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Executive Summary

The American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA), signed into law on March 11, 2021, with an Interim Rule published on May 17, 2021 https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2021-05-17/pdf/2021-10283.pdf, provides federal resources to local governments to "change the course of the pandemic and deliver immediate relief for American workers, as stated by the White House announcing its passage (see https://www.whitehouse.gov/wp-content/uploads/2021/03/American-Rescue-Plan-Fact-Sheet.pdf).

Additionally, according to the U.S. Department of the Treasury, the funding objectives are to: support urgent COVID-19 response efforts; replace lost revenue for eligible local governments to support vital public services and help retain jobs; support immediate economic stabilization for households and business; and address systemic public health and economic challenges that have contributed to the unequal impact of the pandemic.

The federal government allocated \$96 million directly to the County of Sonoma (County), not including cities, tribes, or other jurisdictions. Based on the Revenue Replacement calculations as outlined by US Treasury, the County can recognize up to approximately \$36 million in revenue loss due to the Sonoma County pandemic for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2020. Of this \$36 million, the County utilized approx. \$15.5 million for a one-time COVID lump sum payment of \$1500 to each county employee (approx.\$7.9 million) and for a capital project to relocate the County's Public Health Lab and Coroner's Office and Morgue (approx. \$7.6 million). The county also recognized approx. \$15 million in COVID response and negative economic impact ARPA expenditures for Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2022.

The County held several workshops and community events to determine the needs and expectations of the community in the use of ARPA funds for specific projects. This information was compiled and a list of projects was taken to the Board of Supervisors May 24, 2022 for approval to begin the community and departmental recommended projects. The Board approved approx. \$40 million of ARPA funding to address the community needs due to the COVID-19 pandemic and negative economic impacts.

Uses of Funds

The American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) was signed into law on March 11, 2021, the third major aid package coming from the Federal Government in response to the COVID-19 epidemic. Among other provisions, the Act provides resources to local governments to combat COVID-19 and its ongoing effects on the country, its people, and its economy. As part of this package the County of Sonoma will receive \$96,018,973. Half of this funding was received in May 2021, and the other half will be delivered in the spring of 2022. All funding must be obligated by December 31, 2024 and spent by December 31, 2026.

Under the legislation, funding can be used to address five areas:

- 1. Support ongoing public health response to COVID-19
- 2. Address negative economic impacts of the pandemic
- 3. Replace public sector revenue loss
- 4. Provide premium pay for essential workers
- 5. Invest in water, sewer, and broadband infrastructure.
- 6. Revenue Replacement

Revenue Replacement: The Treasury Department's guidelines, call for a single calculation for the entire entity in question, and do not allow for exclusions of one-time or special purpose revenues. Calculated on a Fiscal Year basis, the County determined a loss of approx. \$36 million for Fiscal Year 2020. The Board of Supervisors approved a one-time lump sum payment of \$1,500 to all county employees for their efforts and work during the COVID-19 pandemic through December 31, 2021 and continued efforts going forward (approx. \$7.8 million). The Board also approved an allocation of ARPA funds of approx. \$7.6 million to capital improvements related to the relocation of the County Public Health Lab and Coroner's Office / Morgue.

At Budget Hearings, staff presented a plan to distribute funding under three primary pillars:

- 1. Funding for COVID-19 response (EC 1)
- 2. Funding for departmental projects (EC 2 EC6)
- 3. Funding directly to the community (EC 2 EC 6)

Funding for COIVD-19 response (EC 1) totaling \$19.5 million is included in the FY 2021-22 adopted budget. This funding will ensure that the County has the resources it needs in order to continue to respond to the pandemic. Based on preliminary review of ARPA related expenses, approx.. \$13 million in ARPA COVID—19 Response expenses were recognized for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2022.

The second and third pillars of funding are to be allocated directly to the County department of community is being managed by Upstream Investments in conjunction with the Office of Equity and the Economic Development Board and the Human Services Department. These departments conducted expensive surveys and meetings and involvement with the community for input on the use of the ARPA funds and each County department was able to submit applications on potential needs/projects. A Request for Proposal (RFP) was issued by the County and the ARPA team reviewed all submissions and considered the community requests, departmental requests and Board of Supervisors priorities. A final list was submitted to the Board for final review and approval.

On May 24, 2022, the Board approved approx. \$40 million in ARPA funding for funding community and County Departmental projects in the areas of ongoing COVID response activities, Negative Economic Impacts, Broadband, and Disaster Response initiatives These projects include:

- Ongoing COVID Response
- Public Mental Health Services
- Substance Use Services
- Assistance to Unemployed or Underemployed Workers

- Healthy Childhood Environments
- Addressing Educational Disparities
- Financial Assistance to Households
- Food Programs
- Long-term Housing Security
- Housing Support
- Small Business and MicroBusiness Support
- Broadband Projects
- Equitable, Community-based Disaster Response

As dictated by ARPA, the Board and the Public will receive regular updates on the funding through the duration of the grants as well as further potential uses of ARPA funding.

The County has also received approx. \$20 million in funding under the Emergency Rental Assistance 1 and the Emergency Rental Assistance 2 programs. The County has utilized the funds to provide assistance to the community and continues to seek additional reallocation funds to continue to provide this vital assistance due to the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Promoting Equitable Outcomes

Note: ARPA Funding and projects approved at the May 24,2022 Board of Supervisors meeting are scheduled to begin operations July 2022. As the community-based projects are started, this section will be updated with the required information, using qualitative and quantitative data, on how the jurisdiction's approach achieved or promoted equitable outcomes or progressed toward equity goals.

To support the ARPA Implementation Plan, the Office of Equity proposed to utilize an Equity Design process that built on the best practices of the Latinx Health Work Group through the creation of an ARPA Equity Work Group. This Group developed community priorities and operationalized those priorities through the Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) process for community investments.

The process for creating the membership of the ARPA Equity Work Group included a short application and a letter of recommendation from a community member or community-based organization. Applications were reviewed by a cross-department panel of Equity Core Team members and staff and leadership from the Human Services Department, Economic Development Board, and Office of Equity.

The Office of Equity formed the ARPA Equity Work Group in August 2021. After receiving further direction from the Board on September 14, the ARPA Equity Work Group continued to work to develop unmet community and business needs and to support a community engagement process to co-create our County's path to an equitable COVID recovery, as well as to inform and support the County's future equitable disaster response.

The ARPA Equity Work Group engagement was supplemented by targeted focus group meetings with community-based organizations, outreach through virtual town halls in each County supervisorial district, as well as a review and analysis of recent community feedback and public comment. This combination of community engagement strategies recognized the ongoing work that our community partners have undertaken throughout the pandemic, and ensured that the funding criteria and investments reflect community needs.

This approach was paired with August 2021 industry and occupation-level data from the Economic Development Board (EDB) through their consultant, Dr. Robert Eyler, that demonstrated areas of ongoing need for economic and workforce recovery that presented opportunities for investment. This approach also included the Office of Equity and the Human Services Department's work to update the Portrait of Sonoma and to co-develop an action agenda with a community Design Team.

Data from the Portrait of Sonoma County update was used to assess community need. The Portrait of Sonoma County uses the Human Development Index to highlight disparities across education, income and health indicators. In addition, the updated report is also informed by and responds to the numerous crises that have struck our County since 2017, all of which have disproportionately harmed low-income BIPOC communities. New sources of data were used to augment our traditional sources with a view to capturing the effects of these crises in real time and this information informed ARPA investment strategies.

Data from the Portrait of Sonoma, compiled with information from Town Hall participants, community surveys, listening sessions, the ARPA Equity Workgroup, and Sonoma County COVID health data revealed that the populations listed below have been hit hardest by the COVID-19 pandemic in Sonoma County. In accordance with ARPA guidelines, proposers were encouraged to describe how their programs would help eliminate or reduce the disproportionality experienced by the following adversely impacted populations, including, but not limited to:

- Essential Workers, including Farm Workers
- BIPOC (Black, Indigenous and People of Color) Students
- BIPOC-owned businesses and non-profit organizations
- High School Students who graduated during virtual learning
- Populations with the highest rates of COVID-19 (cases per 100,000) in Sonoma County by race/ethnicity, including but not limited to:
- Hispanic/Latinx
- American Indian/Alaska Native
- Native Hawaiian and other Pacific Islander
- Black/African American

The legislation defines households, small businesses, and non-profits located in HUD Qualified Census Tracts as having been disproportionately impacted by the pandemic. To further define areas of focus, the County also relied on the Human Development Index (HDI) scores revealed in the Portrait of Sonoma County: 2021 Update related to the disproportionate impact of COVID-19 on specific populations.

The NOFA proposal reviewer selection process supported equitable outcomes by requesting that reviewers met the following criteria:

- Understand how the intersectionality of social categorizations such as gender, race, socio-economic status, immigration status, ethnicity, nationality, sexual orientation, family structural identities, religion, age, mental disability, physical disability, mental illness, and physical illness can create overlapping and interdependent systems of discrimination and systemic barriers;
- Have a commitment to acknowledging individual biases and promoting equitable access to public health protections and economic recovery; and
- Represent the diversity of Sonoma County.

Prior to initiating reviews, committee members attended an orientation which included the data from the Portrait of Sonoma and other local resources. This provided all reviewers with a common understanding about the data regarding the most disproportionately impacted communities in Sonoma County to date.

Fiscal leads for community based programs and projects will be required to attend training on Equity Centered Results-Based Accountability in August 2022 and create performance measures that ask the questions: How much are we doing?, How well are we doing it?, and Is anyone better off?

Community Engagement

The ARPA Team, composed of members of the Office of Equity and Upstream Investments through Human Services, is co-leading our County's effort to ensure equitable allocation of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds, to address the disproportionate public health and economic impacts on the hardest hit communities, populations, and households by COVID-19, including Black, Indigenous, and other people of color, and to understand the efficacy and impact of previously invested COVID-19 funding on meeting the needs of these community members during the pandemic.

Engagement with the community and collecting data are necessary to understanding and ensuring the program is reaching the communities that were disproportionally affected by COVID-19 pandemic. The ARPA team leads this work to develop a strong set of priorities and criteria to ensure an equitable distribution of these additional funds and accountability metrics so that this significant investment in recovery reaches and supports communities of color who experienced disproportionate impacts. The ARPA team will also engage with our community members and community-based organizations to develop community priorities, to ensure equitable access to these critical funds, and to connect community members and community-based organizations to those accountability metrics to ensure they are partners in achieving the racial equity principles embedded in the ARPA as well as the County's Racial Equity & Social Justice Strategic Plan pillar.

The ARPA team is applying an Equity Centered Results-Based Accountability (EC RBA) framework to develop and track internal and external progress in addressing disproportionate outcomes related to the COVID-19 pandemic. Working with community

organizations and community members, the County will develop and apply a set of specific performance measures and metrics on these new resources to achieve a just and equitable recovery. With the support of Equity & Results, an external consulting firm hired to train Sonoma County's Equity Core Team, County departments will learn how to develop new mechanisms to strategically disrupt common funding and investment practices that may perpetuate inequities and replace them with actions that address the root causes of the problem and lead to improved outcomes for disproportionately impacted members of communities of color.

Staffed by the Human Services Department Upstream Investments is a Board chartered initiative that for over a decade has led and educated Sonoma County nonprofits and government agencies toward implementing evidence-based, prevention focused practices and programs. Between 2019 – 20 the Board of Supervisors adopted Results Based Accountability (RBA) to operationalize data driven contracting principles in Sonoma County's Safety Net Departments. Upstream Investments staff leads the effort for complete adoption of RBA in all Safety Net Department Contracts by 2026. For additional detail on Board decisions see: https://sonomacounty.ca.gov/CAO/News/Contracting-Principles-Letter-from-the-Safety-Net-Departments/ and https://sonom

RBA provides an evidence-based process and tools to collaboratively develop shared outcomes and monitor the progress of the Safety Net Department's contracted investments. RBA provides a framework for planning, reporting, and monitoring performance measures for CBO contracts in addition to supporting the integration of RBA into contracts, Upstream staff are committed to using the framework to support a collective impact approach to improve community well-being through evidence-based interventions, strong community relationships and data-driven decision making.

Utilizing the EC RBA approach to support the County's racial equity work builds on the expertise of and deep work with our community-based partners who are also implementing RBA. The Office of Equity, together with the Upstream team, is centering equity at the core of all of the County's RBA efforts tracking ARPA investments intended to achieve an equitable recovery. By linking the County's equity and RBA efforts and utilizing the EC RBA approach in the way the County measures the impact of specific equity-driven ARPA allocations, the County will be able to track efforts grounded in data to show which investments have equitable results. This framework ensures that those American Rescue Plan Act funds directed at an equitable recovery can achieve the greatest impact. The investment evaluation and outcomes tracking process will detail intended results, proven strategies, and focus on disproportionately impacted communities and populations.

After engagement with the ARPA Equity Work Group, the Office of Equity and HSD-Upstream staff continued seeking Board direction and approval for the funding areas. Staff developed, coordinated, and managed the process from assessing needs to drafting the Notice of Funding Availability. Once the all community grant contracts are in place, staff will work together with community- based program staff to develop shared performance measures to track progress at the program level. In addition, an online dashboard will be developed to transparently track program progress in real time, while connecting program level efforts to results and population indicators.

The investments will be sustained over a thirty-month period. During this time period, the contracts will be actively monitored through the EC RBA process. This process includes capacity building for staff and community partners on how to develop and track new equity metrics, as well as regularly scheduled meetings with contracted CBOs to ensure intended outcomes are and will be achieved. Staff recommends the contract funding cycle 2 agreement is contingent on the attainment status of preceding 18-month expected outcomes.

Using an expanded functionality of HSD-Upstream RBA Apricot tracking system, the county will establish performance measures for each contract/program, and develop an online dashboard to track performance measures and the contribution to population indicators.

Labor Practices

For any infrastructure projects or capital expenditures being pursued. The County follows its overall Procurement and contracting guidelines Having working under CFR200 requirements with FEMA Public Assistance, it was noted the County's procurement methods were more restrictive in nature than requirements under Federal or Statute procurement guides. This includes but not limited to the following:

Competitive Bidding

Prevailing Wage Requirements

Insurance and Bonds Requirements

Local Business Preferences

Labor specific clauses in agreements: "...Contractor shall at all times promptly pay all labor...:", "...no claim then exists against said Contractor for labor...", etc...

Use of Evidence

The County will incorporate evidence-based interventions and/or program evaluations as deeded necessary based on the projects approved. Specific information will be added to this section as project programs begin and data requirements gathered for review. The County is utilizing the Open.gov software system to continually track and monitor programs and will be conducting sub-recipient monitoring and evaluations for the life of the programs.

Performance Report

Project specific Performance management and review will be available for each ARPA project in the Project Inventory section of this report. The County requires each sub-recipient and project manager to gather and report date to the County on a monthly basis to be reported to US

Treasury quarterly and update the annual Recovery Plan. The Recovery Plan and Quarterly Reports will be available to the public via the County's ARPA reporting webpage. The Webpage will include a list of projects and any required reporting data as well as an overview of expenses by Expense Category type. The webpage will be updated on an Quarterly/Annual basis as reports are submitted to US Treasury and made available online.

PROJECT INVENTORY

County Overall Ongoing COVID Response Projects ARPA Budget: Approx. \$20 million

AF101: County COVID Public Health Expenses; EC1.7 Other COVID Public Health Expenses

AF102: Dept. of Health COVID Public Health Expenses; EC1.7 Other COVID Public Health Expenses

AF103: Dept. of Health COVID Vaccinations Program; EC1.1 COVID-19 Vaccination Expenses

AF104: Dept. of Health COVID Contact Tracing Program; EC1.3 COVID-19 Contact Tracing Expenses

AF105 Dept. of Health COVID Testing Program; EC1.2 COVID-19 Testing Expenses

AF106: County COVID PPE (Personal Protective Equipment); EC1.5 COVID-19 PPE Expenses

AF107: Dept. of Health COVID Medical Expenses; EC1.6 COVID-19 Medical Expenses

AF301: County COVID Public Sector Workforce: Payroll and Benefits COVID Response Workforce; EC3.1

Public Sector Workforce: Payroll and Benefits for Public Health, Public Safety, or Human Services

Workers

The above projects are all part of the ongoing overall COVID-19 pandemic response. These projects are utilized for expenses not funded from FEMA Public Assistance or other Federal, State, or Private funding grants. These include, contact tracing, testing, and vaccination activities as well as expenses for providing Alternate Care Sites to ensure our hospitals only see those with the most need and Non-Congregate Sheltering Sites for those at high risk or needing to isolate away from home and family. Expenses covered under the COVID response also include vital communications costs and County labor and benefits costs.

AF201: Dept. of Health CURA Emergency Financial Assistance

Funding Amount: \$3,875,000

EC: 2.3: Household Assistance: Cash Transfers

Project Overview:

Contracted with On the Move to provide Emergency Financial Assistance to eligible adults who may be experiencing financial hardship. Also providing direct services to low income Latinx and Indigenous speaking communities within the County. EFA – Emergency Financial Assistance provided to eligible adults who may be experiencing financial hardship. Equity/Wellness – Provide direct services (vaccine outreach & engagement, resource navigation, case management, EFA, food access) to low income Latinx and Indigenous speaking communities.

Use of Evidence:

Project Performance:

Case workers review and review applications and review documentation and hold interviews with the applicant to determine actual needs and what best type of assistance to provide and ensure the assistance is due to hardships created by the public health and negative economic impact of COVID. Reports of activity are sent to the County on a monthly basis. To date, xxx number of households have received assistance and the program is expected to assist xxx by project completion.

AF601: Revenue Loss Replacement – Provision of Government Services

Funding Amount: \$15,499,366.61

EC: 6.1: Provision of Government Services

Project Overview:

Portions of County's calculated revenue loss amounts are being used to fund on-going government services, including certain incurred labor costs (worker retention-type incentives, premium pay, furloughed worker pay, and payroll/benefits for eligible public sector staff) for County public employees (\$7.9M) and a capital improvement project to relocate the County's Public Health Lab and Morgue. The County will update as projects related to ARPA funds have been approved by the Board of Supervisors.

ARPA Projects: Estimated to Begin July 2022

AF108: Cloverdale Senior Multipurpose Center Mental Health Collaborative

Funding Amount: \$490,036

EC: 1.12: Public Health Mental Health Services

Project Overview:

Mental health collaborative addressing the mental health needs of 400 Cloverdale residents that were exacerbated by the COVID-19 pandemic.

Use of Evidence: To be updated once project begins

Project Performance: To be updated once project begins

AF109: Whole Family Health-Mental Health Services

Funding Amount: \$570,000

EC: 1.12: Public Health Mental Health Services

Project Overview:

Specialized and culturally appropriate individual and group mental health services for Latinx and low-income communities (4,391 people) of the Russian River area through an expansion of Guerneville School District's current efforts.

Use of Evidence: To be updated once project begins

AF110: Sonoma Connect/Sonoma Unidos Mental Health Services

Funding Amount: \$3,000,000

EC: 1.12: Public Health Mental Health Services

Project Overview:

Client-centered, culturally responsive mental health support services to 11,234 clients, as well as systems-level change to positively impact mental health service system efficacy for vulnerable populations.

Use of Evidence: To be updated once project begins

Project Performance: To be updated once project begins

AF111: LGBTQIA Mental Health Services

Funding Amount: \$656,260

EC: 1.12: Public Health Mental Health Services

Project Overview:

Expansion of mental health services for 3,000 LGBTQIA+ individuals in Sonoma County, with particular emphasis on supports for transgender people, BIPOC LGBTQIA+ people, and LGBTQIA+ youth.

Use of Evidence: To be updated once project begins

Project Performance: To be updated once project begins

AF112: WCCS Transitions Recovery Services Program

Funding Amount: \$700,000

EC: 1.13: Substance Use Services

Project Overview:

Peer-based recovery services, including intensive housing support, to 448 clients in recovery who are exiting jail, shelters, or struggling to remain in housing.

Use of Evidence: To be updated once project begins

Project Performance: To be updated once project begins

AF113: Sonoma County Black Therapy Fund Mental Health Services

Funding Amount: \$574,200

EC: 1.12: Public Health Mental Health Services

Project Overview:

Creation of a Sonoma County Black Therapy Fund for free mental health services from culturally competent therapists to 275 Black/African-American Sonoma County residents to support equitable access to mental health services and to reduce racial, ethnic, or socioeconomic disparities.

Use of Evidence: To be updated once project begins

Project Performance: To be updated once project begins

AF114: Project Fusion Mental Health Services

Funding Amount: \$433,000

EC: 1.12: Public Health Mental Health Services

Project Overview:

Mental health services to disproportionally affected communities (13,740 people) that otherwise may not seek, or have access to, quality mental health services.

Use of Evidence: To be updated once project begins

Project Performance: To be updated once project begins

AF202: SRJC workforce Pipleline Project

Funding Amount: \$1,213,285

EC: 2.10: Assistance to Unemployed or Underemployed Workers (e.g. job training, subsidized employment, employment supports or incentives)

Project Overview:

Wraparound job training support and job placement in construction industries for communities disproportionately impacted by the pandemic through the SRJC Workforce Pipeline Project. Also, construction on the SRJC Construction Center.

Use of Evidence: To be updated once project begins

Project Performance: To be updated once project begins

AF203: Youth Promotores Intern Program

Funding Amount: \$836,941

EC: 2.10: Assistance to Unemployed or Underemployed Workers (e.g. job training, subsidized employment, employment supports or incentives)

Project Overview:

Workforce development program that places 42-57 participants in various partner agency organizations while giving them ongoing training, coaching, and culturally responsive support to

increase the number of skilled bilingual-bicultural workers that are ultimately valued, hired and compensated well by agencies in Sonoma County.

Use of Evidence: To be updated once project begins

Project Performance: To be updated once project begins

AF204: Early Care & education Recovery and Expansion Program

Funding Amount: \$3,290,565

EC: 2.11: Healthy Childhood Environments: Child Care

Project Overview:

Childcare provider training for almost 300 providers, recruitment and retention of providers, and childcare payments for families through the Early Care & Education Recovery & Expansion program.

Use of Evidence: To be updated once project begins

Project Performance: To be updated once project begins

AF205: 10,000 Degrees Fellows

Funding Amount: \$570,740

EC: 2.24: Addressing Educational Disparities: Aid to High-Poverty Districts

Project Overview:

Financial aid and college application assistance for 475 12th grade students and their families at Piner and Santa Rosa High Schools to increase college completion rates for students from low-income families.

Use of Evidence: To be updated once project begins

Project Performance: To be updated once project begins

AF206: Elise Allen High School – Educational Model/Program Development

Funding Amount: \$1,100,210

EC: 2.25: Addressing Educational Disparities: Academic, Social, and Emotional Services

Project Overview:

Educational model/programming development to transform Elsie Allen High School into a community resource that serves Southwest Santa Rosa by providing a rigorous, relevant

educational program with extended learning opportunities, family and community engagement, and an infusion of social services.

Use of Evidence: To be updated once project begins

Project Performance: To be updated once project begins

AF207: Sonoma County Guaranteed Basic Income (GBI) Coalition

Funding Amount: \$3,045,250

EC: 2.3: Household Assistance: Cash Transfers

Project Overview:

Guaranteed Basic Income pilot program for 500-750 pregnant or parenting families with child(ren) under the age of six to increase the economic stability and mobility of families with young children disproportionately and adversely impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic.

Use of Evidence: To be updated once project begins

Project Performance: To be updated once project begins

AF208: Equitable Emergency Financial Assistance

Funding Amount: \$3,045,250

EC: 2.3: Household Assistance: Cash Transfers

Project Overview:

Emergency financial assistance, comprehensive case management, and connection to a culturally competent, equitable network of community-based partners for a total of 15,000 ARPA eligible beneficiaries.

Use of Evidence: To be updated once project begins

Project Performance: To be updated once project begins

AF209: Homeless Services Consortium – Basic Needs Support Program

Funding Amount: \$1,000,000

EC: 2.18: Housing Support: Other Housing Assistance

Project Overview:

Basic needs support program (e.g., food, hygiene supplies, gas, public transportation, medicine, storage, phone access, debt management, P.O. boxes, and support for the cars that are many

people's homes) for 1,224 unhoused and precariously housed members of Sonoma County connected with five agencies in the Homeless Services Consortium.

Use of Evidence: To be updated once project begins

Project Performance: To be updated once project begins

AF210: SCBF Emergency Financial Assistance

Funding Amount: \$405,800

EC: 2.3: Household Assistance: Cash Transfers

Project Overview:

Emergency assistance to 225 eligible Sonoma County residents in the amount of \$1,200 for rental assistance, food assistance, and a fuel/gas card.

Use of Evidence: To be updated once project begins

Project Performance: To be updated once project begins

AF211: Food/Nutrition for Medically Vulnerable

Funding Amount: \$2,250,000

EC: 2.1: Household Assistance: Food Programs

Project Overview:

Weekly meal deliveries of medically tailored meals and/or groceries and wraparound nutrition services for 7,050 clients per year to ARPA eligible clients impacted by serious medical conditions.

Use of Evidence: To be updated once project begins

Project Performance: To be updated once project begins

AF212: Growing the Table Program

Funding Amount: \$1,482,000

EC: 2.1: Household Assistance: Food Programs

Project Overview:

Delivery of farm food boxes from FEED Sonoma, a co-op of 80 small, local farmers (women/BIPOC-owned and/or regenerative) to families in need through The Growing the Table program.

Use of Evidence: To be updated once project begins

Project Performance: To be updated once project begins

AF213: Living Room Food Services

Funding Amount: \$633,783

EC: 2.1: Household Assistance: Food Programs

Project Overview:

Hot meal delivery services to 900 food insecure seniors, youth coming out of the foster system, formerly incarcerated individuals, and those living in homelessness.

Use of Evidence: To be updated once project begins

Project Performance: To be updated once project begins

AF214: Sonoma Transitional Housing Project

Funding Amount: \$1,960,000

EC: 2.16: Long-term Housing Security: Services for Unhoused Persons

Project Overview:

Addition of 105 new housing units to serve 185 unsheltered residents with two new "Tiny Home" villages located in census tracts hardest hit by Covid. One village will be explicitly designed to serve the Latinx community and the other West County residents. The project also extends services for SAVS Horizon Shine Village in Sebastopol.

Use of Evidence: To be updated once project begins

Project Performance: To be updated once project begins

AF215: Housing and Wellness Program

Funding Amount: \$1,894,403

EC: 2.17: Housing Support: Housing Vouchers and Relocation Assistance for Disproportionately Impacted Communities

Project Overview:

Housing and wellness program for 914 former foster youth, homeless transitional age youth, and adults with behavioral health challenges.

Use of Evidence: To be updated once project begins

AF216: Fair Housing Education and Tenant Organizing Assistance

Funding Amount: \$261,606

EC: 2.18: Housing Support: Other Housing Assistance: education on tenant rights

Project Overview:

Fair housing education and tenant organizing assistance in English and Spanish to 500 tenants in multifamily rental complexes to promote long-term housing security and prevent homelessness.

Use of Evidence: To be updated once project begins

Project Performance: To be updated once project begins

AF217: School Mental Health and Grief Services

Funding Amount: \$728,399

EC: 2.26: Addressing Educational Disparities: Mental Health Services

Project Overview:

Integrated counseling and grief support services, and staff training, for 250 students at schools across Sonoma County to help students without access to mental health care address the emotional and psychological impacts of the pandemic.

Use of Evidence: To be updated once project begins

Project Performance: To be updated once project begins

AF218: Traditional Food Producers Assistance

Funding Amount: \$383,552

EC: 2.33: Enhanced Support to Microbusinesses

Project Overview:

Business development assistance for at least 20 impacted and disproportionately impacted micro- and small traditional food businesses being planned and operated by American Indians and Alaska Natives in Sonoma County.

Use of Evidence: To be updated once project begins

AF219: ARPA Small Business Equity & Recovery Program

Funding Amount: \$6,417,287

EC: 2.29: Loans or Grants to Mitigate Financial Hardship

Project Overview:

Outreach and support services, education, and access to capital to support almost 5,000 small businesses with financial sustainability, with a particular emphasis on BIPOC businesses through the Small Business Equity & Recovery program.

Use of Evidence: To be updated once project begins

Project Performance: To be updated once project begins

AF501: Free Public Wi-Fi Project

Funding Amount: \$390,000

EC: 5.21: Broadband: Other projects

Project Overview:

Free public Wi-Fi community-based mesh network installation in disadvantaged unincorporated communities in the 5th District that have been impacted by Covid-19 resulting in: the lack of access to the Internet for education; and family, health, and job resource. Also includes resilient and redundant disaster preparedness and communication.

Use of Evidence: To be updated once project begins

Project Performance: To be updated once project begins

AF602: Sonoma County Unified Community Preparedness & Long-Term Disaster Recovery Project

Funding Amount: \$1,925,470

EC: 6.1: Provision of Government Services

Project Overview:

Equitable, sustainable, unified, community-based disaster preparedness, response, and recovery platform development to rapidly assess communities' needs, implement solutions, and deliver targeted and relevant resources for disaster and recovery.

Use of Evidence: To be updated once project begins