

American Rescue Plan Act Funding Overview

Town Council - January 12, 2022

American Rescue Plan Funding

- Unique Opportunity
- Help to meet various needs
 - short & long term
 - strategic & catalytic in nature
- Funds need to be committed by December 2024
- Capital related funding must be fully expended by December 2026
- Be aware of creating a potential "funding cliff" in FY 25



4 High Level Eligible Use Categories

- Support Public Health Response to Impacts of Pandemic
- Address Negative Economic Impacts
 - Individuals & Households
 - Businesses
- Premium Pay for Employees
- Water, Sewer, Stormwater & Broadband Infrastructure
- Can NOT be used to replenish reserve funds or pay pension obligations



Loss of Revenue Calculation

- Provides <u>broader latitude</u> in possible uses to support government services such as:
 - health, social, recreation, youth services
 - pay as you go capital projects and maintenance of physical assets
 - public safety
 - environmental remediation
 - economic & community development
 - affordable housing



Loss of Revenue Calculation

Final US Treasury Rule was issued on January 6th

Two ways to calculate "loss of revenue"

- 1) Use complex US Treasury formula to calculate projected revenue loss due to pandemic
- 2) Use Standard Allowance of \$10 M



General Framework or Areas of Focus

Community Health & Wellness

- Public health education
- Social services
- Recreation programs (youth, families, seniors)
- Library and literacy programs
- Behavioral health services and outreach

Competitive & Sustainable Economy

- Small business assistance
- Workforce development (training, apprenticeships)
- Promotion and marketing
- Redevelopment & Workforce / Affordable Housing



General Framework or Areas of Focus

- Safe, Strong, Diverse Neighborhoods & Families
 - Direct assistance to individuals & households
 - Housing rehab & weatherization
 - Safety services
 - Tenant and landlord assistance

Capital & Infrastructure

Investment in capital improvement projects and assets



Competitive Economy

| | 1,580,000 |
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| Small Business Incubator & Support Center | 150,000 |
| Workforce Development - Municipal Apprenticeship Prog. | 520,000 |
| School to Business Connection (work co-op/internships) | 285,000 |
| Small Business & Nonprofit Grants | 625,000 |



Safe, Strong, Diverse Neighborhoods & Families

| | 1,150,000 |
|--|-----------|
| Windsor Volunteer Ambulance Grant | 100,000 |
| Caring Connection Operating Grant | 100,000 |
| Discovery Center Operating Grant | 100,000 |
| Neighborhood Enhancement Projects, Programs & Events | 100,000 |
| Fitch Court Senior Housing Stormwater Improvements | 250,000 |
| Housing Rehab & Energy Efficiency Programs | 500,000 |



Community Health & Wellness

| | 490,000 |
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| WinWellness Health & Fitness Inititatives (all ages) | 100,000 |
| Communty Mental Health Awareness / Training | 50,000 |
| Youth Mental Health Clinician & Services | 210,000 |
| Embedded Mental Health Clinician at Police Dept. | 100,000 |
| Community Health & Wellness Needs Assessment | 30,000 |



Capital Investment Allocation

| CAPITAL INVESTMENT ALLOCATION | 5,130,000 |
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| Menu of Possible Projects | |
| Broad Street Road Diet & Pedestrian Safety Enhancement Project | 3,000,000 |
| LP Wilson Community Ctr. HVAC (50% Cash Funding) | 1,050,000 |
| Sage Park HVAC (50% Cash Funding) | 1,050,000 |
| Milo Peck / Discovery Center HVAC | 2,400,000 |
| Wilson Gateway Park | 1,500,000 |
| Neigborhood Park Enhancements (not in CIP) | 1,500,000 |
| Railroad Quiet Zone - 10% Local match (not in CIP) | 750,000 |
| 'Activity HUB' @ Mill Brook (not in CIP) | 1,000,000 |
| | 12,600,000 |



Allocation Summary

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| COMPETITIVE ECONOMY | 1,580,000 |
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| SAFE, STRONG, DIVERSE NEIGHBORHOODS & FAMILIES | 1,150,000 |
| COMMUNITY HEALTH & WELLNESS | 490,000 |
| CAPITAL INVESTMENT ALLOCATION | 5,130,000 |
| Sub-total | 8,350,000 |
| Project Management / Administration | 150,000 |
| TOTAL ALLOCATED | 8,500,000 |
| EXPECTED REVENUE | 8,500,000 |
| UNALLOCATED | 0 |



Possible Next Steps

- Gather Public Input
- Council Sets General Parameters Such As
 - Endorse Focus Areas
 - Invest X % of funds in capital improvement projects
 - Reduce future borrowing costs by cash funding planned CIP projects
 - Direct staff to refine allocation plan specifics
- Appropriation Approval Process
 - Council approves overall allocation plan
 - Specific program or capital project approval per *Charter* thresholds