

Memorandum



CITY OF DALLAS

DATE July 15, 2022

TO Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

SUBJECT **ARPA Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Funding for City Council Districts – Update**

As part of our \$355.4 million ARPA Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund (CLFRF), the City Council approved \$16 million to provide for City Council district-specific needs. The allocation includes \$1 million for each of the 14 City Council Members and \$2 million for the Mayor to determine the specific use.

Earlier this year, staff met with each of you to identify the types of activities that you were considering for your district. Staff reviewed each idea and on May 13 by [memo](#) from former Chief Financial Officer, Elizabeth Reich, you were provided a summarized list of eligible activities. At that time, you were asked to provide an email correspondence indicating which activities and the amount that you wanted to allocate to each activity.

As a reminder, broad categories of eligible uses outlined in the federal legislation include:

- 1) Respond to COVID-19 or its economic impacts;
- 2) Replace revenue lost due to COVID-19;
- 3) Provide premium pay for eligible essential workers; and
- 4) Invest in water, sewer, and broadband infrastructure.

Beyond the four eligible uses listed in the legislation, the first category (respond to COVID-19 or its economic impacts) provides more flexibility and generally allows for more activities in qualified census tracts or to serve individuals/communities that were disproportionately affected by the pandemic.

Federal rules require that programs and services using these funds must go through a competitive solicitation process and cannot be direct awards. As we receive your proposed activities and allocations, staff will initiate the procurement process and will keep you informed. The deadline to spend these funds is September 30, 2024.

Since May, several of you have contacted us and discussed potential allocations. The following allocations have been finalized and staff has begun the work to deliver these services in the specified Council district.

D1	Park and infrastructure improvements
D3	Assistance to small businesses, including non-profit businesses
D9	Commission a survey to assess needs and develop a plan to invest funds in the Esperanza area

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D12	Programs and services to address food insecurity, mental health or substance abuse treatment, career/workforce guidance for unemployed and underemployed residents, and temporary rental assistance
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If you have not done so already, please submit your programs or activities for use of discretionary funds as soon as possible so that staff can begin to develop programs accordingly. A copy of the summarized list of eligible activities is attached for your use. If there is another activity that you are interested in that is not listed, please let me know so that staff can determine its eligibility.

If you have additional questions, please contact me or Janette Weedon, Director in Budget and Management Services.


Jack Ireland
Chief Financial Officer

[Attachment]

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Row #	Program or Activity	Eligible citywide	Eligible Impacted Business, Household or Community only	Eligible Qualified Census Tract only	Not eligible
1	Bike lane (striping or infrastructure improvements)			X	
2	Broadband infrastructure	X			
3	Building permit improvements				X
4	Childcare and childcare provider assistance		X	X	
5	City technology infrastructure systems (increase/improve access to government services)	X			
6	Code compliance (blight remediation, lighting, overgrown vegetation)			X	
7	COVID vaccination, testing, education	X			
8	Day labor		X		
9	Entrepreneurship/Innovation Center		X	X	
10	Food security (grocery store, community garden)			X	
11	Food security and essential services		X	X	
12	Front line workers at care facilities	X			
13	Home repair (weatherization, seniors, workforce development, smart thermometers, etc.)		X	X	
14	Infrastructure (ADA, alleys, pedestrian crossings, signals, sidewalks, curbs)			X	
15	Landmark/historic survey				X
16	Library community room - Renner Frankford Library				X
17	Mental health assistance		X	X	
18	Panhandling signage				X
19	Park land (Better Block green space)			X	
20	Park land acquisition				X
21	Senior assistance, senior facility assistance, mental health, isolation services		X	X	
22	Skate park construction				X
23	Small Business Assistance		X	X	
24	Small Business Assistance (facility and/or infrastructure improvements)			X	
25	Social service programs offered by Office of Community Care		X	X	
26	Traffic calming (speed humps, lights, signage)			X	
27	Trail connectivity			X	
28	Vickery Meadows community			X	
29	Water/sewer infrastructure	X			
30	Workforce development		X		
31	911/311/radio access (technology for underserved areas)	X			