



# City of San Marcos

## City Council Work Session

### American Rescue Plan (ARP) Funds

June 29, 2021



## Federal Pandemic Response Funds Allocated in the SM Community: Over \$123M

- Texas State University: **\$115.2M**  
(includes CARES and ARP funds)
- Centro Cultural Hispano de San Marcos: **\$268K\***
- CASA: **\$60K\***
- Hays County COVID19 Relief Program **\$6.9M**
- Habitat for Humanity **\$23K\***
- San Marcos Chamber of Commerce: **\$200K\***
- Southside Community Center: **\$100K\***
- Texas Department of Housing & Community Affairs: **\$500K**
- Holland Street Church of Christ
- HOME Center
- Volunteer Free Legal Aid
- Little Lambs Ministry
- San Marcos CISD\*
- El Buen Pastor
- Salvation Army
- Hays County Food Bank
- Community Action\*
- U.S. Small Business Administration

*\* denotes assistance received through the City*

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## Coronavirus Relief Funds Allocated by the City: Over \$2.6M

- Personal protective equipment
- Vaccination and testing support
- Touchless water access
- Public fencing
- SMCISD technology
- Utility bill assistance
- Rent mortgage program
- Small business relief
- One time grant applications
- Long Term Non- Profit Capacity Building
- Homelessness Management Information System (pending)
- Airport
- Animal Support Services

*Additional assistance provided includes waived utility and hotel late fee exemptions  
and utility payment plan arrangements*



# American Rescue Plan (ARP) Summary

- US Treasury launched Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund program totaling \$350B
- San Marcos total allocation- \$18,101,483
- Received \$9,050,741 on June 1, 2021
- Remainder to be received approximately 12 months from now
- Funds incurred during the period 3/3/2021-12/31/2024 and expended by 12/31/2026
- Reporting requirements
  - Quarterly project and expenditure reports:
    - Initial covering activity 3/3/2021-7/31/2021 due 8/31/2021
    - Due 30 days after the end of each calendar quarter
  - Annual Recovery Plan Performance Reports:
    - Initial covering activity 3/3/2021-7/31/2021 due 8/31/2021
    - Due 30 days after each year end 6/30



# ARP Plan Guidelines

- Support urgent COVID-19 response efforts to continue to decrease spread of the virus and bring the pandemic under control;
- Replace lost public sector revenue to strengthen support for 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 on certain populations.



## Recommended Operational Uses of ARP Funds

Category	Timeframe	Description	Amount
Public Health Response	2022	Operating Budget Impact	\$500,000
Public Health Response	2021-2022	Chatbot function for City website	\$7,500
Serve Hardest Hit Communities	2022	Additional Human Services Advisory Board (HSAB) funding	\$150,000
Neg. Eco. Impact	2021-2022	Various Convention & Visitor Bureau (CVB) programs	\$297,000
Water/Sewer Infrastructure	2022	Briarwood/River Rd. stormwater improvements	\$2,500,000
Public Health Response	2022	IT critical system upgrades	\$1,067,550
Public Health Response	2021-2022	New CAD/RMS system	\$800,000



## Recommended Operational Uses of ARP Funds (cont.)

Category	Timeframe	Description	Amount
Public Health Response	2021	Crime scene digital mapping system	\$135,000
Public Health Response	2021	HEPA air disinfecting systems	\$367,680
Water/Sewer	2021	Stormwater improvements at older City facilities	\$656,250
Water/Sewer	2021	Stormwater improvements @ Hull/Grove	\$250,000
Neg. Eco. Impact	2021-2022	Funding for downtown events	<u>\$45,000</u>
Total			\$6,775,980



## Additional Considerations for Council Discussion

Strategic Initiative	Time Frame	Description	Amount
Workforce Housing	2023-2025	Owner-occupied housing rehabilitation program*	\$1,000,000
Workforce Development	2022	Public Wi-Fi expansion (Parks & Library)	\$500,000
Workforce Development	2021-2022	Vocational instruction to improve workforce salaries	\$25,000
Workforce Development	2021-2022	Temporary Social Workers to provide case management services	\$60,000
*Consider additional funding with 2 <sup>nd</sup> round of funds received in 2022			

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Strategic Initiative	Time Frame	Description	Amount
Downtown Vitality	2022-2023	Small Business Counseling Program	\$600,000
Downtown Vitality	2021-2024	Business Retention and Exp. Program	\$18,000
Downtown Vitality	2021-2024	Training and Professional Development on Small Business Development	\$15,000
Downtown Vitality	2022-2024	Funding for BIG Grant with focus on touchless and air filtration improv.	\$150,000
Downtown Vitality	2022	Downtown Mktg. Grant Campaign	\$300,000
COVID Response	2021-2022	Central Texas Addressing Cancer	\$271,915
COVID Response	2021-2023	Temporary Grant Specialist	\$115,000

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# San Marcos ARP Plan Summary

Description	Amount
Total Allocation	\$18,101,483
2021 Allocation	\$9,050,741
Public Health Response	\$2,877,730
Negative Economic Impact from Public Health Emergency	\$342,000
Serve Hardest Hit Communities/Families	\$150,000
Water/Sewer Infrastructure	<u>\$3,406,250</u>
Subtotal Operational Recommendations	\$6,775,980
Remaining to be Allocated	\$2,274,761
Remaining Funds to be Received and Allocated in 2022	\$9,050,742



## Next steps

- **Direction from Council Requested Tonight:**
  - Consideration of City Manager recommendations for operational uses of ARP Funds
  - Direction to staff for allocation of \$2,274,761
- **July 6 - Tentative resolution of support based on Council Direction received today**
- **August 3 - Resolution of support (alternative date if necessary)**