

# **American Rescue Plan Act Proposed Nonprofit Allocations**

**BOCC Meeting – December 12, 2022**



# Discussion

- ARPA Highlights
- RFP Recommendations
- Next Steps
- Board Discussion



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# Key Dates – Recap

**DECEMBER 31, 2024:** Funds must be *incurred* and obligated

**DECEMBER 31, 2026:** Funds must be *expended* to cover obligations and all work must be completed

[Overview for America's Counties: U.S. Treasury Interim Final Rule & Guidance For State And Local Fiscal Recovery Funds \(naco.org\)](#)

# American Rescue Plan Act Funding Categories



## 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

[Updated NACo Analysis: Overview of U.S. Treasury's Final Rule for ARPA Fiscal Recovery Fund](#)



## Guiding Principles Highlights Established in June 2021

- Prioritization given to funding projects that support the Board's strategic and capital plans and other assessments endorsed by the BOCC.
- Leverage ARPA funds from federal, state and local community to optimize overall allocation.
- Prioritization given to funding that addresses equity including health disparities, closing the achievement gap, infrastructure support to unincorporated areas and funding to support minority-owned businesses.
- Evaluate infrastructure needed to address compliance increased workloads resultant from COVID-19 in the human services, public safety and administrative operations.
- Establish framework for community discussions and input. Coordinate discussions with community partners when possible. Communications should include accommodation for non-English speaking and hard of hearing residents if needed to the extent possible in these sessions.
- County expenses that can be reimbursed through FEMA should be limited on ARPA dollars.
- Identify strategic one-time projects and/or a sustainability strategy for initiatives that require funding beyond one year.
- Establish rubric to evaluate and rank projects to ensure optimal and highest use of funds are achieved







### American Rescue Plan Framework



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<b>GOAL 1: COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT AND ENRICHMENT</b>	<b>\$ 26,000,000</b>
Objective 1.1: Education – Provide and support learning and enrichment opportunities that support educational achievement and life success	\$ 8,000,000
Objective 1.2: Workforce Development – Strengthen the workforce by supporting the provision of effective education, training and workforce supports, particularly for hard-to-employ groups	\$ 5,500,000
Objective 1.3: Family Success – Support and provide programs, services and systems which improve life skills and increase family success and prosperity	\$ 12,500,000
<b>GOAL 2: HEALTH AND WELL-BEING FOR ALL</b>	<b>\$ 12,550,000</b>
Objective 2.1: Healthy Lives – Increase the number of healthy years that residents live	\$ 11,450,000
Objective 2.3: Healthy Children and Youth – Support the optimal growth and development of children and youth	\$ 1,100,000
<b>GOAL 3: SAFE COMMUNITY</b>	<b>\$ 3,000,000</b>
Objective 3.3: Prevention Services – Reduce the number of people entering and involved with the criminal justice system	\$ 3,000,000
<b>GOAL 4: ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP AND COMMUNITY PROSPERITY</b>	<b>\$ 14,000,000</b>
Objective 4.2: Community Prosperity – Promote and support the community and economic vitality for all residents of Durham County	\$ 14,000,000
<b>GOAL 5: ACCOUNTABLE, EFFICIENT AND VISIONARY GOVERNMENT</b>	<b>\$ 6,895,275</b>
Objective 5.3: Sound Business Systems – Ensure sound fiscal, operational and technology systems	\$ 6,895,275
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 62,445,275</b>

# Durham County Process ARPA Process Highlights

- **BUDGET ALLOCATIONS**

- FY 2023 Budget Allocation FY (\$6.8 M)

- **FY 2023 REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS**

- Broadband Services – (Due February 2023)  
*(\$10 million set-aside for expanded broadband services)*
- Community Grants (\$10.4 Million)



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## **Durham County ARPA Community RFP's - \$10.4 Million**

- **Capacity Building and Technical Assistance for Child Care - \$1.6 Million**  
The County anticipates awarding up to two (2) proposals with up to \$800,000 over two years.
- **Expanding Access to Affordable Child Care - \$2 Million**  
The County anticipates awarding one (1) proposal with up to \$2 million over two years.
- **Improving Child and Family Social-Emotional and Mental Health (SEMH) - Children Ages 0-12 \$1.5 Million**  
The County anticipates awarding proposals between \$50,000 and \$300,00 over two years.
- **Improving Youth and Family Social-Emotional and Mental Health (SEMH) - Youth Ages 13-24 \$800,000**  
The County anticipates awarding proposals between \$50,000 and \$200,00 over two years.
- **Youth Enrichment and Recreational Activities - \$1.5 Million**  
The County anticipates awarding proposals between \$50,000 and \$250,00 over two years.
- **Capacity Building for Culturally-Affirming Maternal Health Support - \$1.5 Million**  
The County anticipates awarding proposals in the range of \$50,000-\$300,000 over two years.
- **Crime Intervention Initiatives - \$1.5 Million**  
The County anticipates awarding proposals between \$50,000 and \$250,00 over two years.



# ARPA Proposals Evaluation Process

- Applications were reviewed by Durham County staff including internal and external subject matter experts. Five groups evaluated 75 nonprofit applications, totaling over \$20.2 million in ARPA funding requests.
- A scoring system considered the approaches on how funding would be used including, organizational capacity, project complexity, equity, fiscal management capacity and project sustainability beyond ARPA funding availability.
- Contracts will be developed to begin as early as January 2023, with an end date of with a December 31, 2024
- The County will bolster infrastructure to support nonprofit entities to help ensure successful project completion and adherence to fiscal controls and reporting requirements, including coordinating the use of fiscal agents.



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# ARPA RFP Community Grant Recommendations



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Nonprofit	RFP	# of Proposals Requested	Requested Amount	Recommended	# of Proposals Funded	Average Funding Allocation per Category
Capacity Building and Technical Assistance for Child Care	\$1,600,000	2.00	\$1,565,868	\$1,050,000	2.00	\$ 525,000
Expanding Access to Affordable Child Care	\$2,000,000	2.00	\$2,026,950	\$2,050,000	2.00	\$ 1,025,000
Improving Child and Family Social-Emotional and Mental Health (SEMH) - Children Ages 0-12	\$1,500,000	16.00	\$3,520,240	\$1,683,315	10.00	\$ 168,332
Improving Youth and Family Social-Emotional and Mental Health (SEMH) - Youth Ages 13-24	\$800,000	18.00	\$5,038,869	\$1,175,740	10.00	\$ 117,574
Youth Enrichment and Recreational Activities	\$1,500,000	25.00	\$5,181,208	\$2,244,168	15.00	\$ 149,611
Capacity Building for Culturally-Affirming Maternal Health Support	\$1,500,000	7.00	\$1,879,916	\$1,499,916	6.00	\$ 249,986
Crime Intervention Initiatives	\$1,500,000	5.00	\$1,005,000	\$680,000	4.00	\$ 170,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$10,400,000</b>	<b>75.00</b>	<b>\$20,218,051</b>	<b>\$10,383,139</b>	<b>49.00</b>	

# RFP Category 1: Capacity Building and Technical Assistance for Child Care

Nonprofit	Recommended
Built2Last Innovations Lab, Inc.	\$250,000
Child Care Services Association - RFP Cat 1	\$800,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,050,000</b>

Selected organizations will provide technical assistance and capacity building services to licensed childcare sites and informal childcare providers seeking licensure. The entities will assist childcare sites with strengthening their business practices and recovery from the financial losses of the pandemic, providing financial assistance to sites to help them purchase materials and support their staff, and/or providing support and training to informal childcare providers interested in establishing licensed family childcare homes.

The funding will support family childcare homes, sites that provide infant/toddler care, and/or sites that care for children whose families work nontraditional hours.



## RFP Category 2: Expanding Access to Affordable Child Care

Nonprofit	Recommended	# Funded
Child Care Services Association	\$2,000,000	1.00
Families Moving Forward	\$50,000	1.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2,050,000</b>	<b>2.00</b>

The Request for Proposal sought providers that could expand access to affordable care for children 0-5 through financial assistance or scholarship funding. Selected agencies will support for families seeking infant/toddler care, families looking for work, and families whose income is too high to qualify for childcare subsidies but too low to afford market-rate care.

Selected organizations had to be existing providers of childcare-focused financial assistance or scholarship dollars.

# RFP Category 3: Improving Child and Family Social-Emotional and Mental Health - Children Ages 0-12

Projects will create and/or expand safe, culturally-affirming, and trauma-informed supports that contribute to the social-emotional and mental health of children and young people ages 0-12 and their families.

Organizations will focus on the promotion of social, emotional and mental health and positive childhood experiences, on strengthening protective factors that prevent adverse childhood experiences (ACEs), or on response to ACEs, including addressing substance abuse issues, support domestic violence survivors, and suicide prevention.

Nonprofit	Recommended	# Funded
Children's Home Society of North Carolina	\$250,000	1.00
Durham Public Schools Foundation	\$250,000	1.00
Durham's Partnership for Children	\$120,315	1.00
Exchange Family Center	\$250,000	1.00
Reach Out and Read - North Carolina	\$110,000	1.00
Refugee Community Partnership	\$250,000	1.00
The Young Men's Christian Association of the Triangle Area, Inc.	\$250,000	1.00
Triangle Area Parenting Support	\$80,000	1.00
Village of Wisdom	\$75,000	1.00
Voices Together	\$48,000	1.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,683,315</b>	<b>10.00</b>

# RFP Category 4: Improving Child and Family Social-Emotional and Mental Health - Children Ages 13-24

Projects will create and/or expand safe, culturally-affirming, and trauma-informed supports that contribute to the social-emotional and mental health of children and young people ages 13-24 and their families.

Organizations will focus on the promotion of social, emotional and mental health and positive childhood experiences, on strengthening protective factors that prevent adverse childhood experiences (ACEs), or on response to ACEs, including addressing substance abuse issues, support domestic violence survivors, and suicide prevention.

Nonprofit Organization	Recommended	# Funded
Durham Crisis Response Center	\$125,000	1
Durham Public Schools Foundation	\$100,000	1
El Futuro, Inc.	\$200,000	1
Emily K Center	\$100,000	1
Planned Parenthood South Atlantic	\$60,000	1
Student U	\$100,000	1
The Centre for Homeownership and Economic Development Inc.	\$150,000	1
The LGBTQ Center of Durham, Inc.	\$115,740	1
Triangle East 100 Black Men	\$75,000	1
Youth Mentoring Collaborative	\$150,000	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,175,740</b>	<b>10</b>

# RFP Category 5: Youth Initiatives and Enrichment Opportunities

Nonprofit name	Allocation	# Funded
Association for the Preservation of the Eno River Valley, Inc DBA Eno River Association	\$125,000	1
Bike Durham	\$175,000	1
Book Harvest	\$150,000	1
Bump the Triangle	\$150,000	1
City of Durham, Parks and Recreation Department	\$118,168	1
Durham Success Summit	\$86,000	1
Empower Dance Foundation	\$150,000	1
Kidznotes	\$150,000	1
Museum of Life and Science	\$125,000	1
North Carolina Arts in Action	\$165,000	1
Purpose Learning Lab	\$200,000	1
St. Joseph's Historic Foundation, Inc.	\$200,000	1
Student U	\$200,000	1
SwingPals, Inc.	\$200,000	1
World Relief Durham	\$50,000	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2,244,168</b>	<b>15</b>

Proposals will enhance the academic opportunities and general well-being for youth in Durham. Proposals will expand access and remove barriers to youth enrichment programs including afterschool and summer programming. Proposals focus on supporting the social, emotional, and academic needs of underserved students and students with disabilities.

The grant funding may strengthen current programming or expand a new program offering. Funds can support educational, art, recreational and/or sports activities.



## RFP Category 6: Capacity Building for Culturally- Affirming Maternal Health Support

Nonprofit Name	Recommended	#
Breastfeeding Family Friendly Communities, Breast Feed Durham	\$80,000	1
Center for Child & Family Health	\$280,000	1
Diaper Bank of North Carolina	\$280,000	1
MAAME, Inc.	\$280,000	1
Sankofa Birth and Women's Care (DBA Aya Community Wellness)	\$280,000	1
United Way of the Greater Triangle	\$299,916	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,499,916</b>	<b>6</b>

The funding will scale culturally-affirming supports for pregnancy and postpartum periods. Nationally and here in Durham County, maternal and infant morbidity and mortality rates are disproportionately higher for these groups.

Proposals will provide universal supports for maternal health. Selected entities may aid families including essential family supplies, full spectrum doula care, lactation support, group or individual peer support and education, and resource navigation.

## RFP Category 7: Crime Intervention Initiatives

Nonprofit name	Recommended	# Funded
Communities in Partnership	\$225,000	1.00
Durham Crisis Response Center	\$200,000	1.00
Durham County Teen Court and Restitution	\$30,000	1.00
Triangle Literacy Council	\$225,000	1.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$680,000</b>	<b>4.00</b>

Funding will address conflict resolution, violence prevention, domestic violence intervention, health and wellness, and critical time interventions. Providers will contribute to community safety and combat crime through culturally affirming support systems.

Projects will be targeted toward populations disproportionately impacted by the pandemic.



# Next Steps with ARPA Community Grant Award Process

- BOCC approves ARPA grant recommendations at the December 12<sup>th</sup> BOCC meeting.
- Upon approval, staff will communicate award levels to nonprofit entities and begin contract negotiations with nonprofit entities for services.
- Staff will recommend the Board's approval of contract(s) that assist with contract monitoring, additional infrastructure development and/or serve as a fiscal agent.



## Next Steps with ARPA Planning

- BOCC vote on ARPA grant recommendations at the December 12, 2022 meeting.
- Staff will continue to vet potential jointly funded ILAs with the City of Durham. Additional recommendations will occur in January and February.
- Updates on county department facilitated community initiatives and RFPs will occur at the January 2023 work session.
- Finalize remaining RFP categories by March 2023.





# Discussion



