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American Rescue Plan



Current City Investments

Priority	Total Budgeted	Investments
Neighborhood Safety	\$7.4 million	Domestic Abuse Prevention, Criminal Division Backlog, Police OT
Housing	\$20.0 million	30% AMI Deeply Affordable Housing
Works Progress	\$9.1 million	Right Track Expansion, Tourism Recovery Support Program, Lead Pipe Replacement Pilot
Modernization of City Services	\$3.5 million	Public Safety Radio Replacement, Council Tech
Financial Stabilization	\$10.0 million	Library and Parks FTE Restoration, Budget Stabilization, Police Academy Pilot
Administration	\$3.9 million	ARP Administration (Finance, CAO, Procurement)
Total	\$53.9 million	



City ARP Strategy

- Address immediate needs
- Strategic planning for key priority areas, incorporating community feedback
- Focus on (1) restoring positions and services cut due to pandemic, (2) one-time investments with long-term impacts that address pandemic challenges, (3) modernizing our services, (4) effectively managing and maximizing resources



City ARP Processes and Reporting

- Departments presented proposals for ARP
- Workgroups reviewed for alignment with community goals and frameworks
- Mayor and Council review and reach agreement
- Federal Funds team review for eligibility
- Funds adopted and projects implemented
- Ongoing monitoring, reporting to U.S. Treasury, and audit preparation



County Partnership: Workforce Initiatives

- Key partnership between the City and County on a suite of workforce investments
- City funding for Workforce Supports: \$16.3 million
 - Includes: \$1 million for no barrier jobs program, \$1 million for creative economy jobs program, and up to \$3 million for lead pipe replacement workforce needs



Saint Paul
PUBLIC SCHOOLS

2022 Legislative Update

Mary Gilbert Dougherty, Legislative Liaison
JPTAC Meeting –March 28, 2022

- **Stabilize Funding—Eliminate Cross Subsidies**
- **Comprehensive Plan for School Work Force Shortages**
- **Enhance Taxpayer Equity**
- **Enhance Local Control and Reduce Mandates**
- **Provide Resources for Child and Family Stability and Support**

Supplemental Budget Compromise At Risk

- Senate announced no targets for and supplemental budgets including E-12
- Senate Ed—passed a few minor finance bills
 - Literacy training for teachers
 - Small increase in school safety revenue, include private schools
- Vouchers for both regular and special education students
- Short term substitute teacher bill
- Tuition Billing work group
- Parent bill of rights package

House

- No target as of March 24th
- Prioritizing special education and EL cross subsidy
- VPK base funding and Child Care support
- Teacher of Color/Grow Your Own
- Student and school supports
- Tax target for schools likely small
- Policy bill includes many unfunded mandates

Governor

- Target--\$707 Million in FY23 and \$1.54 Billion in FY24/25
- 2% increase in the formula in FY23
- Revenue for both special ed and EL cross subsidy
- Full funding of VPK, plus birth-3 childcare/scholarship increases and supports (childcare in HHS target)
- Free meals for all students
- Mental Health, Student supports and Literacy proposal
- Teacher of Color, mentoring and retention grant programs



ARP Update

JPTAC Meeting
Cedrick Baker, Chief of Staff

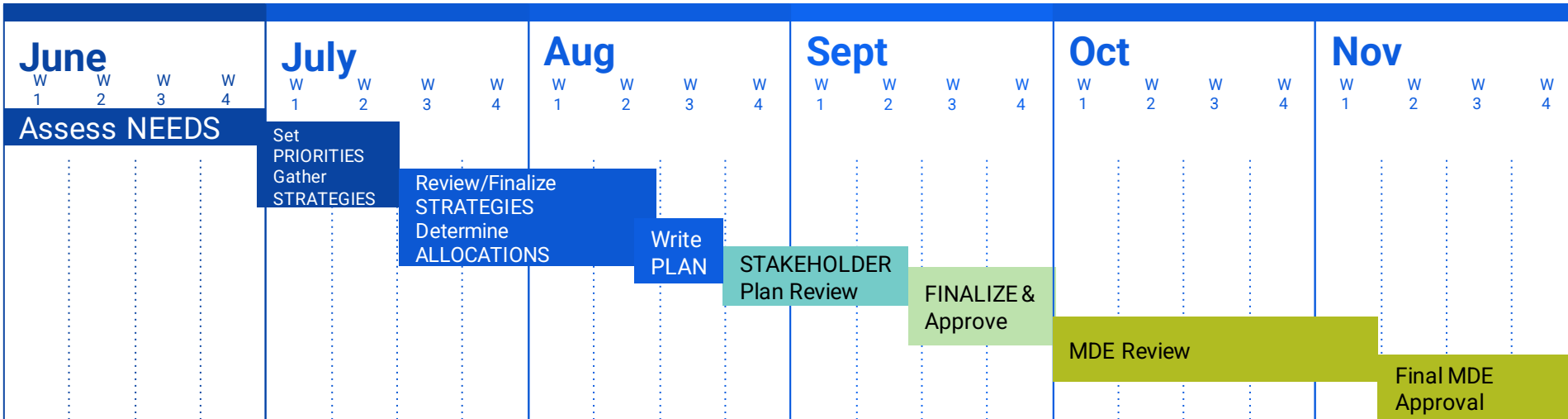
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SPPS ARP Goals

1	Safely reopen schools for all students
2	Address pre and post pandemic unfinished learning
3	Build lasting, equitable systems of teaching and learning
4	Supporting student and staff social emotional needs on returning to full on-site learning

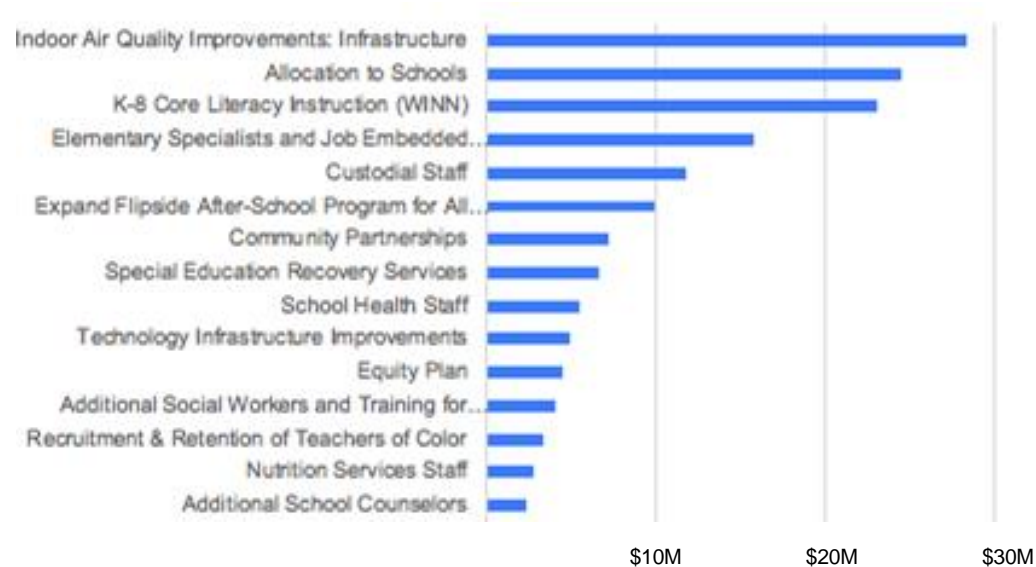
Allocation and Planning Process

- Received \$206.9 million
 - 20% must address learning loss



SPPS ARP Funded Strategies

- 51 unique strategies
- Wide range in scope
 - Districtwide vs. subset of schools
 - Capacity building, direct service, procurements of materials, operations
 - Enhancements to/continuations of existing work and new work



Strategy Highlights

- \$65 million** ➤ Infrastructure, HVAC improvements and COVID-19 mitigation
- \$24.5 million** ➤ School-based allocations to target localized student needs
- \$23 million** ➤ K-8 core reading and math specialists (WINN Teachers)
- \$10 million** ➤ Community partnerships (SEL and family services)
- \$9.7 million** ➤ Equity plan, training and recruitment/retention of teachers of color

Property Tax Refund Program

Luis Rosario
Ramsey County Assessor

May 28th, 2022

Property Taxes Statements and Value Notices

- The Payable 2022 Property Tax Statements and 2022 Value Notices for taxes payable in 2023 have been mailed.
- Tax Statements and additional property tax information will be available to residents on the County's website: <https://www.ramseycounty.us/residents/property>.
- Questions for 2022 value Notices for taxes payable in 2023 call: 651-266-2131

Claiming the Property Tax Refund

- Filing information: www.revenue.state.mn.us/filing-property-tax-refund or 1-800-652-9094
- How to file
 - Homeowner refund: online, software provider, or by paper
 - Renter refund: software provider or by paper
- Final deadline to claim 2020 refund: 8/15/2022

If you are	and	You may qualify for a refund of up to
A renter	Your total household income is less than \$62,960	\$2,210
A homeowner	Your total household income is less than \$116,180	\$2,840

Special Property Tax Refund: No homeowner income limit; refund limited to \$1,000; property tax increased by more than 12% and increase was at least \$100

Claiming the Property Tax Refund

- Final deadline to claim 2021 refund: 8/15/2023

If you are	and	You may qualify for a refund of up to
A renter	Your total household income is less than \$64,920	\$2,280
A homeowner	Your total household income is less than \$119,790	\$2,930

Special Property Tax Refund: No homeowner income limit; refund limited to \$1,000; property tax increased by more than 12% and increase was at least \$100

Timeline: 6 months: March-September

- Community events
- Media
 - Radio/news interview
 - Mailed in tax statements
 - Social media
 - Translated material
- Engagement
 - Workshops-work with Volunteer Income Assistance (VITA) program
 - Group grants for events, distributing information, ect.

State Legislative Update

March 28, 2022

2022 Legislative Top Priorities

- **Family and Community Stabilization:**
 - Investing in housing stability-affordability and homelessness.
 - Addressing racial disparities in out-of-home displacements.
- **Systems Transformation:**
 - Improving mental and behavioral health systems and support.
 - Justice system reform.
- **Economic Competitiveness and Inclusion:**
 - Transportation, including new revenues for transit, roads and bridges.
 - Workforce.
 - Climate change.
 - Bonding requests.

Good to Know...

- Heading Home Ramsey Continuum of Care \$14.5 M / \$72.5
HF 3950 (Moran) / SF 3710 (Senjem)
- Youth public safety initiative \$15 M
HF 4624 (Her) SF 4286 (Murphy)
- New Homelessness Prevention Aid (Rep. Gomez)
- Affordable Housing Aid (House Property Tax Article)
- More CPA / more LGA?
- Pig's Eye Landfill Taskforce
 - (Sen. Hawj / Rep. Jay Xiong)
- Cost of Care (Rep. Moran / Sen. Hoffman)
- Competency Restoration (Rep. Edelson / Sen. Senjem)

Capital Improvement Requests

- **Ramsey County Bonding Requests**

- The Park at RiversEdge \$26 M Mariani/Pappas
- Rice Street Revitalization \$3.9 M Fischer/Wiger
- Bruce Vento Trail Extension \$3.5 M Chamberlain/Wazlawik

- **Support Other Bonding Requests**

- Gibbs Farm-Pathways to Dakota & Pioneer Life, *Ramsey County Historical Society* \$7.63 M
- Eastbound Kellogg RiverCentre Bridge, *City of Saint Paul* \$26 M

What's Next?

- Bonding Bill behind the scenes
- Fund the CoC ask at \$14.5 M (Stand alone bill)
- Deadlines
- Omnibus bill rumors
- More retirements
- Can they pass anything this year?
- “Ear Marks” for 2023 due mid-April with federal delegation.

City of Saint Paul Legislative Update

March 28, 2022 - JPTAC



- Capital Improvement Requests
 - #1 EastBound Kellogg RiverCentre Bridge - \$26m
 - #2 Great River Passage - \$20m
 - #3 Como Zoo - \$12m
 - #4 North End Community Center - \$16m
 - Playwrights' Center - \$4.45m
- Capital Improvement Requests – Support Items
 - Park at RiversEdge - \$26m
 - Hillcrest Redevelopment Project - \$12m
 - Sanneh Foundation - \$1.4m (equity appropriations)
 - East Side Freedom Library - \$300k (equity appropriations)
 - ReConnect Rondo Land Bridge

City of Saint Paul Legislative Update

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- Legislative Priorities
 - LGA
 - Heading Home Ramsey/Continuum of Care Ask
 - Catalytic converters
 - Digital equity and Coronavirus Capital Projects Fund
 - 4d classification rate changes and transition aid
 - Comprehensive Housing Spectrum Act
 - Public Safety Innovation Package
 - Lead line replacement
 - Historic rehabilitation tax credit extension
 - CollegeBound Saint Paul
 - Pig's Eye task force
 - Open meeting law
 - Rent stabilization
 - Front line worker pay

Overview of Ramsey County American Rescue Plan (ARPA) Priorities and Funding

- Ramsey County received the first of two payments that will total \$106.8 million. The second payment will be made in May 2022.
- Funds must be obligated by December 31, 2024 and spent by December 31, 2026.
- The US Department of Treasury has issued guidance on the funds and continues to provide additional detail. Compliance, Legal and Finance work together to review all ARPA spending plans.
- We continue to look for opportunities for additional revenue and have received funds from FEMA, Minnesota Department of Health and other Federal Funds.

Overarching Priorities



Summary

American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)	Tier	Budgeted Amount
Total Federal Allocation		\$106.8 million
Authorized by the Ramsey County Board		
Public Health Ongoing Pandemic Response	1	\$2 million
Workforce Development: Right Track +	1	\$2.1 million
Racial Equity & Community Engagement	1	\$2.72 million
Emergency Shelter Expansion to 2022	1	\$5.2 million
Support for Ramsey County Direct Care (LOR and RCCC)	1	\$1 million
Support for County Attorney COVID Case Backlog	1	\$1.1 million
Employee Vaccine and Testing Infrastructure and Implementation	1	\$1 million
2022-2023 budget to support expanded county service delivery	2/3	\$20.15 million
Workforce ecosystem and Public Health Workforce Continuity	4	Up to \$9.5 million
Violence Prevention	4	Up to \$16 million
Affordable Housing	5	Up to \$37 million
Administration/Evaluation	-	\$2 million
TOTAL		\$99.77 million
Planned But Not Yet Authorized		
Employee Compensation	1	\$3.15 million
Space and Technology Workplace Adaptations	1	\$2 million
Overall ARPA Contingency	-	\$2 million
TOTAL		\$7.15 million