



ST. CLAIR COUNTY, ILLINOIS

ARPA INTERIM RECOVERY PLAN

August 31, 2021

Executive Summary

The COVID-19 pandemic has had a continued impact on the economy, public health, state and local governments, individuals and business. In March of 2021, the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) was passed by the federal government. The purpose of this act is to help state, local, territorial, and tribal governments respond to economic issues and build a strong and equitable recovery. Funds that St. Clair County will receive are State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLFRF). Under the SLFRF St. Clair County has been awarded \$50,440,961. Metropolitan cities Belleville and East St. Louis have been awarded \$15,792,501 and \$36,379,844 respectively. The State of Illinois has been awarded \$742,179,391 with a portion of those funds being disbursed to non-metropolitan cities (populations less than 50,000) and other units of governments.

This Interim Recovery Plan has been prepared in accordance with the Interim Final Rule and the Compliance and Reporting Guidance published by the US Department of Treasury. The purpose of this report is to be transparent and provide an outline the intended uses of the ARPA funds. This will also report the actual expenditures during each reporting period. This is the first annual which is covering the reporting period of March 3, 2021 through July 31, 2021. St. Clair County will publish and submit this Plan to the U.S. Department of Treasury no later than August 31, 2021.

Our Interim Recovery Plan will only cover the \$50,440,961 awarded to St. Clair County.

As of 7/31/2021 St. Clair County is still in the planning phases as to the most effective uses of the ARPA funds.

Use of Funds

As stated above, the use of ARPA funds are restricted. ARPA expenditure categories are generally limited to Public Health, Negative Economic Impacts, Services to Impacted Communities, Premium Pay, Infrastructure (sewer, water and broadband), Revenue Replacement and Plan Administration.

Public Health:

COVID-19 Vaccination: The county has implemented the first drive through vaccine facility in the State of Illinois. With the assistance of the State of Illinois and National Guard we were able to structure a very effective facility at the Belle-Clair Fairgrounds. This location was able to handle in excess of 2,000 citizens on a daily basis for all three COVID-19 vaccines. A second location was created at 330 West Main in Belleville to also administer the vaccinations. This location administered the Moderna and Johnson & Johnson vaccines. As the demand for vaccinations had decreased the Belle-Clair Fairground location was closed and 330 West Main location is able to handle the volume with all three vaccines. We are still successfully continuing operations at this location.



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As of 7/31/2021 we have obligated \$18,495.72 of ARPA funds for security costs and equipment maintenance at the 330 West Main location. We are still looking into the cost that will not be reimbursed by FEMA at the Belle-Clair Fairgrounds location.

Other Public Health Services: Other COVID-19 expenditures include technology to continue County public health operations and provide services to the public. These technology projects would allow for teleworking so that the county may continue to provide socially distanced services to the public, residents and communities online.

As of 7/31/2021 the County has invested \$2,689.00 towards a software program that will allow citizens to make appointments for services in the County Buildings. We are also looking into the purchase of additional hardware and software to provide more efficient safe service regardless of the location of the county employee or citizen.

Negative Economic Impacts

As stated in the Executive Summary, St. Clair County is still in the planning phase as to the most effective uses for our county.

Many people have been affected in different ways when it comes to employment. The unemployment rate as of June 2021 for St. Clair County was 6.8%, (ycharts.com) which is down from the 14.5% of June 2020. Just prior to the pandemic the unemployment rate averaged 4.2%. This is an area that is being addressed with the possibility of additional job training programs.

Services to Disproportionately Impacted Communities

We believe there may be an increasing number in homelessness and unemployment since the pandemic began. Programs are being researched to potentially assist citizens in this area. One of the main areas could be job training. Additionally, sewer infrastructure in certain low-income areas is of concern.

The St. Clair County Intergovernmental Granting Agency will be providing services through additional ARPA funds. They have received \$5,737,614 for Low Income Home Energy Assistance. They were also awarded rental assistance funds.



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Premium Pay

Premium pay is not to be used to increase pay of employees. Premium pay may be used for performing essential work during the COVID-19 public health emergency. These employees have been and continue to be relied on to maintain continuity of operations of essential critical infrastructure sectors, including those who are critical to protecting the health and well-being of their communities.

As of 7/31/2021 the County has expended \$32,000 in premium pay. These payments went to employees of the Emergency Management Agency. These individuals have dedicated their lives 24/7 to the implementation and testing, vaccinating and public notices for St. Clair County residents in an effort to reduce the spread of COVID-19 without any additional compensation. We could not have such a successful efficient operation without these individuals. They put their lives on hold to help the citizens of St. Clair County and we thank them for that. Upper management was not compensated with these funds. Any public safety and public health employees were compensated from other sources for time spent on COVID-19 activities.

Revenue Replacement

ARPA funds can be used for the provision of government services to the extent of the reduction of revenue experienced due to the COVID-19 public health emergency. A recipient's reduction in revenue is measured relative to the revenue collected in the most recent full fiscal year prior to the emergency. For St. Clair County this fiscal year would begin with 2019 compared to 2020. This calculation can be completed for 2020, 2021 and 2022.

These funds are to be used for government services.

As of 7/31/2021 the revenue replacement for the fiscal year 2019 to 2020 are being calculated and a final number has not been reached to date.

Administrative and Other

The County will fund direct and indirect administrative costs for implementation of projects and programs. Administering and developing the County's Recovery Plan will require the oversight of the County Board Chairman, Mark Kern and St. Clair County Auditor, Patty Sprague. Administrative funds may also be used to hire a consultant to take over administration, monitoring and reporting associated with the County's Recovery Plan.

Equitable Outcomes

Our Plan will focus on projects and programs that may facilitate economic prosperity in all St. Clair County communities and hasten a full recovery from the pandemic.



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Community Engagement

The SLFRF interim final rules provide substantial flexibility to decide how to best meet the needs of their local communities and allow for flexible spending up to the level of their revenue loss. As part of our plan St. Clair County will disseminate information through various methods so that citizens are aware of the services that can and will be funded through SLFRF.

Labor Practices

County labor practices will follow and comply with all local, state and federal laws, regulations and directives. This includes compliance with all laws and regulations pertaining to wages and hours, state and federal income tax, unemployment insurance, Social Security, disability insurance, workers' compensation insurance, and discrimination in employment. The County, its contractors, and subcontractors shall comply with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, and in accordance with said Act, no person on the grounds of race, color, sex or national origin, shall be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subject to discrimination under any service or activity in connection with any public work project. Contractors shall also comply with the Davis-Bacon Act and the Illinois Prevailing Wage Act.

Use of Evidence

As stated in the Executive Summary, St. Clair County is still in the planning phase as to the most effective uses for our county.

Expenses by Expenditure Category

See attached SLT Compliance Report



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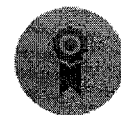
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Complete Expenditure Summary



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EXPENDITURE SUMMARY LEVEL INFORMATION

Instructions

States, U.S. Territories, Metropolitan cities, Counties, and Tribes are required to submit a one-time interim report with expenditures by category at the summary level from the date of award to July 31, 2021. The recipient will be required to enter obligations and expenditures for each expenditure category.

Category Funding Information

1. Expenditure Category: Public Health

Category	Cumulative Obligations to date	Cumulative Expenditures to date
1.1 COVID-19 Vaccination	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
1.2 COVID-19 Testing	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
1.3 COVID-19 Contact Tracing	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
1.4 Prevention in Congregate Settings (Nursing Homes, Prisons/Jails, Dense Work Sites, Schools, etc.)	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

1.5 Personal Protective Equipment	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
1.6 Medical Expenses (including Alternative Care Facilities)	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
1.7 Capital Investments or Physical Plant Changes to Public Facilities that respond to the COVID-19 public health emergency	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
1.8 Other COVID-19 Public Health Expenses (including Communications, Enforcement, Isolation/Quarantine)	\$18,290.72	\$205.00
1.9 Payroll Costs for Public Health, Safety, and Other Public Sector Staff Responding to COVID-19	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
1.10 Mental Health Services	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
1.11 Substance Use Services	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
1.12 Other Public Health Services	\$2,689.00	\$2,689.00

2. Expenditure Category: Negative Economic Impacts

Category	Cumulative Obligations to date	Cumulative Expenditures to date
2.1 Household Assistance: Food Programs	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
2.2 Household Assistance: Rent, Mortgage, and Utility Aid	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
2.3 Household Assistance: Cash Transfers	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
2.4 Household Assistance: Internet Access Programs	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
2.5 Household Assistance: Eviction Prevention	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
2.6 Unemployment Benefits or Cash Assistance to Unemployed Workers	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
2.7 Job Training Assistance (e.g., Sectoral job-training, Subsidized Employment, Employment Supports or Incentives)	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

2.8 Contributions to UI Trust Funds	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
2.9 Small Business Economic Assistance (General)	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
2.10 Aid to nonprofit organizations	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
2.11 Aid to Tourism, Travel, or Hospitality	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
2.12 Aid to Other Impacted Industries	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
2.13 Other Economic Support	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
2.14 Rehiring Public Sector Staff	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

3. Expenditure Category: Services to Disproportionately Impacted Communities

Category	Cumulative Obligations to date	Cumulative Expenditures to date
3.1 Education Assistance: Early Learning	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
3.2 Education Assistance: Aid to High-Poverty Districts	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
3.3 Education Assistance: Academic Services	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
3.4 Education Assistance: Social, Emotional, and Mental Health Services	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
3.5 Education Assistance: Other	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
3.6 Healthy Childhood Environments: Child Care	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
3.7 Healthy Childhood Environments: Home Visiting	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
3.8 Healthy Childhood Environments: Services to Foster Youth or Families Involved in Child Welfare System	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
3.9 Healthy Childhood Environments: Other	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
3.10 Housing Support: Affordable Housing	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
3.11 Housing Support: Services for Unhoused persons	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

3.12 Housing Support: Other Housing Assistance	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
3.13 Social Determinants of Health: Other	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
3.14 Social Determinants of Health: Community Health Workers or Benefits Navigators	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
3.15 Social Determinants of Health: Lead Remediation	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
3.16 Social Determinants of Health: Community Violence Interventions	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

4. Expenditure Category: Premium Pay

Category	Cumulative Obligations to date	Cumulative Expenditures to date
4.1 Public Sector Employees	\$32,000.00	\$32,000.00
4.2 Private Sector: Grants to other employers	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

5. Expenditure Category: Infrastructure

Category	Cumulative Obligations to date	Cumulative Expenditures to date
5.1 Clean Water: Centralized wastewater treatment	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
5.2 Clean Water: Centralized wastewater collection and conveyance	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
5.3 Clean Water: Decentralized wastewater	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
5.4 Clean Water: Combined sewer overflows	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
5.5 Clean Water: Other sewer infrastructure	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
5.6 Clean Water: Stormwater	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
5.7 Clean Water: Energy conservation	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
5.8 Clean Water: Water conservation	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

5.9 Clean Water: Nonpoint source	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
5.10 Drinking water: Treatment	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
5.11 Drinking water: Transmission & distribution	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
5.12 Drinking water: Transmission & distribution: lead remediation	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
5.13 Drinking water: Source	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
5.14 Drinking water: Storage	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
5.15 Drinking water: Other water infrastructure	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
5.16 Broadband: "Last Mile" projects	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
5.17 Broadband: Other projects	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

6. Expenditure Category: Revenue Replacement

Category	Cumulative Obligations to date	Cumulative Expenditures to date
6.1 Provision of Government Services	<input type="text" value="\$8,596,582.36"/>	<input type="text" value="\$0.00"/>

7. Expenditure Category: Administrative and Other

Category	Cumulative Obligations to date	Cumulative Expenditures to date
7.1 Administrative Expenses	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
7.2 Evaluation and data analysis	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
7.3 Transfers to Other Units of Government	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

Cumulative Amounts to Date, excluding NEU and Non-UGLG transfers.

Total Cumulative Obligations to Date	Total Cumulative Expenditures to Date
\$8,649,562.08	\$34,894.00

7. Expenditure Category: Recipient Allocation

Category	Cumulative Obligations to date	Cumulative Expenditures to date
7.5 Transfers to Non-UGLGs	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

Cumulative Amounts to Date, for NEU and Non-UGLG transfers only.

Total Cumulative Obligations to Date	Total Cumulative Expenditures to Date
\$0.00	\$0.00

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REVENUE REPLACEMENT

Instructions

Please provide identifying information for revenue replacement funding. Recipients must calculate the reduction in their general revenue using information as-of December 31, 2020 for loss due to the Covid-19 public health emergency. The formula for calculation is found in the Interim Final Rule as of May 17, 2021.

Revenue Replacement Key Inputs

***(required) Base Year Revenue**

\$111,168,308.13

***(required) Fiscal Year End Date**

Dec 31, 2019

***(required) Growth Adjustment Used**

7.90%

***(required) Actual General Revenue as of 12 months ended December 31, 2020**

\$111,354,022.11

***(required) Estimated Revenue Loss Due to Covid-19 Public Health Emergency as of December 31, 2020**

\$8,596,582.36

*(required) Were Fiscal Recovery Funds used to make a deposit into a pension fund?

No

*(required) Please provide an explanation of how revenue replacement funds were allocated to government services

Explanation

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We are still reviewing revenue replacement no funds have been allocated to government services.

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Official Certification

I certify that the information provided is accurate and complete after reasonable inquiry of people, systems, and other information available to the SLFRF recipient. The undersigned acknowledges that any materially false, fictitious, fraudulent statement, or representation (or concealment or omission of a material fact) in this submission may be the subject of criminal prosecution under the False Statements Accountability Act of 1996, as amended, 18 USC 1001, and also may subject me and the SLFRF Recipient to civil penalties, damages, and administrative remedies for false claims or otherwise (including under 31 USC 3729 et seq.) The undersigned is an authorized representative of the SLFRF Recipient with authority to make the above certifications and representations on behalf of the SLFRF Recipient.

By signing this report, the Authorized Representative for Reporting acknowledges in accordance with 31 CFR 35.4(c) that recipients shall provide to the Secretary periodic reports providing detailed accounting of the uses of funds, as applicable, all modifications to a State's or Territory's tax revenue sources, and such other information as the Secretary may require for the administration of this program. In addition to regular reporting requirements, the Secretary may request other additional information as may be necessary or appropriate, including as may be necessary to prevent evasions of the requirements of this program. False statements or claims made to the Secretary may result in criminal, civil, or administrative sanctions, including fines, imprisonment, civil damages and penalties, debarment from participating in Federal awards or contracts, and/or any other remedy available by law.

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