COVID Recovery Funding

Proposed Project Reallocations

June 18, 2024
COVID Recovery Funding

• American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Federal aid to state & local governments
• Coronavirus State & Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (CSLFRF)
  • Direct, flexible funding from U.S. Treasury
  • Funds to invest toward recovery from COVID-19 and its negative economic impacts
• Buncombe County allocation: $50.7 Million
Recovery Funding Hub

www.buncombcounty.org/recoveryfunding

- Timeline
- Survey results
- Community listening sessions
- Funding applications
- Award info
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- News
Funding by Category

- Affordable Housing: $12.21M
- Other Public Health Services: $1.37M
- Other Economic Support: $1.41M
- Administrative Expenses: $1.31M
- Premium Pay for Public Sector Employees: $1.02M
- Renewable Energy: $1.00M
- Food Programs: $0.62M
- COVID-19 Mitigation & Prevention: $0.42M
- Education Assistance: $0.25M
- Nonprofit Economic Assistance: $0.13M
- Aid to Impacted Industries: $0.05M
- Broadband: $4.50M
- Mental Health/Substance Use Services: $3.94M
- Housing Assistance: $3.81M
- Child Care/Early Learning: $3.62M
- Small Business Economic Assistance: $2.70M
- Community Violence Interventions: $2.66M
- Household Assistance: $2.19M
- Public Sector Workforce: $1.91M

Total Awarded: $12.11M
Project Spotlights

- ArtsAVL
- Asheville Housing Authority
- Asheville Museum of Science
- Buncombe County - COVID Vaccination Support
- Buncombe County - Employee Retention Grant
- Buncombe County Emergency Services
- Buncombe County HHS - COVID Vaccine Incentive
- Buncombe County HHS - COVID Vaccine Promotion
- Buncombe County Human Resources
- Eblen Charities
- Land of Sky Regional Council
- Loving Food Resources
- Mountain BizWorks
- Verner Center for Early Learning
- YTL Training Program

Click the links to visit the Recovery Funding website for spotlight reports like this for completed projects!
Community Impact

105,530 individuals, households & small businesses served
-measures reported for grant projects through FY2024 Q3

- 206 jobs created
- 733 jobs retained
- 174 housing units built
- 44 house repairs completed
- 559 households received rent or utility bill assistance
- 42 shelter beds added in the community
- 349 individuals received shelter services
- 2,886 individuals received crisis support
- 5,829 individuals and families received legal aid and advocacy support

BUNCOMBE COUNTY
Community Impact

105,530 individuals, households & small businesses served
-measures reported for grant projects through FY2024 Q3

- 3,425 individuals & families received mental health & therapy services
- 1,610 individuals received community health services
- 16,227 youth received health and advocacy services
- 478 children enrolled in Pre-K programming
- 106,536 diapers distributed
- 3,064 individuals & families received food & nutrition assistance
- 187,841 meals served
- 808 households connected to broadband service
## Proposed Project Reallocations

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<th>Rationale</th>
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<tr>
<td>Reimagining Deaverview Phase 1</td>
<td>$(935,286)</td>
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<td>This contract was cancelled as a result of Housing Authority of the City of Asheville notification that the project is not moving forward in its current iteration at this time.</td>
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<td>Broadband Infrastructure Expansion</td>
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<td>Staff have determined that this project could reallocate funds due to NCDIT recommended changes to state funding formulas for broadband.</td>
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<td>Community Paramedic Collaborative</td>
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<td>$514,085</td>
<td>This additional funding will allow 4 positions to be extended to June 30, 2026 from their original expiration of December 31, 2024 and will also provide $30,000 for mobile command center costs.</td>
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<td>Capital Outlay Equipment</td>
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<td>$1,421,201</td>
<td>Creation of this new project will alleviate financial pressure on the FY2025 general fund budget to offset capital outlay expenses as part of the “Revenue Replacement” expenditure category.</td>
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Proposed Allocations

- **Reimagining Deaverview Phase I:**
  Reduce by $935,286 and close the project

- **Broadband Infrastructure Expansion:**
  Reduce by $1,000,000

+ **Community Paramedic Collaborative:**
  Increase by $514,085

+ **Capital Outlay Equipment:**
  New project for $1,421,201

Reducing these projects will increase the amount available that can be allocated to new projects to **$1,935,286**

Proposed increases/allocations to these 2 projects total **$1,935,286** which will fully allocate all available COVID Recovery Funding.
Request for Board Action

Consider approval of COVID Recovery Funding project reallocations