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American Rescue Plan

Background & Overview



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Background

- 2021-2022: The City received ARP allocation of \$167M in two tranches
- 2022: Following initial allocations for immediate needs, Mayor and Council came to “Global Agreement” on use of funds
- 2022-2023: ARP funds were then budgeted in project-specific accounts in accordance with Global Agreement, either separately or as part of the larger budget process
 - 100% of ARP funds have now been budgeted, and work is underway for all 47 projects



Roles & Responsibilities

- ARP Team Responsibilities
 - Assisting project managers in fulfilling data and project tracking requirements
 - Conducting bi-annual check-ins with each project
 - Synthesizing data and narrative information to meet reporting requirements
 - Managing report submission in U.S. Treasury portal
 - Maintaining documentation and audit preparation
 - Managing budget amendments in alignment with Mayor-Council decisions and technical adjustments to meet ARP requirements
- Department Project Manager Responsibilities
 - Implementing ARP-funded projects
 - Tracking outputs and outcomes
 - Reporting spending and obligations
 - Answering ARP-specific narrative and quantitative questions



American Rescue Plan Act Requirements

- Eligible Uses:
 - To respond to the public health emergency or its negative economic impacts;
 - To respond to workers performing essential work during the COVID-19 public health emergency by providing premium pay to eligible workers;
 - For the provision of government services to the extent of the reduction in revenue due to the COVID–19 public health emergency; and
 - To make necessary investments in water, sewer, or broadband infrastructure
- Funds must be obligated by end of 2024, spent by end of 2026
- Quarterly and annual reporting
 - Annual reports available: www.stpaul.gov/american-rescue-plan



City ARP Priority Areas



Neighborhood
Safety



Housing



Works
Progress



Modernization
of City
Services



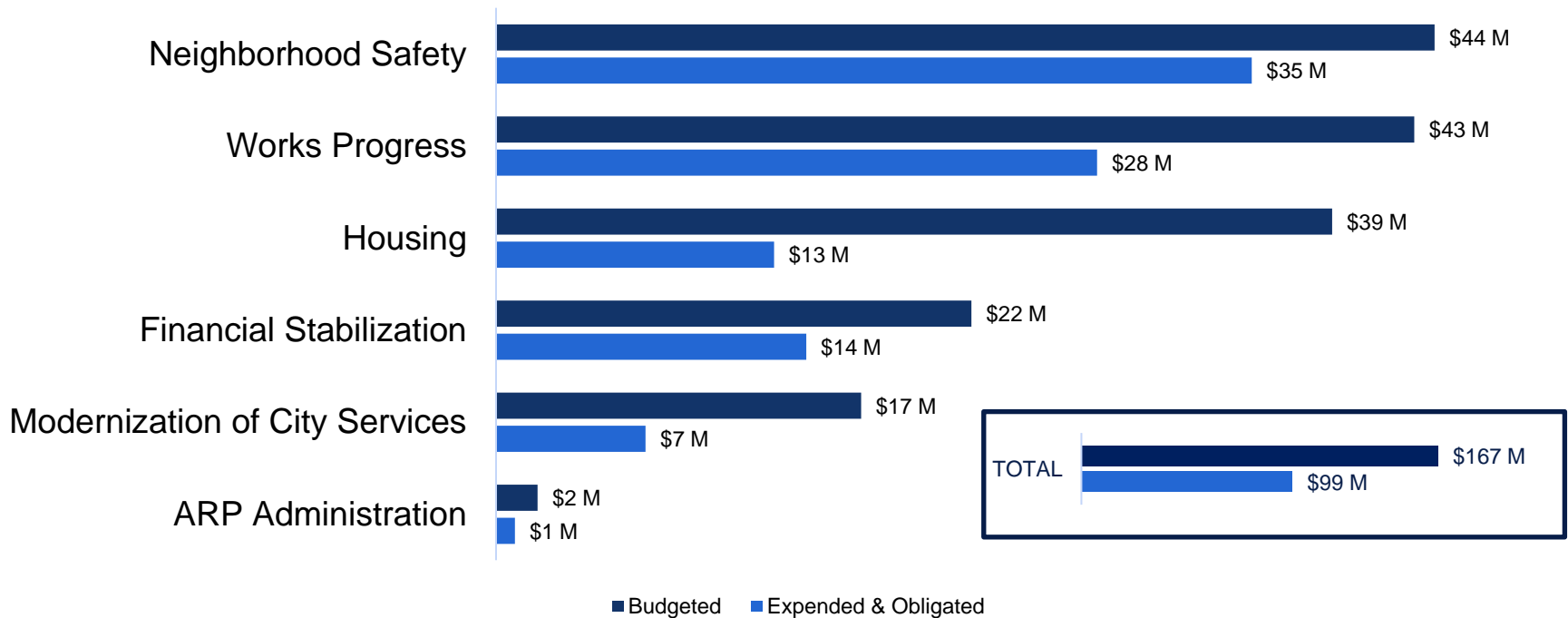
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ARP Funds Expended and Budgeted by City Priority Area



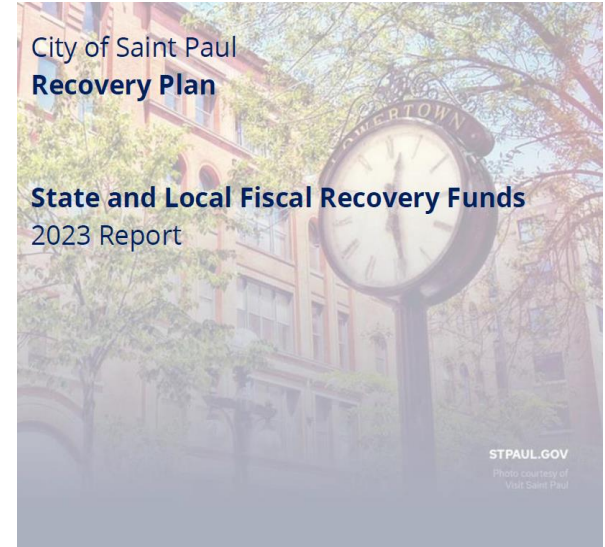
**Data as of 3/6/2024



Annual Recovery Plan Performance Report

Requirement: provide the public and Treasury retrospective and prospective information on the projects undertaken or planned with program funding and how the City will ensure program outcomes are achieved in an effective, efficient, and equitable manner.

- Uses of Funds: p. 2
- Promoting Equitable Outcomes: p. 8
- Community Engagement: p. 11
- Use of Evidence: p. 14
- Project Inventory: p. 16-71





Neighborhood Safety: \$44 M

Key outcomes:

Enhanced capacity of public safety systems, improved connectivity and supports, and public designed for safety in support of continuing to develop a more coordinated, comprehensive, and data-driven public safety system.

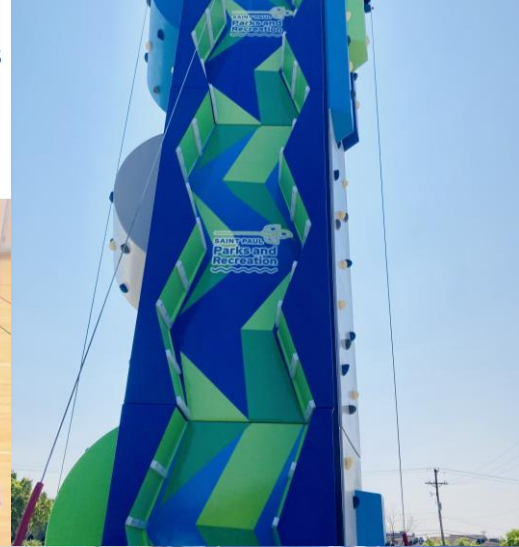
Project	Budget
CITY PAYROLL	\$ 30,137,692
CAO CRIMINAL BACKLOG	\$ 2,723,958
COPS GRANT MATCH	\$ 2,000,000
POLICE ATTRITION REDUCTION	\$ 1,771,441
LIBRARY OPTIMAL RESPONSE	\$ 1,500,000
PARKS RECREATION EXPANSION	\$ 1,500,000
TRAFFIC PED SAFETY	\$ 1,000,000
POLICE PATROLS ENFORCEMENT	\$ 975,000
ARP FRF DOWNTOWN PUBLIC SAFETY	\$ 647,843
FIRE RECRUITMENT EXAM	\$ 460,000
OXFORD COMMUNITY CENTER STAFFING	\$ 429,454
DSI UNSHELTERED RESPONSE	\$ 311,843
ARP FRF SPIP DOMESTIC ABUSE PREVENTION	\$ 250,000
PUBLIC WORKS PAINTER	\$ 33,557
FIRE EMS SUPERVISOR	\$ 5,611



Youth basketball in St. Paul sees nearly 40 percent registration increase, city to waive fees for kids 9 to 18

Project Highlight: Parks and Recreation Expansion (\$1.5M)

- Provides funding for the expansion of several Parks and Recreation initiatives:
 - Expansion of recreation center hours
 - Subsidies for fee-free sports
 - Summer Swarm technology truck
 - Replacement climbing wall
 - Recreation in Motion program
 - Expansion of the City's tech lab program





Works Progress: \$43 M

Key outcomes:

People of all ages, backgrounds, and skills can access, secure, and maintain stable employment opportunities with living wages, professional development opportunities, and career pathways.

Project	Budget
WATER LEAD PIPE REPLACEMENT	\$ 16,000,000
EARN AND LEARN MODELS	\$ 12,300,000
TOURISM RECOVERY SUPPORT	\$ 4,500,000
GUARANTEED INCOME	\$ 4,000,000
OFE LOCAL FUND	\$ 2,500,000
ARP FRF RIGHT TRACK	\$ 2,075,000
MEDICAL DEBT RELIEF	\$ 1,100,000
DSI CUSTOMER SERVICE	\$ 181,000
DSI SAC FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE	\$ 150,000



BREAKING THE NEWS

St. Paul's Lead Free campaign offers lead pipe replacement free of charge

The city is using federal money to speed up removal of lead service lines at no cost to homeowners.



Project Highlight: Lead Service Line Replacement (\$16M)

- ARP dollars support the replacement of 1,087 private lead service lines and 250 public lead service lines.
 - 567 private lead service lines have been replaced
 - 198 public lead service lines have been replaced

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Housing: \$39 M

Key Outcomes:

Units of affordable and deeply affordable housing are constructed and renovated; fair and equitable housing practices are promoted at all ends of the continuum.

Project	Budget
AFFORDABLE HOUSING	\$ 37,966,023
PED HEALTHY HOMES SAINT PAUL	\$ 1,000,000



Project Highlight: 30% AMI Deeply Affordable Housing (\$37.9M)

The \$37.9M 30% AMI Deeply Affordable Housing Project is designed to expand the supply of housing in Saint Paul for extremely low-income residents making less than 30% of Saint Paul Area Median Income (AMI).

- Twelve22 Apartments
- 176 Robert
- Phalen Village
- Ashland Apartments
- Farwell Yards
- Treehouse Senior Housing
- Marshall Avenue Housing

Three additional developments expected**

LOCAL

Former casket factory on St. Paul's University Avenue gets new life as affordable housing

The century-old building was built as a factory and showroom for the St. Paul Casket Co. It now contains 55 apartments available to people making less than the area median income.

By Greta Kaul (<https://www.startribune.com/greta-kaul/11139597/>) Star Tribune |

MARCH 19, 2024 — 9:07PM

For years, Fiona Eustathiades has driven past the striking building on St. Paul's University Avenue with the clock tower, wishing she had several million dollars to turn it into low-income housing.

Soon, she'll live there. Eustathiades, 65, got the keys to her sunny one-bedroom apartment with high ceilings and big windows in February. She is in the process of moving in as she looks to downsize to an affordable place as she plans for retirement from working with people with developmental disabilities. As a bonus, the apartment is a short walk from her job and is near where her mother, whom she cares for, lives.

When she and her mom — both fans of old houses — toured the apartment, "we walked into the apartment and were like, 'Whoa, this is nice,'" she said. "You don't get





Financial Stabilization: \$22 M

Key Outcomes:

Reduced revenues caused by the pandemic are replaced; targeted investments support the City's continued ability to maintain short-term and long-term financial, economic, and enterprise stability in support of the ongoing services, supports, and resources that residents rely on.

Project	Budget
PW BUDGET STABILIZATION	\$ 8,527,382
PARKS RESTORATION	\$ 3,638,809
POLICE ACADEMY PILOT	\$ 2,070,000
PARKING FUND STABILIZATION	\$ 2,000,000
GRANT MATCHING	\$ 1,822,954
RIVERCENTRE RAMP	\$ 1,700,000
LIBRARY RESTORATION	\$ 1,277,956
RECOGNITION PAY	\$ 661,183
DSI LICENSE SERVICES	\$ 340,299
POLICE LECPA	\$ 124,014



Project Highlight: Parks & Library Staff Restoration

The City devoted ARP funds to the restoration of positions within both the Parks and Library department

- Parks department restored 24.93 FTEs and expanded staff hours for recreation centers and aquatics facilities.
- Library department restored 12.5 FTEs and increased both visitor and circulation counts.





Modernization of City Services: \$17 M

Key Outcomes:

Vital City services are updated, enhanced, or expanded to increase the city's ability to provide quality public services safely and efficiently to constituents.

Project	Budget
ASSET MANAGEMENT SYSTEM	\$ 5,000,000
EM RADIO REPLACEMENT	\$ 3,666,586
REMOTE VIRTUAL INSPECTIONS	\$ 2,707,145
CITY COUNCIL OFFICE REDESIGN	\$ 1,944,000
ELECTRONIC PAYMENTS	\$ 1,445,000
SMART LIBRARY TRANSFORMATION	\$ 1,250,000
ROUTE OPTIMIZATION	\$ 900,000
REMOTE VIRTUAL INSPECTIONS FEMA MATCH	\$ 92,855
COUNCIL TECHNOLOGY	\$ 9,682

Administration: \$2 M

Key Outcome:

Federal funds are managed in accordance with federal guidelines.

Project	Budget
ARP ADMINISTRATION	\$ 1,945,338



Program Highlight: Asset Management System

Through this project the City is seeking proposals from a qualified vendor or vendors for the procurement and implementation of an Enterprise Asset Management Software system (EAMS), which includes software project management implementation services, training, and technical support. ARP funds support the purchase and implementation of a software solution that accomplishes the following:

- Continual growth of enterprise asset management best practice
- Promotes resiliency, sustainability, and equity in City operations and services
- Streamlines customer service requests and work order processes
- Enhances mobile functionality
- Strengthens financial planning capabilities





Looking Ahead

- ARP team works with Project Managers to ensure ARP spending and obligation deadlines are met.
- For projects with internal costs, ARP team proposes technical change to ensure timely spending.
- All ARP funds are fully obligated by 12/31/2024
- All ARP funds are fully spent by 12/31/2026

Citywide Grants Division



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Citywide Grants Division

- Welcome new Grants Director Lindsay Bacher!
- Division goals
 - Managing and protecting current grant resources
 - Grant planning, prospecting, and revenue generation
 - Facilitating inter-departmental coordination around grants management



Resources

- [City ARP Website](#)
 - [Annual Recovery Plan Report](#)
- [ARP Project Tracking Spreadsheet](#)
- [US Department of Treasury SLFRF website](#)
 - [ARP Final Rule](#)
 - [ARP Final Rule Overview](#)
 - [ARP Final Rule FAQs](#)
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Questions?

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