



**AGENDA ITEM REPORT**

**DATE:** June 21, 2022  
**DEPARTMENT:** County Manager  
**REQUESTER:** Roger Desjarlais  
**TITLE:** Approve United Way-Lee County Nonprofit Human Services Projects for ARPA Funding

**I. MOTION REQUESTED**

- A) Approve the United Way-Lee County Nonprofit Human Service projects and funding recommended by United Way as required by the subrecipient contract between the BoCC and United Way to administer American Rescue Plan Act Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund project (ARPA-DC234A) for delivery of direct human services in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.
- B) Authorize United Way to develop, execute, and monitor funding agreements for the approved nonprofit organizations.

**II. ITEM SUMMARY**

Funds projects recommended by United Way to deliver direct human services in Lee County. This action authorizes distribution of around \$16 million of American Rescue Plan Act funding to local nonprofits that was previously obligated by the BoCC on March 1, 2022. Recommended services include mental health, homelessness recovery, healthcare, youth programs, food security, workforce training, violence prevention and others.

**III. BACKGROUND AND IMPLICATIONS OF ACTION**

- A) Board Action and Other History  
 The BoCC participated in an ARPA workshop on September 7, 2021. On October 19, 2021, the BoCC authorized Phase One investments for American Rescue Plan Act funding. On February 11, 2022 during its Strategic Planning session, the BoCC provided consensus policy direction for Phase Two investments under the American Rescue Plan Act. Phase Two investments for American Rescue Plan Act funding were approved by the BoCC on March 1, 2022. Lee County has submitted all required reports to US Treasury.
- B) Policy Issues
- C) BoCC Goals
- D) Analysis  
 The American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) provides \$149,675,549 in direct local funding assistance for Lee County to address public health response; negative economic impacts to households, small businesses, and nonprofits; services to disproportionately impacted communities; core government service; and infrastructure.  
  
 To respond to the human service needs caused by the COVID-19 pandemic, the BoCC partnered with United Way of Lee County to issue a Notice of Funding Available (NOFA) for \$16.2 million in American Rescue Plan Act funds. Requests from eligible not-for-profit agencies far exceeded the available funds. United Way reviewed the compliance risk and eligibility of the applications, evaluated the proposals and ranked them in terms of priority needs.  
  
 United Way selected these projects to ensure broad categorical distribution of funding, proportionality, and highest-quality outcomes. United Way will develop and execute funding agreements with each awarded nonprofit organization to define the parameters of the project and the disbursement of funds. United Way will monitor the subrecipient projects for local and federal compliance through quarterly reports to Lee County on project progress and performance and through other organizational monitoring based on organizational risk. Lee County will review and submit the required quarterly and annual reports to the US Treasury with information related to each of these projects.  
  
 These projects may receive funding through December 31, 2024.
- E) Options  
 1) Approve all recommended projects for funding;  
 2) Approve individual projects for funding

**IV. FINANCIAL INFORMATION**

A)	Current year dollar amount of item:	No funding required.
B)	Is this item approved in the current budget?	No
C)	Is this a revenue or expense item?	Expense
D)	Is this Discretionary or Mandatory?	Discretionary

E)	Will this item impact future budgets? If yes, please include reasons in III(D) above.	Yes
F)	Fund: Program: Project: Account Strings: 11129500100	
G)	Fund Type?	Other: American Rescue Plan Act: Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds
H)	Comments: A total of \$17 million of ARPA funding was obligated to United Way for this project on March 1, 2022. This amount includes nonprofit human service delivery grants and administrative costs for the program.	

**V. RECOMMENDATION**

Approve

**VI. TIMING/IMPLEMENTATION**

**VII. FOLLOW UP**

**ATTACHMENTS:**

Description	Upload Date	Type
<a href="#">United Way Funding Recommendations</a>	6/14/2022	Backup Material
<a href="#">Program Descriptions</a>	6/14/2022	Backup Material

**REVIEWERS:**

Department	Reviewer	Action	Date
County Manager	Salyer, Glen	Approved	6/10/2022 - 9:30 AM
Budget Services	Henkel, Anne	Approved	6/10/2022 - 2:39 PM
Budget Services	Winton, Peter	Approved	6/10/2022 - 3:30 PM
County Attorney	Wesch, Richard Wm.	Approved	6/13/2022 - 9:32 AM
County Manager	Salyer, Glen	Approved	6/14/2022 - 9:05 AM