

## **IMPORTANT LEGISLATIVE UPDATE:**

### **Emergency Support for Community Development Financial Institutions (CDFIs) and Minority Depository Institutions (MDIs)**

This week, SSW sent out a “LEGISLATIVE ALERT” relating to the \$12 billion in additional capital/grants available to CDFIs and MDIs under the new COVID-19 emergency relief package (\$9 billion in capital injections by the U.S. Treasury and \$3 billion in grants/funding available through the CDFI Fund).

A CDFI notice, released yesterday afternoon [see the following link <https://www.cdfifund.gov/impact/Pages/BlogDetail.aspx?BlogID=84>], relates to the \$1.25 billion in grants/funding (called the “CDFI Rapid Response Program”) that will be made through the CDFI Fund available in fiscal 2021 (the remaining \$1.75 billion of the \$3 billion total will be made available in subsequent years).

While scant on details, the notice does state that a program funding notice is required to be published within 60 days of enactment of the legislation, or no later than February 25, 2021. The notice further states that additional details about the program application will be released as soon as possible, and lists steps that institutions should be certain are covered before that applications process begins.

We will update you as further developments occur.

Please review the notice at your convenience to make sure that you are prepared to apply for the assistance when the window opens.

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