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American Rescue Plan

Presentation to City Council Organizational Committee:
March 15, 2023

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Overview of ARP Guidance

- Use of the ARP State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLFRF) is directed by the 437-page “Final Rule,” the “Reporting and Compliance Guidance,” the “Final Rule FAQs,” and the “Final Rule Overview.”
- There are 83 eligible expenditure categories, divided among the following priority areas:
 - Public Health
 - Negative Economic Impacts
 - Public Health – Negative Economic Impact: Public Sector Capacity
 - Premium Pay
 - Infrastructure
 - Revenue Replacement
 - Administrative
- This guidance is supplemented by the 2 CFR 200, which governs the use of Federal Funds, as well as additional federal guidance for specific expenditure areas, such as Lead Service Line Replacement



ARP Team

Office of Financial Services

- Jade Fessler: Grants Specialist
- Carol Gronfor: Grants Compliance Supervisor
- Laura Logsdon: Program Administrator
- Terri Spencer: Accountant V
- Maia Wahlberg: Management Assistant III

City Attorney's Office

- Debra Newell: Senior Attorney
- Siobhan Tolar: Senior Attorney



ARP Team Responsibilities

- Intake process
- Project development assistance and guidance
- ARP-related budget amendments
- Quarterly and Annual reports to Treasury
- Ongoing guidance for Project Managers
- Semiannual project check-ins
- Monitoring
- Maintaining public-facing ARP website and internal SharePoint site as resource for project managers

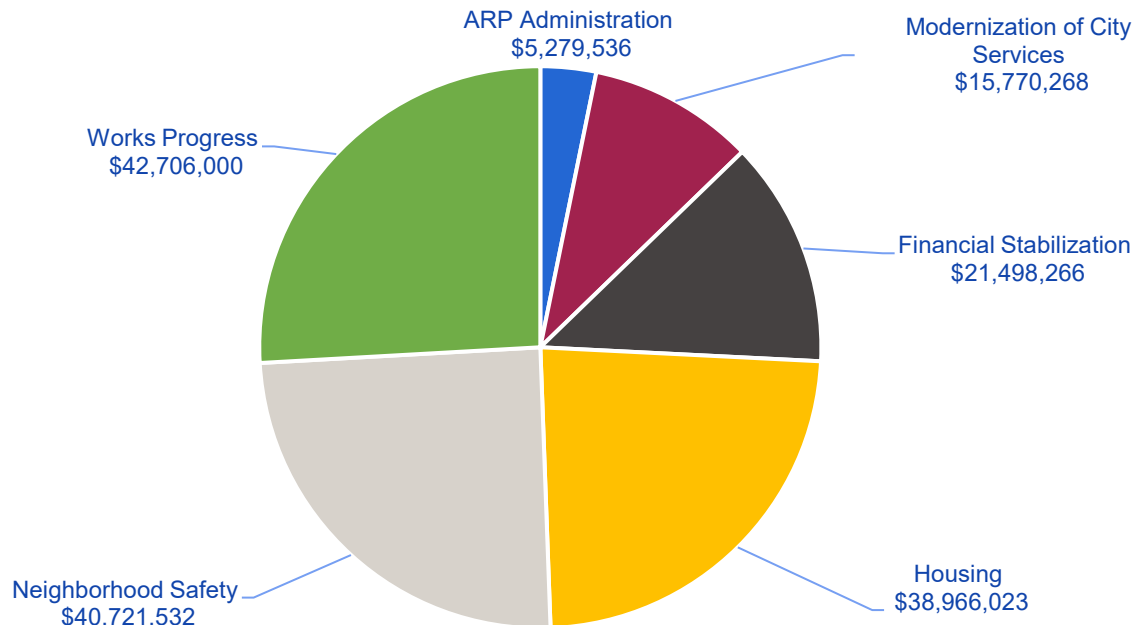


ARP Team updates

- No findings in 2021 Audit process
- 52 ARP-funded projects currently reported to Treasury
- Development of robust processes to protect City



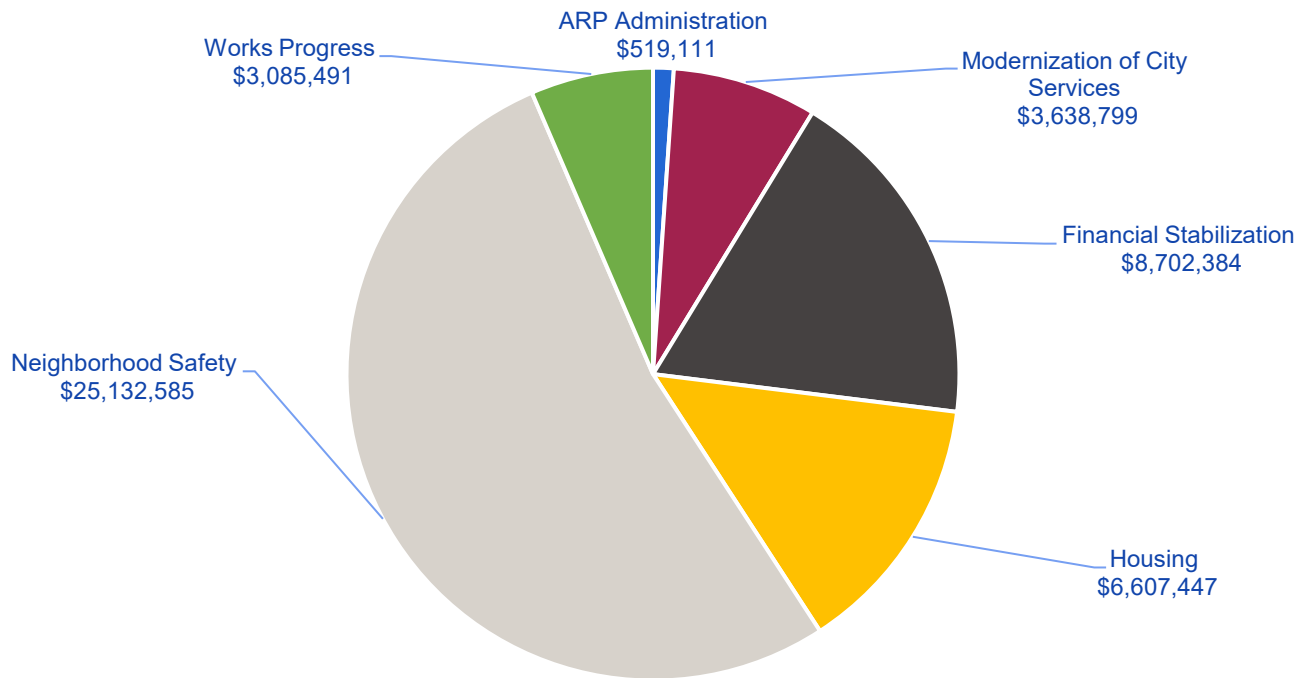
ARP Funds Budgeted by City Priority Area



**Data as of 2022 Q4 Quarterly Expenditure Report



ARP Funds Expended by City Priority Area



**Data as of 2022 Q4 Quarterly Expenditure Report



Project Highlight

Project: 30% AMI Affordable Housing

- Budget: \$37.5 million
- Ramsey County also allocated \$37 million of its ARP funding to support deeply affordable housing investments
- Goal to create housing units affordable at 30% area median income



30% AMI ARPA - Solicitation #1

Request for Proposals open March 31, 2022 to April 21, 2022

Goal: Facilitate the production of affordable multifamily rental housing with 30% AMI units closing in 2022.

Funding: Funds must be used for production of 30% AMI units

Eligible Projects:

- Anticipated closing date by end of 2022.
- New construction, multi-family rental projects with 4 units or more.
- At least 10% of the units at 30% AMI or below.
- At least 40% of the units at 60% AMI or below.
- Affordability term of at least 30 years.

Selection Outcome: 5 projects selected to move forward



30% AMI ARPA - Solicitation #2

Request for Proposals open October 27, 2022 to November 30, 2022

Goal: Increase supply of 30% AMI housing, with a focus on permanent supportive housing

Funding: Funds must be used for production of 30% AMI units.

Eligible Projects:

- Anticipated closing date no later than the end of 2024
- Rental housing and/or permanent supportive housing, minimum of 4 units
- Project creates new 30% AMI units (new construction or adaptive reuse)
- Minimum of 10% of the units in the project at 30% AMI level
- Affordability term of at least 30 years

Selection Outcome: 6 projects selected to move forward



RFP and Selection Process

11 projects recommended
to move forward with final
underwriting

2 projects approved and
construction underway

Remaining projects to be
brought to City Council
for funding approval
individually, at later date



Twelve22

- Developer: JB Vang
- Location: 1222 University Avenue
- Project Description: Adaptive reuse of the former Casket Company building
- 55 rental units
 - 15 units at 30% Ami
 - 40 units at 60 % AMI





Project Soul

- Developer: Schafer Richardson
- Location: 176 Robert Street
- Project Description: Mixed use redevelopment with affordable housing and commercial space
- 9,250-square-feet of commercial
- 178 rental units total
 - 35 units at 30% AMI
 - 143 units at 60 % AMI





Project Highlight

Project: Right Track

- Budget: \$2,075,000
- Expand existing Right Track program
 - Expand age range of youth served
 - Extend internships beyond the typical summer season
 - Provide career advancement and high wage opportunities





Project Highlight

Project: Right Track

- Expand existing Right Track program
 - 18-24 year old specific opportunities
 - EMS Academy – 14 participants
 - UX Academy –
 - Pharmacy Tech Academy - 7 participants
 - Lifeguard Training – 22 participants
 - Right Track Plus – 212 participants
 - School Year Opportunities
 - Career Exploration Field Trips
 - Saint Paul Public Schools Internships
 - Summer Training Components
 - Added 6 Week training for all YJ1 participants
 - 57 Academic Credits Earned
 - 559 Financial Education Certificates Earned





Project Highlight

Project: Parks and Recreation Expansion

- Budget: \$1.5 million
- Expansion of several Parks and Recreation initiatives
 - expansion of recreation center hours
 - subsidies for athletic fees within low or moderate income neighborhoods
 - Summer Swarm technology truck
 - Replacement climbing wall
 - Recreation in Motion program
 - City's tech lab program





Project Highlight

Project: Parks and Recreation Expansion

- Expansion of several Parks and Recreation initiatives
 - Added Saturday hours to 5 sites
 - El Rio Vista, Hazel Park, Hayden Heights, MLK, & McDonough
 - Free Sports for ages 9 and up
 - Basketball 68% increase over 2021-22
 - Futsal increase 71% increase over 2022
 - Volleyball increase of 88% increase over 2022
 - Equipment Purchases
 - Summer Swarm technology truck
 - Replacement climbing wall
 - Recreation in Motion program – truck purchased
 - Realigning tech lab program





Project Highlight

Project: Lead Service Line Replacement

- Budget: \$14.5 million
- Addresses the need to replace lead service lines throughout the City's water distribution system
- Goal to replace 1,090 private lead service lines and 150 public lead service lines