

American Rescue Plan Update

March 12, 2024



American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act of 2021

- ARP was passed by the House on February 27, 2021, the Senate on March 6, 2021 and signed into law on March 11, 2021
- \$1.9 trillion for economic relief from the devastating economic and health effects of the COVID-19 pandemic
- \$362 billion in direct aid (not thru the state) for states and local governments (Subtitle M., Sec. 9901 of the Act)

American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act of 2021

- Uses of Funds
 - Respond to the public health emergency with respect to COVID-19 or its negative economic impacts
 - Respond to workers performing essential work
 - Revenue replacement for the government
 - Investments in water, sewer or broadband infrastructure

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- Amount allocated to the City of Columbus/Muscogee County
 - City = \$40,456,205
 - County = \$38,025,833
 - TOTAL = \$78,482,038
- Amount received Phase 1
 - City = \$20,228,102.50 on June 7, 2021
 - County = \$19,012,916.50 on June 14, 2021
 - TOTAL = \$39,241,019
- Amount received Phase 2
 - City = \$20,228,102.50 on June 9, 2022
 - County = \$19,012,916.50 on June 16, 2022
 - TOTAL = \$39,241,019
- Total Expended = \$48,590,656.36
- Total Encumbered = \$13,581,247.31
- Balance = \$16,310,134.33

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- Eligible costs must be incurred/obligated between March 3, 2021 and December 31, 2024 and expended by December 31, 2026
- Financial reporting will be required on a quarterly basis and records must be maintained for five years after all funds have been expended
- Final Rule was released by the Treasury on January 6, 2022 and became effective April 1, 2022 which allows for more flexibility and a wider range of uses

ARP Phase 1 Funding Status

- Automation of Garbage Collection to include Garbage Trucks and Carts = \$19,699,145
- Trucks = \$12,869,195
 - Cab/Chassis on order
 - Trucks are being delivered
- 120,000 Carts approved by City Council on 11.16.2021 = \$6,829,950
 - Carts have been delivered.



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ARP Phase 1 Funding Status

- Ambulances = \$2,099,517
 - Delivered



ARP Phase 1 Funding Status

- Community Safeguard Programs
 - Summer Youth and Youth Development Programs (\$350,000)
 - \$240,481.39 Paid to date
 - Cure Violence (\$500,000)
 - \$300,000 Paid to date
 - Cameras – Phase 1 (\$2,660,756.90)
 - \$2,660,756.90 Paid to date

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ARP Phase 1 Funding Status

- Broadband/Cyber Security Upgrades – Phase 1 = \$3,000,000
 - \$1,903,428.81 Expended, \$333,326.00 Encumbered
 - CSC, Civic Center, Fire Station #12, Parking Garages, Liberty Theatre completed.
 - Northside Rec Center, Fire Station 3, Edgewood Sr. Center and Lakebottom Park in progress. Trade Center under review.
- Revenue Recovery = \$3,559,470.84
 - Hotel/Motel Tax Revenue Recovery = \$2,476,843.95
 - General Fund Revenue Recovery = \$1,082,626.89
- Premium Pay for Public Safety and Other Essential Employees = \$5,000,000 original budget, \$3,705,313 spent
 - Paid to all eligible employees on Oct. 15th
 - Transfer balance to Cameras \$1,294,687

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ARP Phase 1 Funding Status

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- Small Business Grants = \$3,000,000 (Exhausted with current applications)
- Nonprofit Grants = \$1,000,000 (\$393,000 to transfer to Small Business)
- Economic/Tourism Grants = \$850,000 (\$750,000 to transfer to Small Business)
 - Application was released January 11th
 - Close portal for application submission
 - Utilize balance of funds in all 3 categories to satisfy applications under review
- Administration = \$201,518.16 (Full-time temporary position for up to 3 years, Project Financial Analyst and other oversight expenditures)
 - Project Financial Analyst is on board, \$189,521.24 Paid to date

ARP Phase 2



ARP Phase 2 Funding Status

- **Community Assistance Programs focused in Qualified Census Tracts (QCTs) \$12.0 million** - At least 50% of households have an income less than 60% of the Area Median Gross Income
 - Affordable Housing \$3 million (RFP Complete, Partners Selected)
 - Utility Assistance Program \$2 million (Contract with Enrichment Services executed. Expended \$1,666,100 to date, 2,137 households served for a total of 4,489 people.)
 - Homeowner Occupied Accessibility Rehab Program (HARP) \$3 million (RFP in process to select qualified contractors, inspectors and applicants)
 - Job Training/Workforce Development/Youth Work Program \$1,147,155
 - Mental Health Training/Intervention \$750k, \$52,200 Expended, \$152,654.10 encumbered
 - Substance Abuse Treatment Services \$750k
 - Community Safeguard Program \$400k Poverty Reduction Initiative (Agreement with United Way executed.) \$50,000 Expended
 - *Family Connection \$500k (Funded thru Revenue Recovery allocation)
 - 4 Navigators started Sept. 6, 2023. \$69,937.57 Expended

ARP Phase 2 Funding Status

- **Public Safety \$3.1 million**
 - Gun Buy-back Program \$300k
 - Mobile Command Vehicle \$1,350,286, Vehicle ordered, Delivery June 2024
 - Police Dept. IBIS \$350k, Encumbered \$350k
 - Ambulances \$1.6 million, Encumbered \$1,545,600
- **Judicial Backlog Program \$1 million**
 - \$218,044.74 Expended

ARP Phase 2 Funding Status

- **Facility Improvements \$4.85 million**
 - Civic Center HVAC \$2.25 million (Approved Feb. 13, 2024)
 - Trade Center HVAC \$2.25 million
 - Liberty Theater HVAC \$350k
- **Land Acquisition Cemetery \$200k** (Property options under review)
- **Administration \$478,655.87** (Full-time temporary position for up to 3 years, Project Financial Analyst and other oversight expenditures)

ARP Phase 2 Funding Status

- **Revenue Recovery \$10,115,312.88**
 - CCGTV Upgrades \$500k (Equipment Ordered)
 - Cyber Security \$1.5 million, Expended \$1,301,466.57, Encumbered \$198,533.43
 - Family Connection \$500k (Community Assistance Program)
 - 4 Navigators started Sept. 6, 2023, \$69,937.57 Expended
 - Public Safety Capital \$7,615,312.88
 - CPD Pursuit Vehicles \$3,056,125.15, \$2,347,327.50 Encumbered
 - Sheriff Pursuit Vehicles \$1,715,364.69, \$930,319 Encumbered
 - Fire Apparatus \$2,843,823.04, \$544,200 Expended, \$2,252,827 Encumbered
- **Camera Program Phase 2 and 3 \$6,564,906.41**
 - Expended \$5,089,459.31, Encumbered \$1,478,447.10

State Fiscal Recovery Funds

- Awarded \$4,000,000 to continue the Small Business/Non-Profit Grant Program
 - \$3,000,000 Small Business, revised to \$3,650,000
 - 87 / \$2,640,231.11 paid to date
 - 26 pending final approval or requested additional information
 - Balance \$284,472.35
 - \$1,000,000 Nonprofits, revised to \$350,000
 - 10 / \$220,020.73 paid to date
 - 6 pending final approval or requested additional information
 - Balance \$0
 - Completion anticipated by June 30, 2024

QUESTIONS

