COVID Recovery Funding

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Overview

• Update on COVID Recovery Funding activities to date
• Review of amount remaining
• Requests for Board Action:
  1. Consider approval of proposed allocations
  2. Consider approval of Interlocal Agreement with The City of Asheville for shelter support funding
COVID Recovery Funding

- American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Federal aid to state & local governments
- Coronavirus State & Local Fiscal Recovery Funds
  - 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
Rolling Awards to Date

Total allocated so far: $46,306,690
Total number of projects: 49

Full details available at www.buncombecounty.org/recoveryfunding
Current Project Breakdown

### Allocation of Funds

- **Community Partner Led Projects**
  - 35 Total Projects
  - 23% of Projects completed
  - 63% of allocated funds

- **County Department Led Projects**
  - 14 Total Projects
  - 43% of Projects completed
  - 37% of allocated funds

- Total Funds: $30,334,493
- Allocated Funds: $18,112,607
Completed Projects

Community Partner Led:
• ArtsAVL - Creative Sector Recovery Grant
• Asheville Museum of Science (AMOS) – AMOS Recovery Plan
• Housing Authority – Chosen PODS Summer Camp
• Land of Sky Regional Council – Connecting All Communities
• Mountain BizWorks – One Buncombe Small Business Grants
• Verner Center for Early Learning – Supporting Early Head Start Families
• WNC AIDS Project – HVAC and Air Filtration System
• YTL Training Program – Closing the Gap and Building Resiliency
• Eblen Charities – Housing Stabilization Project

County Department Led:
• COVID Vaccine Incentive
• COVID Vaccine Promotion
• COVID Vaccination Support
• Incentive for COVID Risk to Public Employees
• KN95 Masks for COVID Prevention
• Employee Retention Grant
Amount Remaining

$50,733,290 Total Allocation
-$46,306,690 Awards to Date
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$4,426,600 Remaining Amount Available

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Proposed Allocations

- **COVID Contingency:**
  Reduce by $1,013,116 and close the project

- **Broadband Infrastructure Expansion:**
  Reduce by $1,500,000

+ **Ferry Road Infrastructure:**
  Increase by $2,264,716

+ **Homelessness Initiative Advisory Committee (HIAC) Shelter Support**
  New project for $875,000

+ **Housing/Shelter**
  New project for $3,800,000

Reducing these projects will increase the amount available that can be allocated to new projects to **$6,939,716**

Proposed increases/allocations to these 3 projects total **$6,939,716** which will fully allocate all available COVID Recovery Funding
Interlocal Agreement

• The Homeless Initiative Advisory Committee (HIAC) Shelter Support $875,000 is part of an overall $1.75 M request from HIAC to:
  — Buncombe County
  — The City of Asheville

• The City of Asheville is willing to administer the funds by establishing and monitoring contracts with shelter providers selected by HIAC:
  — The Salvation Army of Asheville & Buncombe County
  — Safe Shelter (fiscal agent = Grace Episcopal Church)
  — Haywood Street Congregation

• The draft interlocal agreement establishes the terms for the funding, including regular performance reporting
Requests for Board Action

1. Consider approval of changes to COVID Recovery Funding awards as listed:
   • Reduce COVID Contingency by $1,013,116
   • Reduce Broadband Infrastructure Expansion by $1,500,000
   • Increase Ferry Road Infrastructure by $2,264,716
   • Establish new projects:
     • HIAC Shelter Support $875,000
     • Housing/Shelter $3,800,000

2. Consider approval of Resolution Authorizing the Execution of an Interlocal Agreement between Buncombe County and The City of Asheville Expanding the Availability of Emergency Shelter Beds