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# AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT UPDATE

July 2021

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# PHILOSOPHICAL FRAMEWORK

- Shift in approach from CARES
  - Limited emphasis on reimbursement for existing expenditures
  - ARPA will focus on investments for the future
- Plan largely consists of one-time expenditures; recurring expenditures were already in the pipeline
- Board of Supervisors is being asked to appropriate the full ARPA allocation of \$68.5 million
  - Allows County to meet August deadline to submit plan to Federal government
  - Shifts between categories remains possible as estimates and federal guidance are finalized
  - If a category is eliminated, Board of Supervisors will determine how gaps are filled

## **Other Federal Resources in play for FY2022**

- Rent and mortgage assistance still ongoing (total of \$18.9 million beyond County CARES allocation in FY2021)
  - Schools: ESSER II (\$22.9 million) and III (\$51.4 million)
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# PUBLIC HEARING JULY 28, 2021

## APPROPRIATE UP TO \$68.5 MILLION IN ARPA FUNDS

Fiscal Recovery Funds must be used in one of the four eligible use categories:

- a) To respond to the public health emergency or its negative economic impacts, including assistance to households, small businesses, and nonprofits, or aid to impacted industries such as tourism, travel, and hospitality;
  - b) To respond to workers performing essential work during the COVID-19 public health emergency by providing premium pay to eligible workers;
  - c) For the provision of government services to the extent of the reduction in revenue due to the COVID-19 public health emergency relative to revenues collected in the most recent full fiscal year prior to the emergency; and
  - d) To make necessary investments in water, sewer, or broadband infrastructure.
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# PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT ON ARPA PLANS

- Facebook Live discussion held on June 15, 2021
    - Opportunity for public to provide feedback and ask questions during preliminary planning stages
  - Overview of plans presented at Citizens' Budget Advisory Committee July 20, 2021
  - Additional Facebook Live on July 26, 2021 to present this plan to the public
    - Will respond to questions and receive feedback ahead of Public Hearing on July 28<sup>th</sup>
  - Community members can send feedback or questions at any time to [blueprint@chesterfield.gov](mailto:blueprint@chesterfield.gov)
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# PROPOSED PROGRAM ALLOCATIONS

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Category	Cost
<b>Infrastructure Investment</b>	<b>\$55,785,000</b>
Western 360 Water/Wastewater Improvements	\$30,785,000
Parks Maintenance and Enhancement	\$25,000,000
<b>Public Health and Community Support</b>	<b>\$6,040,000</b>
Affordable Housing Support	\$4,000,000
County Telework Support and Office Modifications	\$2,040,000
<b>Public Safety</b>	<b>\$5,772,600</b>
Commonwealth Attorney Staffing Support	\$319,000
Midlothian Police Station Land Acquisition	\$1,500,000
Fire and EMS Mobile Integrated Health	\$713,800
Fire and EMS Peak Demand Ambulance	\$882,200
Real Time Crime Center	\$2,357,600
<b>Cybersecurity</b>	<b>\$930,000</b>
Elections Security	\$260,000
Network Penetration Testing	\$120,000
Secure network gateway, infrastructure and wireless modernization	\$550,000
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>\$68,527,600</b>

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# RETAINING FLEXIBILITY

- Additional possible investments have been identified as alternatives in case of shifting eligibility
  - Up to \$15 million for Stormwater Improvements for Otterdale Road at Swift Creek
  - Up to \$12 million in Additional Parks and Recreation investment
  - Reimbursable payroll expenditures
  - Contribution to retiree healthcare trust fund



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