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**HUERFANO COUNTY GOVERNMENT
 DECISION MEMORANDUM**

Date: June 25, 2024
To: Huerfano County Board of County Commissioners
From: Carl Young, County Administrator
Re: State and Local Assistance Fund Re-Obligation Request

Summary: This is a request to obligate the remainder of the funding received from the American Rescue Plan Act to specific needs and requests. In March of 2021, the American Rescue Plan Act authorized the \$350 billion State and Local Coronavirus Fiscal Recovery Fund, which provided \$65.1 billion in direct, flexible aid to every county in America. Huerfano County was allocated \$1,339,661.00 and has obligated and/or spent all of these fund. This is a request to re-obligate some of these funds for urgent needs.

Requested Motion/Action: Motion to de-obligate American Rescue Act Funds as follows:

- 1) \$150,000 from Countywide Housing Projects;
- 2) \$201,000 from County Parks and Recreation;
- 3) \$31,000 from Non-Profits/Community Projects; and
- 4) \$20,000 from the Huerfano County Tourism Board

and to obligate American Rescue Plan Act Funds as follows:

- 1) \$302,000 to the Law Enforcement Center HVAC; and
- 2) \$100,000 to Huerfano County Economic Development for a Truck Driving School and Industrial Park

Current Obligations:

Agency/Purpose	Spent	Unspent	Total
Staff Vaccine Incentives	\$42,500	\$0	\$42,500
Fox Theatre Walsenburg - Events	\$50,000	\$0	\$50,000
Sherriff Hazard Pay Bonus	\$68,000	\$0	\$68,000
Countywide Housing Projects	\$0	\$250,000	\$250,000
Gardner Public Improvement District	\$0	\$250,000	\$250,000
Broadband	\$0	\$0	\$0
County Parks and Recreation	\$107,524.15	\$276,637	\$384,161
Cuchara Sanitation and Water District	\$25,000	\$0	\$25,000
Dorcas Circle	\$100,000	\$0	\$100,000
Non-Profits/Community Projects	\$69,000	\$31,000	\$100,000
Huerfano County Tourism Board	\$0	\$20,000	\$20,000
Spanish Peaks Regional Health Center	\$50,000	\$0	\$50,000
Total	\$512,024	\$827,637	\$1,339,661

Obligations if Implemented as Recommended

Agency/Purpose	Spent	Unspent	Recommended	Total
<i>Staff Vaccine Incentives</i>	\$42,500	\$0		\$42,500
<i>Fox Theatre Walsenburg - Events</i>	\$50,000	\$0		\$50,000
<i>Sherriff Hazard Pay Bonus</i>	\$68,000	\$0		\$68,000
Countywide Housing Projects	\$0	\$250,000	(\$150,000)	\$100,000
Gardner Public Improvement District	\$0	\$250,000		\$250,000
Broadband	\$0	\$0		\$0
County Parks and Recreation	\$107,524	\$276,637	(\$201,000)	\$183,161
<i>Cuchara Sanitation and Water District</i>	\$25,000	\$0		\$25,000
<i>Dorcas Circle</i>	\$100,000	\$0		\$100,000
<i>Non-Profits/Community Projects</i>	\$69,000	\$31,000	(\$31,000)	\$69,000
Huerfano County Tourism Board	\$0	\$20,000	(\$20,000)	\$0
Spanish Peaks Regional Health Center	\$50,000	\$0		\$50,000
Law Enforcement Center HVAC	\$0	\$0	\$302,000	\$302,000
Industrial Park	\$0	\$0	\$100,000	\$100,000
Total	\$512,024	\$827,637	\$0	\$1,339,661

Line items in italics above have been fully spent. Line items with unspent funds remaining if this recommendation is implemented as recommended are listed below:

Agency/Purpose	Spent	Remaining
Countywide Housing Projects	\$0	\$100,000
Gardner Public Improvement District	\$0	\$250,000
County Parks and Recreation	\$107,524	\$75,637
Spanish Peaks Regional Health Center	\$50,000	\$50,000
Law Enforcement Center HVAC	\$0	\$302,000
Industrial Park	\$0	\$100,000
Total	\$512,024	\$827,637

Background:

An obligation is not an authorization to expend funds. Funds must be obligated by December 31, 2024 and expended by December 31, 2026. Unexpended funds must be returned to the U.S. Department of the Treasury. Funds may be de-obligated and re-obligated before December 31, 2024 without penalty. However, it is possible that after that date de-obligated funds will have to be returned to the Treasury Department.

Signature of the Chair

Approved

Approved with Changes

Denied