



# Jackson County Missouri

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## Request for Legislative Action

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### IN THE COUNTY LEGISLATURE OF JACKSON COUNTY, MISSOURI

**A RESOLUTION** implementing an allocation methodology for the eventual distribution of approximately \$70.4 million in remaining Jackson County American Rescue Plan Act funds by the end of 2024.

**RESOLUTION NO. 21736, September 23, 2024**

**INTRODUCED BY Jalen Anderson, County Legislator**

WHEREAS, the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) of 2021, enacted by the U.S. Congress, provided for payments to local governments navigating the impact of the COVID-19 outbreak from the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds; and,

WHEREAS, ARPA requires that these federal funds may be used only to cover expenses to respond to the public health emergency with respect to the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) or its negative impacts, including assistance to households, small businesses, and nonprofits, or aid to impacted industries such as tourism, travel, and hospitality; to respond to workers performing essential work during the COVID-19 public health emergency providing premium pay to eligible workers of the State, territory, or Tribal/local government that are performing such essential work, or by providing grants to eligible employers that have eligible workers who perform essential work; for the provision of government services to the extent of the reduction in revenue of such State, territory, and to make necessary investments in water, sewer, or broadband infrastructure; and incurred during the period from March 3, 2021 through December 31, 2026; and,

WHEREAS, Jackson County's total allocation of ARPA funds was \$136,551,645.00 with approximately \$70,400,000 remaining; and,

WHEREAS, ARPA funds must be obligated by December 31, 2024 and spent by December 31, 2026; and,

WHEREAS, the ARPA funds are to be allocated for Community Investment, County Facility Capital Improvements, Public Health Department and Programming, and Long-Term County Facility Planning and Investments; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Jackson County Legislature of Jackson County, Missouri that Community Investment will receive \$24,000,000.00 and will be allocated as follows:

- 1) The Senior Home Repairs Program will receive \$5,000,000.00 to provide financial assistance for home repairs and improvements for senior homeowners, prioritizing the use of small businesses and Minority and Women-Owned Business Enterprises (MWBE);
- 2) The Small Business Revolving Loan Program will receive \$3,000,000.00 to establish a revolving loan fund to provide low-interest loans to small businesses, focusing on startups and businesses recovering from the pandemic's economic impact;
- 3) Childcare Facility Improvements will receive \$3,000,000.00 to fund improvements and

expansions of existing childcare facilities to increase capacity and affordability for families;

- 4) Senior/Community Facility Improvements will receive \$2,500,000.00 to provide grants for renovations and improvement to senior and community centers;
  
- 5) The Utility Assistance Program will receive \$2,500,000.00 to establish a utility assistance program to help residents cover essential utility cost such as electricity, water, and heating;
  
- 6) Community Non-Profit Facility Improvements will receive \$5,000,000.00 to provide funding to non-profits for facility improvements to enhance service delivery and operational efficiency;
  
- 7) The Community Survey Initiative will receive \$1,000,000.00 to conduct a county-wide survey to gather input on community needs, service gaps, and program efficacy;
  
- 8) The Food Insecurity Program will receive \$2,000,000.00 to fund initiatives to increase access to nutritious food, including food banks, meal delivery services, and community gardens; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, County Facility Capital Improvements will receive \$30,400,000.00 to enhance safety, security, and accessibility, and to streamline interactions with county services, and make facilities more convenient for all residents; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, Public Health Department and Programming will receive \$6,000,000.00 for ongoing health initiatives and programming, including COVID-19 response efforts, vaccination programs, health education, and other public health services aimed at improving community health outcomes; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, Long-Term County Facility Planning and Investments will receive \$10,000,000.00 for strategic planning, feasibility studies, and initial investments in infrastructure projects that will support the county's future growth and development; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Executive will undertake all required processes to ensure that the monies are made available for contracting prior to December 31, 2024.

Effective Date: This resolution shall be effective immediately upon its signature by the County Executive.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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County Counselor

I hereby certify that the attached resolution, Resolution No. 21736 introduced on September 23, 2024, was duly passed on \_\_\_\_\_, 2024 by the Jackson County Legislature. The votes thereon were as follows:

Yeas \_\_\_\_\_

Nays \_\_\_\_\_

Abstaining

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Absent

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Date

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Mary Jo Spino, Clerk of the Legislature