

Empire Pandemic Response Reimbursement Fund

Eligible Expenses

Childcare / Dependent Care

Eligible expenses should be for a child or other family member for whom the applicant is responsible for this expense. Childcare expenses that have been partially paid for with Federal, State, or Local funding are **not** eligible for reimbursement.

Lodging

Eligible expenses include temporary housing costs (hotels and motels) incurred by the applicant which allowed them to do their essential work and COVID-19 response activities in New York State. Food and other incidental charges are **not** covered by this award.

Transportation

Eligible expenses include flight, gas, public transportation, taxi/vehicle for hire, and vehicle rental costs incurred by the applicant which allowed them to do their essential work and COVID-19 response activities in New York State.

Personal Protection Equipment (PPE)

Eligible expenses include PPE needed to do essential work and COVID-19 response activities (including gloves, masks, gowns, hand sanitizer, face shields, and goggles).

Burial/Funeral

Eligible expenses can be covered in this award if they were incurred as a result of a COVID-19 related death in the household. Expenses might include funeral home or related business services for memorial/funeral expenses, burial costs, or a grave marker.

Medical

Eligible expenses are any portion of medical costs, including mental health/counseling costs for household members, that were not covered by insurance and that resulted from COVID-19 response efforts.