



**MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE
ANCHORAGE ASSEMBLY**

**American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Round Two Distribution Planning
Worksession Agenda**

Friday, May 13, 2022; 12:00 - 2:00 p.m.: City Hall, Ste. 155

- 1. WELCOME AND ROLL CALL**
- 2. REVIEW FRAMEWORK & CONFIRM MEETING GOALS**
- 3. REVIEW ELIGIBLE USES**
- 4. REVIEW LOGISTICS**
 - a. Likely 100-200+ submissions to review
 - b. Submissions will come directly to the Assembly email list; at regular intervals, the Assembly will also be provided with an excel master list of all submissions
- 5. DISCUSS BIG PICTURE QUESTIONS**
 - a. What is Assembly's spending goal? Fund as many organizations as possible? Concentrate funding in a few big impact projects?
 - b. How do we narrow down projects to meet our goal to do as much good in our community as possible?
 - c. Once projects are selected, how do we determine funding levels for each project?
- 6. DETERMINE DECISION-MAKING PROCESS**
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Leave the meeting with a spreadsheet of projects that meet federal eligibility requirements, meet Assembly vision and goals, and have broad Assembly support, that can be drafted into an AR for debate and amendments at the June 7 Assembly Meeting.

RESOURCES

U.S. Dept. of the Treasury Overview: <https://home.treasury.gov/policy-issues/coronavirus/assistance-for-state-local-and-tribal-governments/state-and-local-fiscal-recovery-fund/non-entitlement-units>

U.S. Dept. of the Treasury, Eligible Uses (pg. 5-40), as of April 27, 2022: <https://home.treasury.gov/system/files/136/SLFRF-Final-Rule-FAQ.pdf>

National League of Cities ARPA Overview: <https://www.nlc.org/covid-19-pandemic-response/american-rescue-plan-act/arpa-local-relief-frequently-asked-questions#expect-guidance>

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What are the eligible uses of Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLFRF) funding?

Funding must fit into one of the following four statutory categories:

- To respond to the COVID-19 public health emergency or its negative economic impacts;
- To respond to workers performing essential work during the COVID-19 public health emergency by providing premium pay to such eligible workers of the recipient, or by providing grants to eligible employers that have eligible workers who performed essential work;
- For the provision of government services, to the extent of the reduction in revenue of such recipient due to the COVID–19 public health emergency, relative to revenues collected in the most recent full fiscal year of the recipient prior to the emergency;
- To make necessary investments in water, sewer, or broadband infrastructure.

These four uses are split into 7 summary expenditure categories:

1. Public Health
2. Negative Economic Impacts
3. Services to Disproportionately Impacted Communities
4. Premium Pay
5. Infrastructure
6. Revenue Replacement
7. Administrative

All SLFRF award funds must be used in compliance with these requirements. The IRF details compliance responsibilities, and provides additional information on eligible and restricted uses. Each expenditure category has distinct reporting requirements.
