



American Rescue Plan (ARP)

ARP Funding Objectives

- **Support urgent COVID-19 response efforts** to continue to decrease spread of the virus and bring the pandemic under control.
- **Replace lost public sector revenue** to strengthen support for vital public services and help retain jobs.
- **Support immediate economic stabilization** for households and businesses.
- **Address systemic public health and economic challenges** that have contributed to the unequal impact of the pandemic.





Martin County's Allocation

Martin County will receive:

- \$31,272,363
- \$15,636,181.50 over 2 years

Is eligible to apply for grants supporting:

- Airport
- CRA
- Libraries
- Parks
- Public Works



Eligible Uses of ARP Funds



Support Public Health Response

Mitigation expenses and behavioral healthcare mitigation programs

Replace Public Sector Revenue Loss

Provide government services to the extent of the reduction in revenue experienced due to the pandemic

Water and Sewer Infrastructure

Make necessary investments to improve access to clean drinking water and invest in wastewater and stormwater infrastructure

Address Negative Economic Impacts

Respond to economic harms to workers, families, small businesses, impacted industries and the public sector

Premium Pay for Essential Workers

Offer additional support to those who have and will bear the greatest risks because of their service in critical infrastructure sectors

Broadband Infrastructure

Make necessary investments to provide unserved or underserved locations with new or expanded broadband access

Suggested Programs

Tourism/Business Assistance

- \$2.6MM (\$1.3 MM/yr.)
- Managed by the Martin County Office of Tourism & Marketing
 - Support businesses that were and still are adversely affected by COVID-19 Pandemic
 - Market Martin County as a tourist destination, similar to CARES I

Economic Development Assistance

- \$3.5 MM (\$1.75 MM/yr.)
- Managed by Administration
 - Microloan program
 - Workforce training center
 - Design marine trade route and infrastructure hardening project
 - Implement suggestions from COVID-19 impact study



Suggested Programs

Library Assistance

- \$750K (\$375K/yr.)
- Managed by Library
 - Assist with building at-home libraries
 - Increase virtual programming for all ages
 - Homebound delivery

Broadband

- \$1MM (\$500K/yr.)
- Managed by IT and Admin
 - Enhance Wi-Fi at county-owned facilities
 - Provide staff and technical assistance for grant applications

Food and Sundries Assistance

- \$3.2 MM (1.6MM/yr.)
- Managed by Admin
 - Assist organizations providing food to MC residents
 - Similar program to CARES I

Mental Health Programs

- \$2.5MM (1.25MM/yr.)
- Managed by Admin and HS
 - Provide program funding to address the mental health of Martin County residents impacted by COVID-19
 - Competitive Grant Process



Suggested Programs



Nonprofit Operations

- \$1.25MM (\$625K/yr.)
- Managed by Admin
- Similar program to CARES I

Nonprofit Programming

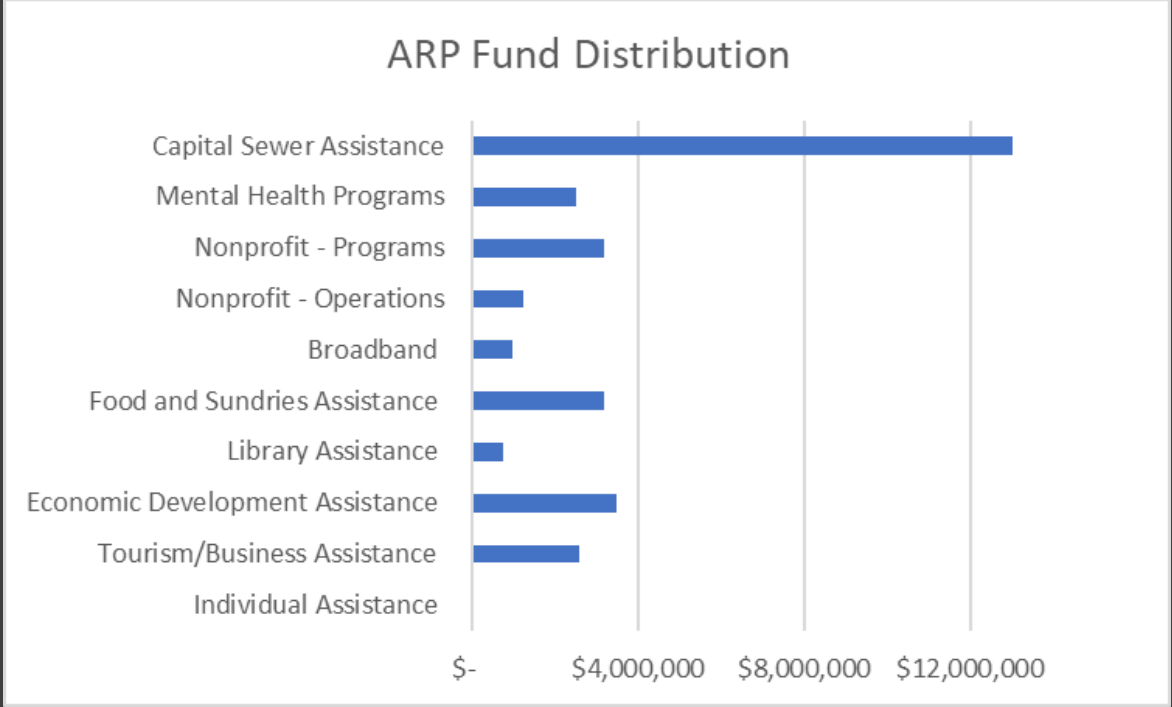
- \$3.2MM (\$1.6MM/yr.)
- Managed by Admin with United Way and other partners
 - Grant program to pay for programming that will assist populations that have been adversely affected by COVID-19
 - Workforce development
 - Competitive Grant Process

Capital Sewer/ Stormwater Assistance

- \$13MM (\$6.5MM/yr.)
- Managed by Admin and Utilities
 - To assist and expedite septic to sewer conversion projects
 - To assist and expedite previously committed sewer projects
 - Implement Stormwater and Water Quality Projects

Capital Projects
59%

Programs
41%



Staff Recommended Actions

Items seeking approval today

Move that the BCC authorize the expenditure of ARP funds for Tourism/Business Assistance per the attached plan that has been previously approved by the Tourist Development Council.

- ***\$2.6MM***

Move that the BCC authorize the expenditure of ARP funds for Library Assistance Programs.

- ***\$750,000***

Move that the Board authorize the expenditure of ARP funds for the Food and Sundries Assistance Program.

- ***\$3.2MM***



Staff Recommended Actions

Items seeking approval today

Move that the Board authorize the expenditure of ARP funds for the Nonprofit – Operations Assistance Program.

- ***\$1.25MM***

Move that the Board authorize the expenditure of ARP funds for the Nonprofit – Programs Assistance Program.

- ***\$2.5MM***

Move that the Board authorize the expenditure of ARP funds for the Mental Health Assistance Program.

- ***\$2.5MM***



Staff Recommended Actions

Items seeking approval and will return to the BCC for further guidance

Move that the BCC authorize staff to set aside ARP funds for future Economic Development Assistance Programs.

- ***\$3.5 MM***

Move that the BCC authorize staff to set aside ARP funds for future Broadband Projects.

- ***\$1.0MM***

Move that the Board authorize the expenditure of ARP funds for the Capital Sewer/Stormwater Assistance Program.

- ***\$13MM***

