## CARES Act Payroll Protection Program

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## **Overview of CARES Act Payroll Protection Program (PPP)**

- \$349 billion for federally-guaranteed loans administered by banks to help small business and nonprofits preserve jobs during the coronavirus pandemic
- Loans (up 2.5x payroll) for payroll, plus mortgage interest, rent, utility costs
- Loans forgiven if headcount and pay levels are maintained
  - for 8-week window following receipt of funds
  - per-employee reimbursement capped at \$100,000/year
  - 1% fixed interest rate on any portion not forgiven; payments deferred for 6 months; no prepayment penalty
- Simple application form with minimal backup; fast processing promised but roll-out is rushed
- Issued on a first-come-first-served basis



## PPP expected to be a ~\$0.5M payroll grant for Conservancy

- Applying today via Citizens Bank as soon as application portal opens
- **\*\$460K** for only payroll, as other eligible costs are in-kind
- Current expectation is 100% forgiven
  - Loan-forgiveness provisions to inform personnel decisions during 8-week window
  - Will make one planned Hort hire (despite hiring freeze) to offset one retirement
  - Redeployment of staff under consideration to match work needs
- Funds held unspent until forgiveness ratio is clear
  - Illustrative interest risk: \$1,150 interest if fully repaid in 3 months

