

Intra-agency MOU for Obligation of ARPA Funds

ATTACHMENT A

Please review necessary guideline regarding the U.S. Treasury's Final Rule for State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds of the American Rescue Plan Act at: <https://home.treasury.gov/system/files/136/SLFRF-Compliance-and-Reporting-Guidance.pdf>

I acknowledge that I have reviewed the guidelines linked above.

Organizational Profile

Organization Name:	Cochise County Health and Social Services
Type of Organization:	Government

Please put your Unique Entity Identifier (UEI) here:

If you do not have a UEI, please start the free registration process with [SAM.gov](https://sam.gov) to obtain one. It will take 1-2 business days to obtain a UEI after registration.

Has your organization ever received federal funding before either directly as the prime recipient or indirectly as a subrecipient from another organization? Yes

Proposed Project Information

Budget: \$16,661.73

Performance Period (start and end dates): January 1, 2026 – December 31, 2026

[U.S. Treasury Expenditure Category](#) (page 55, column EC²⁹)

Please read the Treasury's allowable uses Expenditure Categories Document linked above and select only one expenditure category that best fits your proposed project.

Purpose of the Project (3000 character limit): *Explain how your project will respond to the COVID-19 public health emergency or its negative economic impacts, specifically as it relates to your selected expenditure category.*

During the COVID-19 pandemic, digital technology platforms were highly utilized. This platform left the community feeling disengaged and isolated, thus requiring public health to discover alternatives to engage community in their own wellness. It also created a digital divide for individuals and families in rural communities that do not possess a computer or the internet.

The COVID-19 Pandemic challenged the Cochise County Health and Social Services Department (CCHSS) to strategize on how to rethink typical public participation practices such as large community health events and to connect with those that are inaccessible via a computer.

To adapt to the impact of the pandemic, and to remain nimble for the future, the CCHSS will utilize the mobility and portability of tablets and testing to provide outlets that are safe and effective. These tools will aid the Department in promoting equity, connectivity, and inclusion, while being capable of maintaining social distancing if needed.

Cochise County faces challenges in supporting its unhoused and homebound populations, many of whom could greatly benefit from critical resources such as opioid test kits and mobile technology. Addressing these needs is essential to fostering healthier, safer communities.

When the health department has access to rapid drug detection tests, lives can be saved. These tests enable overdose prevention staff to identify dangerous substances, educate individuals about the risks, and provide referrals to recovery resources. Such interactions not only inform individuals about the chemicals they are consuming but also offer a pathway toward recovery. This outreach has a ripple effect, positively impacting families, loved ones, and the broader community by mitigating the extensive mental, physical, and social consequences of substance misuse.

Equipping health department community health workers with tablets enhances their ability to connect individuals to vital resources while working in the field. For communities where transportation is limited, this capability ensures real-time support and fosters a stronger, more accessible health network. Similarly, providing tablets to the public fiduciary team enables them to conduct community assessments, offer essential resources, and maintain accurate documentation during fieldwork and court proceedings.

The public fiduciary team's efforts extend beyond individual support to encompass community-wide benefits. By managing conservatorships, they address neglected properties that pose safety risks and impact neighborhood property values. With access to tablets, these teams can efficiently process court orders, approve property sales, and transition dilapidated real estate to responsible ownership—ultimately enhancing community aesthetics and safety.

Investing in these resources is not just about technology or supplies; it is about empowering teams to create lasting change, build healthier communities, and drive positive outcomes for all residents of Cochise County.

Description of Services (3000 character limit): *Identify who will benefit and provide a general overview of activities to be undertaken.*

Performance Metrics: *Identify specific measures that will be reported to reflect the impact as a result from this funding (Please List).*

Examples:

CCHSS's Overdose Prevention Coordinator distributes about 25 tests/test kits per week.

Our Community Health Worker conducts 2 to 3 outreaches to provide resources per week.

Our Guardian Administrator takes their tablets during their quarterly visits with their wards. 50 wards -4 visits per year- 200 visits- review medications, diagnosis, discuss quality of life improvements with care teams, document ward personal belongings and can take photo of the ward for purposes of identification. Tablets can also be used to access online vendors for ward needs.

Please complete the Budget Breakdown on the following Pages

Budget Breakdown (direct costs only) All costs expended by December 31, 2026.

Category	Amount	Line Item Breakdown and Justification
Personnel		
Fringe Benefits		
Travel		
Equipment	\$ 9,631.73	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 6 x 13" iPad Air - \$5,964.30 • 6 x Apple Pencil Pro - \$769.44 • 6 x Magic keyboards - \$1,936.92 • 6 x Screen Protectors - \$136.08 • 6 x iPad cases - \$228.66 • Sales Tax - \$596.33

Supplies	\$ 7,030.00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2,000 x Nitazene test strips - \$1,905 • 2,000 x Xylazine test strips - \$1,765 • 1,000 x Fentanyl test kits - \$3,360
Contractual		
Construction		
Other		
Total	\$16,661.73	