

Nevada County

American Rescue Plan - Expenditure Plan Request for Direction from Board of Supervisors

County Executive Office April 27, 2021





American Rescue Plan (ARP) \$19.3 Million Expenditure Plan Process

Done:

- Outreach to County Departments to identify priority need for ARP dollars
- Reviewed ARP Expenditure Plan with Budget Subcommittee
- Today: Board Direction on ARP Expenditure Plan
- Next Steps:
 - Confirm eligible expenditures once Treasury Guidance is received
 - Leverage other grants and funding
 - Bring items to the Board for approval as needed



Background

- American Rescue Plan signed by President Biden on 3/11/2021
- \$1.9 Trillion coronavirus relief funding
- \$350B State and Local Aid; \$65.1B to Cities, \$65.1B to Counties
- Funding Estimates largely based on population:

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State of CA	Nevada County	Grass Valley		Nevada City
\$26.0B	\$19.3M	\$2.4M	\$3.1M	\$590k





ARP State & Local Aid Eligible Uses*

- Respond to or mitigate the COVID emergency or its negative economic impacts
- Cover costs incurred as a result of emergency
- Replace revenue that was lost, delayed, or decreased (based on revenue projections as of January 27, 2020 as a result of emergency)

*US Treasury to provide more detailed implementation guidance by late April/early May





Preliminary Funding Allocation

- \$19.3 Million Total County Allocation
 - 70% for COVID Related County Costs & Revenue Loss
 - 30% for Community & Economic Resiliency
- Two equal disbursements:
 - \$9.67M expected by June 1, 2021
 - \$9.67M expected on or after June 1, 2022
 - Funds must be spent by December 31, 2024







ARP Expenditure Plan Recommendation \$19.3M



	Recommended	
Funding Use by Category	ARP\$	ARP %
County Cost Recovery	\$9.7	50%
County Revenue Loss	\$3.9	20%
Community & Economic Resiliency	\$5.8	30%
Total	\$19.3	100%





County Cost Recovery (\$9.7M)

Expense Categories include:

- Support to Public Health Department
- Staffing, equipment/expenses to continue providing services with health and safety of staff and the public
- Infrastructure investment to support operations and buildings
- Increased support of mental health, nutrition, housing and homelessness as they intersect with the emergency response

We are monitoring these funding sources in order to maximize federal dollars to ensure there is no duplication of efforts or monies "left on the table" for the County's Covid-19 response.





Revenue Loss (\$3.9M)

Nevada County has experienced revenue loss as a result of the pandemic or in response to the COVID emergency.

Examples include:

- Waiver of Environmental Health & Code Compliance Fees/Penalties
- Lost gas tax revenue
- Federal Marshal revenue loss
- HHSA lost revenue related to administrative costs







Community & Economic Resiliency - \$5.8M

Up to \$2.5 M for Small Business Relief and Economic Recovery

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Community Benefit Grants Program (up to \$2M)	To support community-serving institutions and organizations with macro-grants up to \$100,000 like: • Family Resource Centers and agencies with programs for children and young people • Community Centers • Senior Centers / senior programs • Cultural Centers /Arts organizations
Resilience Fund (\$250k)	 To boost small business recovery: Revolving Loan Fund Low-interest loans (2%) Administered by Sierra Business Council
Nevada County Relief Fund (\$250k)	 To provide immediate relief for small businesses: Micro-grants up to \$5,000 Oversight by the Community Advisory Committee Administered by Sierra Business Council





Community & Economic Resiliency, con't

Up to \$2.5 M for Infrastructure Improvements for Economic Development aligned with Board Priorities

Nevada County Economic Recovery Funds

Use funds for grants or to leverage "match" or get "shovel-ready" for:

- Rural Broadband expansion
- Housing Development
- Wildfire Protection
- Water and Sewer
- And more...





Community & Economic Resiliency, con't

\$800k - \$1M for Visitor Safety at Outdoor Recreation Destinations

Nevada County
Outdoor Recreation and
Visitor Safety Funds

Enhance public safety and economic development by investing in Countywide river crossing and trailhead projects like:

- Restrooms
- Parking Lots
- Parking Enforcement and Safety Patrols
- ADA Access
- Call-Boxes and Satellite Phones
- Mile-Markers for Search & Rescue
- Signage and Interpretive Panels
- Public Education and Ambassadors
- Planning and Permitting
- Conservation
- And more...





Community & Economic Resiliency - \$5.8M

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Programs:		Next steps:
Community Benefit Grants Program	Up to \$2,000,000	Develop program criteria and application process and bring to the Board for approval
Resilience Fund (revolving loans)	\$250,000	Prepare loan agreement with Sierra Business Council and bring to the Board for approval
Nevada County Relief Fund	\$250,000	 Update MOU with Relief Fund partners (no Board action needed as already authorized) Revise program criteria and application process as needed
Nevada County Economic Recovery Funds (infrastructure)	Up to \$2,500,000	 Manage this like the Economic Development Infrastructure Assignment and bring to the Board for approval Leverage funds for "match" Use to increase "project readiness"
Nevada County Outdoor Recreation and Visitor Safety Funds	\$800,000 - \$1M	 Manage this like the Economic Development Infrastructure Assignment and bring to the Board for approval Develop program criteria and application process and bring to the Board for approval
Total:	\$5,800,000*	*Allocations to remain flexible in order to best support Board objectives









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