



COVID-19 Update

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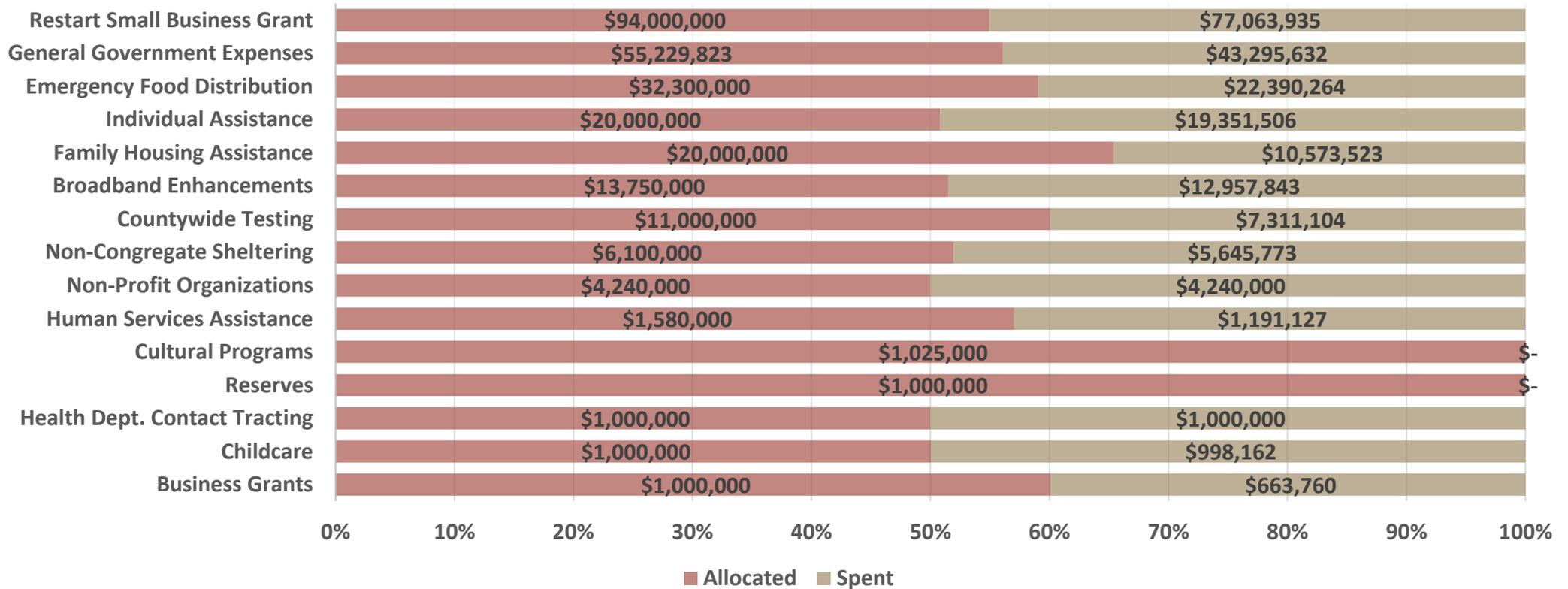
- The Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act; P.L. 116-136), signed into law on March 27, 2020, created the Coronavirus Relief Fund, which provides \$150 billion in direct assistance for domestic governments.
- Eligible uses:
 1. are necessary expenditures incurred due to the public health emergency with respect to Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19);
 2. were not accounted for in the budget most recently approved as of the date of enactment [March 27, 2020] of this section for the State or government; and
 3. were incurred during the period that begins on March 1, 2020 and ends on December 30, 2020.

Coronavirus Relief Fund II

- On December 27, 2020 President Trump signed into law a new stimulus package that provides an additional \$900 billion in stimulus to the U.S. economy
- No additional state and local aid was provided
- Extends the date by which state and local governments must make expenditures with CARES Act Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF) awards from December 30, 2020, to December 31, 2021.

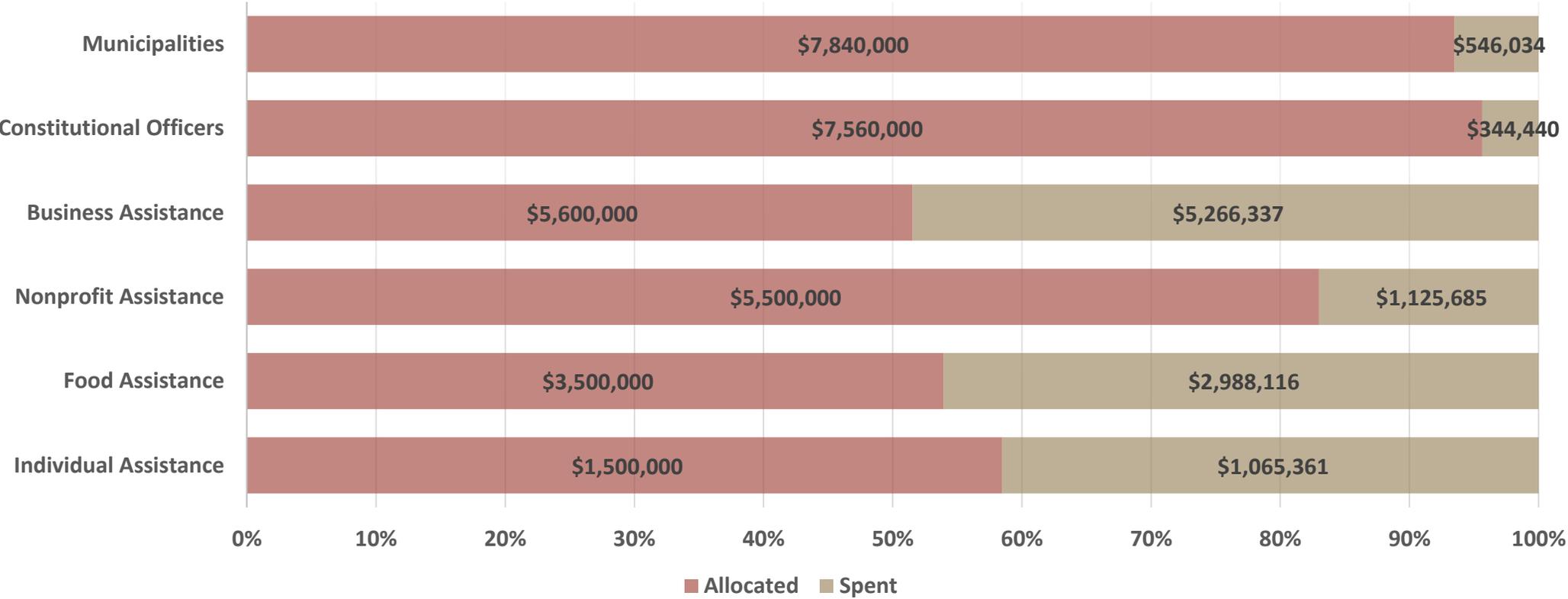
Palm Beach County - \$261 million

As of December 7, 2020



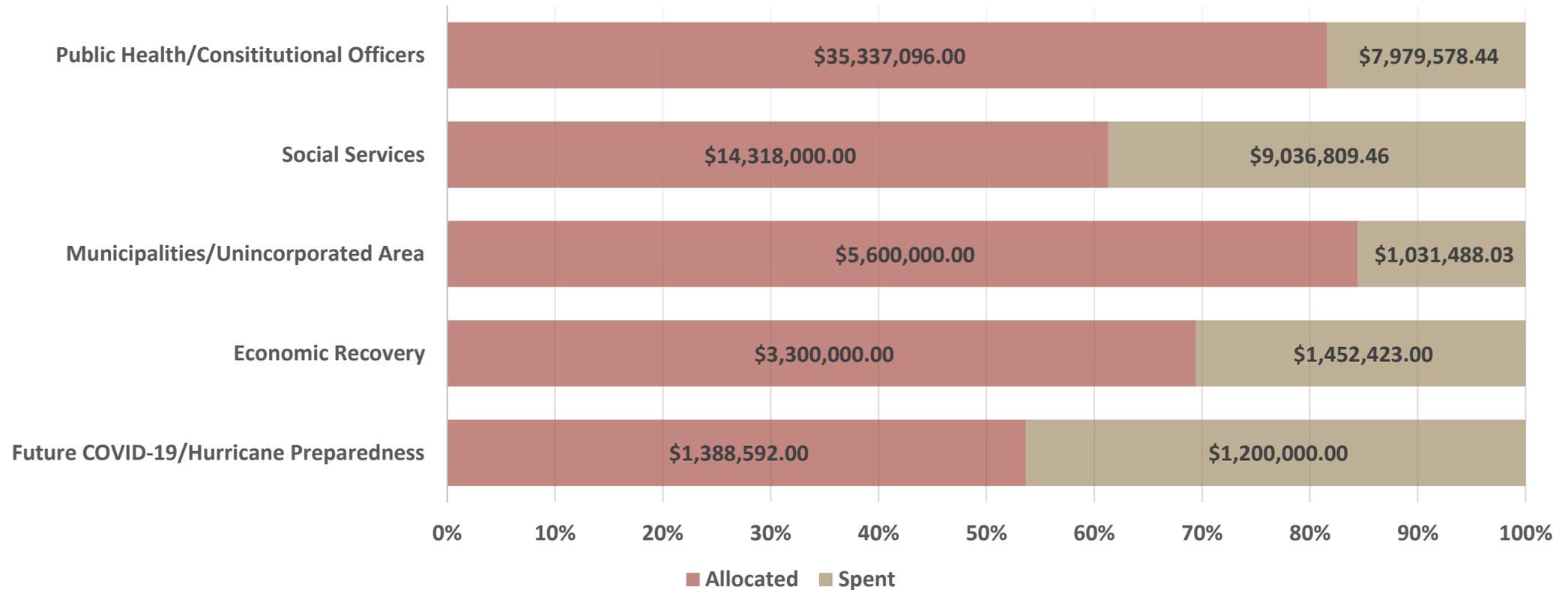
Martin County - \$28 million

As of December 17, 2020



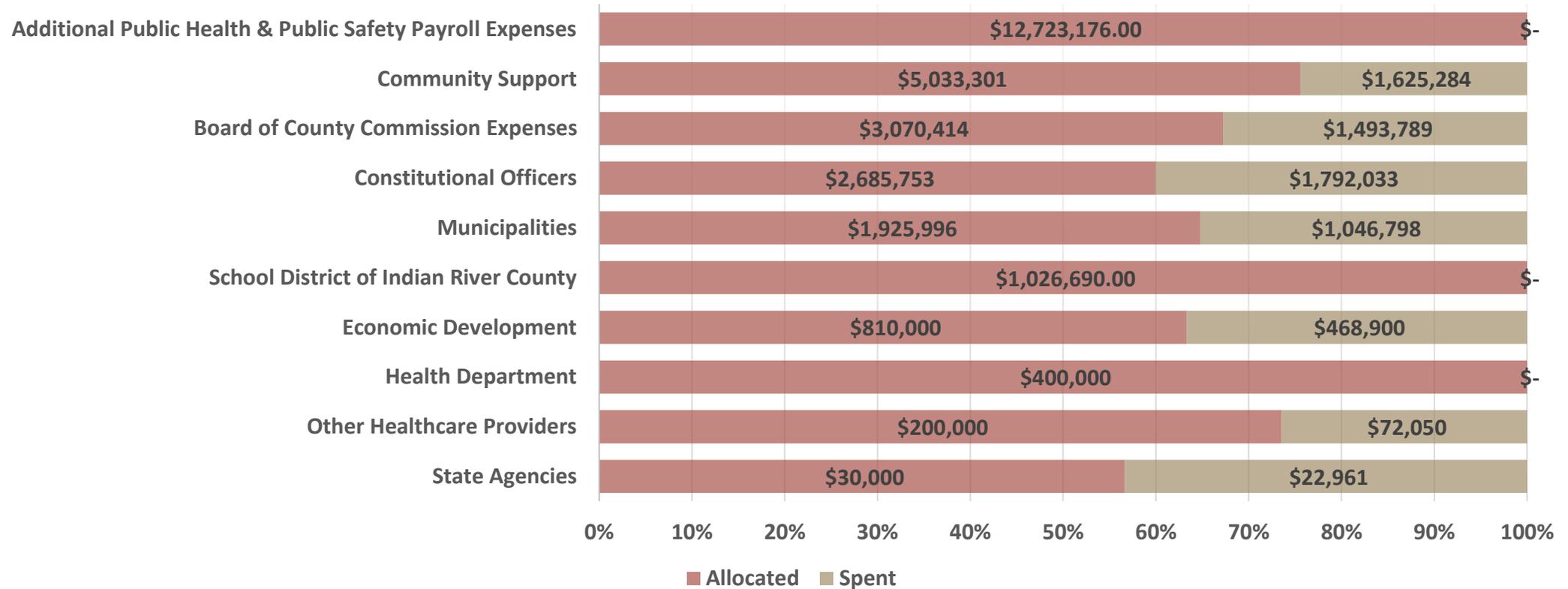
St. Lucie County - \$55.5 million

As of November 30, 2020



Indian River County - \$28 million

As of December 1, 2020



COVID-19 Business Impact Survey



- Survey intends to capture businesses' operational and workforce impacts and information about resources they have leveraged or need to aid in recovery efforts
- Partner with Chambers of Commerce, Main Street Organizations, Downtown Business Associations/Alliances, CareerSource to distribute the survey
- Random raffle drawing for prizes as an incentive to participate in survey
- Draft survey currently consists of 25 multiple choice questions

Statewide Economic Analyst

- Newly created position that would be housed at the Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council
 - Provide ongoing economic analysis assistance to each Florida Regional Planning Council
 - REMI analysis in support of in-depth study of Covid-19 and various recovery scenarios. Analyst will work with the RPC to develop a technical analysis of the economic impact of Covid-19 on the RPC region. Analyst will write up the accompanying methodology to be incorporated into RPC reports. If RPCs do not have the appropriate data to input into REMI, then TBRPC staff will work with that RPC on a case-by-case basis to produce appropriate inputs.
- Current onboarding status: Offer has been extended to candidate



Proposal: COVID-19/Economic Resilience Task Force

- **Reasoning:** There is an urgent need to comprehensively assess the conditions that local communities in the Region are dealing with and develop recommendations. The taskforce will be able to recommend actionable strategies that will assist member governments and communities in meeting short term economic recovery objectives relating to the coronavirus pandemic.
- **Charge:** Provide technical assistance and expertise to mitigate the devastating short-term economic impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic, and develop strategies designed to speed long-term business and community recovery.
- **Duration:** Taskforce sunsets after two years, unless the Taskforce asks the Committee for more time.
- **Makeup of Taskforce:** Comprised of job creators, community leaders and business representatives from each region

Example: NFRPC Economic Resilience Taskforce

- Reviews existing economic damage surveys, data, and reports; and will make inventory of available strategies that can increase the region's resilience to disruptions moving forward.
- Deliverables:
 - Coronavirus Economic Recovery Action Plan (Published by Spring 2021)
 - Expand scope to address challenges relating to long-range economic resilience planning. Identify long-term objectives and strategies that will protect NE Florida from a broad range of future shocks and stresses; including, but not limited to, coastal storms, future pandemics, economic disruptions, supply chain shocks, and sea level rise.
 - Northeast Florida Regional Economic Resilience Plan (Published by Spring 2022)
 - Based on inventory of historical and future hazards
 - Once plan is implemented, Taskforce will be responsible for monitoring and evaluating progress made



Example: PBN Chamber Disaster Resiliency and Recovery Task Force

- Building a resilience capacity for Palm Beach County
 - List resilience capacity in the private sector's critical infrastructure by 6/2021
 - Complete resiliency goals for 2, 5, and 10 years
- Methodology:
 - Asking municipalities to share critical infrastructure
 - 3- and 5-year resilience capacity goals
 - Partner to share plans for improving resilience capacity for each municipality



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Example: TBRPC COVID-19 Taskforce

- **Mission Statement:** The Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council (ATBARPC) COVID-19 Recovery Task Force which is comprised of elected officials provides local government perspectives on the devastating short-term economic impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic and makes recommendations to TBRPC staff on developing strategies designed to speed long-term business and community recovery. TBRPC members counties include: Citrus, Hernando, Hillsborough, Pasco, Pinellas and Manatee.

