Accessing Remaining COVID-19 Relief Funds

(Before It Is Too Late)

January 30, 2024



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- 3. Participants can use the Q&A function to submit questions.
- 4. A follow-up email will include: link to the recording, slides, additional materials, and evaluation survey.

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Opening Remarks U.S. Department of the Treasury



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Overview of the State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds



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Bottom Line Up Front

- 1. There is no preset RFP
- 2. Charitable nonprofits **are eligible** for funding
- 3. There are still funds available

1 Background

State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds

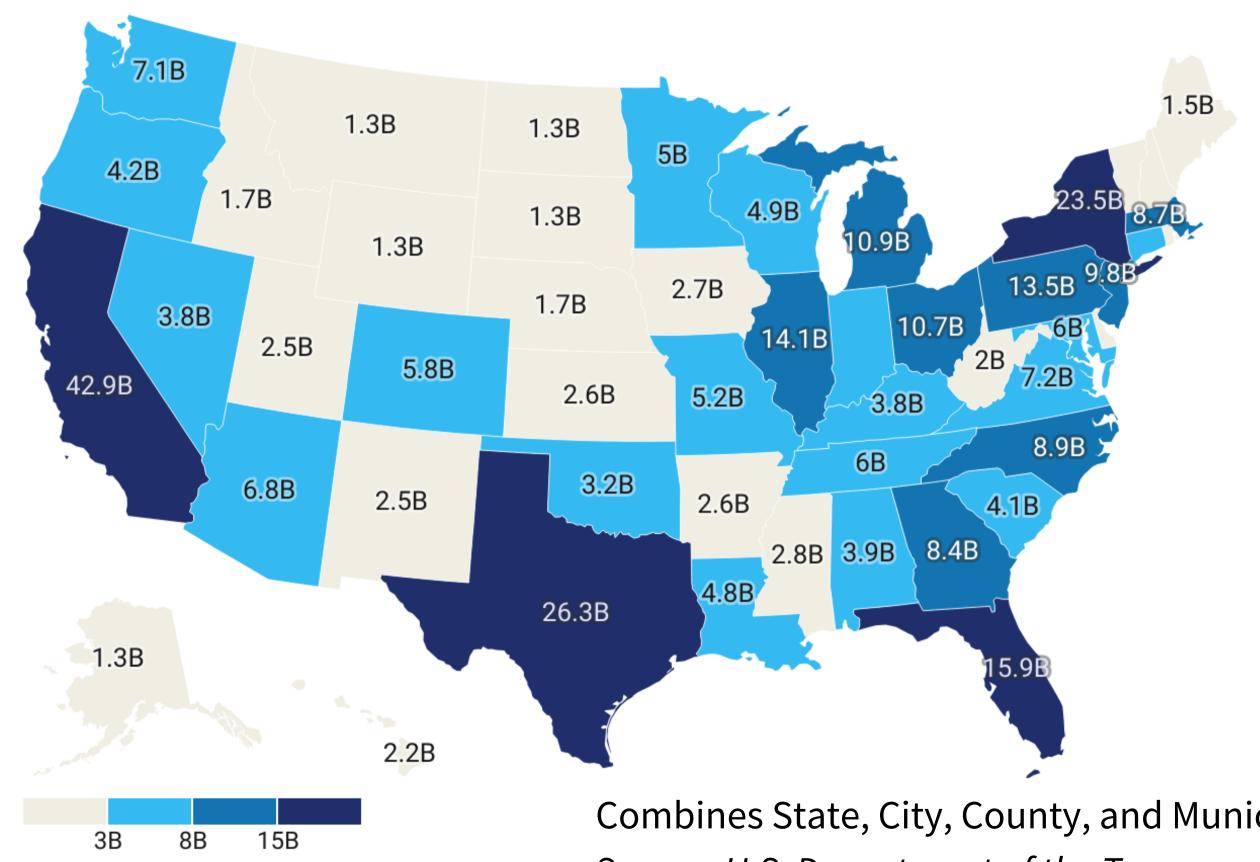
\$1.9 trillion COVID-19 relief package signed into law March 11, 2021, to address the impact of the pandemic on child care, housing, public health, and other areas.

This included the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLFRF): **\$350 billion** allocated to states, localities, Tribes, and territories. Congress expressly declared that governments may use their allocations to provide "assistance to households, small businesses, *and nonprofits*, or to aid impacted industries." (emphasis added)

SLFRF Allocations per State

Amount in billions of dollars

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Combines State, City, County, and Municipal Funding Source: U.S. Department of the Treasury

SLFRF Key Terms

Recipient

State, territorial, local, and Tribal governments that received State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds to support their **response to** and **recovery from** the COVID-19 public health emergency.

Subrecipient

An entity, including a nonprofit, that receives funding to <u>complete a project</u> <u>on behalf of a recipient</u>. Subrecipients must comply with all requirements of recipients such as eligible uses of funds and reporting requirements.

NOTE: Entities that are direct beneficiaries of a project funded by SLFRF are not subrecipients.

SLFRF Key Terms (cont.)

Allocations

The amount of State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds awarded to state, territorial, local, and Tribal governments.



Obligations

"An order placed for property and services, contracts and subawards made, and similar transactions that require payment."

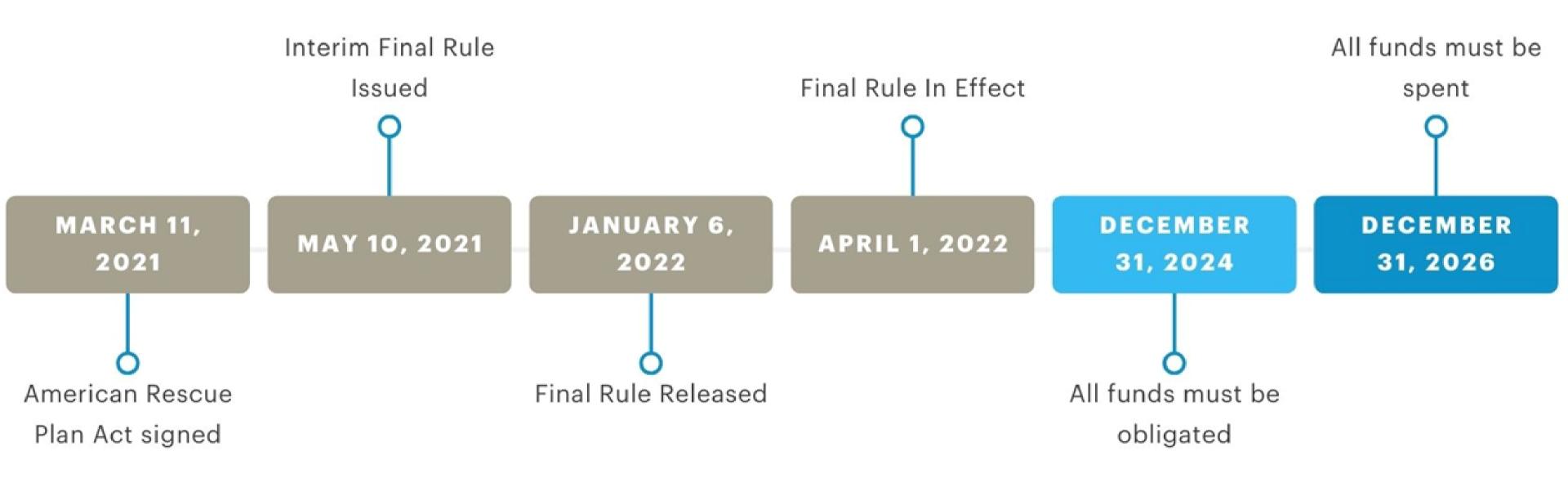
Due by Dec. 31, 2024

Expenditures

"Amount that has been incurred as a liability of the entity (the service has been rendered or the good has been delivered to the entity)."

Due by Dec. 31, 2026

SLFRF Timeline



Nonprofits' Eligibility for SLFRF

U.S. Department of the Treasury Final Rule

"Eligible nonprofits are those that experienced negative economic impacts or disproportionate impacts of the pandemic."

Governments can consider:

- Decreased revenue
- Increased costs
- Challenges covering payroll, rent, and other operating costs



Coronavirus State & Local Fiscal Recovery Funds: Overview of the Final Rule

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

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How SLFRF Recipients Can Partner with Nonprofits

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Recipients of Relief

- Beneficiaries
- Typically grants such as Nonprofit
 Relief Funds
- Less paperwork for applications and reporting

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Providers of Relief

- Subrecipients
- Typically contracts for services
- More detailed reporting requirements

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Successful Examples

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Workforce Development



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From the Frontlines: Housing



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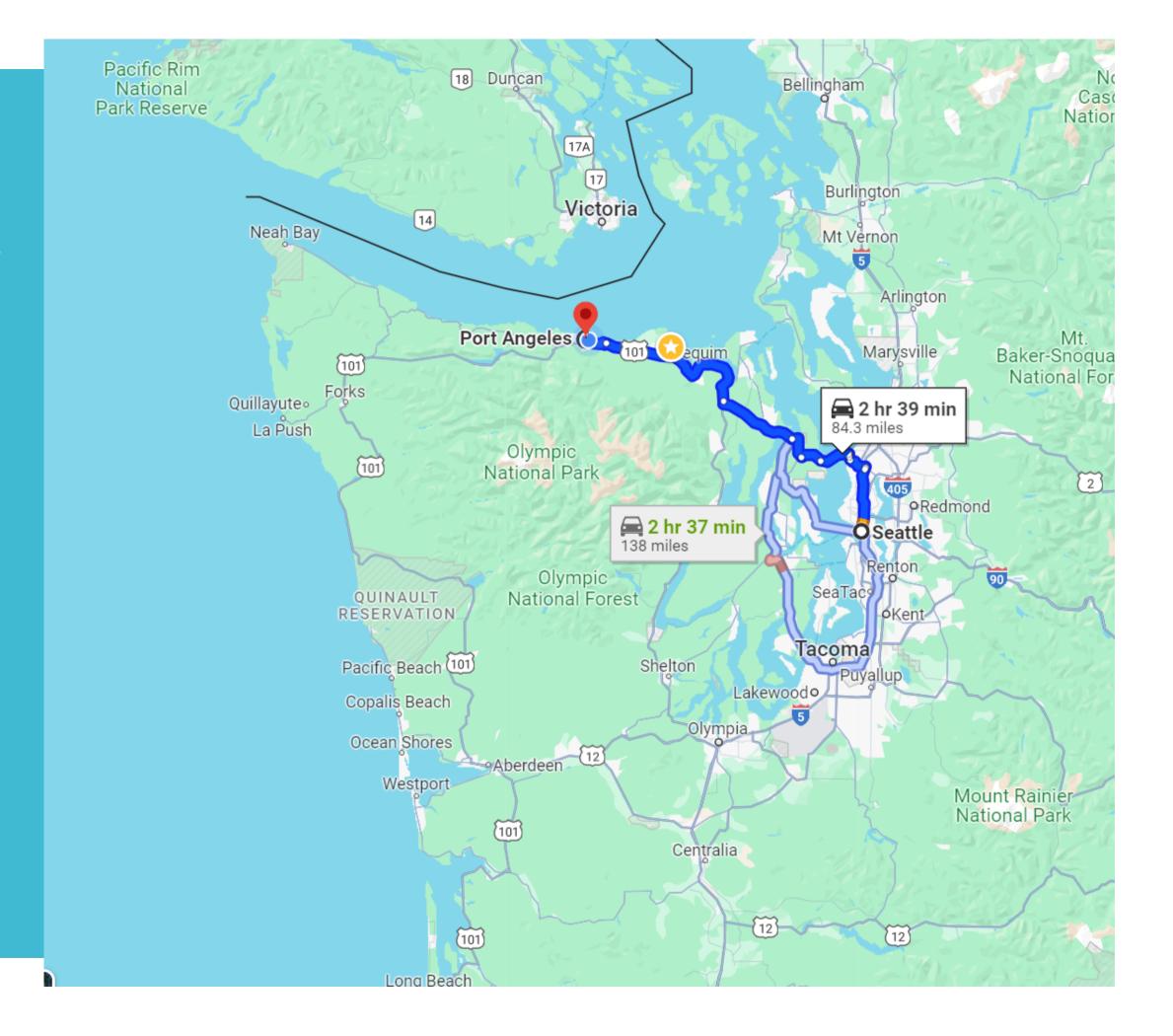
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ARPA funding in a Rural Community

Presented by Colleen Robinson, CEO of Habitat for Humanity of Clallam County

Clallam County is approximately 2.5 hours West of Seattle, WA





HABITAT CLALLAM - HILARY... FAMILY PARTNER JOURNEY



5 - qualifying

NOV 18, 2020

applications received

SEPT 15 ~ OCT

15, 2020

Homeowner
application open
17 completed

applications presented to Habitat Clallam
Board of Directors
2 Family partners
selected

3

DEC 2020

Family notified

JAN 2021

Ground Work Begins

FEB ~ MAR 2021

Foundation work continues



APRIL 17, 2021

Ribbon Cutting for Foundation completion

MAY 2021

Habitat Board of
Directors voted to
pause the build due
to spiraling cost of
construction
materials





SEPT 2021

Habitat Clallam
receives \$100,000 of
ARPA Funds from
Clallam County &
restarts construction

OCT 2, 2021

Hilary Wall Raising



OCT 2021 FEB 2022

Housing
Construction
continues

JUNE 2022

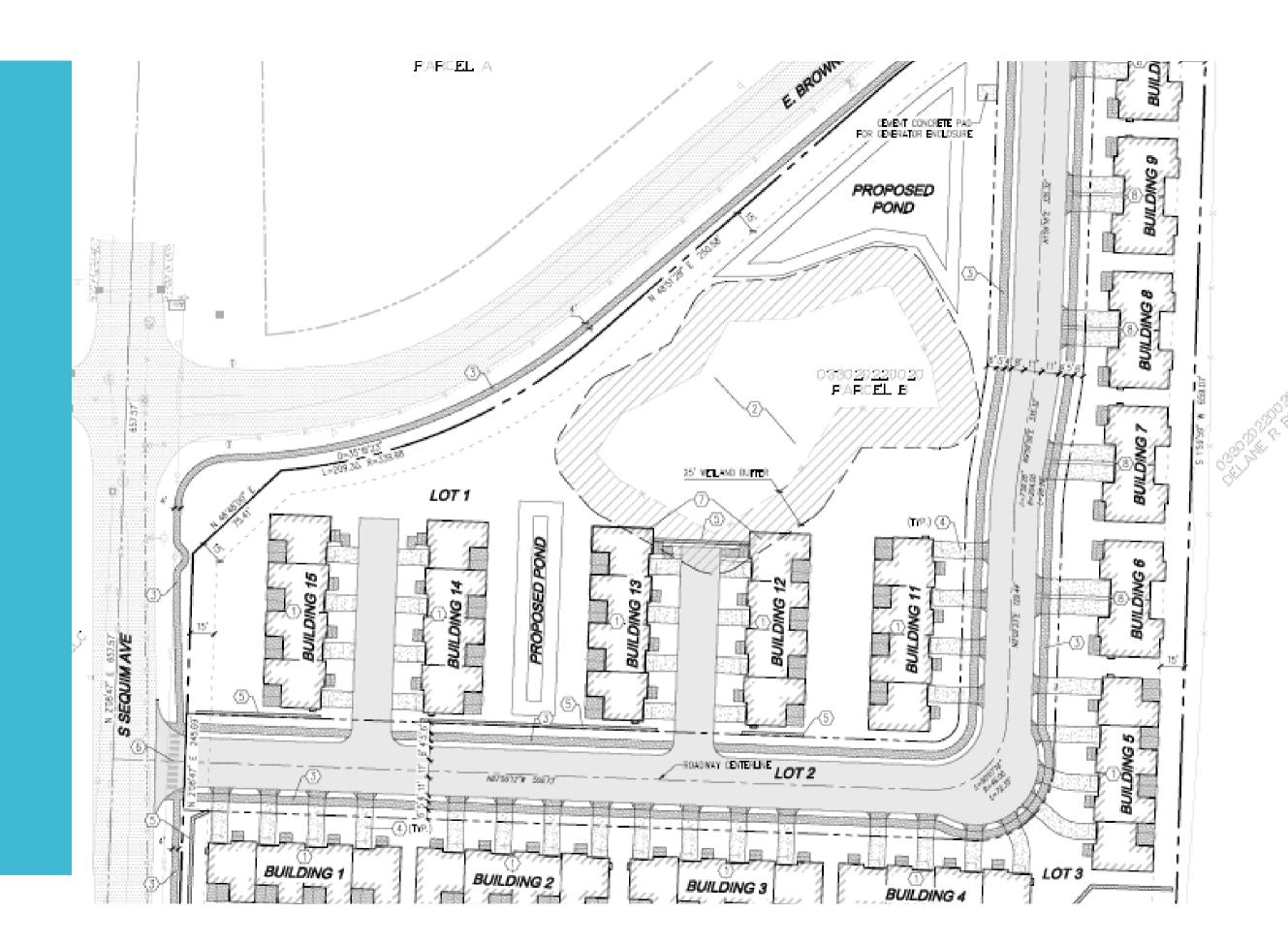
USDA 502 Home Loan Closing?



September of 2021 HFHCC received \$100,000 of ARPA funds from City of Port Angeles



February 2022
HFHCC requested and additional \$500,000 of Clallam County's ARPA Funds...



This is Hilary's Home Dedication in July 2023







Identifying and Pursuing Funds

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Remaining Funds for Nonprofits

"I've been told the money has already been spent."

Why There Are Funds Available

- 1. Revenue Replacement
- 2. Underutilized SLFRF Programs
- 3. Cancelled SLFRF Projects

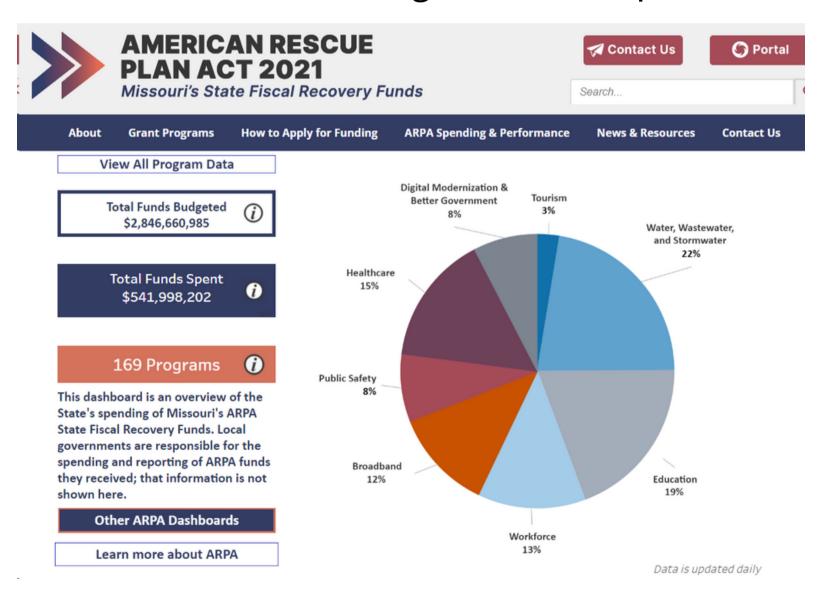
Given the approaching deadlines, recipients need only sign a written agreement with a charitable nonprofit by December 31 and their **obligation** duty is met.

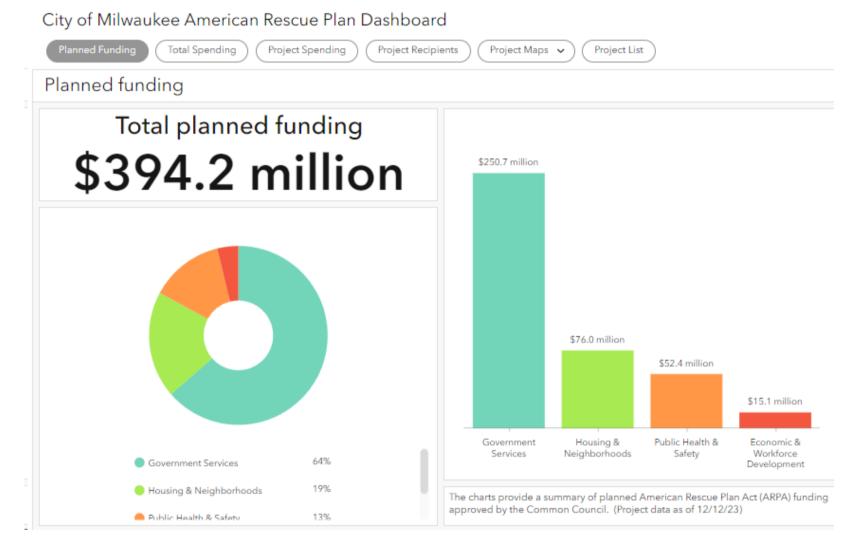
Sources to Track Remaining Funds

"Where do I find out how much money is still available?"

ARPA Dashboards from SLFRF Recipients

Many recipients have a website dedicated to ARPA obligations and expenditures, and information on the categories and impact.

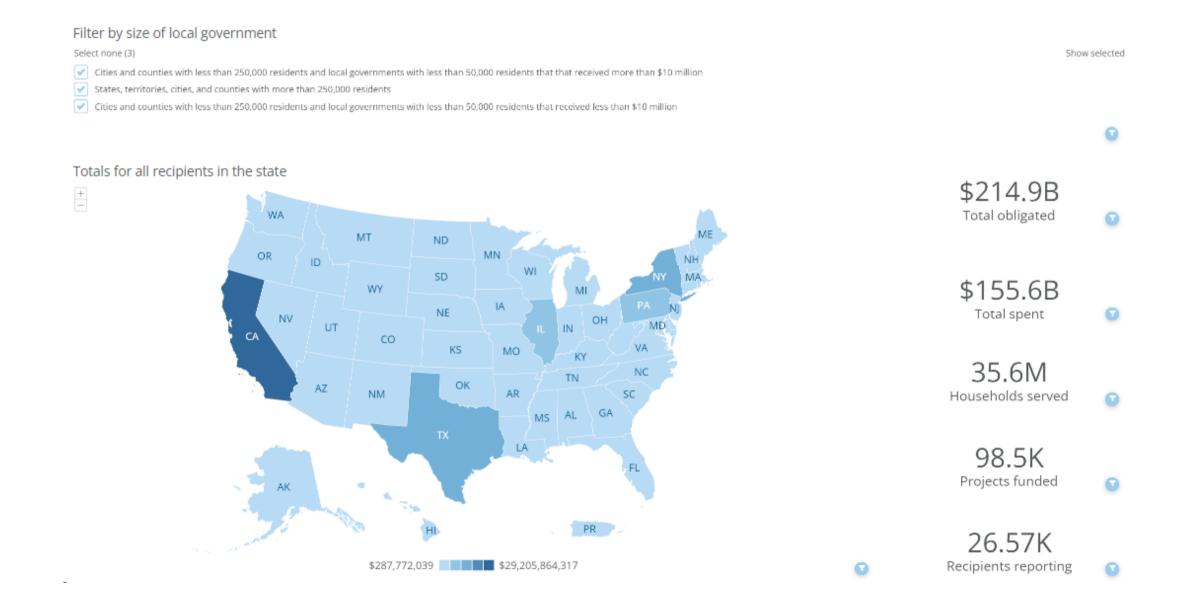




Recipients' dashboards can show what they have prioritized and where your nonprofits fits in those priorities. If there isn't a dashboard, there are other options...

ARPA Dashboards: Pandemic Oversight

This interactive dashboard allows users to filter by state and size of recipient to see the amount obligated and spent, spending categories, recipients per state, and project information.



Other ARPA Dashboards

Local Government ARPA Investment Tracker

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Note: Within this interactive tracker, users can select search filters below—including by location and type of expenditure—or search through the map to find detailed information on city and county plans for deploying American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)'s State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund dollars. Allocations, adopted budgets and expenses are reported to the U.S. Treasury, the dashboard currently reflects adopted budgets. Future versions will include more information.

This tracker was last updated on November 20th, 2023 and contains project data from Project and Expenditure Reports submitted by local governments to the Department of the Treasury covering through July 2023. Tier 5 local government information is still from April 2023 as it is updated on an annual basis. This tracker will be updated as more information becomes available.

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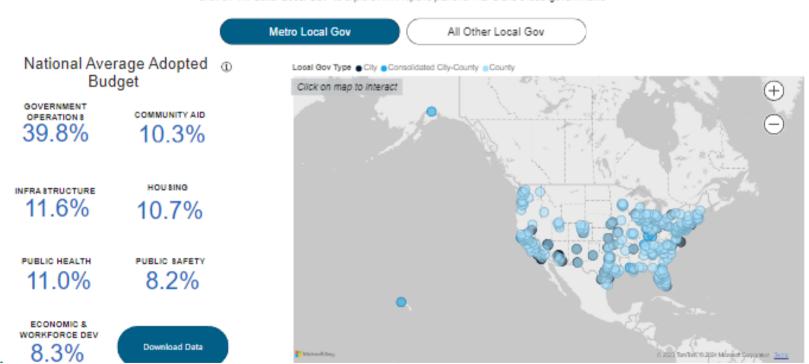
of Projects

Total \$ Tracked

% of Funding Budgeted % of Funding Obligated

335

Click on "All Other Local Gov" to explore ARPA spend plans for Tier 2 and 5 local governments





Total Estimated Allocations v. Full Disbursement





State	Subject to Split?	Total Funding Distributed by Treasury (in millions)	Percentage Allocated
Alabama	Yes	\$2,120	Fully Allocated
Alaska	Yes	\$1,012	Fully Allocated
American Samoa	Not Applicable	\$479	Fully Allocated
Arizona	Yes	\$4,183	Over 75%
Arkansas	Yes	\$1,573	50-75%
California	No	\$27,017	Fully Allocated
Colorado	No	\$3,829	Fully Allocated
Connecticut	No	\$2,812	Over 75%
Delaware	No	\$925	Over 75%
District of Columbia	No	¢4 000	Fully Allocated

*Blank cell: State or territory has allocated, but information is not available.

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When in Doubt



The Role of Nonprofit Advocacy

"How do I know what to ask for or what to propose?"

Securing Funds for Your Nonprofit

Challenges

- Lack of information about SLFRF available
- Fear of unsustainability for funded programs
- Local dynamics and relationships
- Other resistance

Strategies

- Point to the Final Rule, ARPA reports, and examples
- Focus on one-time nature of funds
- Work through state association of nonprofits, coalitions, or community foundations
- Refer to strategic plans

- 1. Demonstrate public support for your nonprofit
- 2. Use recipient's materials to your advantage
- 3. Work with philanthropy

Demonstrate public support for your nonprofit

As the expert on your nonprofit's mission and impact, you can use materials that include, but are not limited to:

- Annual reports
- Survey data
- One-pagers
- Testimonials from clients, peers, donors, board members, etc.

Use recipient's materials to your advantage

Many recipients have released their budget frameworks, State of the State/City addresses, Strategic Plans, and other materials that reflect their priorities for the year.

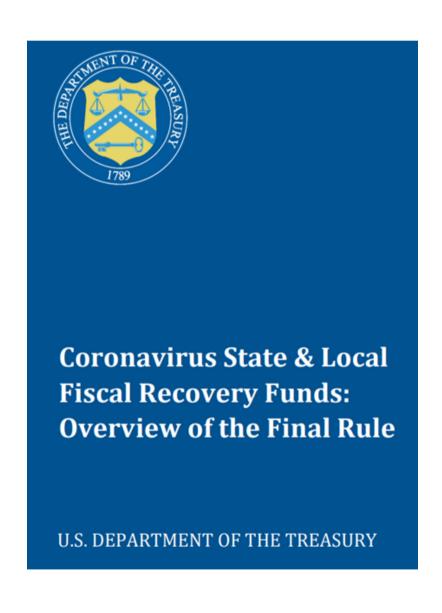
Whether or not your nonprofit's work aligns, use the materials as an opportunity to meet with local leaders and decisionmakers on SLFRF.

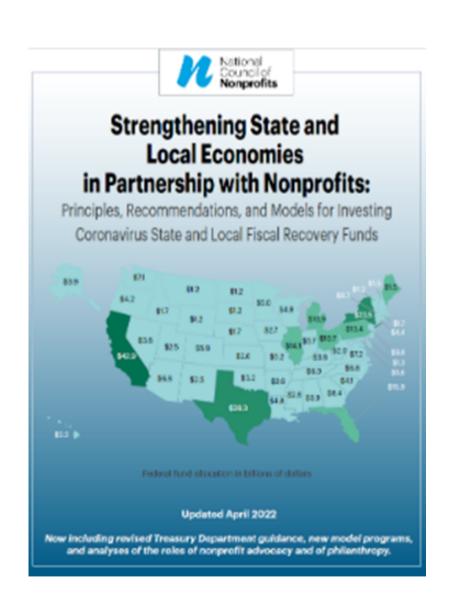
Work with philanthropy

Foundations can

- (1) use their resources to provide direct or indirect support;
- (2) help distribute and administer funds;
- (3) convene groups to disseminate and collect information about SLFRF to address recovery efforts.

Key Resources for Nonprofits







Q&A

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Takeaways

Charitable nonprofits provide vital services and for communities to recover, SLFRF investments in their mission can make a difference.

- 1. There are funds available for nonprofits.
- 2. Recipients can partner with nonprofits using State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds.
- 3. Nonprofits have tools and templates to define their "asks" and access funds.

