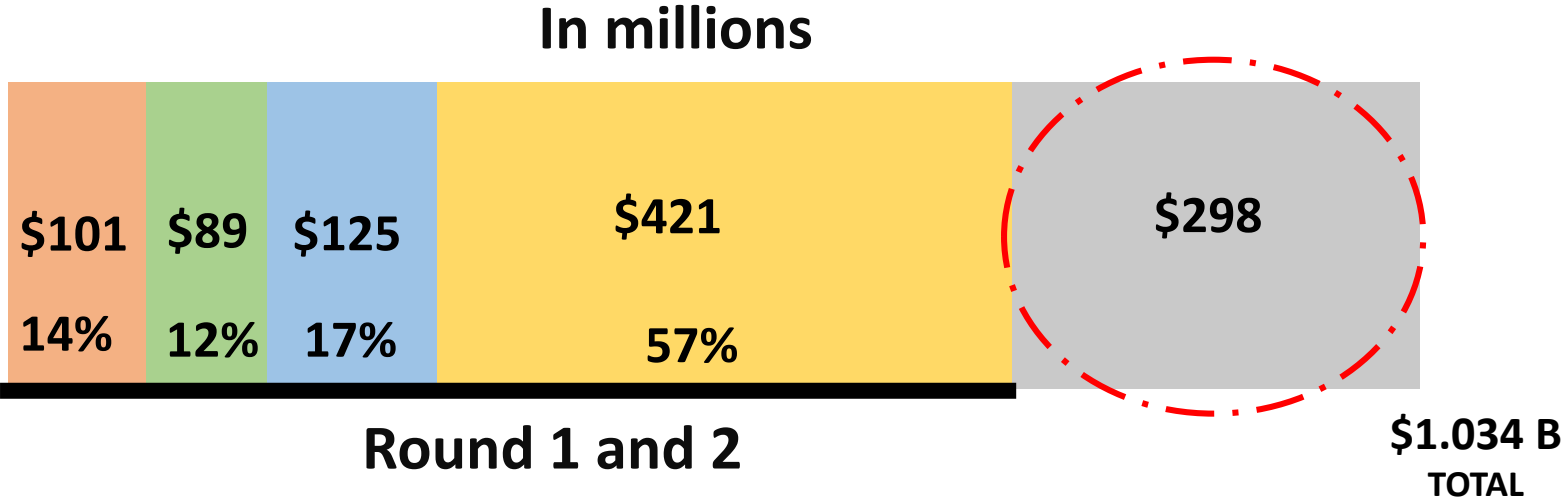
Round 3 Considerations

Investment Portfolio by Role They Serve (Rounds 1 & 2)

State & Local Govt.	Public Health Response	Economic Recovery	Lasting Impact Serves Kansas 5+ yrs.
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Round 1& 2 Allocations, Distribution may be different

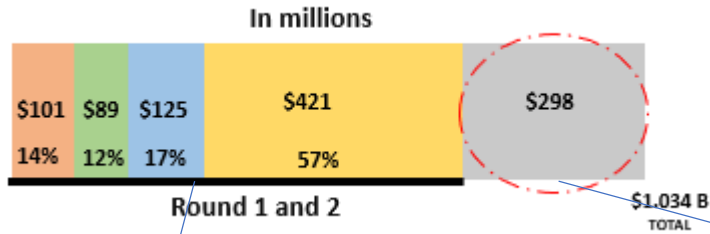


- Right balance?
- Adjustments for round 3 needed?

Public Health Response State & Local Govt. Lasting Impact
Economic Recovery Remaining Funds for Round 3

Note:
State - \$21 M
Local - \$400 M

Tracking Distribution for Round 1



\$400 M County Distribution

Healthcare facilities	\$X M
School Districts	\$X M
Private Businesses	\$X M
Broadband	\$X M
COVID-19 Supplies (PPE)	\$X M
Increasing/Improving Testing	\$X M

- August 15 deadline
- Are there additional categories you would like to see tracked from the county spending reports?

Preparing for Round 3 prioritization

- Are there stakeholders from whom you would like to hear more?
- What information would be helpful in identifying priorities for Round 3?
- What else is needed?



Discussion or
Questions?