



Board of Supervisors Work Session American Rescue Plan Act Funding Update

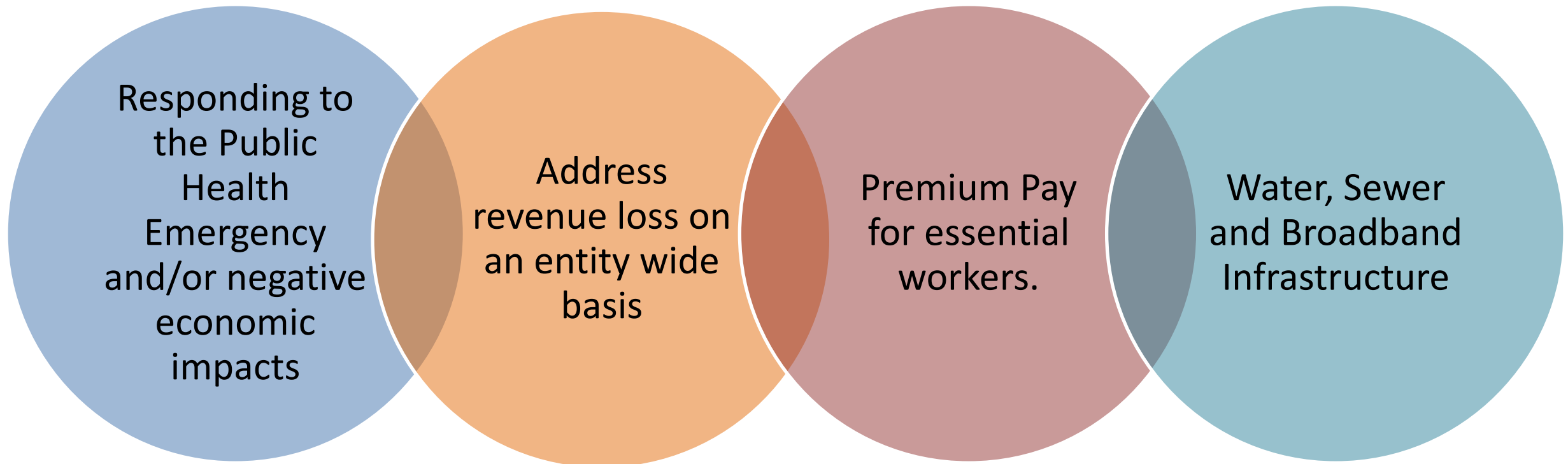
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American Rescue Plan Eligible Uses

Guiding Principle: In alignment with the Board of Supervisors Strategic Plan, Cochise County will utilize ARPA resources to achieve substantial near-term economic and public health benefits, as well as support longer-term investment in allowable infrastructure.





American Rescue Plan – Restrictions on Use

1. May not deposit funds into a pension fund to meet unfunded liabilities
2. May not use as non-Federal match on grants*
3. May not use to service debt, satisfy a judgement or settlement
4. May not use funds to contribute to a “rainy day” fund



American Rescue Plan Projects – Approved by Board

Public Health

Respond to the COVID -19 public health emergency.

1. Payroll costs for Public Health, Safety and Other Public Sector Staff responding to COVID – 19,

- March 7 – July 24, 2021, pay periods. \$1.8 million.
- Reported on Public Health and Detention employees with at least 50% of time dedicated to mitigating or responding to the public health emergency.
- Project Complete

2. Mental Health Services expansion for Cochise County - \$1.6 million

- Partnership with Chiricahua Community Health Centers, Inc for program development and staffing
- Sustainable after ARPA funding through insurance billing
- Two of three annual payments made

3. Physical Plant Changes for Public Facilities that respond to the public health emergency– \$1.3 million

- Courthouse HVAC complete



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Economic Impacts

Respond to the negative economic impacts of the public health emergency.

1. Other Public Health Services that address negative economic impact of pandemic:

- Environmental Health Inspection Fee Waiver for Small Businesses and Non-Profits
- Available Jan 1 – Dec 31, 2022
- \$67,250 total so far – submissions continue

2. Other COVID-19 Public Health Expenses:

- Fire Station Alert System for all Fire Districts and Stations in County - \$2.4 million
- Project is underway
 - Phase 1 Go Live Nov 2nd (14 sites including SEACOM)
 - Phase 2 Go Live scheduled for February 2023 (22 Sites)



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Government Services

1. Public Health Finance Officer - \$272,610 (through June 2024)

- Position filled in April 2022, charged with managing grants within Health Dept.

2. Cyber Security Tools- \$450,000

- Previously presented tools were procured and implemented
- Penetration test completed in FY22, another scheduled for this FY.



American Rescue Plan Projects – Proposed

Government Services

- 1. Payroll expenses = 9.2 million, offset General Fund**
2. Those funds can then be used for County operating expenses in IT, Health, and the Animal Shelter Remodel project



American Rescue Plan – Proposed

Water, Sewer and Broadband Infrastructure

Investments designed to provide an adequate level of service and are unlikely to be made using private sources of funds.

1. Sewer and Drinking Water Infrastructure: POE Water/Wastewater Construction, \$5 million, set aside for project

2. Broadband “Last Mile” or Other projects

- Draft Feasibility study under review (funded by ARPA)
- Developing GIS Maps
- Presentation to Board on Study will be scheduled for Nov/Dec
- Set aside over 2 million for construction or to match other grant funding



**American
Rescue
Plan
Budget**

Total obligated to date	\$	8,166,175.00
Transfer for payroll	\$	9,277,391.00
Proposed obligations	\$	7,056,434.00
Total ARPA	\$	24,500,000.00
