

AMERICAN RECOVERY PLAN ACT (ARPA)

Public Hearing

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*Town of
Union*



The Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds provide a substantial infusion of resources to help turn the tide on the pandemic, address its economic fallout, and lay the foundation for a strong and equitable recovery.

Town of Union Final ARPA Funding Allocation: \$30,477,638.00

Traunch (Payment) 1: \$15,238,819.00 Received 6/28/2021

Traunch (Payment) 2: \$15,238,819.00 To be Requested in Future

Funds must be obligated or encumbered by December 31, 2024.

All funds must be spent by December 31, 2026, which provides recipients a reasonable amount of time to complete projects funded with Fiscal Recovery Funds.

<https://home.treasury.gov/policy-issues/coronavirus/assistance-for-state-local-and-tribal-governments/state-and-local-fiscal-recovery-funds>

Revenue Loss

- A portion of the funds goes to covering the lost revenue from 2020-2021 due to the pandemic.
- The remaining funds are then eligible for use based on pre-defined ARPA categories.
- While, the revenue loss does provide for greater flexibility in spending, the Town is using it as an opportunity to tackle some key priorities that may not have been funded otherwise.

\$30M

Total ARPA Local
Recovery Fund

\$1M Revenue Loss
(2020-2021)

\$29M Other
ARPA Categories

Other ARPA Categories

The US Treasury has defined how the funds can be used.

PUBLIC HEALTH

NEGATIVELY IMPACTED
COMMUNITIES & INDUSTRIES

DISPROPORTIONATELY
IMPACTED COMMUNITIES

PREMIUM PAY FOR
ESSENTIAL EMPLOYEES

INFRASTRUCTURE



Other ARPA Categories

Public Health:

- Vaccination, Testing, Contact Tracing
- Prevention in Congregate Settings
- Facilities Repairs to Respond to COVID
- Communication, Enforcement, Isolation, Quarantine
- Payroll Costs of Public Sector Responding to COVID
- Mental Health & Substance Abuse
- Other Public Health Services



Other ARPA Categories

Negatively Impacted Communities & Industries:

- Household Assistance
 - Food, Rent, Mortgage, Utility Assistance
- Job Training
- Small Business Economic Assistance
- Aid to Tourism
- Other Economic Support
- Rehire Public Sector Staff
- Internet access or digital literacy assistance



Other ARPA Categories

Disproportionately Impacted Communities:

- Education Assistance
- Healthy Childhood Environments
- Housing Support
- Social Determinates of Health
- Community Violence Interventions



Other ARPA Categories

Premium Pay for Essential Employees:

- Both private and public sector employees



Other ARPA Categories

Infrastructure:

- Wastewater
- Stormwater
- Drinking Water
- Broadband



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American Rescue Plan (ARPA)

Activity/Project Priority Considerations



1. Would the Town spend money on the activity or project if ARPA funds were not available?
2. Is it an activity or project that the Town would typically undertake through the annual budget process or capital plan?
3. Does the activity or project provide a return that reduces operational spending?
4. Does the project create opportunity to expand the Town's tax base or make the Town more attractive for future development?
5. Is there a regulatory or compliance issue that is addressed through the expenditure of ARPA funds?
6. Does the activity or project acknowledge that ARPA funds are one-time investments and should be spent in such a way to avoid recurring costs?
7. To the extent practicable, does the expenditure of ARPA funds for an activity or project achieve long-lasting benefits and results?
8. Does the activity or project promote long-term fiscal and environmental sustainability?
9. Can the activity or project be completed within the expenditure deadline requirements of ARPA?



Town of Union – Proposed American Rescue Plan (ARPA) Uses – Prioritized by Town Board

*Project eligibility subject to change based upon Final Rule issued by US Treasury Department

*Category allocations subject to change based upon actual bid amounts/change orders

*As needed, allocations can be reclassified between categories

Public Works - \$15,000,000

- ☐ Sewer Improvements
 - ☐ Pump Station Improvements
 - ☐ Backup Generators
 - ☐ Inflow & Infiltration Remediation
 - ☐ SSO Consent Order Remediation
- ☐ Water Service Improvements
 - ☐ Pipe Upgrades
- ☐ Storm Water Improvements
 - ☐ Pump Station Improvements
 - ☐ Backup Generators
 - ☐ Pipe Upgrades

Addressing Impacts of Climate Change - \$6,000,000

- ☐ Town Hall Storm Water Control
- ☐ Creek Bank Stabilization
- ☐ Solar Panel Installation/Town Buildings

Economic Development - \$1,000,000

- ☐ Kick Start Entrepreneurial Grant Program
- ☐ Small Business Sustainability Program
- ☐ Project Specific Infrastructure Improvements
- ☐ Reimagine Union Demolition & Site Prep

Town of Union – Proposed American Rescue Plan (ARPA) Uses – Prioritized by Town Board



Affordable Housing Support - \$750,000 – TBD

Regional Cooperation Projects - \$5,000,000

- ☐ Oakdale Mall Infrastructure
- ☐ IBM Country Club Demolition
- ☐ Washington Ave District Improvements
- ☐ Lester Ave Developments

Mitigating COVID-19 Impacts - \$200,000

- ☐ Town Facility Upgrades
- ☐ Cybersecurity Upgrades

Broadband Access - \$27,638

- ☐ Highland Park Internet Upgrades

Other Administrative & Contingencies - \$1,000,000



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THANK YOU!

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