



Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

RECOVERY PLAN

State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds 2025 Report



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General Overview

Executive Summary

The COVID-19 pandemic profoundly impacted the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, disrupting nearly every aspect of residents' lives. In response, Congress and President Biden enacted the American Rescue Plan (ARPA) on March 11, 2021. One of the key provisions of ARPA was the State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLFRF) program, which allocated critical financial assistance to every state and local government across the nation. The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, not including local allocations, received nearly \$7.3 billion in SLFRF dollars through ARPA.

These funds presented a unique opportunity for the Commonwealth to invest in strategies that accelerate recovery from the pandemic's health and economic impacts and mitigate the brief ensuing recession. This report outlines the progress made in using these funds through June 30, 2025.¹ SLFRF dollars have been instrumental in sustaining essential government services and creating targeted programs to address public health, economic impacts, and critical infrastructure needs.

As of June 30, 2025, Pennsylvania had assigned all SLFRF funds to 50 specific uses established through multiple legislative acts. Detailed information on these uses can be found in the Project Inventory section of this report.²

The Commonwealth obligated all SLFRF funds by the December 31, 2024 obligation deadline. As of June 30, 2025, \$6,719,359,358.65 (or 92% of total SLFRF funds) have been spent. The gap between obligated and expended funds is largely driven by capital-intensive, multi-year projects, such as the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development's H2O PA Account Project, and its Water and Sewer Projects, which aim to improve water system infrastructure in the Commonwealth's communities.

¹ This report is based on Pennsylvania's current understanding of guidance issued by the United States Treasury and is subject to revision as more guidance is provided.

² This figure is based on the total number of active projects. Pennsylvania has one additional project listed in the United States Treasury portal that originally received an obligation amount and has since been zeroed out.

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Progress to Date

- **Total Appropriated:** \$7,291,328,098.40 (100% of total funds)
- **Obligated Funds:** \$7,291,328,098.40 (100% of total funds)
- **Expenditures:** \$6,719,359,358.65 (92% of total funds)

FIGURE 1: PROGRESS IN USING SLFRF FUNDS AS OF JUNE 30, 2025



Uses of Funds

In its fifth year, Pennsylvania remains committed to implementing initiatives that serve its residents and align with the outcomes and principles established by ARPA. The state's use of SLFRF demonstrates a strategic allocation across six eligible expenditure categories aimed at addressing the pandemic and fostering economic recovery.³ These categories include:

Public Health: Funds for COVID-19 response, broader health impacts, and the public health emergencies, including community violence interventions and behavioral health. Eighteen projects under this category address:

COVID-19 Mitigation and Prevention

- 1.4 Prevention in Congregate Settings
- 1.10 COVID-19 Aid to Impacted Industries

Community Violence Interventions

- 1.11 Community Violence Interventions

Behavioral Health

- 1.12 Mental Health Services

Biotechnology Research

- 1.14 Other Public Health Services

³ As of June 30, 2025, the Commonwealth has not allocated any funds to support projects in the following categories: Premium Pay, Emergency Relief from Natural Disasters, Surface Transportation Projects, or Title I Projects.

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Negative Economic Impacts: Funds addressing the economic fallout from COVID-19, including support for households, small businesses, and impacted industries. Nineteen projects under this category address:

Assistance to Households

- 2.2 Household Assistance: Rent, Mortgage, and Utility Aid
- 2.15 Long-term Housing Security: Affordable Housing
- 2.18 Housing Support: Other Housing Assistance
- 2.25 Addressing Educational Disparities: Academic, Social, and Emotional Services
- 2.26 Addressing Educational Disparities: Mental Health Services

Assistance to Small Businesses

- 2.29 Loans or Grants to Mitigate Financial Hardship

Assistance to Non-Profits

- 2.34 Assistance to Impacted Nonprofit Organizations

Aid to Impacted Industries

- 2.35 Aid to Tourism, Travel, or Hospitality
- 2.36 Aid to Other Impacted Industries
- 2.37 Economic Impact Assistance: Other

Public Sector Capacity: Funds supporting public sector capacity. One project under this category addresses:

- 3.4 Public Sector Capacity: Effective Service Delivery

Infrastructure: Funds for infrastructure improvements, including water and sewer systems. Eight projects under this category address:

Water and Sewer

- 5.6 Clean Water: Stormwater
- 5.9 Clean Water: Nonpoint Source
- 5.18 Water and Sewer: Other

Revenue Replacement: Funds used to offset state revenue losses from COVID-19 to provide essential government services. One project under this category addresses:

- 6.1 Provision of Government Services

Administrative: Funds for administering the SLFRF program. Three projects under this category address:

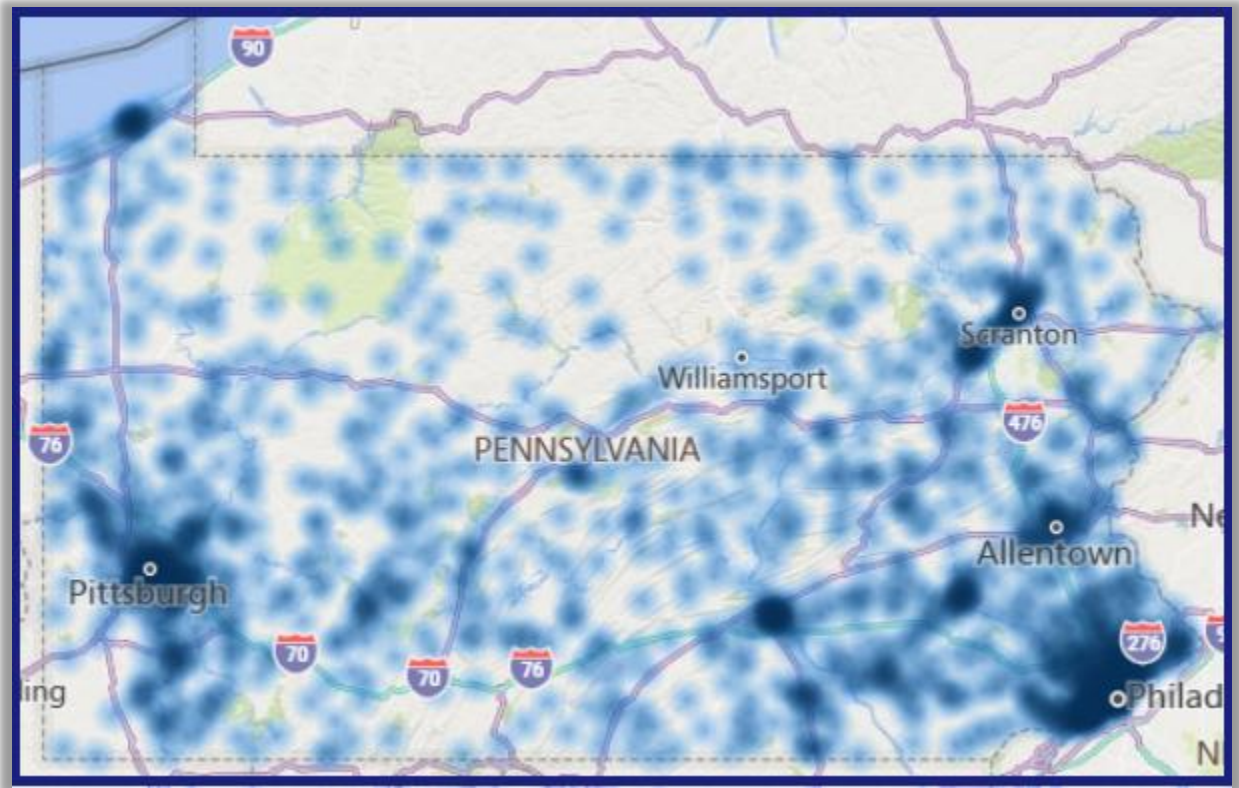
- 7.3 Costs Associated with Satisfying Certain Legal and Administrative Requirements of the SLFRF Program After December 31, 2024.

Additionally, Pennsylvania's strategy includes a broad geographic and demographic distribution of funding to ensure resources reach diverse communities across the state.

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Figure 2 presents a heat map showing the number of SLFRF-related awards by zip code, with darker or more intense blue representing more awards. This illustrates the widespread allocation across all 67 counties.

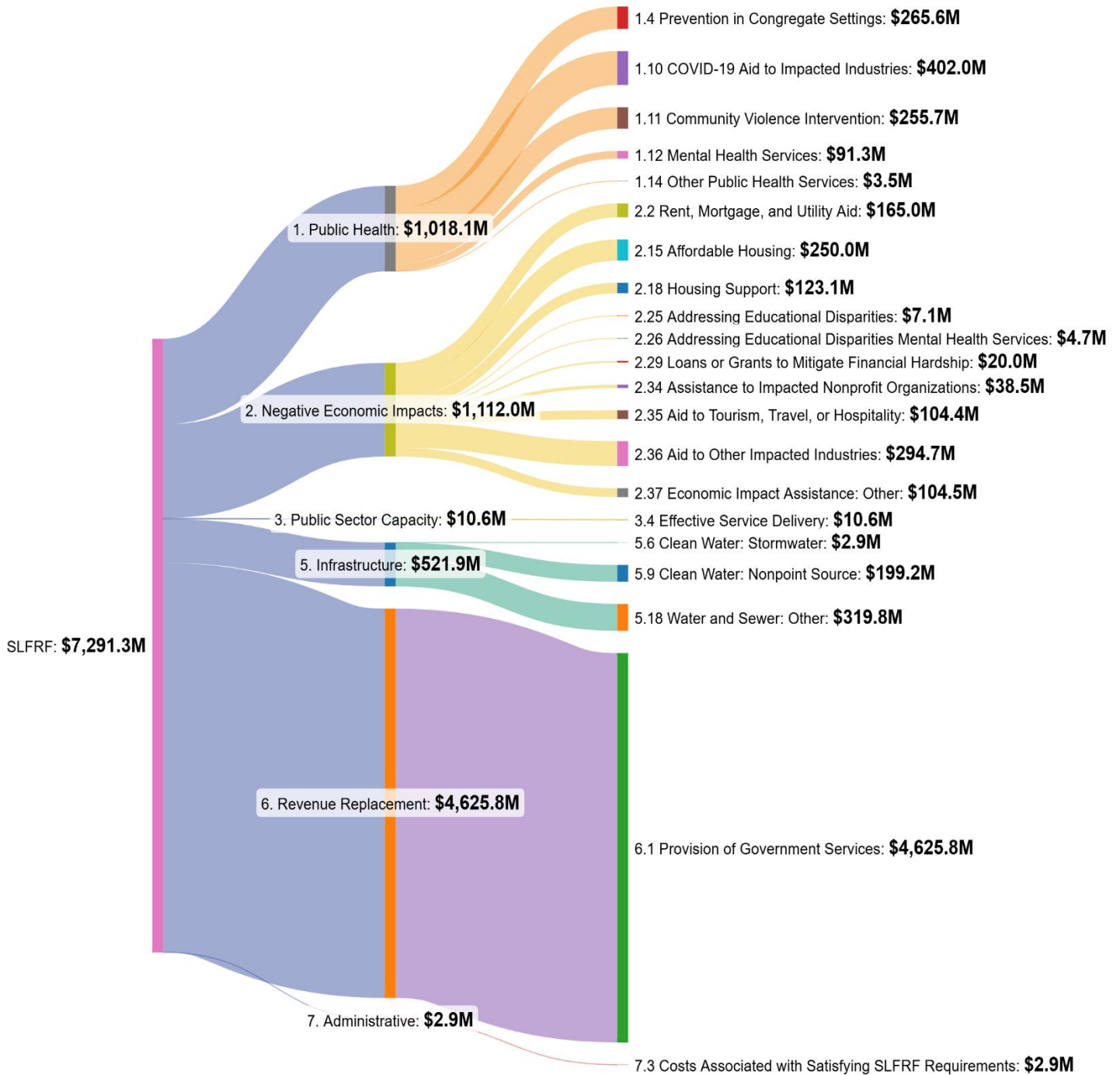
FIGURE 2: SLFRF NUMBER OF AWARDS BY ZIP CODE



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Figure 3 provides an overview of the current SLFRF budget, including the flow of funds across expenditure categories and subcategories.

FIGURE 3: FLOW OF SLFRF FUNDING INTO EXPENDITURE CATEGORIES



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Figure 4 details the total amount managed by each administering department, excluding revenue replacement projects. Refer to the "Administering Department" header in the Project Inventory for a comprehensive list of which projects are managed by each agency.

FIGURE 4: ADMINISTERING DEPARTMENT TOTALS IN MILLIONS (NOT INCLUDING REVENUE REPLACEMENT)



Pennsylvania's approach of allocating SLFRF dollars reflects a commitment to adapting to evolving challenges and seizing opportunities within the scope of federal guidance. The Commonwealth continued adding new projects and adjusted appropriations up until the end of the obligation period on December 31, 2024.

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Promoting Equitable Outcomes

Although no longer a required section in the Recovery Plan, Pennsylvania continues to distribute SLFRF funds fairly and equitably, focusing on supporting communities most affected by systemic challenges. The state's strategy focuses resources to address the needs of underrepresented and underserved populations, promoting an inclusive recovery and striving for balanced outcomes statewide.

SLFRF projects aim to advance both economic and racial equity, based on the belief that tackling these issues leads to solutions that result in benefits for all members of society.

Economic equity involves ensuring fair access to opportunities, resources, and benefits for all. Key aspects of this strategy include:

- **Equitable Allocation:** Directing SLFRF funds to individuals with lower income and wealth. Example SLFRF Projects here include the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (Project Number 87391A) and Housing Subsidies for Older Pennsylvanians (87392A).
- **Access to Resources:** Improving access to essential resources such as education, healthcare, housing, and employment. Examples include projects related to Long-Term Living Programs (87389A-F and 87397A), the Whole Home Repairs Program (87383A), the Development Cost Relief Program (87393A), and the LIHEAP Weatherization Program (87395A).
- **Employment Opportunities:** Enhancing job opportunities and working conditions. Examples include Affordable Housing Construction (87394A), Arts and Culture Recovery Grants (87385A), and Hospital and Healthcare Workforce Assistance programs (87371A and 87372A).
- **Economic Mobility:** Creating pathways for improving economic status through education and training. Examples include Student Loan Relief for Nurses (PHEAA1) and School Based Mental Health Internships (87342A).

Racial equity focuses on ensuring equal opportunities for all races and aims to reduce disparities and discrimination. Key aspects of this strategy include:

- **Economic Empowerment Programs:** Supporting initiatives that enhance economic opportunities specifically for racial minorities. For example, the Historically Disadvantaged Business Assistance Program (87384A).
- **Education Equity:** Improving educational outcomes for racial minorities by investing in education. Examples include the Cheyney Educational Disparities Program (87386C) and the Institutional Aid Program (87386A).

Many of these projects address both economic and racial equity, highlighting the importance of comprehensive and inclusive solutions.

The strategic focus on addressing disparities through targeted initiatives ensures that all communities, especially those historically marginalized, benefit from investments. This comprehensive approach not only aims to reduce systemic inequities but also paves the way for sustainable, long-term improvements in quality of life across the state.

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Community Engagement

Pennsylvania recognizes the importance of customizing programs and assistance to meet the diverse needs of its communities. During each budget process, the Pennsylvania General Assembly holds comprehensive appropriations hearings to discuss various proposals. These hearings provide a platform for gathering input directly from constituents who communicate their needs, preferences, and opinions, ensuring that the voices and concerns of Pennsylvanians are thoroughly considered in the decision-making process. Each year of deliberations results in a strategic allocation of available State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds, guided by insights from community engagement during the budget process. This approach aligns fiscal priorities with the actual needs and priorities expressed by Pennsylvanians. Pennsylvania remains committed to ensuring that community input continues to shape effective and responsive fiscal policies that meet the evolving needs of its residents.

Labor Practices

The Commonwealth manages eleven active infrastructure or capital projects, collectively budgeted at \$581 million (8% of all SLFRF allocations). These projects include:

- **87351A** - Agriculture Conservation Assistance Program
- **87352A** - Clean Water Procurement Program
- **87353A** - Storm Water Management Grants
- **87354A** - Keystone Tree Account – Riparian Forest Buffer Grant Program
- **87354B** - Keystone Tree Account – TreeVitalize Program
- **87357A** - Nutrient Management Education, Planning, Grants & Technical Assistance Program
- **87360B** - State Parks and Outdoor Recreation Program – Grants
- **87374A** - Emergency Medical Services Recovery
- **87380A** - H2O PA Account Project
- **87380B** - Water and Sewer Projects
- **87386B** - PASSHE – IT Upgrades Program

The projects involve detailed labor reporting. To date, the Commonwealth has recorded the involvement of 1,402 employees dedicated to supporting these projects.⁴ Each consists of multiple individual projects, aggregated according to SLFRF guidance. Only two infrastructure subawards are valued at \$10 million or more – the Agriculture Conservation Assistance Program’s (87351A) \$15,524,729.60 award to the Lancaster County Conservation District and the H2O PA Account Project’s (87380A) \$15,000,000.00 award to the City of Philadelphia.

As of the reporting period ending June 30, 2025, the Commonwealth has provided summarized labor details through the United States Treasury’s federal portal, exclusively for projects with obligations and expenditures. Pennsylvania reports individual labor information for subrecipients receiving subawards of \$50,000 or more to the United States Treasury on a quarterly basis separately via email. Note that spending across projects remains ongoing, which may further change labor data.

The Commonwealth affirms its commitment to upholding all fair labor standard practices throughout all aspects of its operations.

⁴ These data points represent subaward employees and do not include projects that certified compliance with Davis-Bacon, nor do they include state employees.

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Use of Evidence

The Commonwealth values using policies with strong research and evidence as part of its strategy to deploy SLFRF. Most projects presented in this Recovery Plan are not classified as evidence-based programs or initiatives – in that the interventions are not likely to have well-designed experimental studies that confirm causal effects on outcomes or have been directly modeled after multiple non-experimental studies with positive outcomes. Consequently, project funding is not disaggregated based on the amount allocated toward evidence-based interventions.

However, elements of almost all projects align with evidence-based practices or principles, or support issues substantiated by research and well-documented pandemic-related needs. For example:

- **Data-Driven Approaches:** Many projects use a data-driven approach to allocating funds based on need, ensuring that resources are directed to areas with the greatest impact potential.
- **Best Practices:** Most projects incorporate best practices, well-established elements, or leading industry criteria for addressing public issues, ensuring alignment with proven methodologies.
- **Federal Policy Enhancement:** Some projects enhance long-established federal initiatives, leveraging existing frameworks to build upon their success.
- **Research-Backed Issues:** Many projects aim to resolve issues well-documented by research, focusing on areas where improvements have been shown to significantly enhance lives when addressed.

Where required by the April 2025 [SLFRF Compliance and Reporting Guidance](#), specifically Appendix 1, each project in the project inventory outlines how it incorporates evidence-based practices or principles. The Commonwealth remains committed to continuously improving its evaluation efforts and integrating evidence-based interventions across its initiatives.

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Performance Report

Pennsylvania is dedicated to continuously enhancing its performance tracking and reporting processes to meet its overarching goals and maximize the impact of federal funds.

The Project Inventory section of this report includes programmatic data where required by Appendix C in the July 2025 [SLFRF Project and Expenditure Report User Guide](#). This section provides the public with insight into which entities were impacted by each project. In addition to the mandated programmatic data, this report includes performance indicators for several projects where such data is not required. This approach offers a more holistic view of SLFRF spending and its impacts. Overall, SLFRF dollars have reached 5,770 subrecipients and have positively impacted millions of Pennsylvanians, demonstrating the broad and significant reach of these federal funds across the state.

The United States Treasury requests data for specific expenditure categories where applicable. While Pennsylvania tracks and reports this information, not all projects align with the requested data elements or categories. As a result, the aggregate data does not capture the breadth and focus of Pennsylvania's SLFRF projects. Where programmatic data is required, Pennsylvania can report 3,049 affordable housing units preserved or developed under 87393A and 87395A, and 122 students participating in evidence-based tutoring programs under 87386C.

Success Stories

SLFRF funding has positively impacted businesses and residents alike. The success stories below are examples of the many ways this funding has leveraged investments throughout the state.

Department of Corrections COVID Institutional Costs (87398A) - Department of Corrections, SCI Smithfield

"Project funding made a difference because COVID outbreaks in prison were not nearly as devastating as other state prison systems or community housing facilities (e.g. nursing homes)," said a DOC spokesperson. "This was achieved, in part, by quarantining inmates at the beginning of their incarceration to ensure they weren't positive when they reached the prison population. Healthier COVID practices, such as testing and quarantining, kept both staff and inmates healthier during the pandemic."

Student Loan Relief for Nurses Program (PHEAA1) - Pennsylvania Higher Education Assistance Agency

According to PHEAA, the PA Student Loan Relief for Nurses (SLRN) Program provided a financial incentive, in the form of student relief, for nurses who worked tirelessly fighting the COVID-19 pandemic to continue within the nursing profession. The stress on nurses working long hours during the

COVID-19 pandemic had an impact on quality of work, staffing shortages, and the ability to care for patients. SLRN aimed to keep nurses providing patient care within Pennsylvania.



"To date, 6,474 nurses have received financial assistance."

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Local Law Enforcement Support Grant Program (87377A) - Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency

Local Law Enforcement Grant funds supported grant activities prescribed under Act 54 of 2022 (Fiscal Code), including technology improvements, purchasing/upgrading equipment, covering non-traditional law enforcement personnel costs, supporting retention and recruitment efforts, and providing necessary training and related expenses. “Dollars were prioritized for law enforcement agencies serving jurisdictions with high rates of crime and/or low clearance rates and enhanced capacity among police departments statewide,” said a spokesperson from PCCD.

School Based Mental Health Internship Grant Program (87342A) - Pennsylvania Higher Education Assistance Agency

The PA Mental Health Education Learning Program in Schools (PA HELPS) program encourages students to complete internships in school-based mental health fields in Pennsylvania and obtain their employment and certifications in a PA Local Education Agency (LEA). According to PHEAA, internships in school-based mental health programs are required to complete the program. Prior to PA HELPS, the large majority of these internships were unpaid. Interns often had to get other jobs for income at the same time they were completing their internship. A PHEAA spokesperson noted, “These awards allow school-based mental health interns to focus on their internship and completing their degree requirements.”



State Parks and Outdoor Recreation Program (87360A) - Department of Conservation and Natural Resources

Leonard Harrison State Park, located in North Central Pennsylvania, is one of the beneficiaries of the State Parks and Outdoor Recreation Program funds. “This project improves visitor amenities at Leonard Harrison are part of the department’s commitment to making investments in the Pennsylvania Wilds to attract people to the region to enjoy its fantastic outdoor places and adventures,” said a DCNR spokesperson. The outlook area at Leonard Harrison

includes a viewfinder that will allow people who are color-blind to see the vibrant fall foliage in the Pennsylvania Grand Canyon.

[News Clip 1](#)

[News Clip 2](#)

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Keystone Tree Account – Riparian Forest Buffer Grant Program (87354A) - Department of Conservation and Natural Resources

“This project funded the planting of more than 255 acres of streamside buffer at Big Elk Creek State Park,” noted a DCNR spokesperson. “Big Elk Creek is a tributary to the Chesapeake Bay. This project contributes to restoration of the Bay and helps Pennsylvania meet some of its goals under a multi-state agreement to reduce pollutants the flow into waterways that reach the Bay.”

[News Clip](#)[Alliance Video](#)

Keystone Tree Account – TreeVitalize Program (87354B) - Department of Conservation and Natural Resources

The Pottstown School District in Montgomery County, Pennsylvania, is one of twelve subrecipients of the TreeVitalize Program funds. According to DCNR, this project is one of the largest school-based tree planting efforts in DCNR history, with 434 native trees planted across nine Pottstown School District sites as part of the Urban Tree Canopy Enhancement Project. “Trees do more than provide shade — they strengthen communities, educate future generations, and help us fight climate change,” said a DNCR spokesperson. “This project shows what’s possible when communities, schools, and government work together to get stuff done for our communities and the environment.”

[News Clip](#)[Partner Video](#)

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Project Inventory

This section provides detailed descriptions of each SLFRF project, organized by the major expenditure category groups as established by the United States Treasury. Each project is detailed below to include information about funding allocations, performance metrics, and total obligations and expenditures.

Responding to the Public Health Emergency

This subsection outlines projects to prevent and mitigate COVID-19's impact.

Long-Term Living (LTL) Programs

Project Number	Funding Amount	Expenditure Category
87375A	\$4,392,392.89	1.4 Prevention in Congregate Settings

Administering Department

Pennsylvania Department of Human Services

Project Overview

Act 24 of 2021 allocated funds to support Long-Term Living Programs significantly impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. The intended outcome is to stabilize and enhance the operational capacities of these facilities, ensuring better care and safety for residents. The funding aids nursing facilities and personal care homes with expenses like employment loss, unexpected medical and cleaning costs, infrastructure updates, and operational changes.⁵

Use of Evidence

The project uses a data-driven approach by allocating funds based on Medicaid days of care, total occupancy, and the number of residents receiving social security income. It addresses well-documented pandemic-related needs. Although elements of this project align with evidence-based practices or principles and address research-supported issues, it is not classified as an evidence-based program. Consequently, project funding is not disaggregated based on the amount allocated towards evidence-based interventions.

Performance Indicators

SLFRF reporting guidelines do not require performance indicators for this project. However, as of June 30, 2025, this project served 231 care providers.⁶

Budget Obligated and Expended

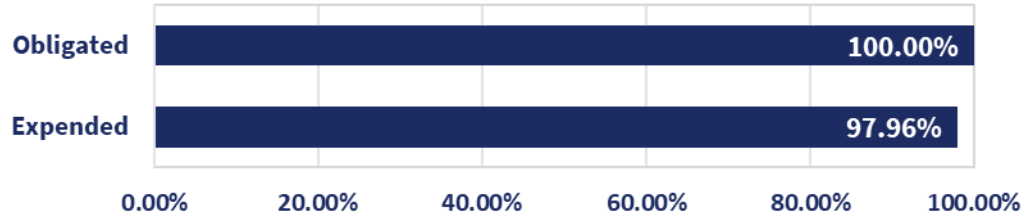
As of June 30, 2025, \$4,392,392.89 or 100.00% has been obligated and \$4,302,647.84 or 97.96% has been expended.

⁵ Note: Initially reported under Revenue Replacement, the project transitioned to the Public Health Expenditure Category in Quarter 2 of 2022.

⁶ Note: 1,193 care providers were reported in the 2024 Annual Report. This project was split into two projects in Quarter 3 of 2024, with most of the awards moving to Long-Term Living (LTL) Programs (87396A). This figure has been adjusted for 2025 to only include providers who received an award under 87375A.

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87375A



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PASSHE – HVAC Projects (Millersville)

Project Number	Funding Amount	Expenditure Category
87386D	\$2,667,355.00	1.4 Prevention in Congregate Settings

Administering Department

Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education (PASSHE)

Project Overview

This project addresses negative indoor air quality issues on the Millersville University campus by repairing or replacing mechanical systems in various buildings. These new or repaired units will enhance the ventilation systems, increasing the amount of outdoor air flow into the buildings. The improvements will provide long-term benefits, ensuring healthier indoor air quality for students, faculty, and staff.

Use of Evidence

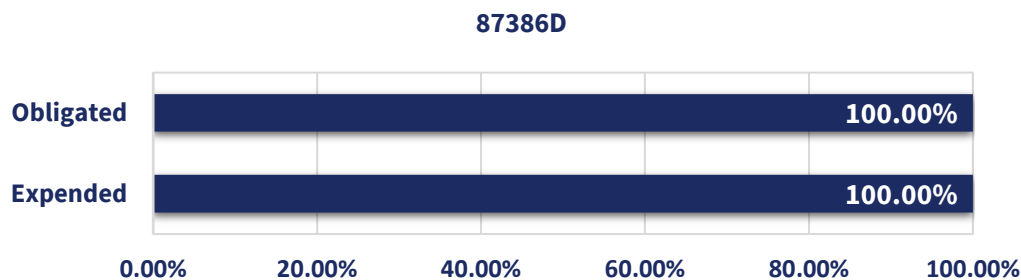
Addressing negative indoor air quality is an evidence-based approach to mitigating the spread of COVID-19 and other airborne diseases. Although elements of this project align with evidence-based practices or principles and address research-supported issues, it is not classified as an evidence-based program. Consequently, project funding is not disaggregated based on the amount allocated towards evidence-based interventions.

Performance Indicators

SLFRF reporting guidelines do not require performance indicators for this project. However, as of June 30, 2025, this project replaced or repaired eight mechanical systems.

Budget Obligated and Expended

As of June 30, 2025, \$2,667,355.00 or 100.00% has been obligated and expended.



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Long-Term Living (LTL) Programs – Payments to Nursing Facilities

Project Number	Funding Amount	Expenditure Category
87389A	\$134,944,617.66	1.4 Prevention in Congregate Settings

Administering Department
Pennsylvania Department of Human Services

Project Overview

Acts 1A and 54 of 2022 allocated funds for payments to qualified Long-Term Living (LTL) nursing facilities. The intended outcome is to ensure financial stability and enhance the quality of care throughout the Commonwealth. These payments, which include allocations to nonpublic and county nursing facilities, assist with operational costs.

Use of Evidence

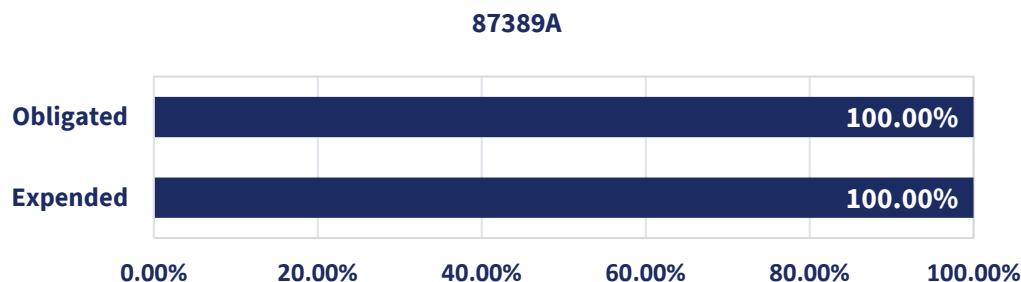
The project uses a data-driven approach by allocating funds based on medical assistance days and licensed bed counts. It addresses well-documented pandemic-related needs, including increased medical and operational costs. Although elements of this project align with evidence-based practices or principles and address research-supported issues, it is not classified as an evidence-based program. Consequently, project funding is not disaggregated based on the amount allocated towards evidence-based interventions.

Performance Indicators

SLFRF reporting guidelines do not require performance indicators for this project. However, as of June 30, 2025, this project served 591 providers.

Budget Obligated and Expended

As of June 30, 2025, \$134,944,617.66 or 100.00% has been obligated and expended.



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Long-Term Living (LTL) Programs – Payments to Assisted Living and Personal Care Homes

Project Number	Funding Amount	Expenditure Category
87389C	\$24,016,878.57	1.4 Prevention in Congregate Settings

Administering Department
Pennsylvania Department of Human Services

Project Overview

Acts 1A and 54 of 2022 allocated funds for payments to qualified Long-Term Living assisted living and personal care homes. The intended outcome is to ensure financial stability and enhance the quality of care throughout the Commonwealth. These payments support providers with operational costs.

Use of Evidence

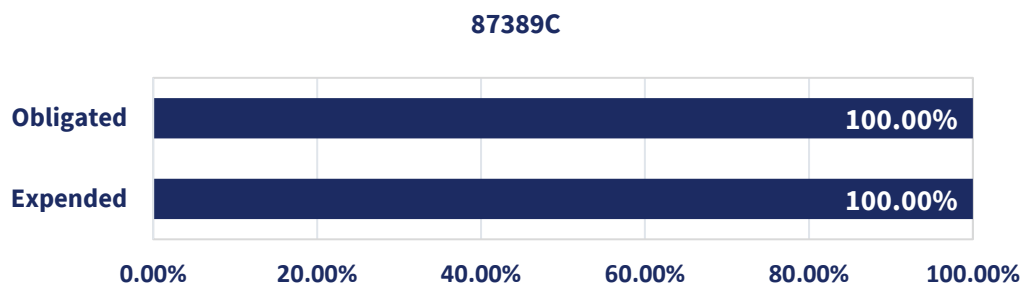
The project uses a data-driven approach by allocating funds based on occupancy rates and Supplemental Security Income recipients. It addresses well-documented pandemic-related needs, including increased operational costs. Although elements of this project align with evidence-based practices or principles and address research-supported issues, it is not classified as an evidence-based program. Consequently, project funding is not disaggregated based on the amount allocated towards evidence-based interventions.

Performance Indicators

SLFRF reporting guidelines do not require performance indicators for this project. However, as of June 30, 2025, this project served 771 providers.

Budget Obligated and Expended

As of June 30, 2025, \$24,016,878.57 or 100.00% has been obligated and expended.



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Long-Term Living (LTL) Programs – Payments to Adult Day Care Facilities

Project Number	Funding Amount	Expenditure Category
87389D	\$6,902,409.57	1.4 Prevention in Congregate Settings

Administering Department
Pennsylvania Department of Human Services

Project Overview

Acts 1A and 54 of 2022 allocated funds for payments to qualified Long-Term Living adult day care facilities. The intended outcome is to ensure financial stability and accessibility, providing continued support for vulnerable populations across Pennsylvania. These payments support providers with operational costs.

Use of Evidence

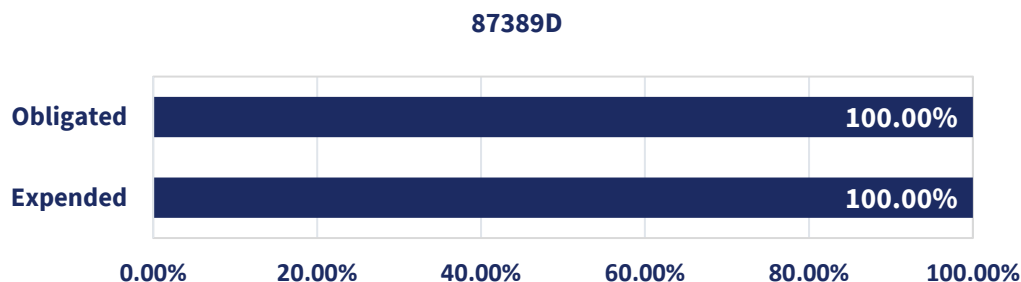
The project uses a data-driven approach by allocating funds based on medical assistance fee-for-service and Community HealthChoices payments. It addresses well-documented pandemic-related needs, including increased operational costs. Although elements of this project align with evidence-based practices or principles and address research-supported issues, it is not classified as an evidence-based program. Consequently, project funding is not disaggregated based on the amount allocated towards evidence-based interventions.

Performance Indicators

SLFRF reporting guidelines do not require performance indicators for this project. However, as of June 30, 2025, this project served 67 providers.

Budget Obligated and Expended

As of June 30, 2025, \$6,902,409.57 or 100.00% has been obligated and expended.



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Long-Term Living (LTL) Programs – Payments to LIFE Provider Organizations

Project Number	Funding Amount	Expenditure Category
87389E	\$5,353,000.00	1.4 Prevention in Congregate Settings

Administering Department

Pennsylvania Department of Human Services

Project Overview

Acts 1A and 54 of 2022 allocated funds for payments to qualified Long-Term Living LIFE (Living Independence for the Elderly) Provider Organizations. The intended outcome is to ensure the financial stability and operational efficiency, ensuring continued high-quality care for seniors in Pennsylvania and enhancing their overall well-being and quality of life. These payments support providers with operational costs.

Use of Evidence

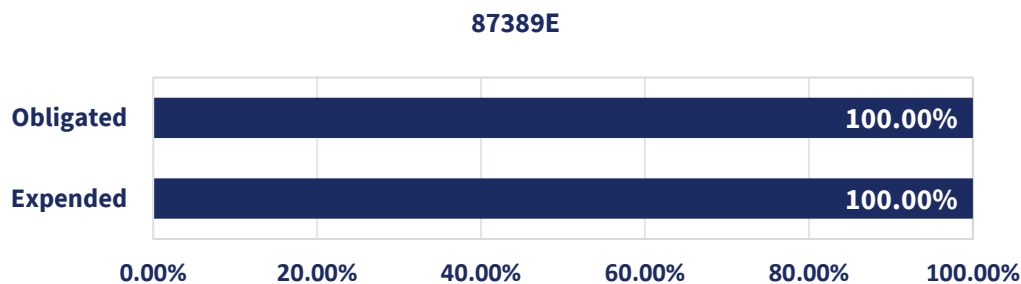
The project uses a data-driven approach by allocating funds based on the amount reimbursed for long-term care – managed care. It addresses well-documented pandemic-related needs, including increased operational costs. Although elements of this project align with evidence-based practices or principles and address research-supported issues, it is not classified as an evidence-based program. Consequently, project funding is not disaggregated based on the amount allocated towards evidence-based interventions.

Performance Indicators

SLFRF reporting guidelines do not require performance indicators for this project. However, as of June 30, 2025, this project served 19 providers.

Budget Obligated and Expended

As of June 30, 2025, \$5,353,000.00 or 100.00% has been obligated and expended.



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Long-Term Living (LTL) Programs – Payments to Residential Habitation Providers

Project Number	Funding Amount	Expenditure Category
87389F	\$535,000.00	1.4 Prevention in Congregate Settings

Administering Department

Pennsylvania Department of Human Services

Project Overview

Acts 1A and 54 of 2022 allocated funds for payments to qualified Long-Term Living residential habilitation providers. The intended outcome is to ensure financial stability and accessibility, providing continued support for individuals in need across Pennsylvania. These payments support providers with operational costs.

Use of Evidence

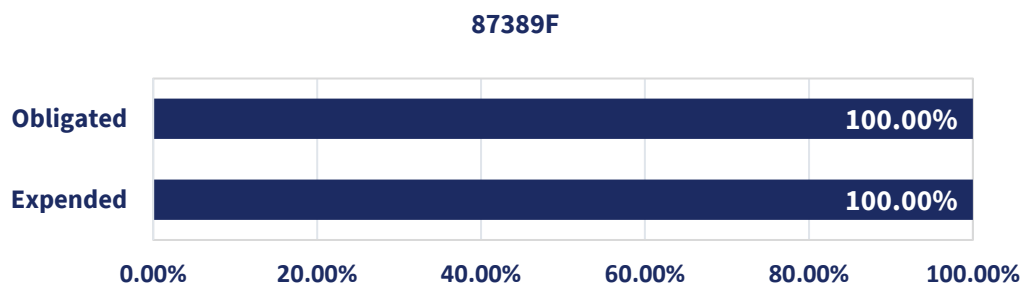
The project uses a data-driven approach by allocating funds based on medical assistance fee-for-service and Community HealthChoices payments. It addresses well-documented pandemic-related needs, including increased operational costs. Although elements of this project align with evidence-based practices or principles and address research-supported issues, it is not classified as an evidence-based program. Consequently, project funding is not disaggregated based on the amount allocated towards evidence-based interventions.

Performance Indicators

SLFRF reporting guidelines do not require performance indicators for this project. However, as of June 30, 2025, this project awarded funding to 17 residential habilitation providers.

Budget Obligated and Expended

As of June 30, 2025, \$535,000.00 or 100.00% has been obligated and expended.



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Department of Corrections COVID Institutional Costs

Project Number	Funding Amount	Expenditure Category
87398A	\$86,794,700.84	1.4 Prevention in Congregate Settings

Administering Department
Pennsylvania Department of Corrections (DOC)

Project Overview

The DOC COVID Institutional Costs project covers a portion of the personnel funding at State Correctional Institution – Smithfield, going back to March 3, 2021. Since the beginning of the pandemic, SCI-Smithfield served as the COVID-19 intake facility for all state prisons. Offenders are quarantined at SCI-Smithfield for approximately three weeks, COVID tested weekly, and then moved to their permanent housing location. The staff at SCI-Smithfield play a critical role in keeping coronavirus out of the state prison system.

Use of Evidence

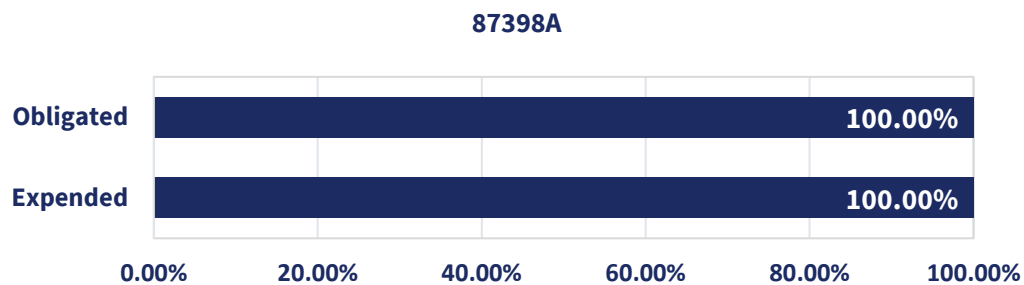
The Commonwealth is not required to specify the funding amount for evidence-based interventions in this Expenditure Category.

Performance Indicators

SLFRF reporting guidelines do not require performance indicators for this project.

Budget Obligated and Expended

As of June 30, 2025, \$86,794,700.84 or 100.00% has been obligated and expended.



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**Long-Term Living (LTL) Programs – Payments to Personal Assistance
Service Providers**

Project Number	Funding Amount	Expenditure Category
87389B	\$14,946,128.85	1.10 COVID-19 Aid to Impacted Industries

Administering Department
Pennsylvania Department of Human Services

Project Overview

Acts 1A and 54 of 2022 allocated funds for payments to qualified Long-Term Living personal assistance service providers. The intended outcome is to enhance the availability and quality of personal assistance services, ensuring continued support and care for vulnerable populations throughout Pennsylvania. These payments support providers with operational costs.

Use of Evidence

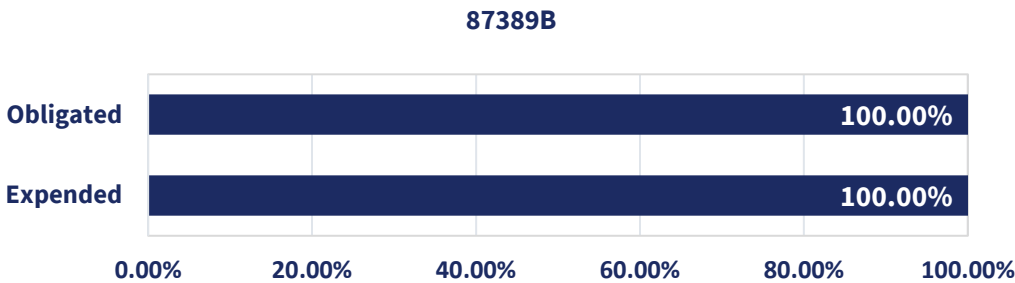
The Commonwealth is not required to specify the funding amount for evidence-based interventions in this Expenditure Category. That said, the project uses a data-driven approach by allocating funds based on time spent providing medical assistance and personal assistance by home health care and direct care workers. It addresses well-documented pandemic-related needs, including increased operational costs. Although elements of this project align with evidence-based practices or principles and address research-supported issues, it is not classified as an evidence-based program. Consequently, project funding is not disaggregated based on the amount allocated towards evidence-based interventions.

Performance Indicators

SLFRF reporting guidelines do not require performance indicators for this project. However, as of June 30, 2025, this project served two providers.⁷

Budget Obligated and Expended

As of June 30, 2025, \$14,946,128.85 or 100.00% has been obligated and expended.



⁷ Note: 246 providers were reported in the 2024 Annual Report. This project was split into two projects in quarter 3 of 2024, with most of the awards moving to State Correctional Institutions (87397A). This figure has been adjusted for 2025 to only include providers who received an award under 87389B.

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Project Number	Funding Amount	Expenditure Category
87396A	\$272,849,480.92	1.10 COVID-19 Aid to Impacted Industries

Administering Department

Pennsylvania Department of Human Services

Project Overview

Act 24 of 2021 appropriated funds to the Department of Human Services for Long-Term Living Programs. Nursing facilities and personal care homes were greatly affected by the pandemic - experiencing employment loss, unexpected medical, cleaning, and infrastructure costs, expensive policy and operating changes, etc. This SLFRF funding assists providers with covering applicable expenses incurred as a result of the pandemic.

Use of Evidence

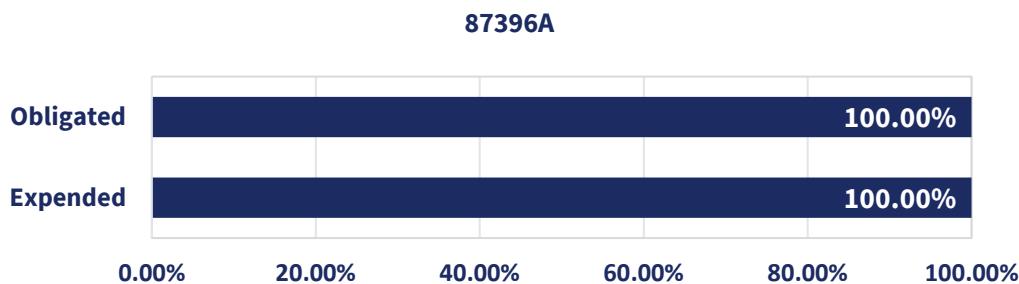
This project makes funds available for nursing facilities, personal care, and assisted living residences based on Medical Assistance days of care, total occupancy, and number of residents who receive social security income payments. There is nothing these facilities specifically must do to qualify for these funds and they may be used however the facility sees fit. The payments were intended to aid the recovery of these critical facilities.

Performance Indicators

SLFRF reporting guidelines do not require performance indicators for this project. However, as of June 30, 2025, this project served 1,176 providers.

Budget Obligated and Expended

As of June 30, 2025, \$272,849,480.92 or 100.00% has been obligated and expended.



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Long-Term Living (LTL) Programs

Project Number	Funding Amount	Expenditure Category
87397A	\$59,156,787.55	1.10 COVID-19 Aid to Impacted Industries

Administering Department

Pennsylvania Department of Human Services

Project Overview

Act 54 of 2022 appropriated funds to the Department of Human Services for personal assistance services provided by home health care agencies, home care agencies and direct care workers. Personal assistance services were greatly affected by the pandemic - experiencing employment loss, unexpected costs, expensive policy and operating changes, etc. This SLFRF funding assists providers with covering applicable expenses incurred as a result of the pandemic.

Use of Evidence

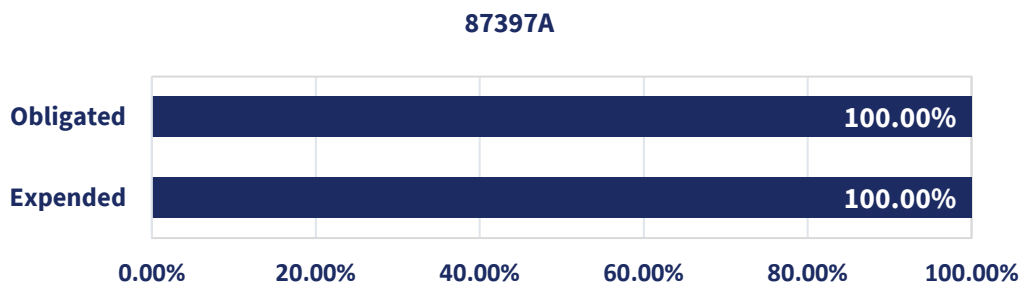
The Commonwealth is not required to specify the funding amount for evidence-based interventions in this Expenditure Category.

Performance Indicators

SLFRF reporting guidelines do not require performance indicators for this project. However, as of June 30, 2025, this project served 1,305 providers.

Budget Obligated and Expended

As of June 30, 2025, \$59,156,787.55 or 100.00% has been obligated and expended.



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Student Loan Relief for Nurses Program

Project Number	Funding Amount	Expenditure Category
PHEAA1	\$55,000,000.00	1.10 COVID-19 Aid to Impacted Industries

Administering Department
Pennsylvania Higher Education Assistance Agency

Project Overview

Act 2 of 2022 allocated funds for student loan relief targeted at licensed Pennsylvania nurses who served during the COVID-19 pandemic. This initiative aims to alleviate financial burdens on nurses and foster their retention in the healthcare workforce throughout and beyond the pandemic. Eligible nurses can receive up to \$7,500 to reduce their outstanding student loan debt, equating to \$2,500 for each year worked, up to three years. Payments are directly disbursed to federal and private loan servicers on behalf of recipients. Eligibility requires licensure through the Pennsylvania Department of State as either a Registered Nurse (RN) or Practical Nurse (LPN), with in-person employment at a qualifying nursing facility since December 31, 2021.

Use of Evidence

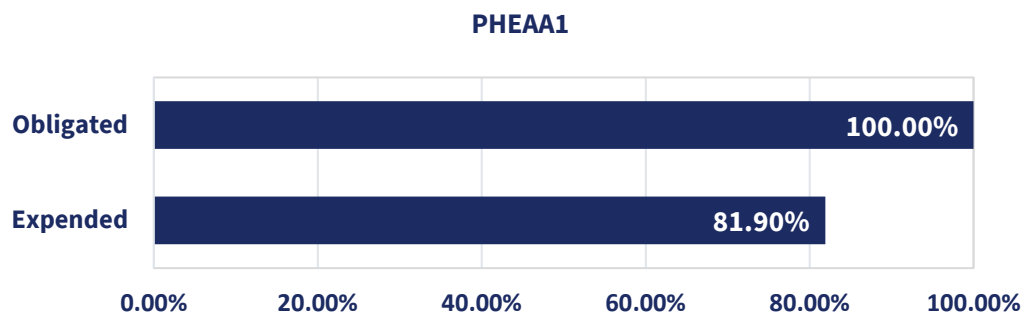
The Commonwealth is not required to specify the funding amount for evidence-based interventions in this Expenditure Category.

Performance Indicators

SLFRF reporting guidelines do not require performance indicators for this project. However, as of June 30, 2025, 6,474 nurses have received financial assistance.

Budget Obligated and Expended

As of June 30, 2025, \$55,000,000.00 or 100.00% has been obligated and \$45,045,679.00 or 81.90% has been expended.



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Local Law Enforcement Support Grant Program

Project Number Funding Amount Expenditure Category
87377A **\$131,206,071.47** **1.11 Community Violence Intervention**

Administering Department
Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency

Project Overview

Act 54 of 2022 established the Local Law Enforcement Support Grant Program to provide essential resources to law enforcement agencies in Pennsylvania. This initiative aims to strengthen law enforcement capabilities statewide, leading to enhanced public safety outcomes through upgraded technology, improved equipment, diversified personnel support, enhanced retention and recruitment efforts, and comprehensive training programs. Priority in grant distribution is given to areas with high rates of violence or agencies with low clearance rates.

Use of Evidence

The project strategically directs grants to areas with high rates of violence or law enforcement agencies with low clearance rates, using a data-driven approach to effectively allocate resources and address public safety concerns. Furthermore, the project's diverse uses for grant funds are recognized as critical components for enhancing the effectiveness and responsiveness of law enforcement efforts. Although elements of this project align with evidence-based practices or principles and address research-supported issues, it is not classified as an evidence-based program. Consequently, project funding is not disaggregated based on the amount allocated towards evidence-based interventions.

Performance Indicators

SLFRF reporting guidelines do not require performance indicators for this project. However, as of June 30, 2025, this project served 379 local municipalities or law enforcement agencies.

In addition, Act 54 mandates the inclusion of performance metrics to assess the impact of awarded grants, aligning with evidence-based practices that emphasize monitoring and evaluation. Some of the performance metrics for Local Law Enforcement grants (valued at \$5,000.00 - \$25,000,000.00) through December 31, 2024, are displayed below.

	Agencies	Used for Hearings / Trials	Used to Clear Crime
Body Worn Cameras	108	10,821	22,344
In Car Cameras	104	8,811	12,097
Automated License Plate Readers	66	2,224	3,073
Records Management System Upgrade	87	N/A	N/A

PA Officers Equipped with New Hardware / Software: 11,555

Crisis Intervention Responses (Civilian Supported and Co-Responders): 7,748

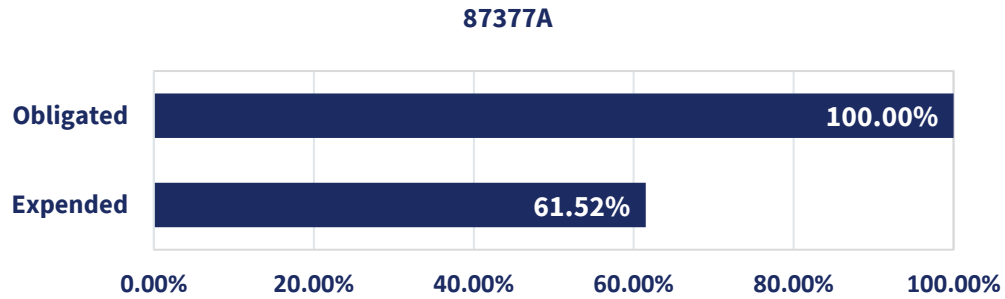
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Number of Officers Who Attended Training:

Crisis Intervention	1,713
Use of Force	4,047
Implicit Bias	1,760
De-Escalation	2,274
Other Trainings	412
Total	10,206

Budget Obligated and Expended

As of June 30, 2025, \$131,206,071.47 or 100.00% has been obligated and \$80,723,907.24 or 61.52% has been expended.



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Gun Violence Investigation and Prosecution Grant Program

Project Number	Funding Amount	Expenditure Category
87378A	\$49,677,164.36	1.11 Community Violence Intervention

Administering Department

Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency

Project Overview

Act 54 of 2022 established the Gun Violence Investigation and Prosecution Grant Program which provides grants to county District Attorney's Offices and local law enforcement to improve capabilities in handling firearms violations and violent crimes. Aimed at reducing gun violence and enhancing public safety statewide, the program prioritizes coordination among agencies, targets resources to high-impact areas, and supports technology acquisition such as gunshot detection systems. Eligible applicants include district attorneys, law enforcement agencies, campus, railroad, airport authority, and county park police. Priority is given to applications addressing straw purchasers and firearms trafficking in high-violence areas, with funds reserved for rural communities.

Use of Evidence

The project strategically directs grants to areas with high rates of gun violence or law enforcement agencies with low clearance rates, using a data-driven approach to effectively allocate resources and address public safety concerns. Furthermore, the projects outlined use of grant funds, such as improving coordination, procuring technology systems, and tracing illegal firearms, are recognized strategies in enhancing law enforcement effectiveness and responsiveness. Although elements of this project align with evidence-based practices or principles and address research-supported issues, it is not classified as an evidence-based program. Consequently, project funding is not disaggregated based on the amount allocated towards evidence-based interventions.

Performance Indicators

SLFRF reporting guidelines do not require performance indicators for this project. However, as of June 30, 2025, this project served 30 local municipalities.

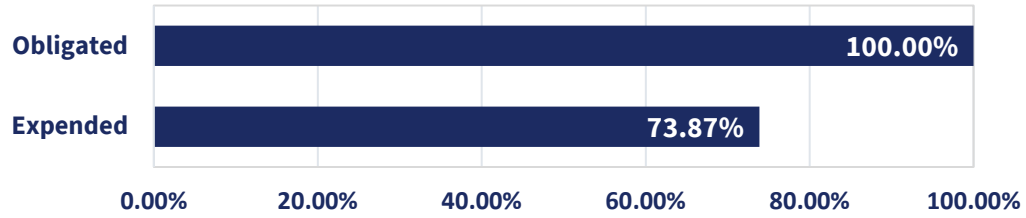
In addition, Act 54 mandates that the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency (PCCD) collect data from the Administrative Office of Pennsylvania Courts for analysis on grant recipient outcomes and display on PCCD's website. That data is located [here](#), and includes gun violence investigation and prosecution statistics related to ARPA SLFRF project funds as well as pre-existing funds.

Budget Obligated and Expended

As of June 30, 2025, \$49,677,164.36 or 100.00% has been obligated and \$36,696,427.19 or 73.87% has been expended.

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Violence Intervention and Prevention

Project Number	Funding Amount	Expenditure Category
87379A	\$74,782,136.95	1.11 Community Violence Intervention

Administering Department
Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency

Project Overview

Act 1A of 2022 allocated funds for grants and technical assistance to community-based organizations, institutes of higher education, municipalities, district attorneys, and other entities under the Public School Code. The intended outcome is to reduce gun violence and enhance violence intervention and prevention efforts. Priority is given to areas with high rates of gun violence, with specific funds reserved for rural communities.

Use of Evidence

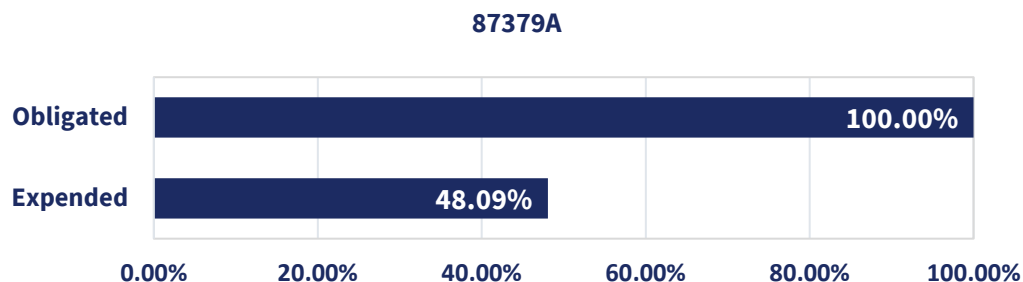
The project prioritizes grant programs serving communities with high rates of gun violence, other violent crime, and other need-based factors. Although elements of this project align with evidence-based practices or principles and address research-supported issues, it is not classified as an evidence-based program. Consequently, project funding is not disaggregated based on the amount allocated towards evidence-based interventions.

Performance Indicators

SLFRF reporting guidelines do not require performance indicators for this project. However, as of June 30, 2025, this project served 48 local municipalities or other organizations.

Budget Obligated and Expended

As of June 30, 2025, \$74,782,136.95 or 100.00% has been obligated and \$35,962,116.20 or 48.09% has been expended.



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School Mental Health Grants

Project Number	Funding Amount	Expenditure Category
87340A	\$86,353,226.00	1.12 Mental Health Services

Administering Department

Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency

Project Overview

The School Mental Health Grants program provides critical resource to help school entities enhance behavioral health services for students and meet baseline standards. It aims to create a supportive school environment where students' behavioral health needs are effectively addressed. By enhancing school behavioral health services, the program seeks to improve overall well-being, reducing behavioral issues, and enhancing academic performance. Schools can use funding to achieve Level 1 baseline criteria (e.g., having trained staff available to address behavioral health issues, implementing prevention and early intervention strategies, providing access to counseling services, establishing protocols for crisis intervention) and expand behavioral health activities afterward.

Use of Evidence

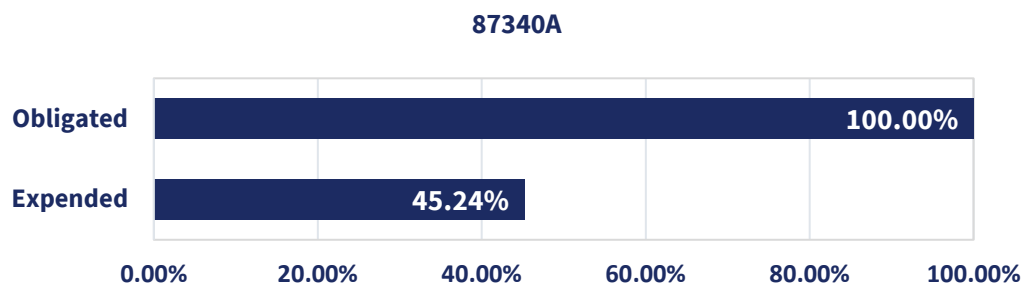
Level 1 baseline criteria include essential components in addressing behavioral health needs in school settings that are supported by evidence-based practices. Research underscores that creating supportive school environments for behavioral health improves student well-being, positively influencing academic performance. Although elements of this project align with evidence-based practices or principles and address research-supported issues, it is not classified as an evidence-based program. Consequently, project funding is not disaggregated based on the amount allocated towards evidence-based interventions.

Performance Indicators

SLFRF reporting guidelines do not require performance indicators for this project. However, as of June 30, 2025, this project has obligated funding to 721 school entities.

Budget Obligated and Expended

As of June 30, 2025, \$86,353,226.00 or 43.37% has been obligated and \$39,067,670.80 or 45.24% has been expended.



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School Based Mental Health Internship Grant Program

Project Number	Funding Amount	Expenditure Category
87342A	\$5,000,000.00	1.12 Mental Health Services

Administering Department
Pennsylvania Higher Education Assistance Agency

Project Overview

The School Based Mental Health Internship Grant Program, PA HELPS, addresses significant gaps in mental health support within Pennsylvania's school districts by offering internship opportunities for aspiring school psychologists, counselors, social workers, and nurses. Focused on strengthening the pipeline of K-12 mental health professionals, the program aims to support students facing mental health challenges, a need magnified by the COVID-19 pandemic.

Use of Evidence

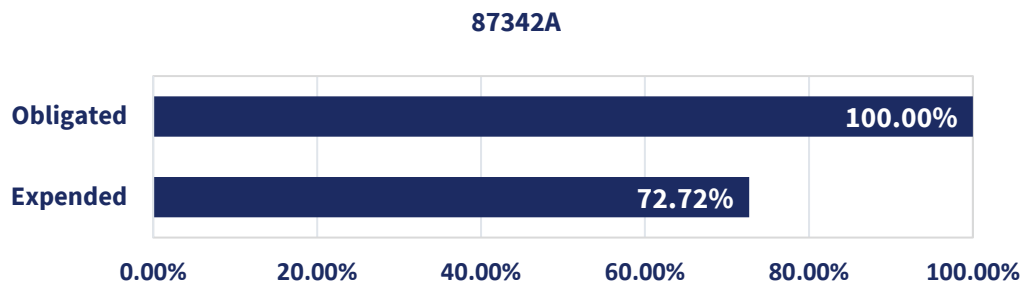
The project does not incorporate evidence-based approaches or interventions.

Performance Indicators

SLFRF reporting guidelines do not require performance indicators for this project.

Budget Obligated and Expended

As of June 30, 2025, \$5,000,000.00 or 100.00% has been obligated and \$3,635,900.00 or 72.72% has been expended.



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Biotechnology Research

Project Number	Funding Amount	Expenditure Category
87388A	\$3,500,000.00	1.14 Other Public Health Services

Administering Department
Pennsylvania Department of Health

Project Overview

Act 54 of 2022 appropriated funds for biotechnology research. The purpose of these funds was to advance the following statewide priorities:

1. Attract, grow and expand biotechnology, pharmaceutical, life science or health research and development capacity located in this Commonwealth, including partnerships between industry and institutions of higher education.
2. Increase biotechnology, pharmaceutical, life science or health manufacturing capacity located in this Commonwealth.
3. Promote the growth or development of new and innovative technologies from biotechnology, life science, pharmaceutical and health fields.
4. Support the commercialization of research in biotechnology, pharmaceutical, life science or health fields, including research developed or conducted in this Commonwealth.

Use of Evidence

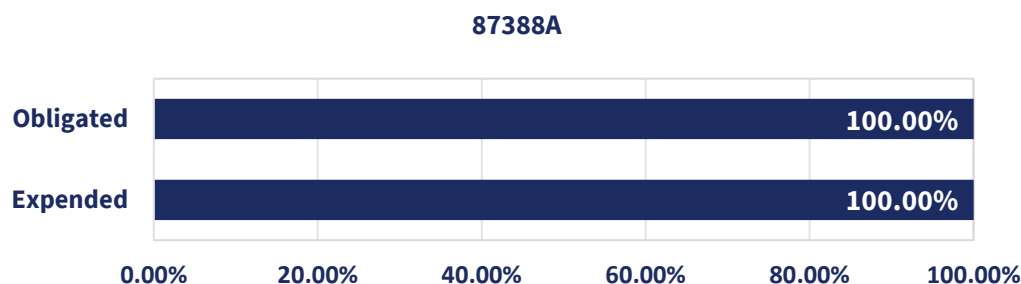
While the Commonwealth is not required to specify the funding amount for evidence-based interventions under this Expenditure Category, a growing body of research supports the effectiveness of state-level investments in biotechnology research, development, and commercialization. These investments have been shown to produce long-term benefits in public health, economic growth, and workforce development. The funded activities under this project are well-aligned with evidence-based best practices.

Performance Indicators

SLFRF reporting guidelines do not require performance indicators for this project.

Budget Obligated and Expended

As of June 30, 2025, \$3,500,000.00 or 100.00% has been obligated and expended.



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Responding to Negative Economic Impacts

This subsection outlines projects addressing the negative economic impacts of COVID-19 households and communities.

Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program

Project Number	Funding Amount	Expenditure Category
87391A	\$21,250,000.00	2.2 Rent, Mortgage, and Utility Aid

Administering Department

Pennsylvania Department of Human Services

Project Overview

The Commonwealth's Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) provides three types of benefits for low-income households:

- LIHEAP Cash, a one-time benefit to help reduce household energy costs;
- LIHEAP Crisis, which assists households without heat or in danger of losing heat; and
- LIHEAP Crisis Weatherization, which provides heating system replacement and repair.

The intended outcome is to alleviate energy costs for low-income households, enhancing their financial stability and wellbeing while ensuring they have access to heat during critical times. The allocation under Act 1A of 2022 allowed existing federal funds to be used more comprehensively for LIHEAP Cash and Crisis benefits and extended the LIHEAP season by an additional two weeks. The maximum benefit for LIHEAP Cash grants was \$1,000.

Use of Evidence

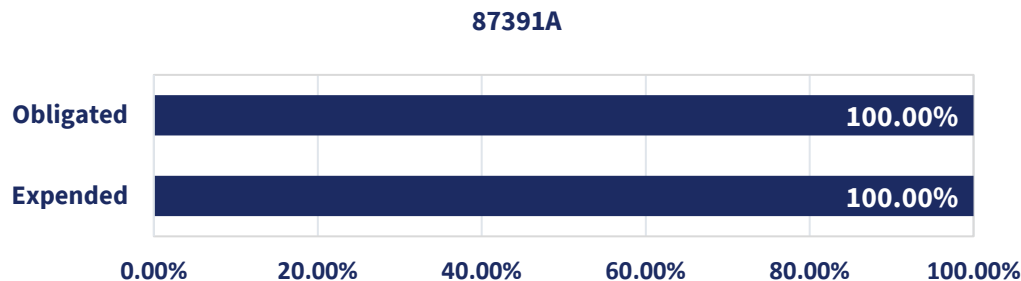
LIHEAP is recognized as an evidence-based program that effectively addresses energy affordability and housing stability issues for low-income households.

Performance Indicators

As of June 30, 2025, this project served 54,873 households, with an average benefit of \$389.00.

Budget Obligated and Expended

As of June 30, 2025, \$21,250,000.00 or 100.00% has been obligated and expended.



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Housing Subsidies for Older Pennsylvanians Program

Project Number	Funding Amount	Expenditure Category
87392A	\$140,000,000.00	2.2 Rent, Mortgage, and Utility Aid

Administering Department
Pennsylvania Department of Revenue

Project Overview

The Housing Subsidies for Older Pennsylvanians Program uses funds to provide a one-time bonus to eligible rebate recipients under Pennsylvania’s established state-funded rebate program dating back to 1971. The initiative aims to alleviate financial burdens on vulnerable populations, specifically targeting lower-income senior citizens and disabled adults who own homes or rent properties in the state. SLFRF enhances their financial support by transferring additional funds to the State Lottery Fund for rebates, as stipulated by Act 54 of 2022. This helps to ensure stability in housing and financial relief for eligible beneficiaries.

Use of Evidence

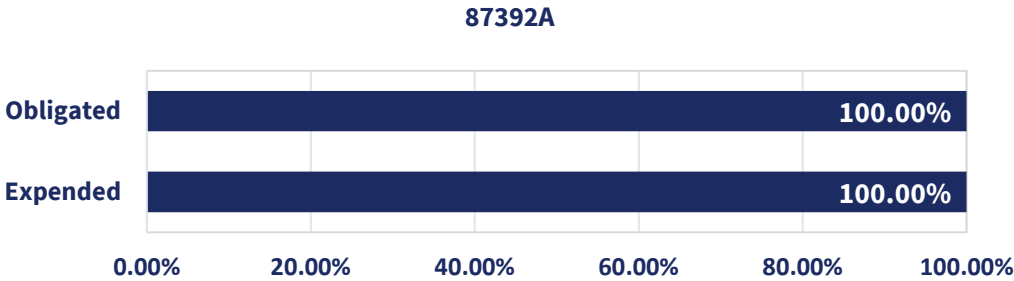
The project targets senior citizens and disabled adults, groups that are often economically vulnerable. However, it does not incorporate evidence-based approaches or interventions.

Performance Indicators

As of June 30, 2025, this project served 440,788 households.

Budget Obligated and Expended

As of June 30, 2025, \$140,000,000.00 or 100.00% has been obligated and expended.



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LIHEAP Weatherization Program

Project Number	Funding Amount	Expenditure Category
87395A	\$3,750,000.00	2.2 Rent, Mortgage, and Utility Aid

Administering Department

Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development

Project Overview

The Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) helps families living on low incomes with their heating bills through cash grants. Households in immediate risk of losing heat may also qualify for crisis grants. The goal is to reduce energy poverty, prevent health and safety hazards, and enhance the well-being and stability of vulnerable low-income households, fostering healthier and more equitable communities. Funds provided the following crisis interface services: system repairs, fuel line replacement, pipe-thawing, and water heater repairs to ensure households have functional heating systems.

Use of Evidence

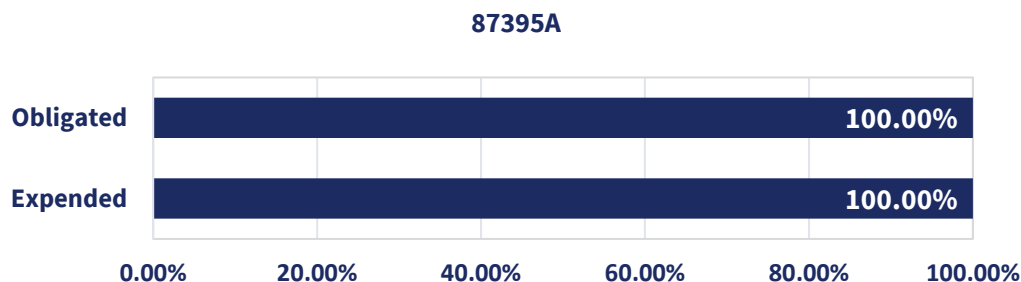
LIHEAP is recognized as an evidence-based program that effectively addresses energy affordability and housing stability issues for low-income households.

Performance Indicators

As of June 30, 2025, this project served 383 households impacting 780 people, including but not limited to 242 children, 204 elderly individuals, and 106 individuals with disabilities. Among these households 110 were below 75% of the federal poverty level, 108 were between 75% and 100%, and 71 were between 101% - 125%, as well as others.

Budget Obligated and Expended

As of June 30, 2025, \$3,750,000.00 or 100.00% has been obligated and expended.



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Development Cost Relief Program

Project Number	Funding Amount	Expenditure Category
87393A	\$150,000,000.00	2.15 Affordable Housing

Administering Department
Pennsylvania Housing Finance Agency

Project Overview

Established under Act 54 of 2022, the Development Cost Relief Program seeks to enhance the production of housing developments by addressing financial gaps exacerbated by COVID-19 and related economic challenges. It aims to accelerate the completion of affordable multifamily rental developments, expanding housing options for low-income individuals and families. This initiative targets projects applying for low-income housing tax credits that have encountered higher costs or reduced equity due to pandemic-related conditions. Eligible developments receive funding to ensure timely completion while maintaining compliance with tax credit program standards, thereby sustaining efforts to support affordable rental housing initiatives.

Use of Evidence

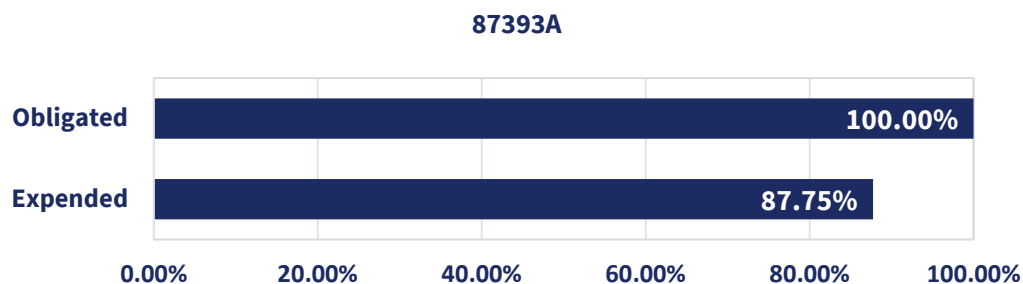
This program targets a recognized need for affordable housing which is supported by extensive research indicating the benefits of stable housing for low-income individuals and families. Although elements of this project align with evidence-based practices or principles and address research-supported issues, it is not classified as an evidence-based program. Consequently, project funding is not disaggregated based on the amount allocated towards evidence-based interventions.

Performance Indicators

As of June 30, 2025, this project has preserved or developed 2,060 affordable housing units, as well as 39 affordable housing developments.

Budget Obligated and Expended

As of June 30, 2025, \$150,000,000.00 or 100.00% has been obligated and \$131,626,160.97 or 87.75% has been expended.



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Affordable Housing Construction

Project Number	Funding Amount	Expenditure Category
87394A	\$100,000,000.00	2.15 Affordable Housing

Administering Department
Pennsylvania Housing Finance Agency

Project Overview

Established under Act 54 of 2022, the Housing Options Grant Program aims to bolster affordable housing production in Pennsylvania by providing grants from COVID Relief – ARPA – Affordable Housing Construction funds. It seeks to expand the availability of affordable housing statewide, promoting community stability and improving housing affordability for low-income residents. These grants support the development of affordable housing units through new constructions, rehabilitation of existing properties into affordable units, or preservation of current affordable housing stock. Eligible developers and nonprofit organizations are required to match at least 25% of the grant amount awarded, while the administering department is mandated to ensure geographic diversity across the Commonwealth.

Use of Evidence

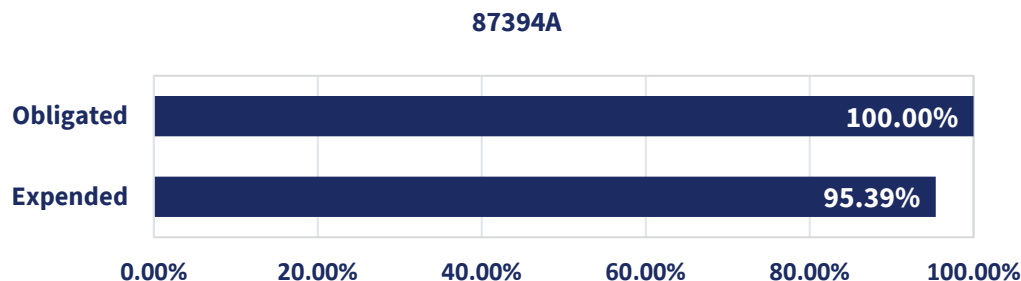
This program targets a recognized need for affordable housing which is supported by extensive research indicating the benefits of stable housing for low-income individuals and families. Furthermore, financial leveraging through matching funds is a common practice in evidence-based community development programs. Although elements of this project align with evidence-based practices or principles and address research-supported issues, it is not classified as an evidence-based program. Consequently, project funding is not disaggregated based on the amount allocated towards evidence-based interventions.

Performance Indicators

This project anticipates building, preserving, or rehabilitating 3,002 affordable housing units.

Budget Obligated and Expended

As of June 30, 2025, \$100,000,000.00 or 100.00% has been obligated and \$95,388,957.54 or 95.39% has been expended.



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Whole Home Repairs Program

Project Number	Funding Amount	Expenditure Category
87383A	\$123,076,478.80	2.18 Housing Support

Administering Department

Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development

Project Overview

Established under Act 54 of 2022, the Whole Home Repairs Program aims to enhance housing conditions across Pennsylvania by improving living conditions for low-income homeowners and tenants. This initiative targets nonprofits and governmental entities to provide grants and loans for essential home repairs, ensuring residential units meet habitability standards, enhance energy and water efficiency, and reduce utility costs. Eligible participants include homeowners with incomes below 80% of the area median and small landlords offering affordable units, with funding capped at \$50,000 per unit. The program not only addresses critical health and safety issues but also supports workforce development in home repair industries, thereby fostering sustainable housing improvements statewide.

Use of Evidence

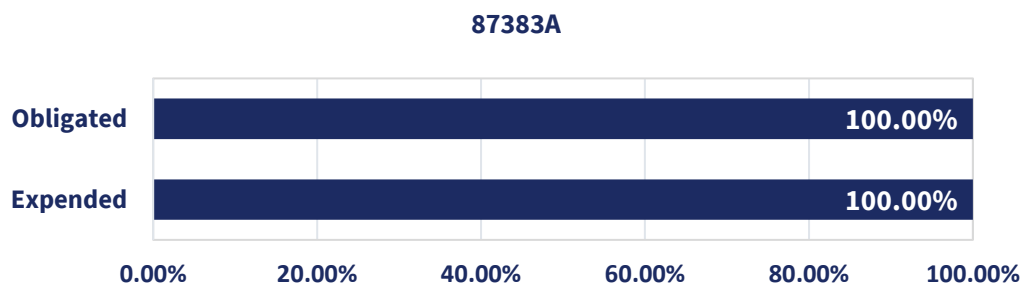
The program targets critical health and safety hazards like asbestos, mold, pests, and lead, which can harm occupants' health. It promotes energy and water efficiency, reducing utility costs for tenants and supporting sustainable housing. This enhances health outcomes and economic stability for vulnerable populations. Although elements of this project align with evidence-based practices or principles and address research-supported issues, it is not classified as an evidence-based program. Consequently, project funding is not disaggregated based on the amount allocated towards evidence-based interventions.

Performance Indicators

As of June 30, 2025, this project served 3,435 households across 64 counties. Additionally, workforce development initiatives have been implemented in 46 counties, training approximately 1,294 individuals to address labor shortages in home repair by offering job skill training to unemployed and underemployed individuals.

Budget Obligated and Expended

As of June 30, 2025, \$123,076,478.80 or 100.00% has been obligated and expended.



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PASSHE – Cheyney Educational Disparities

Project Number	Funding Amount	Expenditure Category
87386C	\$7,108,562.00	2.25 Addressing Educational Disparities

Administering Department
Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education

Project Overview

The Cheyney Education Disparities program provides funds to Cheyney University, the nation’s first Historically Black College and University (HBCU), to address educational and economic disparities by offering financial aid counseling, academic success centers, career development services, counseling services, and campus safety measures. The intended outcome is to enhance educational opportunities and economic stability for underrepresented groups, fostering greater diversity and inclusion in higher education. The program also supports enrollment and the development of academic programs in fields like STEM, where low- and middle-income minority students have historically been underrepresented.

Use of Evidence

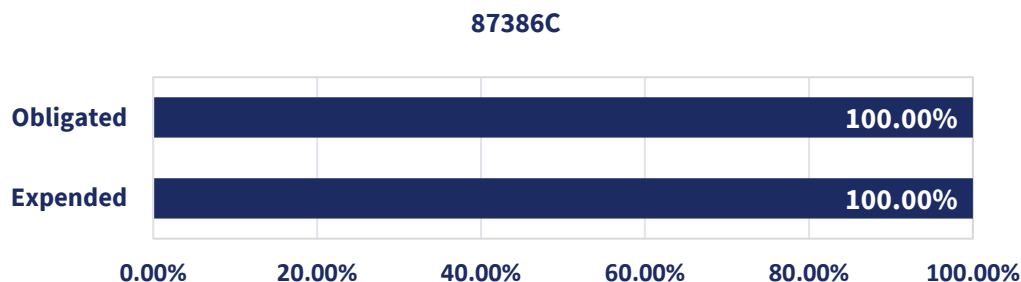
Research shows that financial aid counseling boosts college enrollment and persistence, academic support services improve retention and graduation rates, and mental health counseling enhances academic performance and reduces dropout rates. Although elements of this project align with evidence-based practices or principles and address research-supported issues, it is not classified as an evidence-based program. Consequently, project funding is not disaggregated based on the amount allocated towards evidence-based interventions.

Performance Indicators

As of June 30, 2025, this project served 122 students.

Budget Obligated and Expended

As of June 30, 2025, \$7,108,562.00 or 100.00% has been obligated and expended.



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School Based Mental Health Training and Pathways to Certification Program

Project Number	Funding Amount	Expenditure Category
87341A	\$4,681,106.25	2.26 Addressing Educational Disparities: Mental Health Services

Administering Department

Pennsylvania Department of Education

Project Overview

This project creates a variety of opportunities to expand mental health access, support, and programs for students and staff in K through 12 education.

Use of Evidence

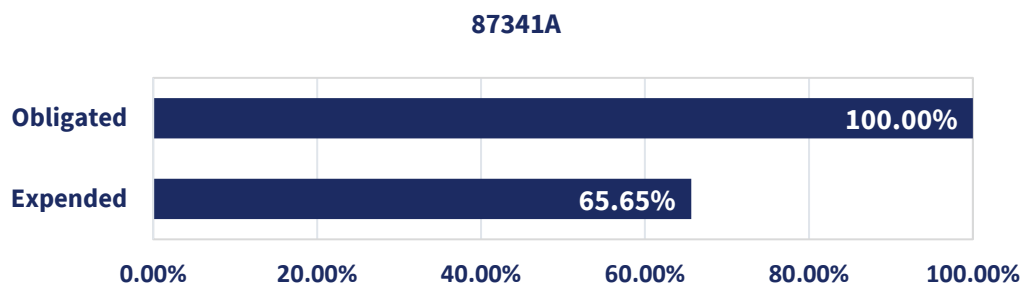
This program is structured to provide support to a variety of programs with the core objective to enhance and build capacity of mental health programs for students and staff in K-12 educational settings. It ensures that schools are caring and supportive places that maximize learning as well as social, emotional and behavioral development. Schools, county mental health programs, and community resources can all come together to develop a continuum of services that enable children to have their educational and mental health needs met within their school districts.

Performance Indicators

SLFRF reporting guidelines do not require performance indicators for this project. However, as of June 30, 2025, this project has expanded mental health access to 28 educational facilities.

Budget Obligated and Expended

As of June 30, 2025, \$4,681,106.25 or 100.00% has been obligated and \$3,073,228.95 or 65.65% has been expended.



Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
2025 Recovery Plan

Historically Disadvantaged Business Assistance

Project Number	Funding Amount	Expenditure Category
87384A	\$20,000,000.00	2.29 Loans or Grants to Mitigate Financial Hardship

Administering Department

Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development

Project Overview

The Historically Disadvantaged Business Assistance program aids Pennsylvania businesses through the Community Development Financial Institutions network and partner organizations. The program aims to foster economic resilience and growth among historically disadvantaged businesses, enhancing their long-term viability and contributions to local economies. It supports business startups, stabilization, and expansion for businesses with 25 or fewer employees, providing grants for inventory, equipment, marketing, and operating costs to those affected by the COVID-19 pandemic. Additional funds support technical assistance, business counseling, outreach, development, and educational initiatives.

Use of Evidence

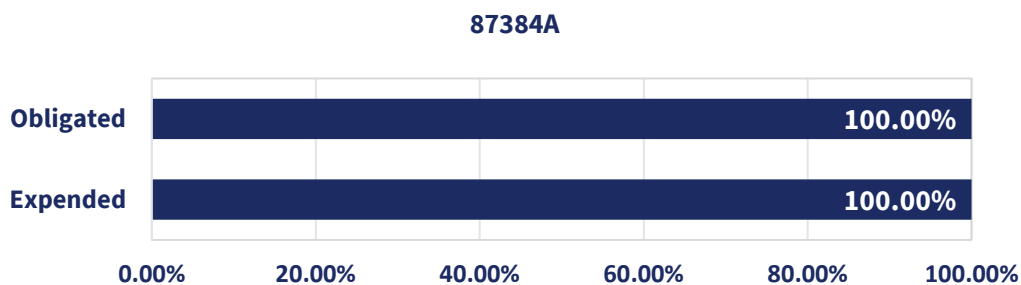
The Commonwealth is not required to specify the funding amount for evidence-based interventions in this Expenditure Category.

Performance Indicators

As of June 30, 2025, this project reached 2,545 businesses through grants or technical assistance services. Grants totaling \$10.49 million were issued to 1,083 businesses, with 67% being Black-owned, 15% Asian-owned, and 14% Hispanic-owned, and 4% other. A total of \$6.24 million was allocated to 641 businesses located in Qualified Census Tracts (QCTs). Additionally, over 13,400 hours of technical assistance were provided to 1,501 historically disadvantaged businesses.

Budget Obligated and Expended

As of June 30, 2025, \$20,000,000.00 or 100.00% has been obligated and expended.



**Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
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Emergency Medical Services Recovery Grant Program**

Project Number	Funding Amount	Expenditure Category
87374A	\$23,449,756.36	2.34 Assistance to Impacted Nonprofit Organizations

Administering Department
Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency

Project Overview

The Act 10 of 2022 Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Recovery Grant Program provides funding to certified EMS agencies with the aim of bolstering their effectiveness and sustainability statewide. This initiative ensures these agencies can maintain essential emergency medical services for communities, especially during economic hardships and public health crises such as the COVID-19 pandemic. Each agency can receive up to \$37,500 and can use the grant funding for various purposes including ambulance equipment repair or purchase, member training and certification, public building improvements, community risk reduction education, recruitment and retention programs (including those tailored for minors), and addressing revenue losses.

Use of Evidence

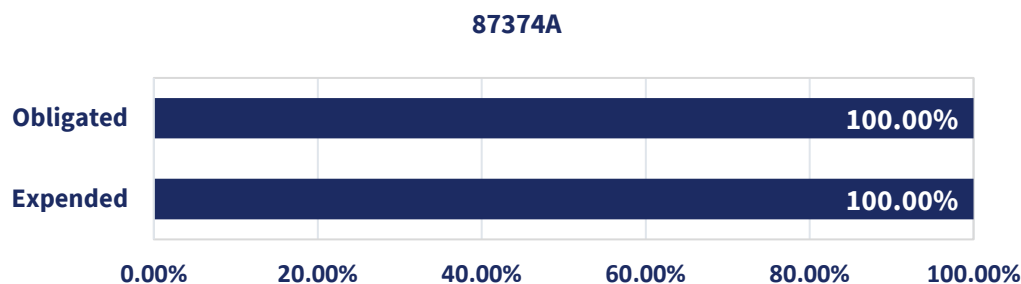
The Commonwealth is not required to specify the funding amount for evidence-based interventions in this Expenditure Category.

Performance Indicators

As of June 30, 2025, this project approved 628 grant applications.

Budget Obligated and Expended

As of June 30, 2025, \$23,449,756.36 or 100.00% has been obligated and expended.



Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
2025 Recovery Plan

Arts and Culture Recovery Grants

Project Number	Funding Amount	Expenditure Category
87385A	\$14,999,493.00	2.34 Assistance to Impacted Nonprofit Organizations

Administering Department

Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development

Project Overview

The Arts and Culture Recovery Grants program supports nonprofit arts and culture organizations, local districts, and professionals in Pennsylvania to revive and stabilize the sector post-COVID-19. It provides project grants for reimbursing revenue losses, funding essential operating costs to retain staff, and covering expenses for new programs and marketing initiatives. Additionally, the initiative includes direct payments of \$3,000 to local arts and culture professionals, ensuring continued support and recovery within the arts community statewide.

Use of Evidence

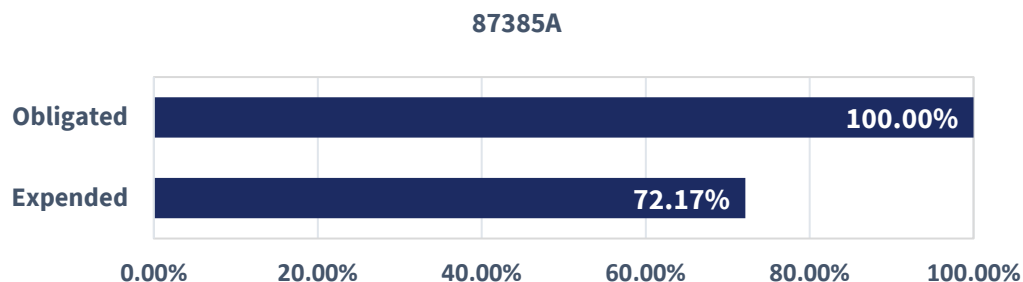
The Commonwealth is not required to specify the funding amount for evidence-based interventions in this Expenditure Category.

Performance Indicators

As of June 30, 2025, this project has awarded funds to 373 non-profit organizations.

Budget Obligated and Expended

As of June 30, 2025, \$14,999,493.00 or 100.00% has been obligated and \$10,825,432.00 or 72.17% has been expended.



Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
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Acid Mine Drainage Abatement & Treatment Program

Project Number	Funding Amount	Expenditure Category
87355A	\$4,400,000.00	2.35 Aid to Tourism, Travel, or Hospitality

Administering Department

Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection

Project Overview

Act 1A of 2022 allocates funding to the Acid Mine Drainage Abatement and Treatment Fund which supports the Acid Mine Drainage Abatement and Treatment Program. This program aims to restore ecosystems, improve water quality, and ensure sustainability through comprehensive Acid Mine Land (AML) and Acid Mine Drainage (AMD) mitigation strategies. It aligns with environmental justice goals and benefits local communities. The program issues grants across three rounds, with unused funds rolling over to subsequent rounds. Projects focus on AMD Reclamation, AMD Operation and Maintenance, and New AMD Treatment Facilities. Priorities include completing AMD abatement and watershed restoration and enhancing water quality in Environmental Justice Areas, directly benefitting fish, wildlife habitats, and recreation opportunities.

Use of Evidence

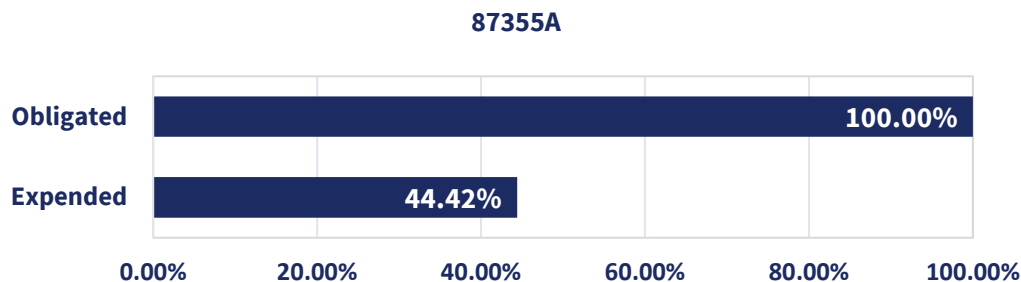
The Commonwealth is not required to specify the funding amount for evidence-based interventions in this Expenditure Category.

Performance Indicators

While performance indicators are not required for reporting this project, it is relevant to note that as of June 30, 2025, the funding is being used to engage five contractors specialized in designing and constructing treatment systems to address acid mine drainage from coal mine operations.

Budget Obligated and Expended

As of June 30, 2025, \$4,400,000.00 or 100.00% has been obligated and \$1,954,504.85 or 44.42% has been expended.



Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
2025 Recovery Plan

State Parks and Outdoor Recreation Program

Project Number	Funding Amount	Expenditure Category
87360A	\$75,000,000.00	2.35 Aid to Tourism, Travel, or Hospitality

Administering Department

Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources

Project Overview

Established under Act 54 of 2022, the State Parks and Outdoor Recreation Program supports the rehabilitation, repair, and development of Pennsylvania's park and forest areas, aiming to enhance statewide outdoor recreation activities. The program's intended outcome is to safeguard and improve Pennsylvania's natural landscapes and recreational facilities, ensuring sustainable access for communities while promoting environmental stewardship and resilience against future challenges. Eligible projects include the rehabilitation, repair, or development of state parks, state forest lands, and related facilities, as well as land acquisition for these purposes. Grants are issued in three rounds, prioritizing projects that contribute to watershed restoration, enhance recreational trails, and improve access to natural areas and riverfronts. The program aligns with environmental justice goals and seeks to maintain and expand Pennsylvania's natural recreational assets for public benefit.

Use of Evidence

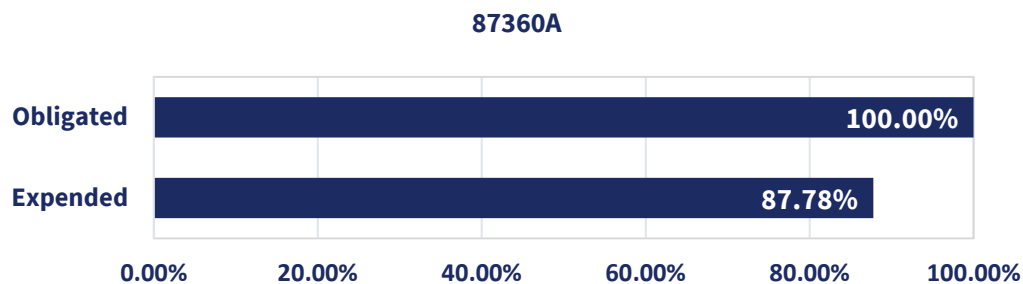
The Commonwealth is not required to specify the funding amount for evidence-based interventions in this Expenditure Category.

Performance Indicators

While performance indicators are not required for reporting this project, it is relevant to note that as of June 30, 2025, this project is supporting 52 infrastructure projects throughout the Commonwealth.

Budget Obligated and Expended

As of June 30, 2025, \$75,000,000.00 or 100.00% has been obligated and \$65,835,528.25 or 87.78% has been expended.



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State Parks and Outdoor Recreation Program – Grants

Project Number	Funding Amount	Expenditure Category
87360B	\$25,000,000.00	2.35 Aid to Tourism, Travel, or Hospitality

Administering Department

Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources

Project Overview

Established under Act 54 of 2022, the State Parks and Outdoor Recreation Program provides support to Pennsylvania’s local municipalities through grants intended for planning, acquiring, developing, rehabilitating, repairing, and public education on diverse conservation and recreation projects. The program seeks to improve community access to outdoor recreational opportunities, foster environmental conservation efforts, and enrich public engagement with natural landscapes. Projects include greenways, recreational trails, open spaces, natural areas, river corridors, access to riverfronts, watershed management, community parks, recreation facilities, and conservation and beautification initiatives.

Use of Evidence

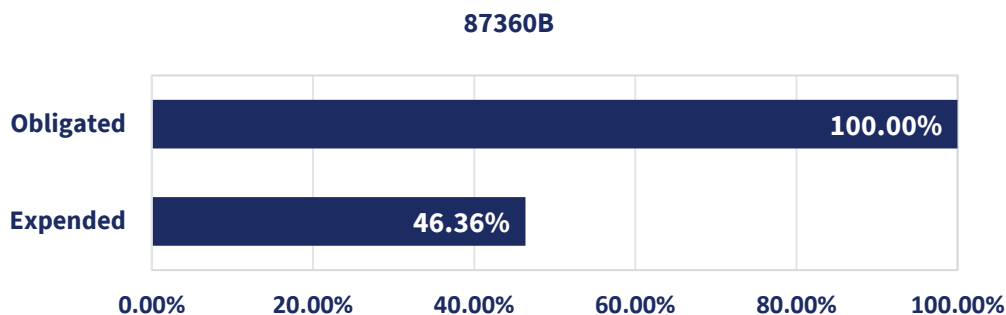
The Commonwealth is not required to specify the funding amount for evidence-based interventions in this Expenditure Category.

Performance Indicators

While performance indicators are not required for reporting this project, it is relevant to note that as of June 30, 2025, this project served 59 entities.

Budget Obligated and Expended

As of June 30, 2025, \$25,000,000.00 or 100.00% has been obligated and \$11,590,676.00 or 46.36% has been expended.



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Nutrient Management Education, Research & Technical Assistance Program

Project Number	Funding Amount	Expenditure Category
87356A	\$3,280,000.00	2.36 Aid to Other Impacted Industries

Administering Department

Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection

Project Overview

Act 1A of 2022 allocated funds to the Nutrient Management Fund. This fund supports delegated conservation districts in Pennsylvania through the Nutrient Management Education, Research, and Technical Assistance Program, which aims to promote sustainable agriculture and environmental stewardship across the state's farmlands. This initiative strengthens soil conservation and nutrient management practices while delivering technical assistance and education statewide. ARPA funds allocated to this program are intended to enhance worker retention by providing incentives, such as increased compensation, for overseeing Nutrient and Manure Management Program responsibilities under state regulations.

Use of Evidence

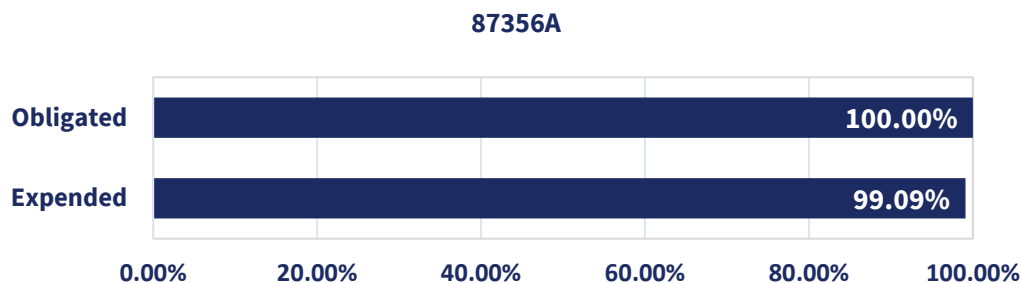
The Commonwealth is not required to specify the funding amount for evidence-based interventions in this Expenditure Category.

Performance Indicators

As of June 30, 2025, this project funded 77% of County Conservation Districts. These funds are allocated to conservation districts based on a workload analysis incorporating the number of animal operations and total agriculture acres in each county.

Budget Obligated and Expended

As of June 30, 2025, \$3,280,000.00 or 100.00% has been obligated and \$3,250,046.22 or 99.09% has been expended.



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Hospital Workforce Assistance

Project Number	Funding Amount	Expenditure Category
87371A	\$99,280,882.76	2.36 Aid to Other Impacted Industries

Administering Department

Pennsylvania Department of Human Services

Project Overview

Act 2 of 2022 allocates funds to bolster Pennsylvania's hospital workforce, aiming to stabilize and strengthen it by providing financial support to hospitals for recruiting and retaining essential staff during COVID-19 and beyond. Specifically, through the Hospital Workforce Assistance project, funds are distributed to acute care, critical access, and children's hospitals based on their licensed bed capacity. The funds are exclusively for recruitment and retention payments to eligible staff members.

Use of Evidence

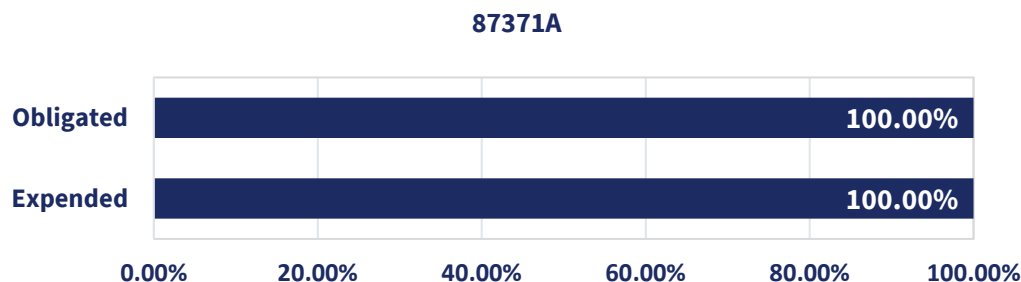
The Commonwealth is not required to specify the funding amount for evidence-based interventions in this Expenditure Category.

Performance Indicators

Data for the Hospital and Healthcare Workforce Assistance programs (87371A & 87372A) is reported in aggregate across both programs. Per the [ARPA Health Care Workforce Supports Act 2 of 2022 Report to the General Assembly](#) on April 13, 2023, these projects provided recruitment payments and bonuses to 4,045 employees. Of those, 3,668 employees, or 90.7%, remained employed at the facility as of the submission date of each entity's staff recruitment report.

Budget Obligated and Expended

As of June 30, 2025, \$99,280,882.76 or 100.00% has been obligated and expended.



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Healthcare Workforce Assistance

Project Number	Funding Amount	Expenditure Category
87372A	\$104,902,287.10	2.36 Aid to Other Impacted Industries

Administering Department

Pennsylvania Department of Human Services

Project Overview

Act 2 of 2022 allocates funds to bolster Pennsylvania's healthcare workforce, aiming to stabilize and strengthen it by providing financial support to healthcare providers for recruiting and retaining essential staff during COVID-19 and beyond. Specifically, through the Healthcare Workforce Assistance project, funds are distributed to behavioral health providers, critical access, and high Medical Assistance hospitals based on their licensed bed capacity. The funds are exclusively for recruitment and retention payments to eligible staff members.

Use of Evidence

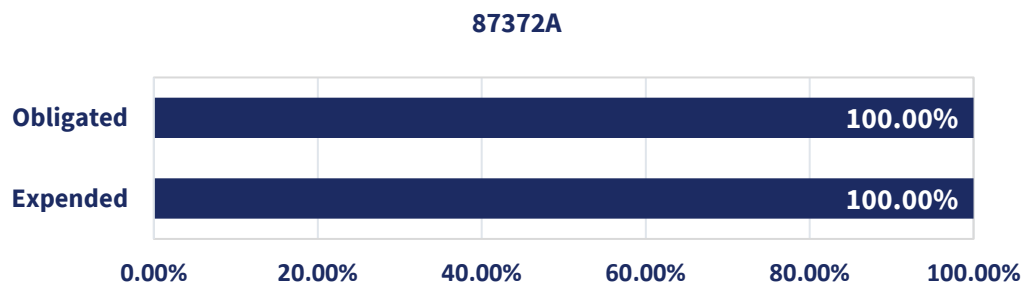
The Commonwealth is not required to specify the funding amount for evidence-based interventions in this Expenditure Category.

Performance Indicators

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Budget Obligated and Expended

As of June 30, 2025, \$104,902,287.10 or 100.00% has been obligated and expended.



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Child Care Stabilization Program

Project Number	Funding Amount	Expenditure Category
87381A	\$87,203,517.20	2.36 Aid to Other Impacted Industries

Administering Department
Pennsylvania Department of Human Services

Project Overview

Established under Act 54 of 2022, the Child Care Stabilization Program supports Pennsylvania's child care providers with retention and recruitment payments to maintain essential staffing levels. The program aims to stabilize the child care sector amid ongoing challenges, ensuring statewide access to child care by helping providers retain staff, attract new hires, and maintain operations or reopen.

Use of Evidence

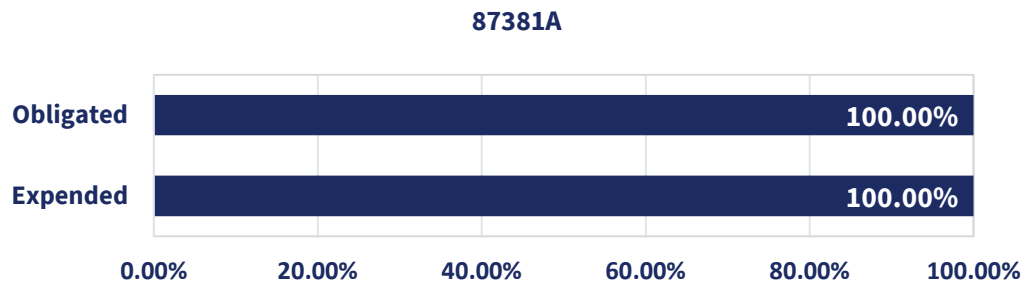
The Commonwealth is not required to specify the funding amount for evidence-based interventions in this Expenditure Category.

Performance Indicators

As of June 30, 2025, this project has provided Staff Retention Grants to 3,861 Certified Child Care Centers, benefiting 38,470 staff members. Additionally, 1,545 Child Care Works providers received retention grants, and 3,147 Certified Child Care Centers received Staff Recruitment Grants.

Budget Obligated and Expended

As of June 30, 2025, \$87,203,517.20 or 100.00% has been obligated and expended.



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PASSHE – Institutional Aid Program

Project Number	Funding Amount	Expenditure Category
87386A	\$104,591,453.00	2.37 Economic Impact Assistance: Other

Administering Department
Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education

Project Overview

The Institutional Aid Program provides financial assistance to students with significant financial need across PASSHE universities. The program aims to improve retention and graduation rates by reducing tuition, fees, room, and board costs based on Expected Family Contributions (EFC) from the Free Applications for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). This initiative ensures equitable access to higher education and helps overcome financial obstacles for low-income populations in Pennsylvania, fostering a more inclusive and resilient educational environment statewide.

Use of Evidence

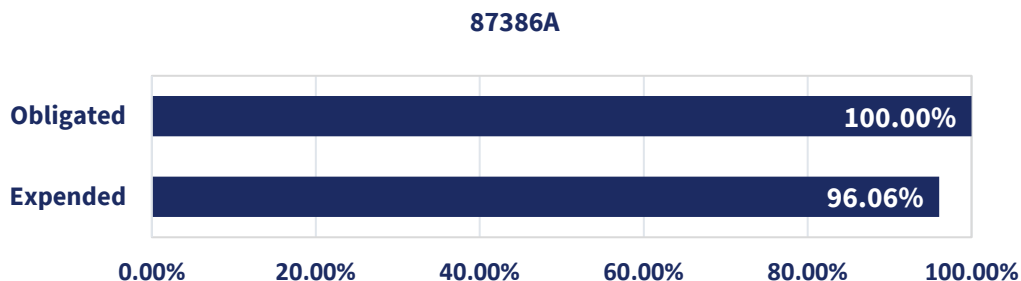
The project targets students with the greatest financial need, determined by their EFC from FAFSA, in line with established federal guidelines and data-driven assessments. Research consistently demonstrates that financial aid positively impacts persistence and completion rates, particularly among low-income students. Furthermore, evidence suggests that reducing financial stressors enhances student well-being and academic success. Although elements of this project align with evidence-based practices or principles and address research-supported issues, it is not classified as an evidence-based program. Consequently, project funding is not disaggregated based on the amount allocated towards evidence-based interventions.

Performance Indicators

SLFRF reporting guidelines do not require performance indicators for this project. However, as of June 30, 2025, this project served 21,625 low- to middle-income students attending PASSHE universities.

Budget Obligated and Expended

As of June 30, 2025, \$104,591,453.00 or 100.00% has been obligated and \$100,468,584.00 or 96.06% has been expended.



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Public Sector Capacity

This subsection outlines projects to strengthen capacity for delivering critical services.

PASSHE – IT Upgrades Program

Project Number	Funding Amount	Expenditure Category
87386B	\$10,632,630.00	3.4 Effective Service Delivery

Administering Department
Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education

Project Overview

The PASSHE – IT Upgrades Program funds the implementation of a new Student Information System to enhance public higher education delivery, improve educational outcomes, and better prepare students for the job market. By monitoring student success and supporting graduation, this system aims to meet workforce needs and ensure students are well-equipped for their careers. This project covers the costs associated with the implementation and ongoing fees of the new system.

Use of Evidence

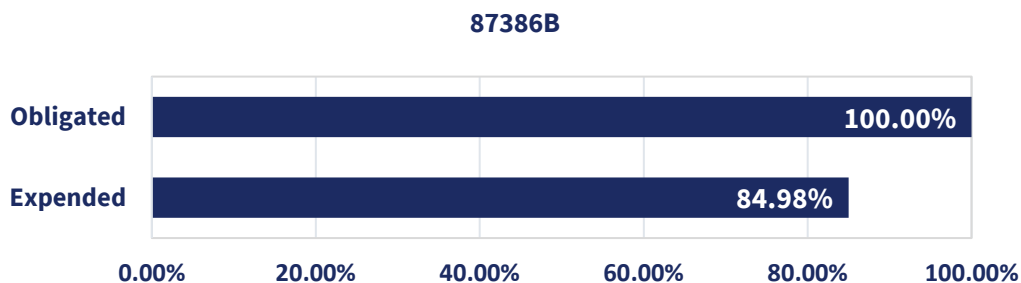
The Commonwealth is not required to specify the funding amount for evidence-based interventions in this Expenditure Category.

Performance Indicators

SLFRF reporting guidelines do not require performance indicators for this project. However, 56 total contractors or sub-contractors have been hired to work on this project.

Budget Obligated and Expended

As of June 30, 2025, \$10,632,630.00 or 100.00% has been obligated and \$9,035,872.00 or 84.98% has been expended.



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Infrastructure

This subsection outlines projects to enhance the resiliency of water and sewer infrastructure.

Agriculture Conservation Assistance Program

Project Number	Funding Amount	Expenditure Category
87351A	\$152,279,653.92	5.9 Clean Water: Nonpoint Source

Administering Department

Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture

Project Overview

Established by Act 54 of 2022, the Agriculture Conservation Assistance Program offers financial and technical support to farmers and landowners for designing and installing best management practices to reduce nutrient and sediment losses, enhancing water quality and soil health across the Commonwealth. Funding is allocated to counties based on specific criteria such as the number of impaired stream miles and cropland acres, and is distributed to county conservation districts, which then contract with individual farmers. The program emphasizes outreach and collaboration with local communities and aims to meet Pennsylvania’s water quality obligations, particularly for the Chesapeake Bay, with additional efforts underway to address urban agriculture in food deserts.

Use of Evidence

The Commonwealth is not required to specify the funding amount for evidence-based interventions in this Expenditure Category. However, Pennsylvania will track best management practices that reduce nutrient and sediment loading using the Practice Keeper tool. This effort will earn credits under the Chesapeake Bay Watershed Implementation Plan 3 (WIP3) for monitoring sediment levels. The Agriculture Conservation Assistance Program will improve water quality, address climate issues by capturing carbon, and benefit local economies. The State Conservation Commission and Penn State University are developing a Geographic Information System (GIS) to track practices, investments, and their economic impact over time.

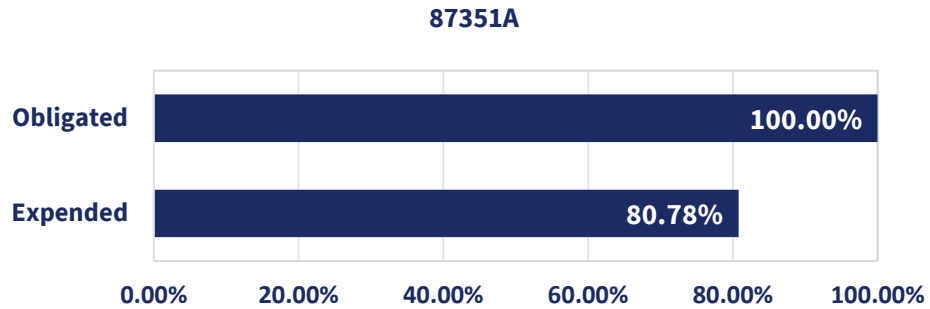
Performance Indicators

As of June 30, 2025, this program supported 65 County Conservation Districts, one Farmland Preservation Board, and 8 State Conservation Commission staff, benefiting over 81,000 people. It funded 892 farm projects and backed the Penn State Center for Agriculture Conservation Assistance Training, employing 24 staff and training over 4,100 individuals. It also funded 6 agriculture planning staff and 4 administrative positions at the PA Association of Conservation Districts, and supported the Sustainable Forestry Initiative, reaching over 350 people.

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Budget Obligated and Expended

As of June 30, 2025, \$152,279,653.92 or 100.00% has been obligated and \$123,011,740.24 or 80.78% has been expended.



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Clean Water Procurement Program

Project Number	Funding Amount	Expenditure Category
87352A	\$21,999,999.87	5.9 Clean Water: Nonpoint Source

Administering Department

Pennsylvania Infrastructure Investment Authority

Project Overview

Established under Act 54 of 2022, the Clean Water Procurement Program seeks to improve water quality in Pennsylvania by purchasing verified reductions of nutrients (nitrogen and phosphorus) and sediment through best management practices. By using a competitive bidding process, the program ensures cost-effective and verified pollution reductions. These practices effectively manage and mitigate nutrient and sediment pollution, protecting both surface and groundwater. The program aids the Commonwealth in meeting the US EPA's Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) limits for the Chesapeake Bay. Additionally, it emphasizes additional community and environmental benefits, including addressing the needs of small farms and locally impaired watersheds.

Use of Evidence

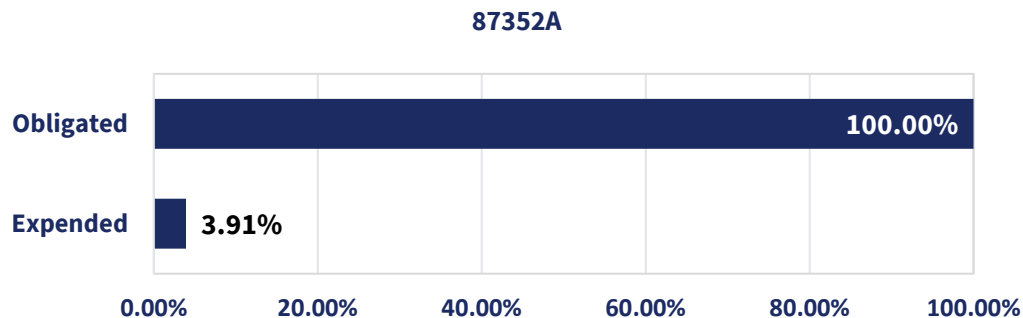
The Commonwealth is not required to specify the funding amount for evidence-based interventions in this Expenditure Category.

Performance Indicators

As of June 30, 2025, this project awarded grants to four organizations, employing 286 employees to date, who will improve water quality by reducing nutrient runoff from farms across the Chesapeake Bay watershed.

Budget Obligated and Expended

As of June 30, 2025, \$21,999,999.87 or 100.00% has been obligated and \$860,355.15 or 3.91% has been expended.



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Storm Water Management Grants

Project Number	Funding Amount	Expenditure Category
87353A	\$2,930,854.00	5.6 Clean Water: Stormwater

Administering Department

Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection

Project Overview

The Storm Water Management Act (Act 167 of 1978) requires Pennsylvania counties to develop and update storm water management plans for each watershed under their jurisdiction. The Storm Water Management Grant program assists counties in managing storm water, enhancing watershed health, reducing flood risks, and improving water quality through customized plans that strengthen watershed resilience and environmental quality across the state. Under Section 17, the state can reimburse counties for stormwater management plan costs when the General Assembly appropriates funds. This funding is provided in two phases: Phase 1 for scope of work development and Phase 2 for plan development or updates.

Use of Evidence

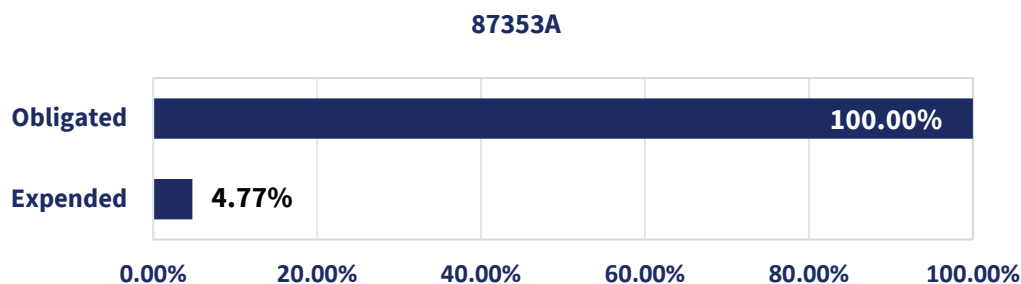
The project aims to achieve outcomes consistent with leading practices in environmental management by implementing storm water management plans that emphasize tailored solutions to local conditions. Although elements of this project align with evidence-based practices or principles and address research-supported issues, it is not classified as an evidence-based program. Consequently, project funding is not disaggregated based on the amount allocated towards evidence-based interventions.

Performance Indicators

As of June 30, 2025, this project awarded grants to nine county entities.

Budget Obligated and Expended

As of June 30, 2025, \$2,930,854.00 or 100.00% has been obligated and \$139,671.67 or 4.77% has been expended.



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Keystone Tree Account – Riparian Forest Buffer Grant Program

Project Number	Funding Amount	Expenditure Category
87354A	\$5,280,000.00	5.9 Clean Water: Nonpoint Source

Administering Department

Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources

Project Overview

Act 1A of 2022 allocates funds to the Keystone Tree Restricted Account which supports the Riparian Forest Buffer Grant Program which focuses on preserving and revitalizing riparian buffers throughout Pennsylvania to improve water quality and aquatic habitats. Pennsylvania's extensive network of over 86,000 miles of rivers and streams will benefit from the program's goal of planting 95,000 acres of riparian forest buffers by 2025, contributing to the health of waterways in both Pennsylvania and the Chesapeake Bay.

Use of Evidence

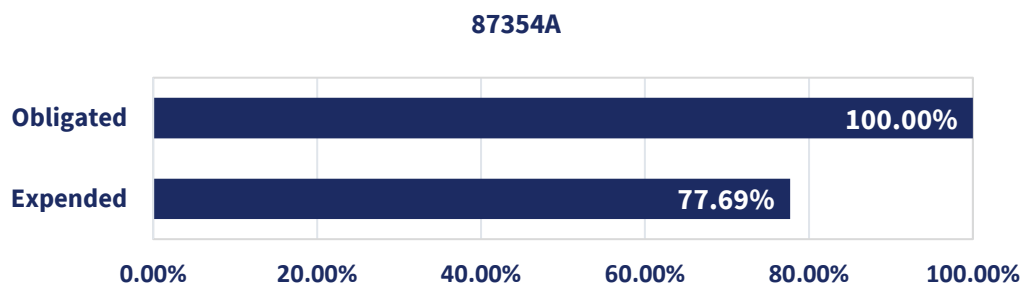
The Commonwealth is not required to specify the funding amount for evidence-based interventions in this Expenditure Category.

Performance Indicators

As of June 30, 2025, this project allocated funding to six organizations that collectively supported the installation of approximately 531 acres of riparian forest buffers across the Commonwealth.

Budget Obligated and Expended

As of June 30, 2025, \$5,280,000.00 or 100.00% has been obligated and \$4,102,189.00 or 77.69% has been expended.



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Keystone Tree Account – TreeVitalize Program

Project Number	Funding Amount	Expenditure Category
87354B	\$3,520,000.00	5.9 Clean Water: Nonpoint Source

Administering Department

Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources

Project Overview

Act 1A of 2022 allocates funds to the Keystone Tree Restricted Account which supports the TreeVitalize Program. This program assists Pennsylvania communities in establishing and improving programs for planting, maintaining, and sustainably managing public shade trees, with the goal of enhancing urban landscapes, increasing tree canopy cover, and promoting environmental sustainability statewide. This program is available to municipalities and nonprofit agencies throughout the Commonwealth.

Use of Evidence

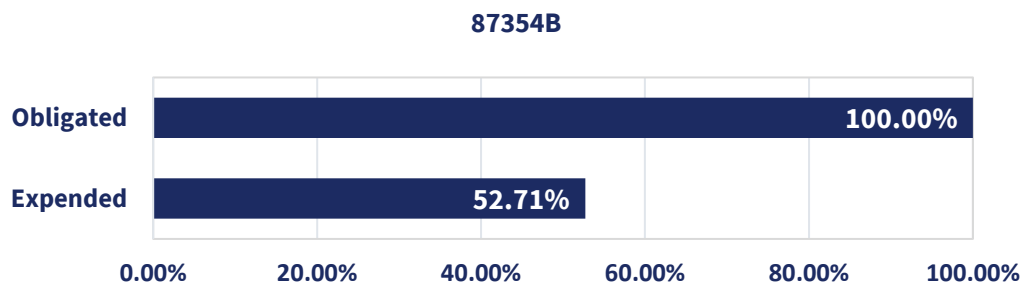
The Commonwealth is not required to specify the funding amount for evidence-based interventions in this Expenditure Category. However, the TreeVitalize Program’s website has an interactive [Open Tree Map](#) which displays the annual benefits of the program, and provides monetized values of environmental benefits, such as – energy conserved, stormwater filtered, air quality improved, carbon dioxide removed, and carbon dioxide stored.

Performance Indicators

As of June 30, 2025, this project served 12 organizations/local municipalities.

Budget Obligated and Expended

As of June 30, 2025, \$3,520,000.00 or 100% has been obligated and \$1,855,330.00 or 52.71% has been expended.



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Nutrient Management Education, Planning, Grants & Technical Assistance Program

Project Number	Funding Amount	Expenditure Category
87357A	\$16,163,734.48	5.9 Clean Water: Nonpoint Source

Administering Department

Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture

Project Overview

Act 1A of 2022 allocates funds to the Nutrient Management Education, Planning, Grants and Technical Assistance Program which provides support for general nutrient management program activities, technical assistance, IT infrastructure for program tracking, Conservation Excellence Grants, and Agri-link loan interest rate subsidies. The program aims to promote agricultural sustainability and improve water quality through effective nutrient management practices.

Use of Evidence

The Commonwealth is not required to specify the funding amount for evidence-based interventions in this Expenditure Category.

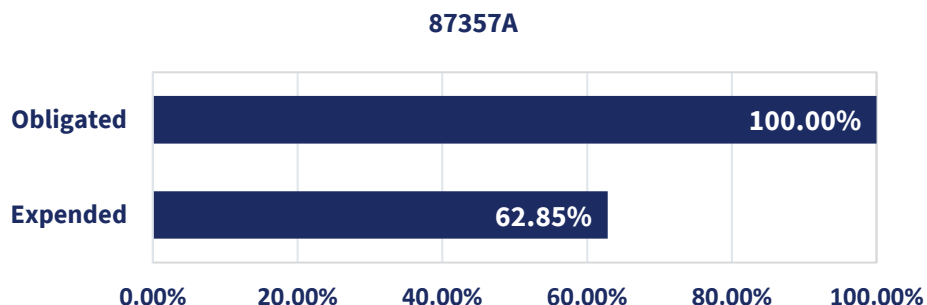
Performance Indicators

As of June 30, 2025, this project has:

- Purchased 500 agricultural training licenses for staff from county conservation districts, state agencies, and federal agencies in Pennsylvania.
- Provided funding to Tier I and Tier II conservation districts in the Chesapeake Bay Watershed.
- Invested in the PAOneStop Program to make needed enhancements and to begin the process of a complete functional overhaul to expand the scope and use of the PAOneStop Program.
- Provided increased funding to 51 county conservation districts delegated in the Nutrient Management and Manure Management Programs.
- Supported various agricultural research projects.

Budget Obligated and Expended

As of June 30, 2025, \$16,163,734.48 or 100.00% has been obligated and \$10,158,378.17 or 62.85% has been expended.



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H2O PA Account Project

Project Number	Funding Amount	Expenditure Category
87380A	\$214,399,997.00	5.18 Water and Sewer: Other

Administering Department

Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development

Project Overview

The H2O PA Account Project funds eligible water and sewer improvements throughout Pennsylvania to enhance infrastructure and ensure reliable water and sewage services. These funds support the acquisition, construction, improvement, expansion, or rehabilitation of water supply, sewage disposal, or stormwater systems. Additionally, they can be used for the consolidation or regionalization of multiple systems, enabling them to be managed or operated as an integrated system.

Use of Evidence

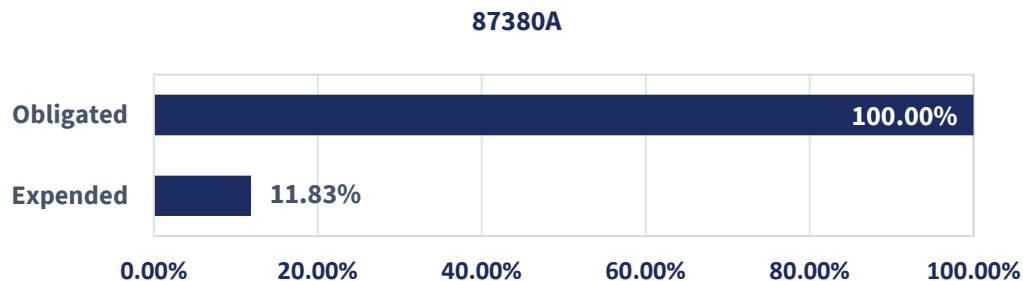
The Commonwealth is not required to specify the funding amount for evidence-based interventions in this Expenditure Category.

Performance Indicators

As of June 30, 2025, this project has obligated funds to 197 municipalities and municipal authorities with 208 public water and sewer infrastructure improvement projects, including 143 clean water projects and 65 drinking water projects.

Budget Obligated and Expended

As of June 30, 2025, \$214,399,997.00 or 100.00% has been obligated and \$25,373,734.00 or 11.83% has been expended.



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Water and Sewer Projects

Project Number	Funding Amount	Expenditure Category
87380B	\$105,355,001.00	5.18 Water and Sewer: Other

Administering Department

Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development

Project Overview

The Water and Sewer Project funds or reimburses eligible water and sewer improvements in Pennsylvania, aiming to enhance infrastructure and ensure reliable services. Projects include the construction, improvement, expansion, repair, or rehabilitation of water supply, sanitary sewer, and storm sewer systems, as well as infrastructure that reduces runoff managed by traditional systems. The program also supports the consolidation or regionalization of multiple water supply or sanitary sewer systems, allowing them to be managed as integrated systems.

Use of Evidence

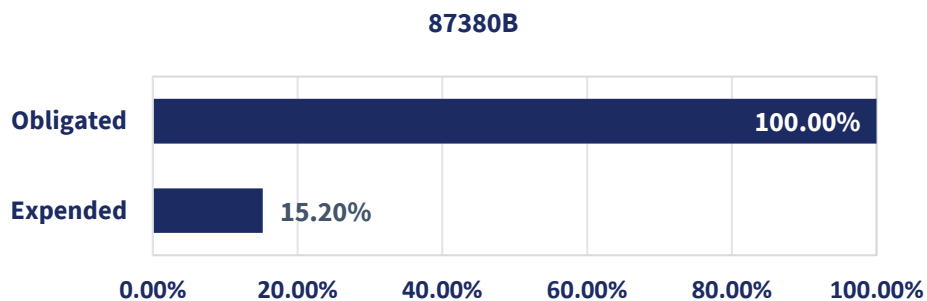
The Commonwealth is not required to specify the funding amount for evidence-based interventions in this Expenditure Category.

Performance Indicators

As of June 30, 2025, this project has obligated funds to 377 municipalities and municipal authorities with 410 public water and sewer infrastructure improvement projects, including 314 clean water projects and 96 drinking water projects.

Budget Obligated and Expended

As of June 30, 2025, \$105,355,001.00 or 100.00% has been obligated and \$16,014,318.00 or 15.20% has been expended.



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Replacing Lost Public Sector Revenue

This subsection outlines how SLFRF funding offsets Pennsylvania's revenue losses due to the COVID-19 public health emergency.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania – Revenue Replacement

Project Number	Funding Amount	Expenditure Category
PA1	\$4,625,841,819.83	6.1 Provision of Government Services

Project Overview

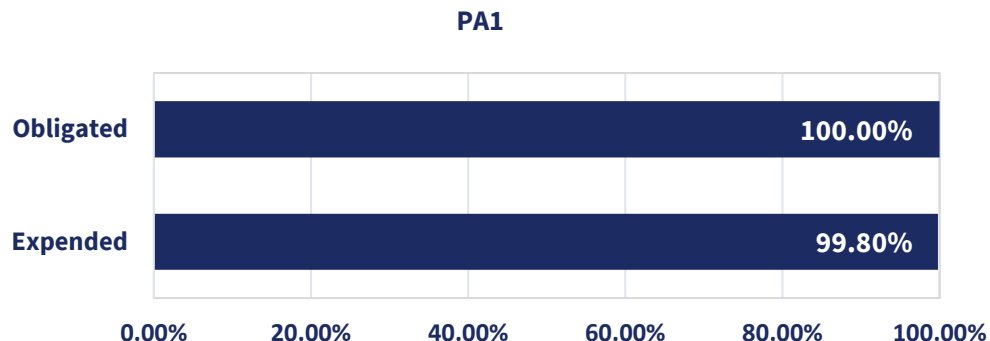
The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania has used revenue replacement funds to address revenue loss within the General Fund and to support the provision of government services. This strategy has enabled the creation of various programs aimed at accelerating the recovery of selected businesses, nonprofits, and affected workers under the Revenue Replacement Expenditure Category.

Funding Allocation:⁸

- **General Fund:** \$3.841 billion to continue critical government services and fund new programs for those most affected by the pandemic.
- **Pandemic Response:** \$437 million for various programs and government services.
- **Highway and Safety Improvements:** \$279 million for infrastructure enhancements.
- **Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education:** \$50 million to assist state-owned universities in providing affordable higher education.
- **Pennsylvania Housing Financing Agency:** \$50 million for construction cost relief.
- **Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Operating Fund:** \$5 million for grants to EMS providers.

Budget Obligated and Expended

As of June 30, 2025, \$4,625,841,819.83 or 100.00% has been obligated and \$4,616,474,924.76 or 99.80% has been expended.



⁸ In Quarter 2 of 2022, project obligations and expenditures dating back to September 2021 were reallocated from PA1 to establish a new project, Long-Term Living Programs (87375A). This adjustment resulted in negative obligations and expenditures for PA1 during Quarter 2 of 2022.

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Administrative

This subsection outlines administrative costs associated with satisfying certain legal and administrative requirements of the SLFRF program after December 31, 2024.

Administration - Agriculture Conservation Assistance Program

Project Number	Funding Amount	Expenditure Category
87351B	\$500,000.00	7.3 Costs of Administration Post Obligation Period

Administering Department

Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture

Project Overview

Funds to administer the Agriculture Conservation Assistance Program (87351A), representing costs associated with satisfying certain legal and administrative requirements of the SLFRF program after December 31, 2024.

Use of Evidence

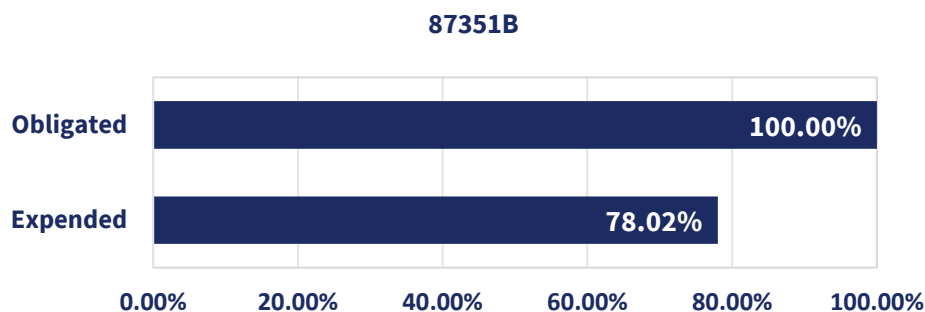
The Commonwealth is not required to specify the funding amount for evidence-based interventions in this Expenditure Category.

Performance Indicators

SLFRF reporting guidelines do not require performance indicators for this project.

Budget Obligated and Expended

As of June 30, 2025, \$500,000.00 or 100.00% has been obligated and \$390,103.10 or 78.02% has been expended.



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Administration - Nutrient Management Education, Planning, Grants & Technical Assistance Program

Project Number	Funding Amount	Expenditure Category
87357B	\$450,000.00	7.3 Costs of Administration Post Obligation Period

Administering Department
Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture

Project Overview

Funds to administer the Nutrient Management Education, Planning, Grants & Technical Assistance Program (87357A), representing costs associated with satisfying certain legal and administrative requirements of the SLFRF program after December 31, 2024.

Use of Evidence

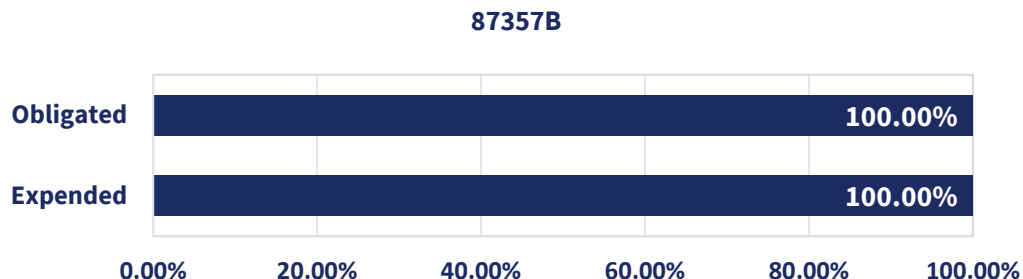
The Commonwealth is not required to specify the funding amount for evidence-based interventions in this Expenditure Category.

Performance Indicators

SLFRF reporting guidelines do not require performance indicators for this project.

Budget Obligated and Expended

As of June 30, 2025, \$450,000.00 or 100.00% has been obligated and expended.



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Administration - Whole Home Repairs Program

Project Number	Funding Amount	Expenditure Category
87383B	\$1,923,521.20	7.3 Costs of Administration Post Obligation Period

Administering Department

Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development

Project Overview

Funds to administer the Whole Home Repairs Program (87383A), representing costs associated with satisfying certain legal and administrative requirements of the SLFRF program after December 31, 2024.

Use of Evidence

The Commonwealth is not required to specify the funding amount for evidence-based interventions in this Expenditure Category.

Performance Indicators

SLFRF reporting guidelines do not require performance indicators for this project.

Budget Obligated and Expended

As of June 30, 2025, \$1,923,521.20 or 100.00% has been obligated and \$357,432.33 or 18.58% has been expended.

