

American Rescue Plan County Funding Request

RESPIRATORY PROTECTION

Operational Priority 1: Essential
 2: High-Impact
 3: Nice to Have

Timing Priority: 1: Urgent
 2: 6 months – 1 year
 3: 1 – 2 years
 4: Long-term

Total Project Budget: \$123,000 ARPA Funding Request: \$123,000

Yes No Is there FEMA, State or other Direct or Grant Funding available? If Yes, please Specify below

Other Funding Source: _____	Other Source Amount: _____
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OTHER FUNDING INFORMATION

Provide any relevant additional information to explain other funding sources identified for the project.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Provide a brief description of the project. Please be concise but provide an adequate explanation in order for the key decision makers to quickly understand the project.

Hire a consultant to evaluate airborne hazards for core services and review our Respiratory Protection Program (IIPP, Attachment B, Pages 133 to 165) for compliance and make recommendations for respiratory protection and plan updates.

Hire vendor(s) to perform medical screenings, training, and fit testing for essential staff.

Purchase respirators recommended by consultant to create a diverse supply of types, makes, and models for supporting fit-testing and initial supply for departments.

NEXUS TO ARPA GUIDELINES

ARPA Reporting Category (from US Treasury Appendix 1 – see pages 3,4):

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1 – Public Health | <input type="checkbox"/> 2 – Negative Economic Impacts |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 3 – Disproportionately Impacted Communities | <input type="checkbox"/> 5 – Infrastructure |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 6 – Revenue Replacement | <input type="checkbox"/> 7 – Administrative |

Sub-Category (from US Treasury Appendix 1 – see pages 3,4):

Please provide one Sub-Category designation: 1.5

Provide a brief description to justify how the project aligns with the ARPA-defined eligible uses of funds, and corresponding Treasury guidance (or to COVID-19 generally if “Other” Category selected).

COVID-19 is an airborne hazard endangering essential employees. Respirators, such as the N95 filtering facepiece respirator or PAPR, can provide employees with additional protection above a face mask when performing high risk core services.

NEXUS TO BOARD OBJECTIVES & COUNTY PRIORITIES / COMMUNITY IMPACT

Board Objectives *(select any that apply)*

- Fiscal Stability/Core Svcs. Emergency Prep. Economic Dev Broadband
 Cannabis Housing Homelessness

County Priorities *(select any that apply)*

- Costs related to COVID-19 response Encourage economic recovery Provide long-term benefits to County

Provide a brief description of the how the project will intersect with Board Objectives/County Priorities and what will be the broader community benefit. Helpful questions to consider are: How is this project important to the County? Whom does it serve? How many people does it serve? How will ARPA funding leverage other resources to expand impact?

COVID-19 being an airborne hazard that endangers essential employees providing high risk core services. Respirators, such as the N95 filtering facepiece respirator or PAPR, can provide employees with additional protection above a face covering when performing high risk core services to prevent workforce attrition from illness, when engineering and administrative controls are not feasible.

OPERATIONAL IMPACT

Will the funds be used to pay for a direct county cost or cost incurred by others? County Cost Other Cost

Provide a brief description of how the project will impact your operations in the near and long term. Are additional resources required or can existing resources be leveraged to accomplish the project?

Qualifying essential employees for use of respirators, in accordance the County's Respiratory Protection Program and State and Federal regulations, will provide essential employees with additional protection from becoming ill when performing high risk core services. Insufficient resources existed to qualify employees for using respirators in preparation for the pandemic. Funding this project for three (3) years will ensure essential employees are qualified to use a respirator when new pandemic waves make core services high risk.

PROJECT TIMELINE / READINESS

What is the project timeline? How far along is it? What steps remain before it is “shovel-ready”?

Phase 1 is the evaluation of the current Respiratory Protection Program for airborne hazards and to identify appropriate respirators for specific operations; this phase is anticipated to take 1 week from approval.

Phase 2 is acquiring respirators and having essential employees medically screened for approval to wear a respirator; depending on vendor’s capacity this phase could take up to 4 weeks, but can run concurrently with Phases 1 and 3.

Phase 3 is training medically cleared essential employees on the proper use of respirators and fit-testing; this phase can be completed within a week if there are no delays with medical screening.

Phase 4 is maintenance which requires having medical screening performed as needed, then training and fit-testing annually, and replenishing supplies.

BUDGET DETAIL

In what SBU/Office 2/Account(s) will ARPA-funded project activity be incurred?

SBU	Ofc2	Account	Amount	Description
11015	275	521520	\$7,000	Respirator Protection Program review and recommendations
“	“	“	\$6,000	Respirator Training
“	“	“	\$75,000	Fit-testing for three (3) years, \$25,000 annually
“	“	“	\$20,000	Medical screenings
“	“	“	\$15,000	Respirators to include an assortment of filtering facepieces and powered air-purifying respirators (PAPRs)
Total			\$123,000	<i>Note: Total should match ARPA Funding Request amount</i>

PROJECT POINT OF CONTACT

Name and title: _Nick Poole, Risk Manager_____

Dept. Head Signature: _____

**Appendix 1: Expenditure Categories**

The Expenditure Categories (EC) listed below must be used to categorize each project as noted in Part 2 above. The term “Expenditure Category” refers to the detailed level (e.g., 1.1 COVID-10 Vaccination). When referred to at the summary level (e.g., EC 1) it includes all Expenditure Categories within that summary level.

1: Public Health	
1.1	COVID-19 Vaccination [^]
1.2	COVID-19 Testing [^]
1.3	COVID-19 Contact Tracing
1.4	Prevention in Congregate Settings (Nursing Homes, Prisons/Jails, Dense Work Sites, Schools, etc.)*
1.5	Personal Protective Equipment
1.6	Medical Expenses (including Alternative Care Facilities)
1.7	Capital Investments or Physical Plant Changes to Public Facilities that respond to the COVID-19 public health emergency
1.8	Other COVID-19 Public Health Expenses (including Communications, Enforcement, Isolation/Quarantine)
1.9	Payroll Costs for Public Health, Safety, and Other Public Sector Staff Responding to COVID-19
1.10	Mental Health Services*
1.11	Substance Use Services*
1.12	Other Public Health Services
2: Negative Economic Impacts	
2.1	Household Assistance: Food Programs* [^]
2.2	Household Assistance: Rent, Mortgage, and Utility Aid* [^]
2.3	Household Assistance: Cash Transfers* [^]
2.4	Household Assistance: Internet Access Programs* [^]
2.5	Household Assistance: Eviction Prevention* [^]
2.6	Unemployment Benefits or Cash Assistance to Unemployed Workers*
2.7	Job Training Assistance (e.g., Sectoral job-training, Subsidized Employment, Employment Supports or Incentives)* [^]
2.8	Contributions to UI Trust Funds
2.9	Small Business Economic Assistance (General)* [^]
2.10	Aid to Nonprofit Organizations*
2.11	Aid to Tourism, Travel, or Hospitality
2.12	Aid to Other Impacted Industries
2.13	Other Economic Support* [^]
2.14	Rehiring Public Sector Staff
3: Services to Disproportionately Impacted Communities	
3.1	Education Assistance: Early Learning* [^]
3.2	Education Assistance: Aid to High-Poverty Districts [^]
3.3	Education Assistance: Academic Services* [^]
3.4	Education Assistance: Social, Emotional, and Mental Health Services* [^]
3.5	Education Assistance: Other* [^]
3.6	Healthy Childhood Environments: Child Care* [^]
3.7	Healthy Childhood Environments: Home Visiting* [^]
3.8	Healthy Childhood Environments: Services to Foster Youth or Families Involved in Child Welfare System* [^]



3.9	Healthy Childhood Environments: Other* ^
3.10	Housing Support: Affordable Housing* ^
3.11	Housing Support: Services for Unhoused Persons* ^
3.12	Housing Support: Other Housing Assistance* ^
3.13	Social Determinants of Health: Other* ^
3.14	Social Determinants of Health: Community Health Workers or Benefits Navigators* ^
3.15	Social Determinants of Health: Lead Remediation ^
3.16	Social Determinants of Health: Community Violence Interventions* ^
4: Premium Pay	
4.1	Public Sector Employees
4.2	Private Sector: Grants to Other Employers
5: Infrastructure²⁷	
5.1	Clean Water: Centralized Wastewater Treatment
5.2	Clean Water: Centralized Wastewater Collection and Conveyance
5.3	Clean Water: Decentralized Wastewater
5.4	Clean Water: Combined Sewer Overflows
5.5	Clean Water: Other Sewer Infrastructure
5.6	Clean Water: Stormwater
5.7	Clean Water: Energy Conservation
5.8	Clean Water: Water Conservation
5.9	Clean Water: Nonpoint Source
5.10	Drinking water: Treatment
5.11	Drinking water: Transmission & Distribution
5.12	Drinking water: Transmission & Distribution: Lead Remediation
5.13	Drinking water: Source
5.14	Drinking water: Storage
5.15	Drinking water: Other water infrastructure
5.16	Broadband: "Last Mile" projects
5.17	Broadband: Other projects
6: Revenue Replacement	
6.1	Provision of Government Services
7: Administrative	
7.1	Administrative Expenses
7.2	Evaluation and Data Analysis
7.3	Transfers to Other Units of Government
7.4	Transfers to Non-entitlement Units (States and territories only)

*Denotes areas where recipients must identify the amount of the total funds that are allocated to evidence-based interventions (see Use of Evidence section above for details)

^Denotes areas where recipients must report on whether projects are primarily serving disadvantaged communities (see Project Demographic Distribution section above for details)

²⁷ Definitions for water and sewer Expenditure Categories can be found in the EPA's handbooks. For "clean water" expenditure category definitions, please see: <https://www.epa.gov/sites/production/files/2018-03/documents/cwdefinitions.pdf>. For "drinking water" expenditure category definitions, please see: <https://www.epa.gov/dwsrf/drinking-water-state-revolving-fund-national-information-management-system-reports>.