

American Rescue Plan Act

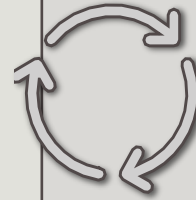
Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds

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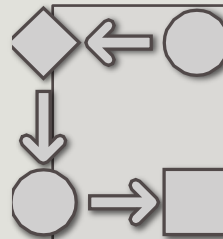
Desired Outcomes



Board receives updated information about the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLFRF)



Board receives update on use of local ARPA funding and recommendation for increase in Broadband funding



Board receives update on additional State and Federal funding and its potential impact locally



Board discussion: Additional ARPA funding for Broadband

Background

May 11, 2021, \$21.2M in federal ARPA CSLFRF monies allocated to the County to be deposited in two tranches

May 21, 2021, the first tranche of funding, \$10.6M was received

June 16, 2021, the Board approved an update to the County's ARPA SLFRF implementation framework integrating funding into the FY23-FY27 budget process

July 7, 2021, the Board appropriated \$21.2M in ARPA SLFRF

August 4, 2021, the Board approved including a portion of ARPA SLFRF funding into the FY 23 Agency Budget Review Team (ABRT) Agency funding process

Framework approved by the Board on June 16, 2021



~\$4M Economic Vitality

- Human Services
- Economic Activity/Business Support



~\$3M Broadband

- Funding to the Albemarle Broadband Authority (ABBA)
- For Projects within the ARPA SLFRF Guidelines



~\$14.2M Budget Process

- FY23 - FY27
- Funding from the Reduction of Revenue Calculation + second tranche of funding
- ARPA added to ABRT process

Agenda



Local Funding To Date



State and Federal Funding
Update



Broadband Recommendation



Board Feedback

Local ARPA SLFRF Funding

Programming Updates

- **\$0.8M** Funding for Emergency Assistance
 - Extending United Way program previously funded by CARES CRF
 - Provides support for rent and mortgage payments as well as utilities (gas, electric, water)
- Staff and County Executive's Office meeting to discuss immediate need programs:
 - Strategic planning around State and Federal programming
- ARPA SLFRF integrated into the ABRT for FY23

Structure to support programming:

- Grant supported resources for compliance, reporting, and procurement

HB 7001 The Budget Bill

- 2021 Special Session II
- Waiting on many of the programs to release how they will be administered

Human Services

- **\$120M** for utility assistance
- **\$862M** to the Unemployment Trust Fund
- **\$25.6M** for food access
- **\$2.5M** to the Virginia State Bar for legal aid funding for legal representation in eviction cases
- Additional funding for Mental Health, Substance Abuse, Public Health

Economic Development

- **\$250M** Rebuild VA program
- **\$4M** to support the Virginia Main Street Program
- **\$50M** to the Virginia Tourism Authority

State ARPA Funding Opportunities

Broadband

- **\$0.5M** to the Department of General Services for legal and real estate transaction support
- **\$479M** for Virginia Telecommunications Initiative grant making process
- **\$8M** for the Line Extension Customer Assistance

Infrastructure

- **\$5.75M** to provide improvement funds for well and septic systems for homeowners at or below 200 percent of the federal poverty guidelines
- **\$75M** for septic, straight pipe, and sewer collection system repair, replacement, and upgrades
- **\$50M** to support equal access to drinking water

State ARPA Funding Opportunities

Housing Update

- \$20M in HUD grants for eviction prevention services
- \$2M HOME-ARP (coming to Thomas Jefferson Regional Home Consortium)

Tourism Opportunities

- U.S. Economic Development Administration
 - Competitive Tourism Grants
 - \$500M Good Jobs Challenge

Additional
Federal
Opportunities

Board's Discussion and Approval of Staff Recommendation on Local ARPA Funding

Staff Recommendation - Broadband

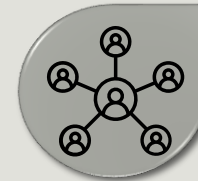
\$700M Virginia Telecommunication Initiative (VATI)

- \$479M sourced from the State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund
- \$221M sourced from the Capital Project Fund



Recommend an additional \$1.5M ARPA SLFRF To ABBA

- Support for Regional VATI application with Firefly in September
- Firefly completed analysis for universal coverage after the first \$3.0 M, noting the need for the \$4.5M match to be competitive



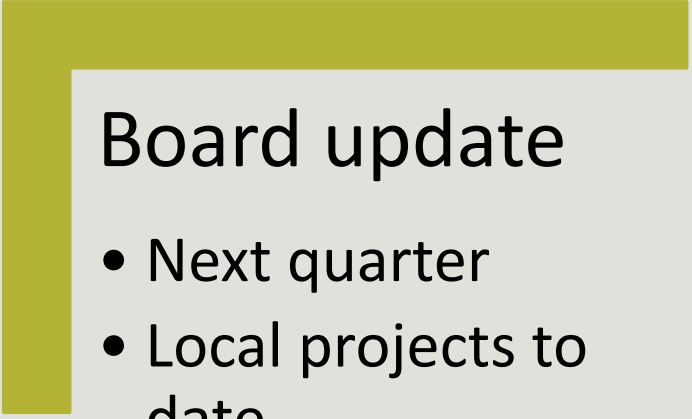
VATI Awards are expected in January 2022

- Award would support goal of County Universal Broadband Coverage

Next Steps



ABBA \$1.5M
ARPA SLFRF
Appropriation
September 1



Board update

- Next quarter
- Local projects to date
- State Funding