

AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA)

Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (CSLFRF)
Morris County Grant Update 11/10/2021



FUNDING OVERVIEW

- Signed into law: March 11, 2021
- ARP funds allocated to Morris County: \$95,535,125
 - Funds split into two tranches, 1st half in 2021, 2nd half in 2022
 - The 1st tranche of approximately \$47 million has been received by the county.
- Full guidance on the reporting requirements has not been released by the US Treasury yet.

POTENTIAL ARPA INVESTMENTS

- Support Public Health Response
- Address Negative Economic Impacts Due to COVID-19 Pandemic
- Invest in Certain Infrastructure

Funds can be utilized for expenses incurred on March 3, 2021 and afterwards.

Funds must be incurred and obligated by December 31, 2024.

Funds must be expended to cover obligations and all work must be completed by December 31, 2026.

PRIOR COMMITMENTS

- Grant Administration
- Industrial Hygienist Indoor Air Quality Review
- County Infrastructure Air Quality Design
- PPE Warehouse/Emergency Shelter Design
- Public Health Investments
- Meeting Room Technology Upgrades for Virtual Interface
- Morristown Festival on the Green 2021 business support
- Mayo Performing Arts Center Education Programs
- Behavioral Health Resources for Veterans
- Park Commission Facility Public Health Upgrades
- Park Commission Staffing

Estimated cost for the above through 2024: \$24,582,013.75

INVESTMENT RECOMMENDATIONS

SMALL BUSINESS GRANT PROGRAM

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- Grant maximum amount: \$15,000 reimbursement
- Available to businesses with 25 or less full time employees (or equivalent)
- Costs to be reimbursed for eligible expenses incurred on or after March 3, 2021
- In operation since January 1st, 2019
- Located within Morris County
- Less than \$5 million in sales/revenue
- Proof of a decline in sales/increased expenses due to the COVID-19 pandemic

INVESTMENT RECOMMENDATIONS

SMALL BUSINESS GRANT PROGRAM MANAGEMENT

- High level overview:
 - Determine eligibility of business and eligible costs through online submission of proper documentation
 - Reimburse after evidence of eligible spending categories
 - Monitor and evaluate for auditing purposes post grant distribution
- Morris County Chamber of Commerce will coordinate outreach to eligible applicants
 - The goal being to reach those who have not traditionally sought government grant funding
- Program coordination and application platform oversight through a consultant

Distribution amount: \$5,000,000 plus administrative fees

INVESTMENT RECOMMENDATIONS

BACK-UP 9-1-1 CENTER

- Location selected at County College of Morris
- Current set up does not allow for social distancing in either the main 9-1-1 Center or the current back-up center.
- Current back-up center is located in the Division of Public Health and once moved to a new location, that reclaimed space can be used for the expanded Public Health staff to combat the COVID-19 pandemic and future challenges.
- Next Steps: Competitive contract for design and renovation

Approximate overall cost: \$5,000,000 (inclusive of the following)

- Design
- Renovation and site work
- Radio console relocations and purchases to meet the expansion need
- Phone upgrades, relocations, and system maintenance