

# American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Overview and Update #7

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BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS STUDY SESSION

October 16, 2023



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# Purpose

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- Background
- Key updates, requests, and “go/no go” projects
- Questions regarding other status updates
- Next steps



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# Background

# County Process

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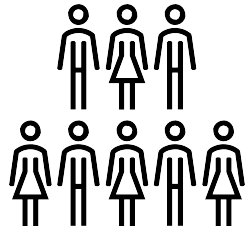
- Updated County's COVID-19 Response and Recovery Plan.
- Established clear goals and objectives.
- Held 14 stakeholder meetings to help guide investments.
- Identified planning assumptions:
  - Adopt the maximum amount of federally-defined revenue loss calculation available to the County to provide the Board flexibility to address general government concerns
  - Ensure County-related programs/priorities are first to be funded by ARPA dollars
  - Establish criteria to evaluate internal and third-party funding requests
  - Align with recovery plan objectives and considerations
  - Align allocations with stakeholder feedback
  - All investments are within eligibility criteria defined by U.S. Treasury
- Quarterly Board progress updates



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# Investment Areas

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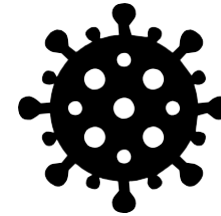
Vulnerable  
Populations



Business  
Support



Physical  
Health



COVID-19  
Response



County  
Operations



Housing/  
Homelessness



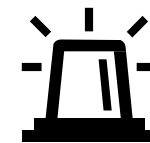
Water/Sewer



Mental  
Health



Education



Emergency  
Preparedness



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# ARPA Overview

## Allocations to Date

Investment Area	Allocation	Investment Area	Allocation
Revenue Loss	\$42,700,000	COVID-19 Response	\$578,224
Vulnerable Populations	\$8,885,200	Education	\$11,000,000
Business Support	\$7,925,430	Mental & Physical Health	\$7,662,060
Housing/Homelessness	\$26,260,000	Emergency Preparedness	\$254,432
County Operations	\$9,350,420	Water/Sewer	\$6,464,684
Total Allocated	\$121,184,287		
Total Unallocated	\$6,350,623		
Total Spent to Date	\$80,629,857		



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# Revenue Loss Funds

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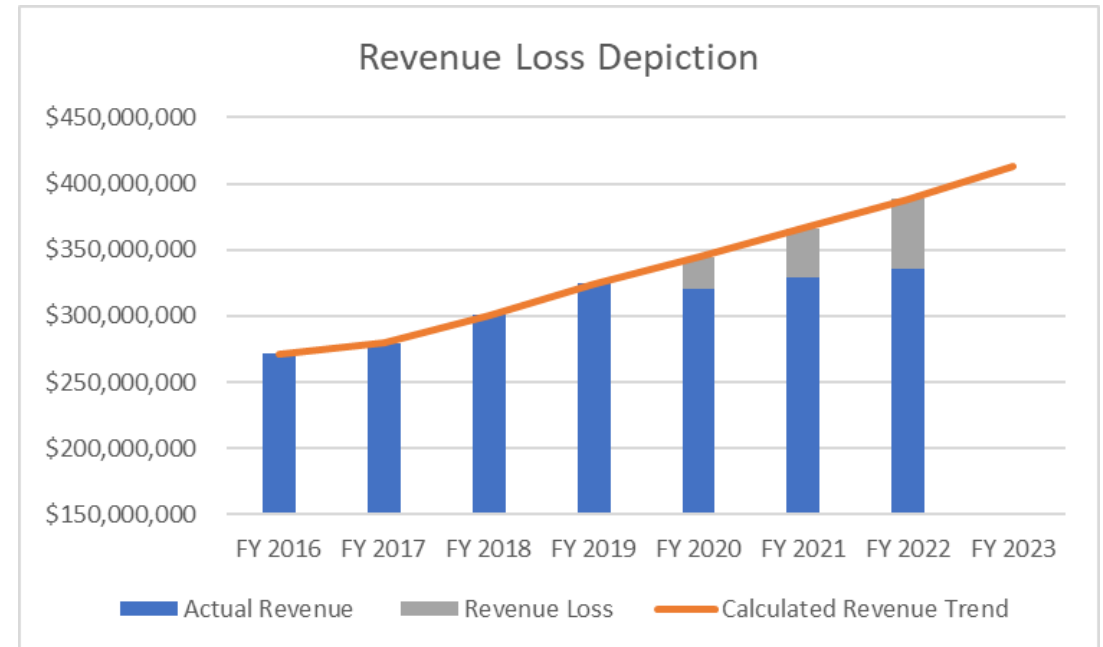
- ARPA recipients can use funds on government services up to the calculated revenue loss amount.
- It is the most flexible eligible use category.
- Government services includes any service traditionally provided unless Treasury has stated otherwise.
- Specific prohibitions/restrictions on use:
  - Offset a reduction in net tax revenue enacted after March 3, 2021
  - Deposits into pension funds
  - Debt service or replenishing financial reserves
  - Settlements or judgments
  - Any use that conflicts or contravenes the purpose of ARPA



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# Revenue Loss Funds

- One goal of ARPA is to replace revenue lost during COVID-19.
- Treasury provided calculation for determining lost revenue.
  - Revenue trend three years prior to pandemic
  - Difference between estimate and actuals
- Revenue loss calculations:
  - FY20: \$24.8 million
  - FY21: \$37.4 million
  - FY22: \$53.4 million
  - TOTAL to Date: \$115.6 million



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# Revenue Loss/General Govt. Allocations

Project	Allocation	Project	Allocation
Detention Center Improvements	\$30,000,000	Fiber Master Plan*	\$400,000
Judicial District Transition	\$2,500,000	Facility Space Study	\$200,000
Deferred Capital*	\$5,000,000	IT Public Health Hardware*	\$131,756
Warehouse Generator*	\$500,000	Public Health Transition	\$2,900,000
Coroner Microscope*	\$16,320	Employee Gas Stipend	\$275,000
Fiber Network*	\$345,500	SMFR Wellness Clinic	\$254,432
<b>Total General Government Allocations</b>			<b>\$42,523,008</b>

\*Represents items that were funded as part of the FY 2023 budget process.



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# Unallocated Funds for the 2024 Budget

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- Due to the current fiscal constraints of the County, the Executive Budget Committee (EBC) is currently requesting that \$6.0 million of the total \$6.35 million in unallocated ARPA funding be allocated to revenue loss/general government expenses for 2024
- The \$6.0 million will be used to fund projects in the Capital Improvement Program (CIP) as well as the Iliff Avenue Corridor project additional costs of \$3.8 million.
- This request:
  - Conforms with the philosophy of using one-time revenue for one-time expenses
  - Lessens the burden on the General Fund balance for transfers for these items



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# Key Updates, Requests, and “Go/No Go” Projects

# K-12 Mental Health Updates

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## **By The Numbers**

- Of the 9 school districts, 7 have been responsive and have agreements completed.
- Deer Trail and Bennett School Districts have been unresponsive after numerous communication attempts from staff.
- Recommending reallocation of Deer Trail and Bennett's funding (\$43,051.00 in total) to revenue loss

## **Aurora Public Schools Reallocation**

- APS have determined that the ESS Mental Health Project, initially funded for \$573,303, will only cost \$350,000.
- Informing the Board that APS is allocating the difference of \$223,303 from ESS to their Restorative Practices project to put towards more training.

## **Sheridan School District Reallocation**

- SSD are shifting a portion of their mental health funding to greater needs.
- Informing the Board that SSD is using \$10,000 of the \$28,942 allocated for mental health supplies to put towards the Mental Health Counselor position for training and the implementation of calming spaces in all schools.



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# Gateway Domestic Violence – “Go/ No Go”

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## **Project Timeline and Funding**

- Fund raising is stalled due to inability to secure land
- Deadline to obligate funds—December 31, 2024
- Deadline to expend funds and complete work—December 31, 2026
  
- Potential to shift \$1.5M authorized by BoCC to Revenue Loss in order for Gateway to purchase land
- Gateway has identified multiple potential funders
- Significant need in the community—last quarter turned away over 200 people



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# SAFER Project

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## **Land Purchase Progress Update**

- Mental Health Colorado, and the SAFER project, do not yet have a set location for land purchase
- LOI submitted for current hotel, price increased
- The program is continuing to explore several viable options, with a plan to quickly act on a purchase
- Committed to having an offer or an amended plan for program funding by January



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# Tri-Cities Navigation Center Update

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## Update

- Littleton issued an RFP to select a vendor for the navigation center
- The team selected Bridge House/Ready to Work as the vendor
- The navigation center will be located at Ready to Work's west side location and will include emergency shelter beds
- The County is currently working with Ready to Work to finalize the use of ARPA funding



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# For Reference: Status Updates

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ALLOCATIONS TO DATE



# Status Updates

## Terminology

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- **Removed:** Project removed or cancelled following BOCC approval
- **Finalizing Details:** Tentatively approved by BOCC, gathering additional information
- **Agreement Pending:** BOCC approved, but waiting on other parties to finalize agreement (if agreement is needed)
- **Agreement Completed:** BOCC approved, agreement completed, waiting to begin work (if agreement is needed)
- **In Progress:** BOCC approved, agreement completed (if needed), actively in progress
- **Complete:** Funds expended and final billing complete

*Projects with a ^ represent funds that will be charged to revenue loss funds despite their funding allocation bucket.*



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# Vulnerable Populations: \$8,885,200

#	Project	Allocation	January '23 Status	April '23 Status	July '23 Status	October '23 Status
1	GOALS	\$1,200,000	In Progress	In Progress	Complete	Complete
2	Family Resource Pavilion	\$0	In Progress	In Progress	Terminated	Terminated
4	Food Assistance	\$2,700,000	In Progress	In Progress	In Progress	In Progress
106	Eastern Food Box Program	\$300,000	In Progress	In Progress	Complete	Complete
3	Temporary Caseworkers	\$899,000	In Progress	In Progress	In Progress	In Progress
5	VEC Vaccine Incentive	\$1,000,000	In Progress	In Progress	In Progress	In Progress
6	VEC Low Wage Worker Fund	\$250,000	In Progress	In Progress	Complete	Complete
42	Pretrial Fee Support^	\$375,000	In Progress	In Progress	Complete	Complete
131	Gateway Domestic Violence	\$1,500,000	Finalizing Details	In Progress	In Progress	In Progress



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# Vulnerable Populations: \$8,885,200 (cont.)

#	Project	Allocation	January '23 Status	April '23 Status	July '23 Status	October '23 Status
134	Senior Transportation Services Program Match	\$75,000	In Progress	In Progress	In Progress	In Progress
135	FFN Childcare Collaborative	\$16,200	Agreement Pending	In Progress	In Progress	In Progress
137	VSO Temporary Position	\$570,000	N/A	N/A	N/A	In Progress



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# Business Support: \$7,925,430

#	Project	Allocation	January '23 Status	April '23 Status	July '23 Status	October '23 Status
36	Commercial Rent Rescue	\$4,477,930	Complete	Complete	Complete	Complete
37	SBDC Small Business Support	\$141,000	In Progress	In Progress/ Agreement Complete/Complete	Agreement Completed	In Progress
38	Retrain Arapahoe	\$2,500,000	In Progress	In Progress	In Progress	In Progress
40	Business Services Staff Time	\$800,000	In Progress	In Progress	In Progress	In Progress
39	AwardForce Software Renewal	\$6,500	Complete	Complete	Complete	Complete



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# Homelessness/Housing: \$26,260,000

#	Project	Allocation	January '23 Status	April '23 Status	July '23 Status	October '23 Status
33	Homeless Program Administrator	\$260,000	In Progress	In Progress	In Progress	In Progress
24	CLS Eviction Pilot Program	\$1,500,000	In Progress	In Progress	In Progress	In Progress
30	Affordable Housing Grants	\$10,000,000	Agreement Pending	Agreement Pending/Agreement Completed/Complete	Agreement Pending/Agreement Completed/Complete	Agreements complete
34	Supportive Housing (Justice-Involved)	\$3,000,000	Agreement Complete	Agreement Complete	Agreement Complete	Complete
31	Ready to Work (Western County)	\$1,000,000	Agreement Complete	Complete	Complete	Complete
32	Tri-Cities Navigation Center	\$300,000	Agreement Complete	Finalizing Details	Finalizing Details	Finalizing Details



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# Homelessness/Housing: \$26,260,000 (Cont.)

#	Project	Allocation	January '23 Status	April '23 Status	July '23 Status	October '23 Status
35	Aurora Shelter/Safe Housing Options	\$5,000,000	Finalizing Details	Finalizing Details	Finalizing Details	Finalizing Details
104	Ridge View Campus	\$2,000,000	Finalizing Details	Finalizing Details	Finalizing Details	Finalizing Details
122	SAFER Transitional Housing	\$2,000,000	Finalizing Details	Finalizing Details	Finalizing Details	Finalizing Details
136	Housing/Family Navigators	\$1,200,000	N/A	N/A	N/A	In Progress



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# Mental Health: \$6,072,060

#	Project	Allocation	January '23 Status	April '23 Status	July '23 Status	October '23 Status
18	AllHealth Colorado Spirit Program	\$488,060	In Progress	In Progress	In Progress	In Progress
20	Aurora Mental Health Potomac Safety Net Campus	\$5,000,000	In Progress	In Progress	In Progress	In Progress
23	Aurora Mental Health Suicide Prevention	\$104,000	In Progress	In Progress	In Progress	In Progress
43	Expansion of Pretrial Mental Health Programs	\$480,000	In Progress	In Progress	In Progress	In Progress
44	Detention Center Diversion Pilot	-	Removed	Removed	Removed	Removed



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# Water/Sewer: \$6,464,684

#	Project	Allocation	January '23 Status	April '23 Status	July '23 Status	October '23 Status
97	Countywide Water Availability Study	\$300,000	In Progress	In Progress	In Progress	In Progress
74	Byers Water System Improvements	\$1,257,000	Agreement Pending	Agreement Pending	Agreement Pending	Agreement Pending
75	Redundancy Line	\$500,000	Agreement Pending	Agreement Pending	Agreement Pending	Agreement Completed
77	Treatment Plant	\$800,000	Agreement Pending	Agreement Pending	Agreement Pending	Agreement Pending
76	Local Connections	\$200,000	Agreement Pending	Agreement Pending	Agreement Pending	Agreement Pending
119	Inverness Drive Inlets^	\$300,000	In Progress	In Progress	In Progress	In Progress
98	Stormwater – Culvert Replacements^	\$1,064,884	In Progress	In Progress	In Progress	In Progress

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# Water/Sewer: \$6,464,684 (cont.)

#	Project	Allocation	January '23 Status	April '23 Status	July '23 Status	October '23 Status
124	ACWWA – Lift Station (VCC)	\$500,000	Agreement Pending	Agreement Completed	Agreement Completed	In Progress
125	ACWWA – Lift Station (Peoria)	\$500,000	Agreement Pending	Agreement Pending	Agreement Pending	Agreement Completed
126	ACWWA – Alluvial Wells	\$500,000	Agreement Pending	Agreement Pending	Agreement Pending	Agreement Pending
127	ACWWA – Critical Valve	\$100,000	Agreement Pending	Agreement Pending	Agreement Pending	Complete/Awaiting Signature
132	Walker Reservoir	\$229,600	Agreement Pending	Agreement Pending	Agreement Pending	Complete/Awaiting Signature
133	Cherry Creek Water Conveyance	\$213,200	Agreement Pending	Agreement Pending	Agreement Pending	Complete/Awaiting Signature



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# Physical Health: \$1,590,000

#	Project	Allocation	January '23 Status	April '23 Status	July '23 Status	October '23 Status
29	STRIDE Community Health Center	\$1,590,000	In Progress	In Progress	In Progress	In Progress



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# Emergency Preparedness: \$254,432

#	Project	Allocation	January '23 Status	April '23 Status	July '23 Status	October '23 Status
128	SMFR Onsite Wellness Clinic^	\$254,432	Finalizing Details	Finalizing Details	Finalizing Details	Agreement Completed

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# Education: \$11,000,000

#	Project	Allocation	January '23 Status	April '23 Status	July '23 Status	October '23 Status
17	ACC Health Innovation Simulation Center	\$3,500,000	In Progress	In Progress	In Progress	In Progress
120	CCA Center for STEM, Power Mechanics & Sustainable Energy	\$3,500,000	In Progress	In Progress	In Progress	In Progress
28	K-12 Grant Program	\$4,000,000	In Progress/ Agreements Pending	In Progress/ Agreements Pending	In Progress	In Progress



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# County Operations: \$9,454,257

#	Project	Allocation	January '23 Status	April '23 Status	July '23 Status	October '23 Status
12	Detention Center Food/Laundry Service	\$300,000	In Progress	In Progress	Complete	Complete
46	Temporary HR Staffing	\$568,000	In Progress	In Progress	In Progress	In Progress
45	Temporary FD Staffing	\$340,000	In Progress	In Progress	In Progress	In Progress
48	DA Temporary Staffing	\$1,358,000	In Progress	In Progress	In Progress	In Progress
111	COVID-19 Communications	\$1,600,000	In Progress	In Progress	Complete	Complete
112	Facility Improvements	\$850,000	In Progress	In Progress	Complete	Complete
114	Facility Cleaning	\$200,000	Complete	In Progress	Complete	Complete



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# County Operations: \$9,454,257 (cont.)

#	Project	Allocation	January '23 Status	April '23 Status	July '23 Status	October '23 Status
115 / 117	Leaves/Other Needs	\$103,937	Complete	Complete	Complete	Complete
54	Updated Postmortem Imaging Equipment	\$475,000	In Progress	Complete	Complete	Complete
105	Employee Premium Pay	\$3,515,831	Complete	Complete	Complete	Complete



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# Next Steps/Process/Timeline

- **January 2024:** ARPA Update #8 (Finalize "go/no go" determinations and additional funding allocations)



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# Questions?

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# Thank you!

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