



# **Bucks County**

## **Pennsylvania**

### **Recovery Plan Performance Report**

### **State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds**

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**Bucks County, Pennsylvania**  
**2022 Recovery Plan**  
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## GENERAL OVERVIEW

### Executive Summary

#### *American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funding*

The American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (H.R. 1319) is a \$1.9 trillion economic stimulus package passed by Congress, signed by President Joe Biden on March 11, 2021, in response to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic and related economic challenges. First proposed on January 14, 2021, the package builds upon many of the measures in the CARES Act of 2020, and in the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2021, including \$350 billion in state and local aid to municipalities and counties through the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLFRF) to support immediate pandemic response, address economic fallout and lay the foundation for a strong and equitable recovery.

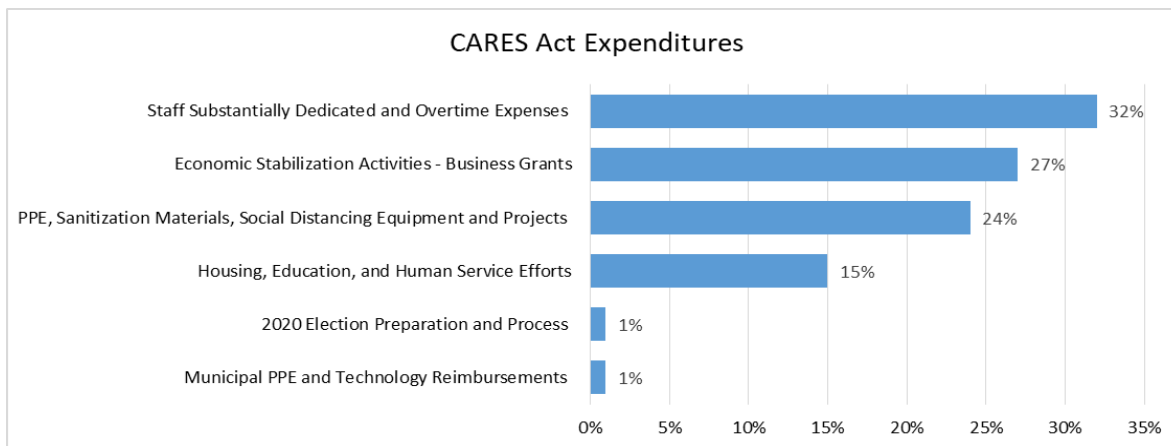
Bucks County government was awarded \$122,034,082 of SLFRF and received the first 50 percent payment of \$61,071,041 on May 19, 2021, and second 50 percent payment of \$61,072,041 on July 5, 2022. Funds must be obligated by December 31, 2024 and expended by December 21, 2026. This project is being supported by Federal Award Number (FAIN SLFRP0222) awarded to the County of Bucks by the U.S. Department of the Treasury.

#### *County Recovery Plan Report*

Bucks County is committed to utilizing ARPA funding in an innovative and equitable manner. We heard from our residents, community and business partners, and researched best practices and leveraged all other financial resources to develop impactful initiatives and investments that will have a long-term, measurable and sustainable impact. The plan contains detailed information on funding allocations and eligible expenditures, program initiatives and outcomes, and service level indicators for pandemic relief efforts provided to residents and businesses alike.

#### *Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act (2020) Recovery Efforts*

Since the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic in March of 2020, the Bucks County Board of Commissioners, along with its County Department of Health, Emergency Services, Housing and Community Development, Workforce and Economic Development, and Human Services agencies, have deployed millions of dollars in federal, state, and local assistance to address the impact of the pandemic on residents, businesses, and organizations throughout the County. The chart below provides an aggregate of the funding utilized in these efforts:



While much work has been accomplished through the use of CARES Act funding, Bucks County is appreciative of the financial resources through the ARPA to continue to address the many challenges it faces in managing the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic. The public will be able to follow our initiatives and expenditures through this report, to learn the programs developed and how investments will provide a positive and long lasting impact in our community.

## Uses of Funds

The County intends to use its allocation of ARPA funds in the following areas as prescribed wherein the ARAP:

- Public Health
- Negative Economic Impacts
- Services to Disproportionately Impacted Communities
- Premium Pay
- Water, sewer, and broadband infrastructure
- Revenue Replacement

Project and program plans within each of the above categories have been identified and included in this plan. As required by County procurement policies and procedures, each project or program will be approved by the Bucks County Board of Commissioners by resolution.

The plan will remain flexible and be revised as additional Treasury guidance is received, information is obtained, and priorities are identified. Program expenditures will be evaluated on a regular basis throughout the grant program period between March 3, 2021 and December 31, 2024.

The County will use its accounting consultant and internal Project Management Team to provide fiscal administration and eligibility compliance in use of ARPA funds as it relates to program and project ideation, review and implementation to ensure that a comprehensive assessment of each program and project results in achieving County initiatives. The Project Management Team consists of representatives from the following County offices/departments:

- Office of the Chief Operating Officer
- Office of the Chief Financial Officer
- Communications Department
- Community Services Division
- Controller's Office
- Department of Corrections
- Emergency Services Division
- General Services Division
- Health Services Division
- Human Resources Department
- Human Services Division
- Information Technology Department
- Law Department
- Purchasing Department
- Treasurer's Office

The County's Project Management Team follows the phases outlined below to ensure efficient administration and oversight of all ARPA funded initiatives:



## Programs Using Other Federal Recovery and State Funds

### Department of Health

The following grants were provided to the County Health Department to fund increased efforts in responding to the COVID-19 pandemic:

#### Pennsylvania Department of Health (PaDOH)

Grant: Public Health Preparedness (ELC CARES)

Purpose: Provide states with resources needed to detect, respond, and prevent the spread of COVID-19.

Amount: \$1,380,118 Term: 3/1/2020-3/31/2021

Grant: Public Health Preparedness (ELC ED)

Purpose: Provide critical resources to state, local, and territorial health departments in support of a broad range of COVID-19/SARS-CoV-2 testing and epidemiologic surveillance related activities.

Amount: \$15,809,378 Term: 7/1/2020-11/19/2022

Grant: Bureau of Communicable Diseases (SAF funds)

Purpose: Federal increase funds in the health immunization grant for COVID related work

Amount: \$4,745,350.96 Term: 7/1/2020-6/30/2021

Grant: Public Health Preparedness (SAF funds)

Purpose: Provide expanded services to strengthen information management and community resilience.

Amount: \$1,707,953 Term: 7/1/2021-6/30/22

#### National Association of County and City Health Officials (NACCHO)

Grant: NACCHO, MRC RISE, COVID-19 Award

Purpose: Provide resources to the MRC Network to support COVID-19 resource efforts

Amount: \$25,000 Term: 12/31/2022

### Housing and Community Development Office

The Emergency Rental Assistance (ERA) program makes funding available to assist households unable to pay rent or utilities during the COVID-19 pandemic. Two separate federal programs were established: ERA1 provided up to \$25 billion under the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021, enacted on December 27, 2020, and ERA2 provided up to \$21.55 billion under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, enacted on March 11, 2021. The County Housing and Community Development Office provides administrative and financial oversight of the County's Emergency Rental Assistance Program (BERA). BERA program activities to date are provided below:

- \$44,664,437.51 has been spent in financial assistance to households and \$2,385,420.57 in administrative/housing stability services to total \$47,049,858.08 spent through all ERAP sources to date
- 4,056 households served with financial assistance through the program
- 47% (1,917) of households served are under 30% area median income (AMI)
- 31% (1,271) of households served are Black or African American, 52% (2,116) White, 7% (298) Multi-Racial, 3% (59) Asian, less than 1% (30) American Indian or Native Hawaiian, and 7% (282) refused or data not collected
- 11% (465) of households served identify as Hispanic/Latino
- 66% (2,669) of households served have a female head of household

## Neshaminy Manor

The County’s nursing home facility, Neshaminy Manor is a non-profit funded in part by the taxpayers of Bucks County, and the Federal and State government. The 360 bed sub-acute/skilled care facility provides short- and long-term care. Below are grants received to fund increased efforts in responding to the COVID-19 pandemic:

Pennsylvania Department of Human Services, Office of Long-term Care	\$2,422,026.32
Health Resources and Services Administration	\$2,399,975.60

## Emergency Services

The County’s Emergency Services department received the following grants to fund increased efforts in responding to the COVID-19 pandemic:

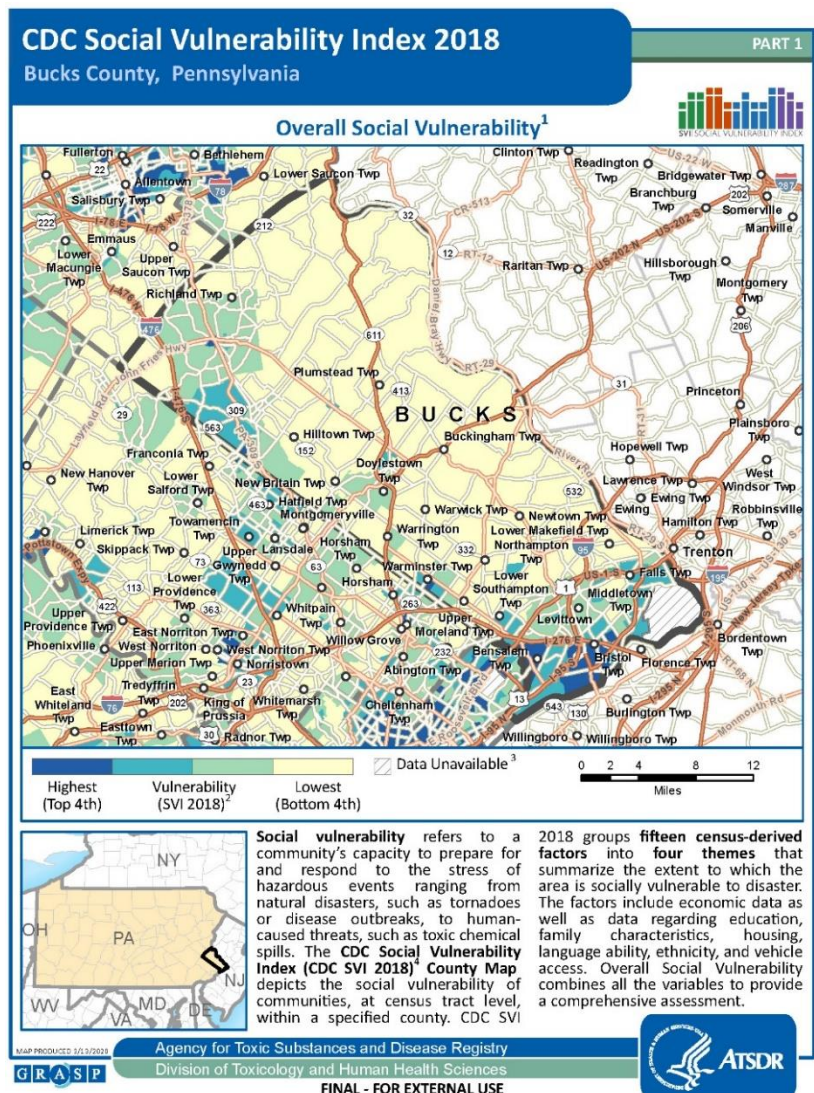
Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency:	\$12,994,055.97
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## Promoting Equitable Outcomes

Bucks County programs will be designed to promote equitable outcomes, advancing racial equity and support for underserved communities and vulnerable populations, specifically communities within social vulnerability tracts shown below and defined by the Center for Disease Control’s Social Vulnerability Index (CDC SVI). Accordingly, communities must prepare for and respond to natural or human-caused disasters, or disease outbreaks.

Reducing social vulnerability can decrease both human suffering and economic loss. A number of factors, including poverty, lack of access to transportation and housing may weaken a community’s ability to prevent human suffering and financial loss in a pandemic or disaster. These factors are known as social vulnerability. CDC SVI uses U.S. Census data to determine the social vulnerability of every census tract. Census tracts are subdivisions of counties for which the Census collects statistical data. CDC SVI ranks each tract on 15 social factors and groups them into four related themes. Each tract receives a separate ranking for each of the four themes as well as an overall ranking (see right for map).

Bucks County will focus its efforts on providing services and programs to address the negative economic impacts of the pandemic which have been most severe among low-income, high-poverty populations through strategic targeted programs and improvements to existing services within identified areas of most need utilizing the CDC SVI. Outcomes will be achieved and reported accordingly.



## Community and Business Engagement

### Community

The County issued a COVID-19 needs assessment survey to its diverse nonprofit service provider network in early June 2021. Roundtable discussions were held with the providers to review survey results and prioritize current and future human service funding-based needs in the County. Below is a listing of the highest areas of concern discussed at these sessions:

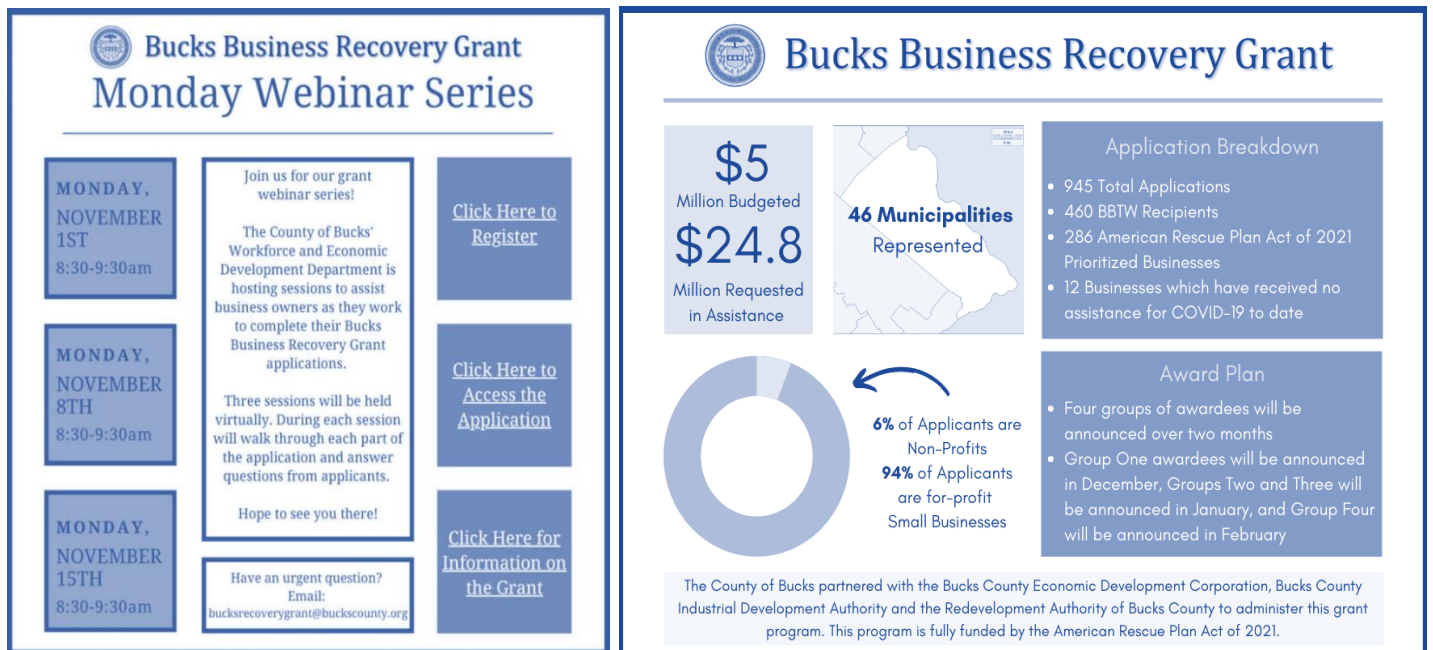
Behavioral Health & Developmental Support	Child Welfare and Foster Care
Affordable Housing	Domestic Violence
Premium Pay	Food Security
Substance Use Treatment	Healthcare for Children
Increase Salaries of Social Services Staff	Healthy Childhood Environment
Health Disparities	Additional Training for Workers
Public Health	Negative Economic Impacts from COVID
Transportation	Re-entry of the Incarcerated
Childcare	Translation Services
Employment Support	Schools
Education Disparities	Vaccine Incentives
Homelessness	Juvenile Probations Office/Community Based Supports
Lost Revenue	Credit Rating Support
Technology/Internet Upgrades	Facility Improvements

### Funding Framework

Our community non-profit service providers developed program and project funding proposals based on the above identified areas of need. Proposals were evaluated and funded according to criteria developed to serve individuals with significant barriers to services, including people of color, people with low incomes, limited English proficiency populations, and other underserved individuals with barriers.

### Small Business

In addition, the County hosted a roundtable event in September 2021, for our small business and nonprofit community to discuss current economic recovery efforts as well as eligibility criteria to access the County's "Bucks Recovery" \$5mm business grant program. A webinar series was held for businesses to assist business owners with applications to the Bucks Recover Grant Program. Program metrics are provided below:





## Labor Practices

Workforce practices and labor standards in place by the county will result in high-quality infrastructure projects. These practices and standards were in place in the County prior to receipt of the ARPA funds and will continue to be utilized in the execution of this plan. Davis-Bacon and related Acts, legally required for all federally funded projects, will be applied to infrastructure projects constructed using ARPA funds. The County has historically used Davis Bacon wages in all federally funded contracts with contractors and subcontractors. Davis-Bacon as well as our Responsible Contractor’s Ordinance language will be incorporated into all contracts so that employees performing work on ARPA funded projects are receiving required wage rates for their labor.

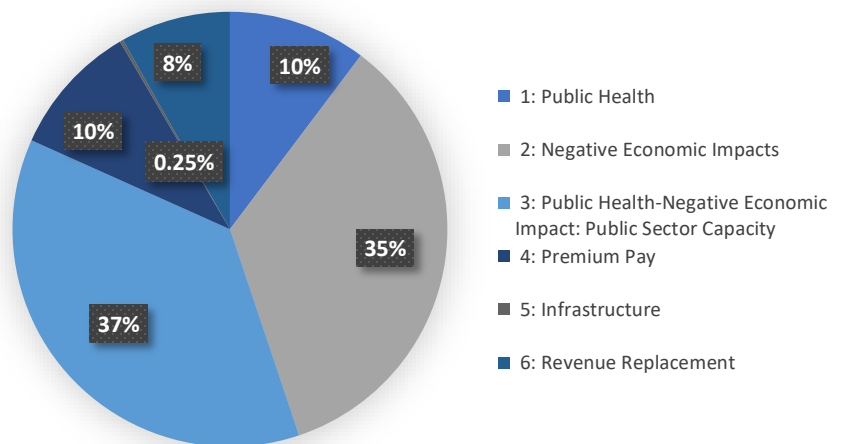
## Use of Evidence

Evidence-based program evaluations are valuable instruments of public programs or services. These tools can provide the ability to apply scientific, tested and proven methods of service delivery or allow for evaluation of intended outcomes. The County continues to evaluate the best potential use of funds and “Use of Evidence” requirements. To date, the County will be requiring all partner providers, sub recipients, or contractors to describe goals, evidence basis, and projected outcomes for awarded project(s).

## PROJECT INVENTORY

### Table of Expenses by Expenditure Category

The use of ARPA funds will include support for Bucks County’s public health response, areas of negative economic impact, premium pay for essential workers, and water, sewer, and broadband infrastructure with primary focus on services to disproportionately impacted communities. The table below will be updated as projects commence and funds are expended in the applicable categories.



	Expenditure Category	Budgeted Programs	Cumulative expenditures to date (\$)	Amount spent since last Recovery Plan
	<b>1: Public Health</b>	<b>12,546,252.50</b>		
	<b>COVID-19 Mitigation &amp; Prevention</b>			
1.1	COVID-19 Vaccination <sup>^</sup> - Bucks County Vaccination Program	3,074,252.50	1,903,145.84	1,903,145.84
1.2	COVID-19 Testing <sup>^</sup>			
1.3	COVID-19 Contact Tracing <sup>^</sup>			
1.4	Prevention in Congregate Settings (Nursing Homes, Prisons/Jails, Dense Work Sites, Schools, Child care facilities, etc.)* <sup>^</sup> - Medical Care in Corrections Facilities	4,232,000.00	-	-
1.5	Personal Protective Equipment <sup>^</sup>			
1.6	Medical Expenses (including Alternative Care Facilities) <sup>^</sup>			
1.7	Other COVID-19 Public Health Expenses (including Communications, Enforcement, Isolation/Quarantine) <sup>^</sup>			
1.8	COVID-19 Assistance to Small Businesses <sup>^</sup>			
1.9	COVID 19 Assistance to Non-Profits <sup>^</sup>			
1.10	COVID-19 Aid to Impacted Industries <sup>^</sup>			
	<b>Community Violence Interventions</b>			
1.11	Community Violence Interventions* <sup>^</sup> - Coresponders Program	240,000.00	-	-

	<b>Behavioral Health</b>			
1.12	Mental Health Services*^			
1.13	Substance Use Services*^			
	<b>Other</b>			
1.14	Other Public Health Services^			
-	Capital Investments or Physical Plant Changes to Public Facilities that respond to the COVID-19 public health emergency		-	-
	Capital Investments or Physical Plant Changes to Public Facilities that respond to the COVID-19 public health emergency - Construction of Mental Health & Drug/Alcohol Crisis Center	5,000,000.00	-	-
<b>2: Negative Economic Impacts</b>		<b>42,186,000.00</b>		
	<b>Assistance to Households</b>			
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: Paid Sick and Medical Leave^			
2.6	Household Assistance: Health Insurance*^			
2.7	Household Assistance: Services for Un/Unbanked*^			
2.8	Household Assistance: Survivor's Benefits^			
2.9	Unemployment Benefits or Cash Assistance to Unemployed Workers*^			
2.1	Assistance to Unemployed or Underemployed Workers (e.g. job training, subsidized employment, employment supports or incentives)*^ - Workforce training and Economic Development Programs	3,667,000.00	-	-
2.11	Healthy Childhood Environments: Child Care*^			
2.12	Healthy Childhood Environments: Home Visiting*^ - Mental Health Court Recovery House for Women	300,000.00	-	-
2.13	Healthy Childhood Environments: Services to Foster Youth or Families Involved in Child Welfare System*^			
2.14	Healthy Childhood Environments: Early Learning*^			
2.15	Long-term Housing Security: Affordable Housing*^ - Housing and Community Development Projects	10,000,000.00	6,945.00	6,945.00
2.16	Long-term Housing Security: Services for Unhoused Persons*^ - Housing and Community Development Projects	5,000,000.00	-	-
2.17	Housing Support: Housing Vouchers and Relocation Assistance for Disproportionately Impacted Communities*^			
2.18	Housing Support: Other Housing Assistance*^ - Bucks United Flood Recovery Program (BUFR) renovation & mold remediation	1,500,000.00	308,529.76	308,529.76
2.19	Social Determinants of Health: Community Health Workers or Benefits Navigators*^			
2.2	Social Determinants of Health: Lead Remediation*^			
2.21	Medical Facilities for Disproportionately Impacted Communities^			
2.22	Strong Healthy Communities: Neighborhood Features that Promote Health and Safety^			

2.23	Strong Healthy Communities: Demolition and Rehabilitation of Properties^ - Demolition of old Neshaminy Manor for new construction	2,000,000.00	-	-
2.23a	Strong Healthy Communities: Demolition and Rehabilitation of Properties^ - Demolition of old Women's Center for a Mental Health Forensic Center	500,000.00	16,000.00	16,000.00
2.24	Addressing Educational Disparities: Aid to High-Poverty Districts^			
2.25	Addressing Educational Disparities: Academic, Social, and Emotional Services*^			
2.26	Addressing Educational Disparities: Mental Health Services*^			
2.27	Addressing Impacts of Lost Instructional Time^			
2.28	Contributions to UI Trust Funds^			
	<b>Assistance to Small Businesses</b>			
2.29	Loans or Grants to Mitigate Financial Hardship^ - Bucks Small Business Recovery Grant Program	4,963,000.00	4,868,000.00	4,868,000.00
2.3	Technical Assistance, Counseling, or Business Planning*^ - Technical Assistance to Businesses provided by County Economic Development Agencies	194,000.00	194,000.00	194,000.00
2.31	Rehabilitation of Commercial Properties or Other Improvements^			
2.32	Business Incubators and Start-Up or Expansion Assistance*^ - Startup Bucks	50,000.00	-	-
2.33	Enhanced Support to Microbusinesses*^			
	<b>Assistance to Non-Profits</b>			
2.34	Assistance to Impacted Nonprofit Organizations (Impacted or Disproportionately Impacted)^ - Human Service Agencies	4,845,000.00	-	-
	Assistance to Impacted Nonprofit Organizations (Impacted or Disproportionately Impacted)^ - Senior Centers	967,000.00	-	-
	Assistance to Impacted Nonprofit Organizations (Impacted or Disproportionately Impacted)^ - Emergency Medical Services	5,600,000.00	-	-
	<b>Aid to Impacted Industries</b>			
2.35	Aid to Tourism, Travel, or Hospitality^ - Visit Bucks County	2,000,000.00	-	-
2.36	Aid to Other Impacted Industries^			
	<b>Other</b>			
2.37	Economic Impact Assistance: Other*^ - Fresh Farm Food Program	100,000.00	26,284.99	26,284.99
-	Household Assistance: Eviction Prevention*^			
-	Education Assistance: Other*^ - Bucks County Community College Veteran's Program	200,000.00	-	-
-	Healthy Childhood Environments: Other*^			
-	Social Determinants of Health: Other*^ - Bucks County District Attorney's Domestic Violence Investigations Program	300,000.00	19,250.49	19,250.49
	<b>3: Public Health-Negative Economic Impact: Public Sector Capacity</b>	<b>44,971,829.50</b>		
	<b>General Provisions</b>			
3.1	Public Sector Workforce: Payroll and Benefits for Public Health, Public Safety, or Human Services Workers - County Corrections	43,316,262.00	-	-
3.2	Public Sector Workforce: Rehiring Public Sector Staff			

3.3	Public Sector Workforce: Other - Vaccine Incentive Program (County Workforce)	115,567.50	115,567.50	115,567.50
3.4	Public Sector Capacity: Effective Service Delivery - Election Program Investments	866,000.00	15,911.00	15,911.00
3.5	Public Sector Capacity: Administrative Needs - Bucks County Court Switches	674,000.00	-	-
	<b>4: Premium Pay</b>	<b>12,030,000.00</b>		
4.1	Public Sector Employees - County Corrections	2,030,000.00	-	-
4.2	Private Sector: Grants to Other Employers - Human Service Agency Partners	10,000,000.00	-	-
	<b>5: Infrastructure</b>	<b>300,000.00</b>		
	<b>Water and Sewer</b>			
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 - Morrisville District Justice/Senior Center Building	300,000.00	-	-
5.7	Clean Water: Energy Conservation			
5.8	Clean Water: Water Conservation			
5.9	Clean Water: Nonpoint Source			
5.1	Drinking water: Treatment			
5.11	Drinking water: Transmission & Distribution			
5.12	Drinking water: Lead Remediation, including in Schools and Daycares			
5.13	Drinking water: Source			
5.14	Drinking water: Storage			
5.15	Drinking water: Other water infrastructure			
5.16	Water and Sewer: Private Wells			
5.17	Water and Sewer: IJJA Bureau of Reclamation Match			
5.18	Water and Sewer: Other			
	<b>Broadband</b>			
5.19	Broadband: "Last Mile" projects			
5.2	Broadband: IJJA Match			
5.21	Broadband: Other projects			
	<b>6: Revenue Replacement</b>	<b>10,000,000.00</b>		-
6.1	Provision of Government Services	10,000,000.00	10,000,000.00	10,000,000.00
6.2	Non-federal Match for Other Federal Programs			
	<b>7: Administrative</b>		-	
7.1	Administrative Expenses			
7.2	Transfers to Other Units of Government			
-	Transfers to Non-entitlement Units (States and territories only)			
Total Budgeted		122,034,082.00	17,473,634.58	17,473,634.58

\*Denotes areas where recipients must identify the amount of the total funds that are allocated to evidence-based interventions.

^Denotes areas where recipients must report on whether projects are primarily serving disproportionately impacted communities.

## Project List and Performance Reporting

Listed below are the projects the County has funded during this reporting period and performance indicators.

### 1: Public Health

**Project:** Vaccination Program<sup>^</sup>  
**Expenditure Category:** 1-Public Health  
**Description:** Covid-19 vaccination program. [Click here](#) for information about the County’s vaccination clinics and [here](#) for a video on the county’s homebound vaccine program.  
**Budget:** \$3,074,252.50  
**Expended to Date:** \$1,903,145.84  
**Percent Complete:** Above 50%  
**Performance Report:** 9,996 vaccinations administered at the COVID-19 Vaccine Clinic to-date. [Please click here](#) for vaccination rate information for County residents.



### 2: Negative Economic Impacts

**Project:** Affordable Housing Project Development\*<sup>^</sup>  
**Expenditure Category:** 2-Negative Economic Impacts  
**Description:** Affordable housing projects in Bucks County. [Click here](#) for County housing information.  
**Budget:** \$10,000,000.00  
**Expended to Date:** \$6,945.00  
**Percent Complete:** Below 50%  
**Use of Evidence:** Evidence available to support interventions included in this initiative will be provided once program/projects are further developed.

Evidence-base Determination:

Name of Study	Source	Description	Type
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**Performance Report:** Programs/Projects are in early development stages. Metrics will be reported in future reports. Expenditures during this period include legal fees related to affordable housing development programs/projects.

**Project:** Bucks United Flood Recovery Program (BUFR) Renovation and Mold Remediation\*<sup>^</sup>  
**Expenditure Category:** 2-Negative Economic Impacts  
**Description:** Bucks United Flood Recovery Program (BUFR) is a partnership between United Way of Bucks County and the County of Bucks to help implement services in support of the recovery from severe flooding on July 12 2021. Services provided under the BUFR program may include emergency repairs mold mitigation and/or remediation rebuild rehabilitation and other services that ensure that the dwellings of low- and moderate-income Bucks County residents are safe secure and sanitary. [Click here](#) for program flyer and application information.

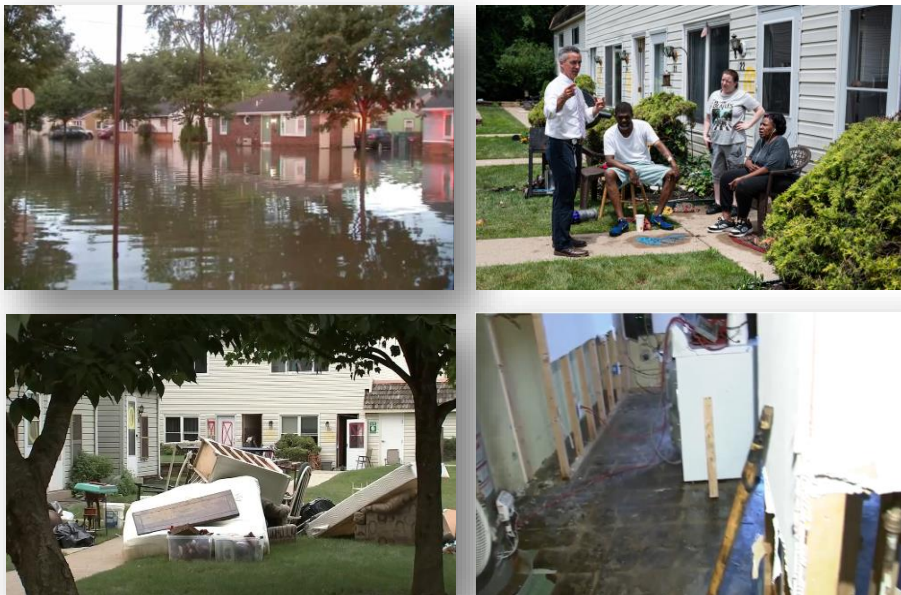
Budget: \$1,500,000.00  
 Expended to Date: \$308,529.76  
 Percent Complete: Below 50%  
 Use of Evidence: Evidence available to support interventions included in this initiative will be provided.

Evidence-base Determination:

Name of Study	Source	Description	Type
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Performance Report: Services provided under BUFR program may include, but are not limited to 1) Emergency Repairs, 2) Mold mitigation and/or remediation, 3) Rebuild and rehabilitation and/or other services that ensure that the dwellings of low- and moderate-income Bucks County residents are safe, secure, and sanitary, and that exposure to health risks posed by COVID-19 are reduced. In response to the coronavirus crisis, the within funding will aid those impacted by the flooding that established the Declaration of Disaster Emergency in Bensalem, Bristol Borough, and Bristol Township.

Expenditures during this period have assisted a total of 22 households including a congregate care facility. Thirteen households are below 65% AMI, four were eligible for unemployment, eight receive Medicaid or other medical assistance, four receive food stamps, and one is eligible for women, infants, and children (WIC).



Project: **Demolition of old Women's Center for Mental Health Forensic Center^**  
 Expenditure Category: 2-Negative Economic Impacts  
 Description: Demolition of existing building to prepare for construction of a County Mental Health Forensic Facility. [Click here](#) for project description and timeline.  
 Budget: \$500,000.00  
 Expended to Date: \$16,000.00  
 Percent Complete: Below 50%  
 Use of Evidence: Evidence available to support interventions included in this initiative will be provided once program/projects are further developed.  
 Performance Report: Project is in early development stages. Metrics will be reported in future reports. Expenditures during this period include land development permits and consultant fees.

**Project:** **Small Business Recovery Grant Program<sup>^</sup>**  
**Expenditure Category:** 2-Negative Economic Impacts  
**Description:** Grants to Bucks County small businesses and nonprofits to recover economically from the negative effects of the COVID-19 pandemic. [Click here](#) for small business COVID-19 grant program information.  
**Budget:** \$4,963,000.00  
**Expended to Date:** \$4,868,000.00  
**Percent Complete:** Above 95%  
**Performance Report:** Total number of COVID-19 grants provided to small businesses or nonprofits to date - 776

**Project:** **Technical Assistance to Businesses provided by County Economic Development Agencies\*<sup>^</sup>**  
**Expenditure Category:** 2-Negative Economic Impacts  
**Description:** Technical assistance provided to process Bucks Recovery Grant program. [Click here](#) for information about County Economic Development Agencies and COVID-19 resources.  
**Use of Evidence:** There is no evidence available at this time to support interventions included in this initiative due to the type of technical assistance provided.  
**Budget:** \$194,000.00  
**Expended to Date:** \$194,000.00  
**Percent Complete:** 100%  
**Performance Report:** Total number of businesses provided with technical assistance - 945

**Project:** **Fresh Farm Food Program\*<sup>^</sup>**  
**Expenditure Category:** 2-Negative Economic Impacts  
**Description:** Farm fresh food purchase program for from Bucks County Farmers economically impacted by COVID-19 for the Bucks County Youth Center and other County entities.  
**Budget:** \$100,000.00  
**Expended to Date:** \$26,284.99  
**Percent Complete:** Below 50%  
**Use of Evidence:** Evidence available to support interventions included in this initiative will be provided once program/projects are further developed.  
**Performance Report:** To date food has been purchased by the County from local growers for the County's Youth Center; a temporary holding facility for alleged and adjudicated delinquent juveniles between ages of 10 and 18 years of age. The Youth Center also operates a Non-Secure, Community Based Residential Service Unit for males and females. The Residential Program offers individual, group and family counseling for its residents and operates under a Restorative Justice Model. The Youth Center is 56-bed facility, 36 are detention and 28 residential.

**Evidence-base Determination:**

Name of Study	Source	Description	Type
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**Project:** **Domestic Violence Investigations Program\*<sup>^</sup>**  
**Expenditure Category:** 1-Public Health  
**Description:** Bucks County District Attorney's Domestic Violence Investigations Program. [Click here](#) for program information.  
**Budget:** \$300,000.00  
**Expended to Date:** \$19,250.49  
**Percent Complete:** Below 50%  
**Use of Evidence:** Evidence available to support interventions included in this initiative will be provided once program/projects are further developed.

Evidence-base Determination:

Name of

Study

Source

Description

Type

Performance Report: Pre-Trial Domestic Violence Investigations are extremely effective in the prosecution and conviction of domestic violence offenders. As a result of these investigations, offenders have received lengthy state sentences, significant county sentences, and long probationary sentences on these cases. During this reporting period 29 domestic violence investigations were performed in support of this program.

**3: Public Health-Negative Economic Impact: Public Sector Capacity**

Project: **Vaccine Incentive Program (county workforce)**  
Expenditure Category: 1-Public Health  
Description: Covid-19 vaccine incentive program - \$50.00 gift cards  
Budget: \$115,567.50  
Expended to Date: \$115,567.50  
Percent Complete: 100%  
Performance Report: Total number of gift cards provided to vaccinated employees - 2,300

Project: **Election Program Investments**  
Expenditure Category: 3-Public Health-Negative Economic Impact Public Sector Capacity  
Description: Election program investments in ballot processing, maintaining appropriate social distancing protocols, and improvements to air quality.  
Budget: \$866,000.00  
Expended to Date: \$15,911.00  
Percent Complete: Below 50%  
Performance Report: Programs/projects are in development stages. Metrics will be provided in future reports. Expenditures during this period include design consultant for ballot processing room modifications.

**4: Premium Pay**

Programs/projects are in development stages and no expenditures were incurred during this reporting period. Metrics will be provided in future reports.

**5: Infrastructure**

Programs/projects are in development stages and no expenditures were incurred during this reporting period. Metrics will be provided in future reports.

**6: Revenue Replacement**

Project: **Revenue Replacement**  
Expenditure Category: 6-Revenue Replacement  
Budget: \$10,000,000.00  
Description: Project funds will be used to assist in the construction of the Lower Bucks Government Services Center. The existing building has exceeded its functional lifespan and no longer provides adequate space needed for agencies located in this region of the County to provide constituent services.