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Honorable Chris Reykdal
Superintendent of Public Instruction
P.O. Box 47200
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Dear Superintendent Reykdal:

The state of Washington received \$216,892,447 from the federal CARES Act Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund (ESSER) funds. Of this amount, 90 percent (\$195,203,202) is allocated to school districts using the Title I formula.

Ten percent (\$21,689,245) of the total ESSER funds is allocated to the Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction as our state educational agency. Of the remaining amount in reserve status, I hereby authorize you to release \$8,100,000 for competitive grants to community-based organizations (CBOs) to support student learning in partnership with school districts.

These funds are to be provided to CBOs that emphasize activities to address the unique needs of student groups identified in the Washington School Improvement Framework as historically the furthest from educational justice. The funds are included in Unanticipated Receipt #0200 and were previously moved to reserve status in Packet #0218.

If you have any questions, please contact Nona Snell, Assistant Director for Budget, at 360-902-0542 or nona.snell@ofm.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

David Schumacher
Director

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