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Florida League of Cities Issues Statement on Florida's Plan for Distributing CARES Act Funds to Counties

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TALLAHASSEE, Fla. – The **Florida League of Cities**, the united voice for Florida's municipal governments, issued the following statement in response to Governor DeSantis' announcement earlier today regarding Florida's disbursement plan for CARES Act funds:

"Florida's cities, towns and villages are facing serious and unexpected financial impacts due to COVID-19, which threaten public health, safety and essential services if left unaddressed. The Florida League of Cities draws attention to Governor DeSantis' decision to release the \$1.275 billion CARES Act dollars and specifically, his stated intent for cities to receive the funding they need. While cities advocated to receive this funding directly to eliminate an unnecessary layer of bureaucracy, municipal officials will now work with county partners to ensure that the Governor's intent is carried out."

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Founded in 1922, the Florida League of Cities is the united voice for Florida's municipal governments. Its goals are to promote local self-government and serve the needs of Florida's cities, which are formed and governed by their citizens. The League believes in "Local Voices Making Local Choices," which focuses on the impact citizens and city leaders have in improving Florida's communities. For more information, visit flcities.com.