

Alachua County Florida
Recovery Plan

**State and Local Fiscal Recovery
Funds**

As of July 31, 2021 Report

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GENERAL OVERVIEW

Executive Summary

The Alachua County Board of County Commissioners (ABoCC) allocated American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) – State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLFRF) in June 2021 to address the impact and recovery of the COVID-19 pandemic and address opportunities needed to prepare for future such events in alignment with U.S. Treasury Rules. The \$52.25 Million received by the County has been allocated:

\$ 5 Million Support Public Health Response

\$ 7 Million Address Negative Economic Impacts

\$15 Million Broadband Infrastructure

\$ 1.25 Million Water Infrastructure

\$15 Million Replace Public Sector Revenue Loss

\$ 9 Million under review

As of July 31, 2021, no funds have been expended as various departments build plans, evidence based as required, that meet the goals outlined by the Board. Each project will have a distinct Recovery Plan as they are adopted by the ABoCC.

The major challenge is the rapid spread of the Delta variant which requires constant adjustments to the County's response to help limit impact before recovery can really move forward.

Uses of Funds

The ABoCC allocation of funds has provided direction to County staff on projects that need to be developed and implemented over the American Rescue Plan applicable period. Each category has specific projects to be developed. As of July 31, 2021, no funds have been expended. A general project identification for the allotments provided by the Board are:

Support Public Health Response - \$5 Million

Central Receiving - \$1.5 Million

Developing a Central Receiving center to accept citizens pre-arrest that are in need on mental health services aligns with Treasury Guidance – Behavioral Healthcare as well the ABoCC Strategic Guide - Achieve Social and Economic Opportunity for All. The project is under development.

Shands Eastside Urgent Care support - \$2 Million

Partnering with Shands Hospital, UF Health, and the City of Gainesville to build facilities on the Eastside of Gainesville aligns with Treasury Guidance – Public Health & Safety Staff as well as ABoCC Strategic Guide - Achieve Social and Economic Opportunity for All: Build equitable access to health (physical and mental). The project is under development.

First Responder and Ambulance Equipment modernization - \$1.5 Million

The response to COVID-19 has exposed the obsolesces and end of life equipment used by First Responders and Ambulance transport and reinvesting in modernized equipment aligns with Treasury Guidance – Medical Expenses as well as ABoCC Strategic Guide - Provide for the welfare and protection of the public. This project is under development.

Address Negative Economic Impacts - \$7 Million

Local Food Security - \$1 Million

Supporting and protecting local food sources is vital to responding to community survival during emergencies such as the COVID-19 pandemic and aligns with Treasury Guidance – Respond to economic harms to workers, families, small businesses, impacted industries and the public sector as well as ABoCC Strategic Guide - Achieve Social and Economic Opportunity for All: Work with private and public partnerships, including farms and local food entrepreneurs to build a community food system. This project is under development.

Permanent Housing, Increased Affordable Housing, and Energy Efficient upgrades for low income homeowners and landlords that maintain units for affordable housing - \$6M

Addressing the housing crisis is imperative to an equitable recovery and aligns with Treasury Guidance – Respond to economic harms to workers, families, small businesses, impacted industries and the public sector as well as ABoCC Strategic Guide – Address the Housing Gap: Invest intentionally to reduce the gap in available public housing. This project is under development.

Infrastructure - \$16.25 Million

Broadband Infrastructure - \$15 Million

Collaborating with cities, school board, colleges and UF on maximizing the impact of providing Broadband to underserved and unserved communities aligns with Treasury Guidance – Make necessary investments to provide unserved or underserved locations with new or expanded broadband access as well as ABoCC Strategic Guide – Accelerate Progress on Infrastructure: Address internet affordability and accessibility gaps. This project is under development.

Water Infrastructure - \$1.25 Million

ABoCC currently manages one water system that was acquired under receivership and is in need of improvement to address water quality issues. This issue aligns with Treasury Guidance – Make necessary investments to improve access to clean drinking water as well as ABoCC Strategic Guide – Accelerate Progress on Infrastructure. This project is under development.

Replace Public Sector Revenue Loss - \$15 Million

Recovering loss revenue using Treasury's loss revenue calculator aligns with Treasury Guidance - Replace Public Sector Revenue Loss as well as ABoCC Strategic Guide – Guiding Principle: Continue to provide mandated services and discretionary services expected by our constituents in a transparent, accountable, efficient and effective manner. This project is under development.

Unallocated and Under Review - \$9 Million

In the midst of the Delta variant it has become increasingly obvious that the ABoCC needs to continually review the use of ARPA – SLFRF to best address COVID-19. Projects such as Vaccine Incentives and Mobile Crisis Centers are under development for the Board's future consideration for funding.

Promoting equitable outcomes

Projects related to promoting equitable outcomes are under development.

Community Engagement

Projects requiring Community Engagement will address these plans during ABoCC adoption.

Labor Practices

Projects for infrastructure will address labor practices in their plans during ABoCC adoption.

Use of Evidence

Projects in categories requiring an evidence based approach will be provided in the project plans during Board adoption.

Table of Expenses by Expenditure Category

Category		Cumulative expenditures to date (\$)	Amount spent since last Recovery Plan
1	Expenditure Category: Public Health	\$0	\$0
1.1	COVID-19 Vaccination		
1.2	COVID-19 Testing		
1.3	COVID-19 Contact Tracing		
1.4	Prevention in Congregate Settings (Nursing Homes, Prisons/Jails, Dense Work Sites, Schools, etc.)		
1.5	Personal Protective Equipment		
1.6	Medical Expenses (including Alternative Care Facilities)		
1.7	Capital Investments or Physical Plant Changes to Public Facilities that respond to the COVID-19 public health emergency		
1.8	Other COVID-19 Public Health Expenses (including Communications, Enforcement, Isolation/Quarantine)		
1.9	Payroll Costs for Public Health, Safety, and Other Public Sector Staff Responding to COVID-19		
1.10	Mental Health Services		
1.11	Substance Use Services		

Category		Cumulative expenditures to date (\$)	Amount spent since last Recovery Plan
1.12	Other Public Health Services		
2	Expenditure Category: Negative Economic Impacts	\$0	\$0
2.1	Household Assistance: Food Programs		
2.2	Household Assistance: Rent, Mortgage, and Utility Aid		
2.3	Household Assistance: Cash Transfers		
2.4	Household Assistance: Internet Access Programs		
2.5	Household Assistance: Eviction Prevention		
2.6	Unemployment Benefits or Cash Assistance to Unemployed Workers		
2.7	Job Training Assistance (e.g., Sectoral job-training, Subsidized Employment, Employment Supports or Incentives)		
2.8	Contributions to UI Trust Funds*		
2.9	Small Business Economic Assistance (General)		
2.10	Aid to nonprofit organizations		
2.11	Aid to Tourism, Travel, or Hospitality		
2.12	Aid to Other Impacted Industries		
2.13	Other Economic Support		
2.14	Rehiring Public Sector Staff		
3	Expenditure Category: Services to Disproportionately Impacted Communities	\$0	\$0
3.1	Education Assistance: Early Learning		
3.2	Education Assistance: Aid to High-Poverty Districts		
3.3	Education Assistance: Academic Services		
3.4	Education Assistance: Social, Emotional, and Mental Health Services		
3.5	Education Assistance: Other		
3.6	Healthy Childhood Environments: Child Care		
3.7	Healthy Childhood Environments: Home Visiting		
3.8	Healthy Childhood Environments: Services to Foster Youth or Families Involved in Child Welfare System		
3.9.	Healthy Childhood Environments: Other		
3.10	Housing Support: Affordable Housing		
3.11	Housing Support: Services for Unhoused persons		
3.12	Housing Support: Other Housing Assistance		
3.13	Social Determinants of Health: Other		

Category		Cumulative expenditures to date (\$)	Amount spent since last Recovery Plan
3.14	Social Determinants of Health: Community Health Workers or Benefits Navigators		
3.15	Social Determinants of Health: Lead Remediation		
3.16	Social Determinants of Health: Community Violence Interventions		
4	Expenditure Category: Premium Pay	\$0	\$0
4.1	Public Sector Employees		
4.2	Private Sector: Grants to other employers		
5	Expenditure Category: Infrastructure	\$0	\$0
5.1	Clean Water: Centralized wastewater treatment		
5.2	Clean Water: Centralized wastewater collection and conveyance		
5.3	Clean Water: Decentralized wastewater		
5.4	Clean Water: Combined sewer overflows		
5.5	Clean Water: Other sewer infrastructure		
5.6	Clean Water: Stormwater		
5.7	Clean Water: Energy conservation		
5.8	Clean Water: Water conservation		
5.9	Clean Water: Nonpoint source		
5.10	Drinking water: Treatment		
5.11	Drinking water: Transmission & distribution		
5.12	Drinking water: Transmission & distribution: lead remediation		
5.13	Drinking water: Source		
5.14	Drinking water: Storage		
5.15	Drinking water: Other water infrastructure		
5.16	Broadband: "Last Mile" projects		
5.17	Broadband: Other projects		
6	Expenditure Category: Revenue Replacement	\$0	\$0
6.1	Provision of Government Services		
7	Administrative and Other	\$0	\$0
7.1	Administrative Expenses		
7.2	Evaluation and data analysis		
7.3	Transfers to Other Units of Government		
7.4	Transfers to Nonentitlement Units (States and Territories only)		

See Section C(7) on page 27 of the Reporting Guidance for additional information.

Project Inventory

No Projects have been started to date.

Performance Report

Goals, measures, outputs and outcomes will be prepared during project development and tracked as the projects are implemented. No projects have been started.

Ineligible Activities: Tax Offset Provision (States and territories only)

Not Applicable