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RESOLUTION NO.: 2023-055

**RESOLUTION ACCEPTING AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT FUNDS (KNOWN AS ARPA or SLFRF FUNDS) FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT THROUGH THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY AND CERTIFYING THAT CITY OF COLUMBIA WILL ADHERE TO THE GUIDELINES AS ESTABLISHED BY THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY**

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2021 the President of the United States signed into law the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) to provide continued relief from the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic; and,

WHEREAS, approximately \$350 billion of the ARPA funding was allotted to assist state, local, tribal, and territory governments in responding to the Covid-19 pandemic via the Coronavirus State & Local Fiscal Recovery Fund (SLFRF); and,

WHEREAS, Sections 602(b) and 603(b) of the Social Security Act as added by section 9901 of the American Rescue Plan Act authorized the United States Department of the Treasury to make payments to certain recipients from the SLFRF; and,

WHEREAS, funds received are required to be used in accordance to the SLFRF requirements as provided within the guidance issued by the United States Department of the Treasury:

- 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 relative the revenues collected in the most recent full fiscal year prior to the emergency.
- To make necessary investments in water, sewer, or broadband infrastructure; and,

WHEREAS, City of Columbia, South Carolina received an initial funding in the amount of \$27,178,358, NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and City Council this 18<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2023, the City of Columbia hereby accepts the funding distribution of \$27,178,358 for the Federal Government through the United States Department of the Treasury related to the American Rescue Plan Act.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of Columbia, South Carolina certifies that it will adhere to the existing, additional, and amended guidelines as set forth by the United States Department of the Treasury related to the allocation, distribution, and reporting of the use of the American Rescue Plan Act funds.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of Columbia Mayor and City Council authorizes the City Manager to develop a process for honoring the commitments to the Federal Government and United States Department of the Treasury by establishing the attached American Rescue Plan Act Budget that is to be allocated into the following broad categories; Public Health, Negative Economic Impacts, Services to Disproportionately Impacted Communities, Premium Pay, Infrastructure, Revenue Replacement, Grant Administration, and Unallocated. Initial allocations into each category shall be approved by City Council, with the ability to amend and adjust the allocations across the categories as needed.


Requested by:

City Manager Teresa Wilson

Approved by:

*C. C. 83 for Teresa Wilson*  
City Manager

Approved as to form:

  
City Attorney

Introduced: 7/18/2023  
Final Reading: 7/18/2023

  
Mayor

ATTEST:

*Quikadell Hammond*  
City Clerk

City of Columbia

American Rescue Plan ARPA

State & Local Fiscal Recovery Funds SLFRF

Expires: Funds Committed by 12/31/2024 and Expended by 12/31/2026

Received to Date:

\$27,178,358

Category / Subcategory	Program	FY 21/22 APPROVED	FY 22/23 APPROVED	FY 23/24 PROPOSED	FY 24/25 PROPOSED	FY 25/26 PROPOSED	TOTAL
<b>Public Health</b>							
COVID - 19	Vaccine Incentive - as of 6-30-2022	\$978,500					\$978,500
Community Violence Intervention	Richland One JAG-SC Program		\$80,000	\$80,000	\$80,000		\$240,000
Community Violence Intervention	Mayor's Office of Violence Prevention (3 year program)		\$150,000	\$652,800			\$802,800
Mental Health Services	CPD Pathways Unit to address mental health crisis and related issues		\$538,750	\$285,000	\$285,000	\$285,000	\$1,393,750
Personal Protective Equipment	COVID related expenses for employee testing, PPEs, and cleaning		\$300,000				\$300,000
		<b>\$978,500</b>	<b>\$1,068,750</b>	<b>\$1,017,800</b>	<b>\$365,000</b>	<b>\$285,000</b>	<b>\$3,715,050</b>
<b>Negative Economic Impacts</b>							
Household Assistance: Food Programs	Food Insecurity Solutions Initiative		\$300,000				\$300,000
Housing Support: Other Housing Assistance	Rapid Shelter Columbia		\$1,800,000	\$900,000	\$900,000	\$900,000	\$4,500,000
Strong Healthy Communities: Neighborhood Features that Promote Health & Safety	Improvements to parks, ballfield lighting and park amenities			\$600,000			\$600,000
Strong Healthy Communities: Demolition & Rehabilitation of Properties	Affordable housing construction and/or rehabilitation			\$750,000			\$750,000
Strong Healthy Communities: Demolition & Rehabilitation of Properties	CPD Demolition of vacant, and abandoned, & hazardous property - elimination of blight	\$571,000		\$600,000			\$1,171,000
Rehabilitation of Commercial Properties or Other Improvements	Commercial Retention & Redevelopment Program (CRR) / Business Loan Program			\$350,000	\$350,000		\$700,000
Assistance to Non-profits	Lourie Center / Senior Resources			\$150,000	\$150,000	\$150,000	\$450,000
		<b>\$571,000</b>	<b>\$2,100,000</b>	<b>\$3,350,000</b>	<b>\$1,400,000</b>	<b>\$1,050,000</b>	<b>\$8,471,000</b>
<b>Premium Pay</b>							
Public Sector Employees	Premium Pay - as of 6-30-2022	\$4,175,000					\$4,175,000
<b>Revenue Replacement</b>							
Revenue Replacement: Provision of Gov. Services	Police facilities renovations		\$500,000				\$500,000
Revenue Replacement: Provision of Gov. Services	General Fund Budget		\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000		\$6,000,000
Revenue Replacement: Provision of Gov. Services	Grant Services Contracts		\$500,000	\$500,000			\$1,000,000
Revenue Replacement: Provision of Gov. Services	CFD station improvements to address air quality and station livability		\$500,000	\$500,000			\$1,000,000
Revenue Replacement: Provision of Gov. Services	CFD gear extractors and 2nd set of bunker gear	\$1,035,000					\$1,035,000
Revenue Replacement: Provision of Gov. Services	Contingency				\$305,000		\$305,000
		<b>\$1,035,000</b>	<b>\$3,500,000</b>	<b>\$3,000,000</b>	<b>\$2,305,000</b>		<b>\$9,840,000</b>
<b>Administrative Expenses</b>				\$325,770	\$325,769	\$325,769	\$977,308
		<b>\$6,759,500</b>	<b>\$6,668,750</b>	<b>\$7,693,570</b>	<b>\$4,395,769</b>	<b>\$1,660,769</b>	<b>\$27,178,358</b>