

American Rescue Plan Presentation to City Council Organizational Committee: August 9, 2023

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Agenda

- Review ARP Annual Recovery Performance Report
 - Report Requirements
 - City ARP funds budgeted and spent
 - Promoting equitable outcomes
 - Community engagement
 - Use of evidence
 - Project Inventory key highlights
- Project Updates
 - Healthy Homes
 - $\circ \quad \text{LOCAL Fund} \quad$
 - SAC Fee Financial Assistance
- RES 23-1159
 - Technical, net neutral budget amendment



Report Requirements

- July 31: Annual Report and Quarterly Report
 - Annual report: stpaul.gov/american-rescue-plan
 - Quarterly expenditure data reported to U.S. Treasury Department
- Department Project Manager Responsibilities:
 - Tracking outputs and outcomes
 - Reporting spending and obligations
 - Answering ARP-specific narrative and quantitative questions
 - Responding to use of evidence and populations impacted
- ARP Team Responsibilities
 - Assisting project managers in fulfilling data and project tracking requirements
 - Synthesizing data and narrative information into report
 - Managing report submission in U.S. Treasury portal
 - Documentation and audit preparation





ARP Funds Allocated by City Priority Area



**Data as of 2023 Annual Recovery Plan Report



ARP Funds Expended by City Priority Area





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.

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





Promoting Equitable Outcomes

Requirement: describe efforts to promote equitable outcomes, including project goals, outreach, access, outcomes, and implementation.

CollegeBound Boost Guaranteed Basic Income

- Provides program materials in six languages
- Option to complete forms over the phone for those without internet access
- Participants who required additional assistance to complete forms were given the option to meet with a staff member in person
- Interpretation services made available
- 24% of enrollment appointments were conducted in a language other than English



CollegeBound Boost Guaranteed Income recipients supported by SLFRF, mapped against Qualified Census Tracts.



Community Engagement

Describe how your jurisdiction's use of funds incorporates community engagement strategies

DSI Unsheltered Response

- Weekly community meetings with outreach partners
- Provided trainings to private building security staff
- Held regular educational meetings with community members

Fire Recruitment Exam

- Staff conducted information sessions to provide job opportunities to the community
- Conducted outreach to schools and community organizations to assist in the recruitment of women, veterans, and people of color

Library Optimal Response

- Community survey regarding library safety that is available in 5 languages
- Tabling events and focus groups for in-person feedback





Use of Evidence

Describe whether and how evidence-based interventions and/or program evaluation are incorporated into ARP-funded projects

30% AMI Deeply Affordable Housing

• Draws on evidence-based practices such as "Housing First" which is listed as "proven effective" in Minnesota Management and Budget's Results First Inventory

Project PEACE

• Draws on the Crime Prevention through Environmental Design program, an evidence-based Community Violence Intervention model recognized by the U.S. Department of Justice

<u>Right Track</u>

• Recently highlighted in the Results for America evidence dashboard for its use of evidence-based practices related to youth employment

Guaranteed Basic Income

• Conducting rigorous program evaluation in partnership with the University of Michigan School of Social Work





Project Inventory

Provide a description of each project undertaken, including progress toward goals

Parks Recreation Expansion (p. 44):

- 10% increase in building hours at 5 locations has resulted in 200% increase in building use at those locations
- Increases in sport participation include:





Project Inventory

<u>Downtown Alliance Ambassador Program</u> (pg. 18)

- Street Team Ambassadors served primarily as custodial service with secondary role as public information resource
 - 48,040 individuals contacted
 - 812 individuals referred
 - 67,159 trash pickups made
 - 287 trash barrels emptied
 - 7,979 businesses contacted





Project Inventory

Criminal Division Backlog (p. 21)

- 5.1 prosecutor FTEs hired
- 1 FTE Victim Witness Coordinator hired
- Case backlog has decreased from 3,000 to 500 cases over the course of the project 83% reduction

Police Law Enforcement Career Path Academy (LECPA) (p. 33)

- 17 participants were engaged
 - 16/17 were BIPOC and/or identified as female
 - 10/17 had not completed any college prior to starting the program
 - As of June 30, 2023, 18 former LECPA participants are current SPPD officers; 13/18 speak a language in addition to English

Lead Service Line Replacement (p. 64)

- 567 private lead service lines have been replaced
- 198 public lead service lines have been replaced



Project Updates

- Healthy Homes Pre-Weatherization Program
 - RFP in development, plan to post in next few weeks
- LOCAL Fund, Worker and Community Ownership Program
 - $\circ \quad \mathsf{Two}\,\mathsf{RFPs}\,\mathsf{in}\,\mathsf{final}\,\mathsf{development}$
 - Worker Ownership RFP posted, applications due Sept. 1
 - Plan to post Community Ownership RFP in next few weeks
- SAC Fee Financial Assistance
 - Application period opened, City reviewing applications



RES 23-1159

- Technical, net neutral budget amendment
- Shifts funds within projects to align budget with spending
- Shifts funds between projects for administrative costs for ease of reporting
- Does not change approved purpose for spending

City of Saint Paul



Questions?

https://www.stpaul.gov/american-rescue-plan