

American Rescue Plan: Example of Municipal Projects

Below is a non-exhaustive list of possible projects that should be eligible under ARP. The list is intended to provide towns and cities with examples and general guidance of potential projects. Each municipality will need to complete their own due diligence to ensure compliance with the Treasury rules on uses and reporting. While several of the examples have been aligned with a particular category, they may be relevant in multiple categories. As this is a guidance document, it should not be relied upon as a definitive source in your reporting requirements to substantiate compliance.

PUBLIC HEALTH

Public Health Response and Prevention	Vaccination incentives - gift cards for vaccination
<i>Reporting:</i> Provide what public health response or prevention will be addressed	Vaccination incentives - lottery entry for new Airpods
	Contact tracing software for public health dept/district
	Expenses for congregate living facilities, homeless shelters, group homes
	Upgrading HVAC in municipal congregate buildings
	Enhancements in lead remediation efforts
	Youth violence prevention programs
	Develop gun violence prevention strategies
	Updating local public health infrastructure and preservation (enhancement) of services. Including public health and building inspection updates to improve code compliance
	Crisis intervention teams
	Hiring social worker within PD and additional social service efforts

Payroll for Public Health and Safety Employees	Staffing to enhance contact tracing
<i>Reporting:</i> Provide the number of government employees impacted	Staffing vaccination sites
	Public benefits navigators to assist residents navigating state and federal programs

RESPONDING TO NEGATIVE IMPACTS

Household Assistance	Household support grant (available for those receiving less than 40% of the towns median income, receive up to \$2,500)
<i>Reporting:</i> Structure and objectives of the program; number of households/individuals served; approach	Assistance to seniors for virtual learning
	Provide supplemental resource for food purchases

to ensure funds are for those negatively impacted by COVID	Homeless sheltering
	Affordable housing incentives and rent support
	Financial grant to provide code compliance
	Purchase of property for shelter
	Expanded childcare with job training opportunities for parents.

Small Business Economic Assistance	Small business grant program
<i>Reporting:</i> Structure and objectives of the program; number of businesses served; approach to ensure funds are for businesses negatively impacted by COVID	Non-profit support and grants
	Property purchase to be leased to non-profits
	Development of property for retail, commercial and residential
	Provide counseling and job training (some may can be to support non-profit effort)
	Employ efforts to hire local artists negatively impacted by COVID
	Investments to improve small scale manufacturing
	Pandemic assistance to agriculture
	Pandemic assistance to manufacturing and industrial businesses

Economic Recovery	Renovate municipal buildings for arts center
<i>Reporting:</i> Determine harm, whether harm was caused by COVID, and how the funds will address the harm	Housing rehabilitation program
	Downtown revitalization
	Façade improvements
	Purchase and build outdoor pavilion for outdoor meeting space
	Equipment purchase for park that was overused
	Upgrades and new trails/parks that were overused during COVID
	Repairs to parks and playgrounds
	Investments in Habit for Humanity

Aid to Travel, Tourism, Hospitality and Others	Invest in events and attractions to increase tourism
<i>Reporting:</i> Provide rational for providing aid and noting the type of sector and purpose	Enhancements to community branding and marketing
	Assistance to hospitality businesses
	Pop up art and artisan markets

Rehiring Public Sector Staff	Hiring of seasonal support
<i>Reporting:</i> Number of employees hired	Rehiring staff

Education Assistance	New or expanded early learning services
<i>Reporting:</i> Providing school designation and purpose of funds	Enhanced tutoring, summer programs, after school and other extended learning to allow students to "catch-up" from the time away during the COVID shutdown.
	Mental health services for students/youth

REVENUE REPLACEMENT

Revenue Replacement	Purchase body cameras
<i>Reporting:</i> Provide calculation based on formula; explanation of how funds were allocate	Improve security and accessibility to municipal buildings
	DPW equipment purchases
	Updates to municipal buildings
	Update emergency radio system
	EV Charging stations
	Purchasing of private roads
	Investment in E-Government solutions
	Regional system for public records
	Comprehensive downtown study
	Regional economic development initiatives

INFRASTRUCTURE

Water and Sewer	Drainage improvements to roadways
<i>Reporting:</i> Details regarding EPA compliance of CWSRF or DWSRF	Improving water and septic at recreation park
	Update sewer and drainage lines
	Stormwater improvements to meet MS4 requirements
	Emergency power generator for sewage plant
	Green infrastructure
	Expand sewer and water for affordable housing

Broadband	Broadband buildout in downtown
<i>Reporting:</i> Speed; technology deployed; miles of fiber and cost, households and/or businesses served	Expand broadband to new affordable housing