

## Dear Stakeholders,

The 2021 – 2022 enacted state budget includes language requiring local education agencies and their community partners to, such as residential treatment facilities, that are awarded funds from the Federal Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund allocated by the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP-ESSER) to post on their website a plan of how these funds will be spent.

Pennsylvania has been allocated \$5,000,509,384 to date. \$3,331,302,101 was released to Pennsylvania on March 24, 2021, and \$1,669,207,283 was released on August 05, 2021. As part of the ARP-ESSER program, DTAC has been awarded \$121,922 for the Coal Township Residential Treatment Program (The Cottages), \$154,279 for the Lewisburg Residential Treatment Program site, and \$113,213 for the Danville Residential Treatment Program site for a total allocation of \$389,414.00.

After seeking comments from parents, teachers, clients, staff, and other stakeholders a plan was developed for the most appropriate use of these funds. The DTA Centers leadership team has prioritized spending for these non-recurring expenses into various projects. These funds allow DTA Centers to continue to offer safe in-person instruction and to address the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic on students, including the impacts of interrupted instruction and learning loss and the impacts on low-income students, children with disabilities, and English language learners.

In-person instruction will be positively impacted by various upgrades in the environments of care for the students, which are included in the spending plan. These upgrades include improved HVAC, outdoor instructional areas, additional food preparation and dining areas outside, improved air quality, flooring upgrades, as well as whole facility generators at the Lewisburg and Danville sites to power the HVAC systems that provide the improved air quality and comfort in the classroom spaces. Kitchen equipment is planned for the Cottages. This equipment will allow for the ongoing, safe preparation of food as well as clean up to prevent the spread illness.

To address the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic additional technology will be integrated into the classroom spaces to include SMART TVs, projectors, sound systems, language translation devices, and lender tablets for parents. Evidence based Mental Health & Wellness curriculums will be purchased and staff will have additional certification and training opportunities made available to them. Funds will also allow for additional staffing to support the educational initiatives. Health and wellness activities will also be positively impacted through the use of these funds by continuing a basketball program among the sites. The sites will be able to purchase new uniforms. They will also have additional outdoor spaces to have recreational time.

These funds are separate and distinct from any other funding for DTA Centers. If you have any questions about the ARP-ESSER plan, please contact me at <a href="mailto:aweaver@dtacenters.com">aweaver@dtacenters.com</a> or by phone at (570) 524-0307.

Sincerely,

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**Director of Clinical Quality** 



## **COAL TOWNSHIP SITE:**

Staff Training	3,000.00 <b>121,922.00</b>
Basketball Uniforms	800.00
Circle Lifetime Subscriptions (32)	11,168.00
Lender Tablets for video visits	2,000.00
Uber Health	1,500.00
Added Summer School Teacher	8,000.00
Language Translation Device	150.00
Coil Binding Machine	1,500.00
Color Copier	2,000.00
Classroom projector and sound	2,500.00
MH Wellness Curriculum	3,000.00
Smart TV for Classroom	2,000.00
Outdoor basketball court	6,604.00
Industrial Outdoor Grill	3,000.00
Outdoor Furniture	14,000.00
Installation of Industrial Items	2,000.00
Industrial Prep Table	1,500.00
Industrial Freezer	5,200.00
Industrial Dishwasher	3,000.00
Industrial Oven	3,000.00
Pavilion Pad	43,000.00 3,000.00
Outdoor Pavilions	42,000,00



## **LEWISBURG SITE**

Sun setter awning	2,000.00
Outdoor kitchen	10,849.00
HVAC	50,000.00
Generator	25,000.00
Window Replacement	4,500.00
Kitchen Floor repair	28,000.00
Trex Furniture for patio	6,000.00
Smart TV for classroom	1,000.00
MH Wellness Curriculum	2,500.00
Classroom Projector and Sound	2,000.00
Color Copier	1,500.00
Coil binding machine	150.00
Language translator devices	300.00
Added Summer School teacher	8,000.00
Uber Health	1,500.00
Tablets to lend for video visits	2,000.00
Circle Lifetime Subscriptions	6,980.00
Basketball uniforms	500.00
Staff Training	1,500.00
	154,279.00
ALLOCATION	154,279.00
	0.00



## **DANVILLE SITE**

Pavilion	\$24,000.00
Pad for Pavilion	\$3,000.00
Trex Furniture for patio	\$6,000.00
Sun setter awning	\$2,000.00
Outdoor kitchen	\$6,031.00
HVAC	\$38,000.00
Generator	\$16,000.00
SMART TV for classroom use	\$0.00
MH Wellness Curriculum	\$2,500.00
Classroom Projector/Sound system	\$2,000.00
Color Copier	\$1,500.00
Coil Binding Machine	\$150.00
Language Translator Device - Pock talk	\$300.00
Added Summer School Teacher	\$0.00
Uber/Uber Health (family visits)	\$1,500.00
Lender Tablets for Video Visits	\$2,000.00
Circle Subscriptions	\$6,282.00
Basketball uniforms	\$450.00
Staff Trainings	\$1,500.00
	\$113,213.00
ALLOCATION	\$113,213.00
	\$0.00