

American Rescue Plan Funds

F&A Committee Meeting
July 1, 2021

County Administrator's Office

Overview



Purpose

Provide planning guidance to staff for the use of ARPA funds

Agenda

- ARPA Overview
- Current Guidance Review
- Crosswalk with Strategic Plan
- Discussion and Guidance



- Coronavirus State & Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (CSLFRF) ARPA Funds
- Lake County set to receive \$136M
 - Municipalities receiving their own funds
- Guidance & application released May 10
 - Interim Final Rule requesting public comment
 - Fact sheet
 - FAQ document (updated multiple times)
- Compliance & Reporting Guidance (released June 17)



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 - Interim Report due August 31, 2021
 - One-time report with expenditures through July 30 and summary of revenue replacement inputs
 - Project & Expenditure Report due October 31, 2021
 - Quarterly report of projects, status, expenditures, demographic distribution, other data
 - Recovery Plan Performance Report due August 31, 2021
 - Annual report summarizing use of funds in detail, documenting equitable outcomes, community engagement, labor practices, use of evidence, and performance



ARPA Fund Reporting Expenditure Categories

Public Health

Negative Economic Impacts

Services to Disproportionately Impacted Communities

Premium Pay

Infrastructure

Revenue Replacement



Public Health

- COVID-19 Vaccination, Testing
- COVID-19 Contact Tracing
- Prevention in Congregate Settings
- Personal Protective Equipment
- Medical Expenses
- Capital Investments to Public Facilities that Respond to COVID-19
- Payroll for Public Safety and Public Health Employees (COVID-19)
- Mental Health Services
- Substance Use Services



Negative Economic Impacts

- Household Assistance Food, Rent, Eviction Protection*
- Unemployment Benefits
- Job Training Assistance
- Small Business Assistance
- Aid to Nonprofit Organizations
- Aid to Tourism, Travel, Hospitality
- Aid to Impacted Industries
- Rehiring Public Sector Staff



Services to Disproportionately Impacted Communities

- Education Assistance
- Healthy Childhood Environments Childcare, Home Visits, Services to Foster Youth or Families in Child Welfare System
- Housing Support Affordable Housing, Services for Unhoused Persons
- Social Determinants of Health Lead Remediation, Community Health Workers, Benefits Navigators, Community Violence Interventions



Premium Pay

- May provide premium pay to eligible workers performing essential work during COVID-19
 - "Work involving regular in-person interactions or regular physical handling of items that were also handled by others"
 - Individual who teleworked from a residence may not receive premium pay
 - Janitors, sanitation, public health & safety, human services, etc.
- Can be retroactive



Infrastructure

- Clean Water Projects
- Drinking Water Projects
- Broadband Projects



Revenue Replacement

Provision of Government Services



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Strategic Guidance Guiding Tenets



- Investments will align with the County's Strategic Plan
- Evaluate use of ARPA against all other funding sources and target ARPA funds on investments that are not eligible for other funding
- Focus on regional investments, especially in critical infrastructure
 - Non-recurring, targeted
 - Provides long term benefits
- Investments take into consideration future years, post-ARPA to ensure able to sustain any new programs or services
- Coordinate with and be cognizant of other partner local governments in and surrounding Lake County and plan use of funds accordingly
- County Administration will be central point of contact and coordinator for requests and discussions related to proposed options and planning

Strategic Guidance Guiding Tenets



- Projects will consider (Federal Guidance):
 - Equitable Outcomes
 - Community Engagement
 - Underserved Community Support
 - Labor Requirements
 - Appropriate Internal Controls

Strategic Alignment 2019 Strategic Plan



- Mission: Deliver exceptional, financially and environmentally responsive / responsible services that promote a safe, affordable, healthy, and resilient community
- <u>Vision</u>: Lake County is a place where all people, families, and businesses have the opportunity to thrive, and its government is an innovative leader and model of excellence
- Values:
 - Environmental Stewardship
 - Leadership
 - Exceptional Service
 - Fiscal Responsibility
 - Operational Excellence

Strategic Alignment 2019 Strategic Plan



Strategic Initiatives	
Regional Leadership	
Fiscal Responsibility	
Exceptional Service and Operational Excellence	
Strategic Goals	
Public Safety and Integrated, Data-Driven Justice System	
Enhance Economic Opportunities	
Improve Infrastructure	
Promote a Sustainable Environment	
Build Healthy, Inclusive, and Resilient Communities	

Strategic Themes	
	Inter-Organizational Cooperation
	Quality of Life
	Economic Development
	Infrastructure
	Environmental Sustainability
	Non-Environmental Sustainability
	Lake County Branding
	Mental Health
	Grants and Specialty Funding
	Diversity and Inclusion

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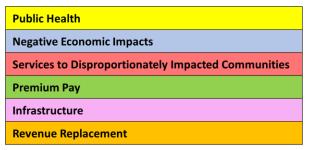
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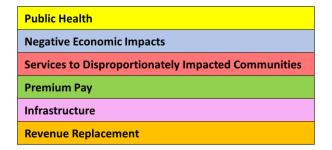
- Addressing Mental Health Crisis through Collaboration (RL)
- Advancing Regional 911 Consolidation (RL)
- Leveraging Shared Services to Gain Efficiencies (FR)
- Investing in Technology (OE)



Crosswalk

Goal 1 - Public Safety/Integrated, Data-Driven Justice System

- Shift public safety resources from enforcement to prevention (G1/S1)
- Advance and support regional 911 consolidation. Evaluate and pursue both physical and virtual consolidation with partners (G1/S2)
- Support the selection and replacement of public safety technology (G1/S2)
- Deliver effective programs such as job training, employment skills and opportunities, safe housing, transportation and other support services (G1/S3)
- Further develop a "deflection and diversion" crisis response (G1/S3)
- Support both long-term and immediate actions to address violence where it occurs, including the advancement of mental health services for youth (G1/S4)

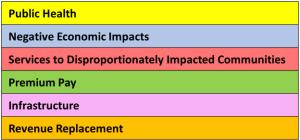


Crosswalk



Goal 2 - Enhance Economic Opportunities

- Retain workforce and foster growth of employers by investing in infrastructure (transportation and affordable housing) near employment centers (G2/S1)
- Identify barriers to retention and redevelopment focus on existing infrastructure and align economic opportunities with infrastructure investment (G2/S1)
- Collaborate with local, state and federal entities, as well as community partners, to create affordable housing and eliminate barriers to fair housing (G2/S2)
- Support tourism industry destination-enhancing product development and new signature events that support all Lake County amenities (G2/S3)
- Enhance standard of living by supporting economic development in underserved communities (G2/S3)



CrosswalkGoal 3 - Improve Infrastructure



- Provide County facilities to adequately meet long-term needs (G3/S1)
- Implement new cutting-edge technologies and business practices in the management of water and wastewater treatment facilities (G3/S3)
- Create and find new ways to protect and design flood-resilient infrastructure (G3/S3)
- Provide leadership, coordination and technical assistance to support in implementing recommendations of the Lake County Paratransit Market Analysis study (G3/S4)

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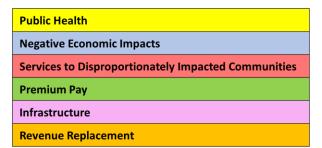
Revenue Replacement

Crosswalk





- Implement renewable and conservation-related energy technologies and incorporate environmentally sustainable County programs and services (G4/S1)
- Implement long-term solutions for increasing waste diversion, reducing the toxicity of our waste, and developing long-term disposal options (G4/S3)
- Develop a "One Water" Management strategy to holistically approach challenges throughout the entire water cycle (G4/S5)
- Develop programs to reduce overall water consumption by migrating from wells to Lake Michigan water sources (G4/S5)
- Improve the sanitary sewer system and reduce pollutants in all water sources by replacing aging infrastructure that collects and treats sanitary waste (G4/S5)



Crosswalk



Goal 5 - Build Healthy, Inclusive, Resilient Communities

- Improve policy, systems, and environmental design to promote improvement in health outcomes - social and environmental determinants of health (G5/S1)
- Expand access to behavioral health services in Lake County and reduce the stigma of behavioral health-related conditions (G5/S2)
- Evaluate gaps in meeting the needs of the homeless and those experiencing mental health conditions and recommend strategies for addressing gaps (G5/S2)

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Guidance



Maximize revenue reimbursement

Focus areas

Additional planning guidance

Next Steps



 Staff will continue to review and weigh community needs as well as availability of other funding options

Monitor for UST guidance changes and additions

 Based on guidance, County Administration will coordinate review of options for strategic investment and develop a draft Strategic Investment Plan for Board review and approval



Questions