



THE TREASURY DEPARTMENT

Clayton County American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA):
Seeking Citizen Input to Invest in Clayton County's Future



AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA) OVERVIEW

The American Rescue Plan provides approved in March 2021, provides **\$62 billion** in emergency funding for eligible state, local, territorial, and Tribal governments to respond to the COVID-19 emergency and bring back jobs.

Clayton County allocation is \$66 million

June 4, 2021 (\$33 million received)

One-time federal stimulus paid in two installments

Funds may cover cost from March 3, 2021- December 31, 2024

Funds must be *obligated* by December 31, 2024

Funds must be expended with *ALL WORK PERFORMED & COMPLETED* by December 31, 2026



AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA) OVERVIEW

Funding Objectives

- *Support urgent COVID-19 response* efforts to continue to decrease spread of the virus and bring the pandemic under control
- *Replace lost revenue* for eligible state, local, territorial, and Tribal governments to strengthen support for vital public services and help retain jobs
- *Support immediate economic stabilization for households and businesses*
- Address systemic *public health and economic challenges that have contributed to the unequal impact of the pandemic on certain populations*

Treasury has published an [Interim Final Rule](#) that implements the guidance of this program.

(Clayton County has participated in webinars offered by the Dept. of Treasury, NACo, NLC, and ACCG for guidance and technical assistance).



SAMPLE ALLOWABLE USES OF RECOVERY FUNDS, PER NEW U.S. TREASURY GUIDANCE



Support Public Health Response

Fund COVID-19 mitigation efforts, medical expenses, behavioral healthcare, and certain public health and safety staff



Address Negative Economic Impacts

Respond to economic harms to workers, families, small businesses, impacted industries, and the public sector



Replace Public Sector Revenue Loss

Use funds to provide government services to the extent of the reduction in revenue experienced due to the pandemic



Premium Pay for Essential Workers

Offer additional support to those who have and will bear the greatest health risks because of their service in critical infrastructure sectors



Water and Sewer Infrastructure

Make necessary investments to improve access to clean drinking water and invest in wastewater and stormwater infrastructure



Broadband Infrastructure

Make necessary investments to provide unserved or underserved locations with new or expanded broadband access





Chairman's Priority for Clayton County

ALLOWABLE USES OF RECOVERY FUNDS



Public Health Response



Broadband Infrastructure



Negative Economic Impact



Premium Pay for Essential Workers



Replace Loss Revenue



Water/Sewer Infrastructure





ALLOWABLE USES OF RECOVERY FUNDS That directly effect Clayton County Community



Public Health
Response



Negative Economic
Impact



Premium Pay for Essential
Workers

Formula to prioritize recommendations to the BOC

Interim rule - ineligible stakeholders Projects + chairman's priority= recommended projects





SUPPORT PUBLIC HEALTH RESPONSE

1

COVID-19 MITIGATION & CONTAINMENT

- Abroad range of **services and programming that are needed to contain COVID-19**

2

MEDICAL EXPENSES

- Provide care and services to address COVID-19 public health needs, risks presented by new variants and long-term effects of the virus

3

BEHAVIORAL HEALTHCARE

- New or enhanced state and local government **services that may be needed to meet mental health, substance use and other behavioral health needs**

4

PUBLIC HEALTH & SAFETY STAFF

- Responding to the public health and negative economic impacts COVID-19 that requires additional human resources





ADDRESS NEGATIVE ECONOMIC IMPACTS

1

ASSISTANCE TO HOUSEHOLDS

- Assistance to households and unemployed workers impacted due to COVID.
- Job training, food, housing, cash and other assistance to households (proportionate)
- Survivor's benefits for family members of COVID-19 victims

2

SMALL BUSINESS

- Loans and grants to mitigate financial hardship
- Loans, grants and in-kind assistance to implement COVID-19 prevention or mitigation tactics
- Technical assistance

3

PUBLIC SECTOR

- Rehire staff
- Replenish state unemployment insurance funds
- Administer economic relief programs

4

IMPACTED INDUSTRIES

- Tourism, travel and hospitality
- Other similarly affected sectors





PREMIUM PAY FOR ESSENTIAL EMPLOYEES

Fiscal Recovery Funds payments may be used by recipients to provide premium pay (\$13/per hour) to eligible workers performing essential work during the COVID-19 public health emergency or to provide grants to third-party employers with eligible workers performing essential work.

Eligible workers(essential employee) are defined as:

- *Workers needed to maintain continuity of operations of critical infrastructure sectors*
- *Any work performed by an employee of the state, local or tribal government*
- *Staff at nursing homes, hospitals, and home care settings*
- *Workers at farms, food production facilities, grocery stores, and restaurants*
- *Janitors and sanitation workers*
- *Truck drivers, transit staff, and warehouse workers*
- *Public health and safety staff*
- *Childcare workers, educators, and other school staff*
- *Social service and human services staff*

Essential work is defined as:

- *Work involving regular in-person interactions or regular physical handling of items that were also handled by others*

Essential work is NOT:

- *A worker who teleworked from a residence*

Other provisions related to premium pay:

- *Premium pay can be retroactive (Jan. 27, 2020)*
- *Recipients have discretion to designate additional sectors*
- *Additional reporting requirements in certain cases (grants to third-party employers)*
- *Counties should PRIORITIZE premium pay for low- and moderate income persons*





REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

Counties are required to submit an Interim Report, Quarterly Report, Quarterly Project & Expenditure Reports, and Annual Recovery Plan Performance Report. Office of Performance Management and Finance will collaborate to adhere to all reporting requirements.

Interim Report:

- *Due August 31, 2021*
- *Cover spending by category at the summary level from June 4, 2021-July 31, 2021*

Quarterly Project and Expenditure Reports:

- *Due October 31, 2021*
- *Cover spending which will include financial data, information on contracts and subawards over \$50,000 and other information regarding utilization of funds from June 4, 2021-September 30, 2021*

Recovery Plan Performance Reports:

- *Due August 31, 2021*
- *Cover spending which will include descriptions of projects funded and information on performance indicators and objectives of each award from June 4, 2021-July 31, 2021*

<https://relief.claytoncountyga.gov/american-rescue-plan-act/>

Treasury will provide additional guidance on report in the coming weeks





American Rescue Plan Requested Projects





American Rescue Plan Requested Projects

Clayton County Water Authority

Projects Requested:

- *Customer Debt Relief \$1,288,000*
- *Hardship Assistance \$216,000*
- *COVID-19 Cost \$637,183*
- *Liquid Lime Project \$1,700,000*
- *22 MGD Plant Upgrade \$10,000,000*
- *Back-up Generator Project \$7,200,000*
- *Pump Station Improvements \$ 5,100,000*
- *Life Station Rehabilitation \$1,200,000*
- *Ultraviolet Disinfection Project \$1,700,000*

Total Request \$29,041,183





American Rescue Plan Requested Projects

Tourism Authority

Projects Requested:

- *Static Billboard (7) \$111,800*
- *Digital Billboard (3) \$88,200*

Total Request \$200,000





American Rescue Plan Requested Projects

Medical Examiner

Projects Requested:

- *Medical Examiner Contract (3 years) \$4,350,000*

Total Request \$4,350,000





American Rescue Plan Requested Projects

Police Department

Projects Requested:

- *Police Social Worker \$88,464*
- *AED Devices in patrol cars (250 units) \$500,000*

Total Request \$588,464





American Rescue Plan Requested Projects

Clayton County Community Service Board

Projects Requested:

- *Budget Shortfall \$1,208,298*
- *Operating Revenues for BH Crisis Center \$10,391,859*
- *Expand MH, Substance Abuse Crisis \$1,500,000*
- *Premium Pay \$1,900,000*
- *Electronic Health Record System \$5,000,000*
- *Broadband Equipment \$167,415*
- *Hardship Assistance \$200,000*
- *COVID 19 Cost \$365,822*

Total Request \$20,733,394





American Rescue Plan Requested Projects

Southern Regional

Projects Requested:

- *Phase 1a (Stabilization plan for staff) \$4,395,000*
- *Phase 1b (Convert East Tower) \$4,300,000*
- *Phase 2a (Infrastructure Modernization and Optimization of Dedicated Pandemic Unit) \$4,800,000*
- *Phase 2b Upgrades and refurbishment of the Pandemic Unit, staffing of Pandemic Unit) \$4,300,000*

Total Request \$17,795,000



American Rescue Plan Requested Projects

Information Technology

Projects Requested:

- *Environmental Replacement \$550,000*
- *Expansion (Critical Servers) \$195,000*
- *Expansion (Department & User File Shares) \$35,000*
- *Enhanced Expansion (Critical Servers) \$375,000*
- *Server Load Balancers \$38,000*
- *Multi-factor Authentication Solution (5 years) \$560,000*
- *Security Event & Incident Monitoring (3-5 years) \$350,000*
- *Varonis Information Management (3 Years) \$330,000*
- *Network Reconfiguration \$135,000*

Total Request \$2,568,000



American Rescue Plan Requested Projects

Court Administration

Projects Requested:

- *Superior Court \$20,551.94*
- *State Court \$13,920.77*

Total Request \$34,472.71





American Rescue Plan Requested Projects

Fire / EMS / EMA

Projects Requested:

- *Public Health \$850,000*
- *Water/Sewer Infrastructure \$100,000*

Total Request \$950,000





American Rescue Plan Requested Projects

Human Resources

Projects Requested:

- *Premium Pay Options (requested department's top two options) \$25,900,000*

Total Request \$25,900,000





American Rescue Plan Requested Projects

Senior Service Center

Projects Requested:

- *Alzheimer's Service Center Deferred Maintenance \$365,000*
- *Additional Operating Expenses \$381,730*

Total Request \$746,730





American Rescue Plan Requested Projects

Community Development

Projects Requested:

- *Down Payment Assistance \$600,000*
- *Emergency Home Repair \$750,000*
- *Community Housing Development Organization \$4,500,000*

Total Request \$5,850,000





American Rescue Plan Requested Projects

Clayton County Housing Authority

Projects Requested:

- *Construction Cost for New Construction and Rehab \$5,637,600*
- *Investments in Housing and Neighborhoods \$6,579,600*

Total Request \$12,217,200





American Rescue Plan Requested Projects

Clayton County Chamber of Commerce

Projects Requested:

- *Small Business \$75,000*
- *Educational Disparities \$50,000*
- *Health Disparities \$25,000*

Total Request \$150,000





American Rescue Plan Requested Projects

Economic Development

Projects Requested:

- *Small Business Grants \$5,000,000*
- *Housing Development Partnership \$5,000,000*
- *Business Attraction Campaign \$200,000*
- *County Marketing \$250,000*
- *Non-profit HUB (purchase building) \$1,500,000*
- *Business Rescue Packet \$50,000*

Total Request \$12,000,000





American Rescue Plan Requested Projects

Development Authority

Projects Requested:

- *Job Training \$1,175,000*
- *Small Business Grant \$1,000,000*

Total Request \$2,175,000





ARAP PROJECT TIMELINE

- May 17, 2021: Community Stakeholders meeting with CFO providing an overview of ARAP Funding
- May 26, 2021: Project deadline from Community Stakeholders”
- June 4, 2021: **Clayton County received \$33 million**
- June 17, 2021: Community Stakeholders meeting (review of projects and funding request)
- June 22, 2021: Presentation to BOC (Work Session)
- July 2021: Two Public Information session will be scheduled (virtual and in-person, *after July 6*)
- July 13, 2021: Final project recommendations will be presented to BOC and allow public feedback
- July 20, 2022: Final projects approval at BOC meeting
- August 2021: Funding distribution





American Rescue Plan Requested Projects

Total Funds Requested to Date \$135,299,444

Total Award Amount \$66,847,995





American Rescue Plan Requested Projects

Please send additional questions to

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REMEMBER to take the online survey

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/ClaytonCovidFundsSurvey>

The survey will be available until **July 16, 2021**

