

Bristol County, Massachusetts
Recovery Plan

**State and Local Fiscal Recovery
Funds**

2025 Report

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GENERAL OVERVIEW

Executive Summary

Bristol County has chosen to distribute its SLFRF allocation of \$109,786.776.00 to the cities and towns in the County [sub-recipients], calculated on a per capita basis, after withholding 10% for the County's use for administrative costs to implement this program as well as its own eligible projects.

Key outcome goals:

1. To provide funding to municipalities to support their recovery from the Covid-19 public health emergency in keeping with the goals and requirements of ARPA.
2. To provide technical assistance as needed to municipalities to ensure the projects submitted meet eligibility requirement in keeping with ARPA goals.
3. To issue funds in a timely manner to subrecipients dependent upon review of applications for eligibility and compliance and monitor the progress of the funded projects to ensure that spending has been completed by the ARPA program deadline.

Progress, challenges, or opportunities identified:

The County's entire ARPA SLFRF allocation of \$109,786,776.00 has been fully obligated. These funds were obligated by the 12/31/24 deadline. We are confident that all the funds will be expended timely for eligible projects to meet the objectives of the ARPA SLFRF program. We continue to work with each of the municipalities to ensure that the ARPA funds are fully utilized appropriately.

Uses of Funds

Bristol County has approved a wide range of projects and programs that support the goals of ARPA and will support the communities' recovery from the negative effects of the pandemic and resulting economic downturn. Details on the type of projects and programs are as follows:

Support Public Health:

Applications funded include emergency response communications upgrade, HVAC upgrades in public buildings, trailer-mounted message boards, reimbursement of employees' COVID medical bills, an emergency medical response boat, mental health services, body cameras and tasers for police, AED equipment, public safety radio and communications upgrades, and EMS equipment including ambulances, remote technology for meetings, purchase of building for renovation into regional food collaborative, community mental health liaison position, HVAC updates including windows to improve air quality, school vans, and school nurses.

Economic Impact:

Applications funded include housing security, grants for non-profits, emergency relief for veterans, re-indexing and digitizing of public records, speed alert and radar message signs, artist recovery program, veterans' kitchen; summer camp; a splash pad, graffiti removal machines, restoring pre-pandemic employment, park and playground improvements, vacant building redevelopment, affordable housing, beach comfort station, online permitting, incinerator demolition, cash assistance to businesses, safety cameras along harbor walk for pedestrians and cyclists, summer camp, EMS operations study, fitness court, school food service, tutors and substitute teachers, open space and recreation plan, emergency task force, school interventionists, police retention incentive, summer enrichment academy, grant and benefits navigator, and early college and career pathways programming.

Premium Pay:

Applications funded for premium pay for essential municipal workers.

Water/Sewer and Broadband Infrastructure:

Applications funded include Infrastructure applications for PFAS remediation, sewer line engineering, water main flushing and improvements, emergency backup generator replacement program, wastewater treatment plant and pumping station upgrades, Vactor truck, valve replacement, well replacement, sewer pump replacement, stormwater corridor construction project, partial lead pipe remediation, culvert replacement, SCADA design and implementation, water meter replacements, street sweepers, compost ventilation blower replacement, MS4 general permit mapping requirements and screening of outfalls/interconnections, extension of sewer system loop, harbor hydrogeologic study, water system leak detection program, and drinking water project including bulk water purchase for senior center/ emergency shelter to replace contaminated drinking water.

Revenue Replacement:

Applications to fund costs incurred on a school building project due to COVID-related delays, window/skylight replacement study for public buildings, roof replacement for public buildings, and restoration of courthouse cupola as part of repair and restoration project for building exterior.

Promoting equitable outcomes

Bristol County is committed to reviewing all applications received from our municipalities through a lens that reflects diversity, equity, and inclusion. We are relying on the community input received at the local level to inform the funding requests. We have received many applications from municipalities whose residents were disproportionately affected by the pandemic. We are using the matrix developed by the state of Massachusetts for proposed equitable allocation of ARPA funds to identify the municipalities most eligible under the stated criteria. We anticipate that as the program continues, we will seek further community input

through the municipalities and will collect data to confirm that equity, diversity and inclusion are the foundation of all the programs funded.

Examples of projects funded to promote equitable outcomes:

- **Fitness Court:** The world's largest free outdoor gym, whose goal is to create healthy communities. It consists of a functional training system allowing for thousands of exercises. The fitness court is in a qualified census tract in a community who is at tier 1 in the MA ARPA Equity Matrix.
- **Veterans Assistance Program:** Program provides financial aid and assistance to income-qualifying veterans. Due to COVID-19 pandemic, the economy has experienced increased costs of food, fuel, housing, and transportation. For individuals already struggling with fixed incomes, these increases have been extremely detrimental and have impacted their ability to afford the basic necessities. This program is located a community who is at tier 1 in the MA ARPA Equity Matrix.
- **Summer Camp:** Seasonal program to provide safe & free/affordable childcare to low/moderate income families & give economic opportunities to a diverse group of high school & college students to increase income within their homes through summer jobs as camp counselors. This program is located in a community that is at tier 2 in the MA ARPA Equity Matrix.
- **NB Forward:** Small business assistance program that provides resources for pandemic-impacted New Bedford based businesses to get through the challenges of the next phase of COVID-19 recovery, while looking toward investing in, and preparing for, greater future success. This program is located a community who is at tier 1 in the MA ARPA Equity Matrix and many of the businesses receiving assistance are in qualified census tracts as well.
- **Increased Emergency Response:** Services from EMS, Police, and Fire have increased due to the public health harm caused and exacerbated by COVID-19. Increased calls for emergency public services has increased the consumption of resources and need for expanded capacity to respond to urgent public health needs. Capacity has been expanded to meet the general public's needs by purchasing an additional ambulance and this funding supports the additional overhead of payroll cost and supplies that comes with the additional emergency vehicle. This is located in a community that is at tier 1 in the MA ARPA Equity Matrix as well as providing ambulance service in multiple qualified census tracts.
- **Affordable Housing:** Proposed mixed-use development located in downtown New Bedford. The project combines new construction with the preservation of the historically significant Moby Dick Chandler Building to create 45 units of mixed-income

housing and approximately 3,000 square feet of ground floor retail space. This includes 13 units up to 100% AMI, 21 units up to 60% AMI with no rental assistance, 3 units up to 60% AMI with rental assistance, and 8 units for Section 8 vouchers. These buildings are in a qualified census tract in a community that is at tier 1 in the MA ARPA Equity Matrix. tracts.

Community Engagement

The County is committed to seeking community input. This was done in various ways: discussions at County Commission and County Advisory board meetings and outreach to all the communities in the County.

Labor Practices

Bristol County will confirm that all approved infrastructure projects will follow federal, state and local regulations/ laws related to fair labor practices.

Use of Evidence

At this time only a few of the approved projects or programs have indicated that evidence-based measures will be incorporated. The County continues to review all funded applications to determine if this will be needed and will monitor the municipalities for their compliance in collecting evidence-based data.

Performance Report

Currently we are requiring the subrecipient municipalities to report quarterly, which includes information on the status of each project and funds expended. In addition, at a minimum 4 communities are selected at random on a quarterly basis to undergo compliance audits.

Table of Expenses by Expenditure Category

	Category	Cumulative expenditures to date (\$)	Amount spent since last Recovery Plan
Expenditure Category: 1. Public Health			
COVID-19 Mitigation & Prevention			
1.1	COVID-19 Vaccination	\$24,553.03	\$9,553.03
1.2	COVID-19 Testing	\$103,665.63	\$28,958.54
1.3	COVID-19 Contact Tracing	\$63,055.32	25,417.32
1.4	Prevention in Congregate Settings (Nursing Homes, Prisons/Jails, Dense Work Sites, Schools, Child care facilities, etc.)	\$3,211,114.41	\$924,414.41
1.5	Personal Protective Equipment	\$165,925.49	\$165,925.49
1.6	Medical Expenses (including Alternative Care Facilities)	\$1,408,141.25	\$488,989.56
1.7	Other COVID-19 Public Health Expenses (including Communications, Enforcement, Isolation/Quarantine)	\$3,126,173.62	\$0.00
1.8	COVID-19 Assistance to Small Businesses	\$0.00	\$0.00
1.9	COVID 19 Assistance to Non-Profits	\$0.00	\$0.00
1.10	COVID-19 Aid to Impacted Industries	\$0.00	\$0.00
Community Violence Interventions			
1.11	Community Violence Interventions	\$1,445,311.58	\$0.00
Behavioral Health			
1.12	Mental Health Services	\$580,396.04	\$266,196.04
1.13	Substance Use Services	\$0.00	\$0.00
Other			
1.14	Other Public Health Services	\$14,261,743.68	\$1,800,567.69

	Category	Cumulative expenditures to date (\$)	Amount spent since last Recovery Plan
Expenditure Category: 2. Negative Economic Impacts			
Assistance to Households			
2.1	Household Assistance: Food Programs	\$9,637.00	\$0.00
2.2	Household Assistance: Rent, Mortgage, and Utility Aid	\$100,000.00	\$0.00
2.3	Household Assistance: Cash Transfers	\$653,584.00	\$166,200.00
2.4	Household Assistance: Internet Access Programs	\$0.00	\$0.00
2.5	Household Assistance: Paid Sick and Medical Leave	\$0.00	\$0.00
2.6	Household Assistance: Health Insurance	\$0.00	\$0.00
2.7	Household Assistance: Services for Un/Unbanked	\$0.00	\$0.00
2.8	Household Assistance: Survivor's Benefits	\$0.00	\$0.00
2.9	Unemployment Benefits or Cash Assistance to Unemployed Workers	\$474.29	\$474.29
2.10	Assistance to Unemployed or Underemployed Workers (e.g. job training, subsidized employment, employment supports or incentives)	\$0.00	\$0.00
2.11	Healthy Childhood Environments: Child Care	\$300,000.00	\$0.00
2.12	Healthy Childhood Environments: Home Visiting	\$0.00	\$0.00
2.13	Healthy Childhood Environments: Services to Foster Youth or Families Involved in Child Welfare System	\$0.00	\$0.00
2.14	Healthy Childhood Environments: Early Learning	\$0.00	\$0.00
2.15	Long-term Housing Security: Affordable Housing	\$3,747,659.50	\$3,747,659.50
2.16	Long-term Housing Security: Services for Unhoused Persons	\$0.00	\$0.00
2.17	Housing Support: Housing Vouchers and Relocation Assistance for Disproportionately Impacted Communities	\$0.00	\$0.00
2.18	Housing Support: Other Housing Assistance	\$0.00	\$0.00
2.19	Social Determinants of Health: Community Health Workers or Benefits Navigators	\$240,359.22	\$240,359.22
2.20	Social Determinants of Health: Lead Remediation	\$0.00	\$0.00
2.21	Medical Facilities for Disproportionately Impacted Communities	\$0.00	\$0.00
2.22	Strong Healthy Communities: Neighborhood Features that Promote Health and Safety	\$3,652,894.46	\$510,764.00
2.23	Strong Healthy Communities: Demolition and Rehabilitation of Properties^	\$2,400,892.40	\$1,510,099.00

	Category	Cumulative expenditures to date (\$)	Amount spent since last Recovery Plan
2.24	Addressing Educational Disparities: Aid to High-Poverty Districts	\$0.00	\$0.00
2.25	Addressing Educational Disparities: Academic, Social, and Emotional Services	\$1,072,959.00	(\$1,015.00)
2.26	Addressing Educational Disparities: Mental Health Services	\$89,435.00	\$0.00
2.27	Addressing Impacts of Lost Instructional Time	\$3,690,140.73	\$1,138,320.30
2.28	Contributions to UI Trust Funds	\$0.00	\$0.00
Assistance to Small Businesses			
2.29	Loans or Grants to Mitigate Financial Hardship	\$1,090,000.00	\$0.00
2.30	Technical Assistance, Counseling, or Business Planning	\$173,000.00	\$0.00
2.31	Rehabilitation of Commercial Properties or Other Improvements	\$624,845.00	\$0.00
2.32	Business Incubators and Start-Up or Expansion Assistance	\$130,000.00	\$0.00
2.33	Enhanced Support to Microbusinesses	\$0.00	\$0.00
Assistance to Non-Profits			
2.34	Assistance to Impacted Nonprofit Organizations (Impacted or Disproportionately Impacted)	\$577,475.41	\$(1,095.00)
Aid to Impacted Industries			
2.35	Aid to Tourism, Travel, or Hospitality	\$0.00	\$0.00
2.36	Aid to Other Impacted Industries	\$0.00	\$0.00
Other			
2.37	Economic Impact Assistance: Other	\$61,783.00	\$0.00
Expenditure Category: 3. Public Health-Negative Economic Impact: Public Sector Capacity			
General Provisions			
3.1	Public Sector Workforce: Payroll and Benefits for Public Health, Public Safety, or Human Services Workers	\$284,175.98	\$86,316.76
3.2	Public Sector Workforce: Rehiring Public Sector Staff	\$3,869,239.96	\$418,072.51
3.3	Public Sector Workforce: Other	\$606,000.00	\$0.00
3.4	Public Sector Capacity: Effective Service Delivery	\$296,078.57	\$0.00
3.5	Public Sector Capacity: Administrative Needs	\$0.00	\$0.00
3.6	Healthy Childhood Environments: Child Care	\$0.00	\$0.00
Expenditure Category: 4. Premium Pay			
4.1	Public Sector Employees	\$822,252.34	\$574,955.42
4.2	Private Sector: Grants to Other Employers	\$0.00	\$0.00

	Category	Cumulative expenditures to date (\$)	Amount spent since last Recovery Plan
Expenditure Category: 5. Infrastructure			
5.1	Clean Water: Centralized Wastewater Treatment	\$1,700,194.81	\$102,301.31
5.2	Clean Water: Centralized Wastewater Collection and Conveyance	\$2,565,470.36	(\$323,294.76)
5.3	Clean Water: Decentralized Wastewater	\$0.00	\$0.00
5.4	Clean Water: Combined Sewer Overflows	\$0.00	\$0.00
5.5	Clean Water: Other Sewer infrastructure	\$960,546.22	\$0.00
5.6	Clean Water: Stormwater	\$7,026,171.92	\$677,159.57
5.7	Clean Water: Energy Conservation	\$0.00	\$0.00
5.8	Clean Water: Water Conservation	\$0.00	\$0.00
5.9	Clean Water: Nonpoint Source	\$241,275.00	\$0.00
5.10	Drinking Water: Treatment	\$6,873,662.91	\$2,819,532.54
5.11	Drinking Water: Transmission & Distribution	\$14,772,622.50	\$8,304,739.87
5.12	Drinking Water: Lead Remediation, including in Schools and Daycares	\$5,685,171.80	\$0.00
5.13	Drinking Water: Source	\$2,285,119.87	\$54,679.87
5.14	Drinking Water: Storage	\$2,085,190.00	\$0.00
5.15	Drinking Water: Other Water Infrastructure	\$492,108.30	\$0.00
5.16	Water and Sewer: Private Wells	\$0.00	\$0.00
5.17	Water and Sewer: IIJA Bureau of Reclamation Match	\$0.00	\$0.00
5.18	Water and Sewer: Other	\$4,823,080.33	\$556,282.21
Broadband			
5.19	Broadband: "Last Mile" Projects	\$0.00	\$0.00
5.20	Broadband: IIJA Match	\$0.00	\$0.00
5.21	Broadband: Other Projects	\$53,798.00	\$0.00
Expenditure Category: 6. Revenue Replacement			
6.1	Provision of Government Services	\$7,286,148.13	\$1,388,564.13
6.2	Non-federal Match for Other Federal Programs	\$0.00	\$0.00
Expenditure Category: 7. Administrative			
7.1	Administrative Expenses	\$1,406,864.51	\$425,613.86
7.2	Transfers to Other Units of Government	\$0.00	\$0.00
Totals		\$107,140,390.57	\$27,360,491.77

Note: Negative current year amounts represent returned funds from subrecipients.

Project Inventory

2022 Projects

ARPA-1001: Town of Easton Restoring Police Staffing to Pre-Covid Level

Funding amount: \$81,400.00

Approval date: 3/11/2022

Project Expenditure Category: 3.2 Public Sector/ Rehiring Public Sector Staff

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

Easton, faced with the uncertainty posed by the Covid-19 pandemic in spring 2020 when drafting the proposed July 1, 2020 (FY21) budget, reduced a variety of positions across the Town and School government, including the elimination of 1 full time equivalent (FTE) from the Easton Police budget. While a portion of other positions from the 26 FTE cut in FY21 have since been restored, the cut to the Police has not, resulting in understaffing this department for more than 18 months. Funding requested would fund 1 year (Jan 22 through December 22) - and the Town intends to seek additional funds annually during performance period.

Restoration of this position is critical to restore staff to pre-Covid levels and is the first necessary step of a broader staffing plan for the EPD and Department of Health and Community Services which aims to increase PD staff from 36 to 38 FTE and also hire a civilian LSW to support community policing and mental health crisis response.

ARPA-1003: Bristol County COVID Test Kits

Funding amount: \$4,408.00

Approval Date: 1/14/2022

Project Expenditure Category: 1.2 Covid 19 testing

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

In order to limit the transmission of Covid virus among in-person workers the County ordered 1 case of On/Go COVID-19 Antigen Self-Test., which is 232-2 packs=464 tests at a cost of \$4,408. Three quotes were requested through the State of Massachusetts OSD contract.

ARPA-1004: Town of Mansfield 3 Trailer Mounted Message Boards

Funding amount: \$66,000.00

Approval Date: 3/21/2022

Project Expenditure Category: 1.7 other Covid19 Public Health Expenses

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

This project is for the purchase of three (3) message boards. These message boards will be used to disseminate important public information in real time (e.g., COVID updates) at key locations throughout the Town. These message boards have not yet been purchased. We intend to use the ARPA funding to purchase them.

ARPA-1005: Town of Mansfield Stormwater Permitting Requirements

Funding amount: \$90,000.00

Approval Date: 2/23/2022

Project Expenditure Category: 5.6 Clean water/ stormwater

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: MAR041126

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

This project is the implementation of the Town's Small Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) permit plan. The proposed stormwater project will allow the Town to continue with ongoing compliance efforts under EPA's Small MS4 General Permit, including education and outreach, illicit discharge detection and elimination activities like catchment investigations, and municipal good housekeeping implementation including employee training and record keeping. The program will also evaluate sources of non-point source pollution (particularly nutrients) from all impaired watersheds including Taunton River, Norton Reservoir, and Ten Mile River watersheds. Work will identify and evaluate the Town of Mansfield's properties and stormwater infrastructure for viability of green infrastructure retrofits and reduction in impervious area. It is the goal of this project to protect Mansfield's receiving waters by reducing Nitrogen and Phosphorus levels.

ARPA-1006: Town of Mansfield COVID Testing Services - Salary

Funding amount: \$60,159.09 (net award \$60,159.00)

Approval Date: 6/14/2022

Project Expenditure Category: 1.2 Covid 19 testing

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

The Town of Mansfield anticipates that the need for public testing or self-test kits for residents will become greater as the nation's case count likely continues to rise due to warmer weather and holiday gatherings, colder weather gatherings, and the impact of emerging variants. This project will allow the Town to offer free testing for residents.

ARPA-1008: Town of Mansfield On-Line Permitting

Funding amount: \$26,430.00

Approval Date: 3/11/2022

Project Expenditure Category: 1.4 Congregate Settings Prevention

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

In response to COVID-19, the Town began transitioning many of its permit application processes to an online format. This transition was necessary to respond to COVID-related revenue shortfalls, and the consequences of staff being asked to do more with less. Additionally, staff are now able to continue reviewing permits while working remotely during stay-at-home orders. Finally, online permitting, especially during the pandemic, helps to limit in-person interactions, balancing the need to protect the public's health and safety with the need to ensure that municipal services continue uninterrupted. This project will allow the Town to continue to provide online permitting services to its residents and businesses.

ARPA-1009: Town of Mansfield Touchless Faucet Installations

Funding amount: \$18,000.00

Approval Date: 5/24/2022

Project Expenditure Category: 1.7 Other Covid19 public health expenses

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

This project consists of replacing aging faucets with new touchless models aimed at keeping staff and visitors safe and healthy. These touchless faucets reduce the number of surfaces users of sinks in Town buildings touch, and thus potentially limits the spread of disease (COVID) in these spaces.

ARPA-1011: Town of Westport Westport Harbor Hydrogeologic Study

Funding amount: \$60,000.00

Approval Date: 3/22/2022

Project Expenditure Category: 5.15 Drinking water/ other water infrastructure

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: MA 4334001

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

The Town of Westport Planning Board is seeking to engage a qualified engineering consulting firm to perform a hydrogeologic investigation of a section of the southwest portion of the Town, known locally as "The Harbor or "Acoaxet Point," for the purpose of developing an adequate public water supply for that area. Fee not to exceed \$60,000. The area is bounded on the East by the West Branch of the Westport River and Westport Harbor, the South by Rhode Island Sound, the West by the Rhode Island State line, the Little Compton/Westport Town boundary and the North by Mullin Hill, Old Harbor and Cross Roads. The present water supply for that area is a combination of individual private wells, a public water supply, the Westport Harbor Water Association, MA 4334001, with 53 service connections, another public water supply Hillside with about 15-20 service connections and a third community supply, the Pond Meadow, with about 20 service connections.

ARPA-1012: Town of Norton So Worcester St & E Hodges St Water Main Improvements

Funding amount: \$2,687,500.00

Approval Date: 3/31/2022

Project Expenditure Category: 5.12 Drinking water/ lead remediation including schools/daycares

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: PWS# 4218000

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

Remove and replace approximately 7,050 feet of existing water mains eliminating all lead goose necks.

ARPA-1014: Town of Mansfield Public Health Outreach

Funding amount: \$18,084.67

Approval Date: 4/25/2022

Project Expenditure Category: 1.7 Other Covid19 public health expenses

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

The Health Department in the Town of Mansfield only has 1.5 staff members and has not been able to provide extensive public outreach regarding the pandemic. As such, the Town Manager, in conjunction with the Health Agent, worked in cooperation with the Board of Health to create a public relations and media marketing campaign for COVID-19 via Penta Communications. This campaign consists of regular messaging and graphics for all the Town's social media accounts, website, as well as regular podcasts on different topics on the pandemic with an overall focus on staying healthy and promoting best practices.

ARPA-1015: Town of Mansfield Special Education Testing

Funding amount: \$10,463.00

Approval Date: 4/11/2022

Project Expenditure Category: 2.26 Addressing educational disparity: mental health services

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

There has been a dramatic increase of special education eligibility evaluations requested by parents to address concerns of students who were outside the typical educational environment due to COVID last year. The special education process has timelines that must be adhered to and to comply with them, the district needed to contract with consultants and pay regular staff for overtime hours to complete cognitive and achievement testing. In tandem with the evaluation, one expert consulted with special education teams to build the capacity in specially designed instruction. This was needed for several students due to their significant regression due to the learning loss caused by the pandemic.

Mandatory Performance Indicators:

- Number of students participating in evidence-based tutoring programs: 0

ARPA-1016: Town of Mansfield School Testing Supplies

Funding amount: \$10,140.00

Approval Date: 3/31/2022

Project Expenditure Category: 1.2 Covid19 testing

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

Although 66% of staff and 38% of students are utilizing the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education at-home tests and we are using DESE provided antigen tests for in-school symptomatic testing, the district did have a need to purchase additional antigen test kits to be used for various events such as returning from school vacations, prior to overnight student field trips, and to support students with other extracurricular activities. The purchase allowed us to implement infection prevention and control measures to control COVID-19 pandemic.

ARPA-1017: Town of Mansfield School Food Service

Funding amount: \$9,637.00

Approval Date: 3/31/2022

Project Expenditure Category: 2.1 Household assistance food programs

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

The federal government has responded to families' food insecurity that has escalated during the COVID-19 pandemic by having schools provide breakfast and lunch at no cost to students. Being able to access free breakfast, and particularly free lunches, every day has increased to our student participation rates at elementary, middle, and high schools by 50%. To meet the needs of preparing and serving so many more meals than in past years, we have had to increase our food service personnel. We have added 4 cafeteria workers to accommodate the growing needs of the food service program.

ARPA-1018: Town of Mansfield Tutors

Funding amount: \$8,047.00

Approval Date: 4/25/2022

Project Expenditure Category: 2.2 Addressing educational disparity; academic, social, emotional

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

The two tutors who are represented by this amount are providing academic support in reading to elementary students. The impact of the remote and hybrid learning models is felt more strongly in the early grades when reading instruction is key. These tutors are working with students who we identify through data collected by frequent reading assessments, and their goal is to accelerate learning to make up for lost time and to bring the students up to grade level standards.

Mandatory Performance Indicators:

- Number of households receiving eviction prevention services (including legal representation): 0
- Number of affordable housing units preserved or developed: 0

ARPA-1019: Town of Mansfield Substitute Teachers

Funding amount: \$61,783.00

Approval Date: 4/25/2022

Project Expenditure Category: 2.37 Economic impact assistance: other

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

Substitute personnel have been needed in all areas including teaching, supervision, and custodial due to the pandemic. COVID guidelines and mandates require employees to be absent for a variety of reasons including Individuals who test positive for COVID; those who are close contacts, parents of children who are sick, in quarantine, whose day cares must close for a period of time, and the CDC and DPH recommends if one doesn't feel well for any reason to stay home. The substitutes allow the schools to maintain instructional consistency in a clean environment.

ARPA-1020: Town of Mansfield School Dean, Counselor and Monitor

Funding amount: \$52,085.00

Approval Date: 4/25/2022

Project Expenditure Category: 2.26 Addressing educational disparity: mental health services

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

Students are exhibiting a higher level of social, behavioral, and mental health issues than pre-pandemic. The Dean of Student Services was added at the middle school as a half-time position to provide additional support with students' behavioral issues. It appears that COVID-19 has exacerbated the negative behaviors of middle schoolers – including bullying which takes many hours to properly investigate. The Dean of Student Services is providing an additional layer to help the students through some very negative interactions with their peers. The Counselor is supporting the school by working with students who are exhibiting high levels of absenteeism. She communicates with the students and their parents/guardians, manages transportation (sometimes midday because of the extreme tardiness of some students) and coordinates schoolwork for students with their teachers. The monitors are supporting students in the cafeteria and hallways.

Mandatory Performance Indicators:

- Number of students participating in evidence-based tutoring programs: 0

ARPA-1021: Town of Mansfield School Paraprofessional

Funding amount: \$26,887.00

Approval Date: 4/25/2022

Project Expenditure Category: 2.26 Addressing educational disparity: mental health services

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

The district added 3 paraprofessionals to the academic and social-emotional support staff for students who are currently undergoing testing for special education services. These are students who are having mental health and social challenges exacerbated by the pandemic and the impact of remote and hybrid learning. The paraprofessionals provide 1:1 academic support for these students.

Mandatory Performance Indicators:

- Number of students participating in evidence-based tutoring programs: 0

ARPA-1022: Town of Mansfield Interventionists

Funding amount: \$32,388.00

Approval Date: 4/25/2022

Project Expenditure Category: 2.25 Addressing educational disparity: academic, social, emotional

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

Interventionists are reading and math teachers who are working with students who were hardest hit by COVID-19's remote and hybrid learning models. The two elementary schools have math teachers and the middle school has a math and reading teacher. The amount requested is for the salaries for these 4 teachers who provide additional academic support to students to accelerate their learning that was lost during the pandemic. We collect data to assure that the neediest students are being served.

Mandatory Performance Indicators:

- Number of students participating in evidence-based tutoring programs: 0

ARPA-1023: Town of Mansfield School Contact Tracing

Funding amount: \$12,978.00

Approval Date: 3/31/2022

Project Expenditure Category: 1.3 Covid19 contact tracing

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

The school nurses have performed the tasks involved in contact tracing during the pandemic. They have earned their hourly wage during the afterschool and weekend hours so they are able to complete all of the phone calls to families to provide direction and support for students who were close contacts to a COVID-positive student or staff member. Parents/guardians have many questions when COVID hits close to their homes and they rely on the expertise of our registered nurses to provide the information to meet their needs.

ARPA-1024: Town of Mansfield School Nursing Staff

Funding amount: \$6,490.00.00

Approval Date: 3/31/2022

Project Expenditure Category: 1.4 Congregate setting prevention

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

The school nurses were inundated with work due to the pandemic and spent most of their time focused on the Test & Stay program, symptomatic testing, contact tracing and otherwise occupied with COVID-related tasks. We have hired additional nursing support for the above tasks, as well as supporting the health-compromised students such as those who are diabetic or students who take medications during the school day. Nursing staff managed the data collection process and health screenings.

ARPA-1025: Town of Mansfield PFAS Improvements

Funding amount: \$1,176,272.85

Approval Date: 4/1/2022

Project Expenditure Category: 5.10 Drinking water treatment

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: MAR041126

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

This project consists of costs associated with designing, upgrading, constructing and/or replacing various Water Department facilities and infrastructure, including the Cate Springs Well, the Walsh Well, the Prescott Well (#s 8 & 9) and SCADA upgrades.

ARPA-1026: Town of Swansea YMCA Southcoast Revenue Replacement

Funding amount: \$150,000.00

Approval Date: 5/17/2022

Project Expenditure Category: 2.34 Assistance to impacted non-profit organization

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

YMCA Southcoast routinely provides resources to assist our community in educational and fitness programs, food security, heating assistance, and more. They serve all members of the public but were a beacon during the pandemic as they began programming specifically to the impact of the Covid 19 shutdowns and response, including emergency childcare programs, remote-learning facilities, and checking in on vulnerable populations like senior citizens. As demand for these resources and financial aid has increased, and continues to do so, membership, program enrollment, and other revenues have declined. The financial information provided to demonstrate loss shows a loss of over \$200,000 in membership revenue alone between 2019 and 2020. Total revenues from 2019 to 2021 were cut nearly in half to \$427,000. As a key response entity during Covid 19 and for the duration of its aftermath, the YMCA has continued these services for the community and continues to address the negative impacts of Covid.

ARPA-1027: Town of Westport Ambulance

Funding amount: \$350,000.00

Approval Date: 4/1/2022

Project Expenditure Category: 1.14 other public health services

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

The Westport Fire Department is requesting the use of ARPA funds for the purchase of a new ambulance to replace our 15-year-old "Rescue 3". Rescue 3 is a 2007 International truck, with over 150,000 miles. Rescue 3 currently serves as a backup, that fills in for Rescue's 1 & 2 when they are being serviced. In addition, when both Rescue's 1 & 2 are on simultaneous calls, Rescue 3 is staffed as the town's third medical rescue. Over the last several years the frequency of Rescue 3 being staffed and used on medical calls has increased, as we continue to answer a record number of calls, many related to COVID, year over year. The department has spent over \$66,000 dollars in maintenance and repairs to keep this 14-year-old vehicle in service. The estimated cost of a new ambulance is not expected to exceed \$350,000 dollars based on our current market research with several vendors on our area. A written proposal for cost of the ambulance was submitted with the application.

ARPA-1028: Town of Westport Highway Department Backhoe

Funding amount: \$158,000.00

Approval Date: 4/1/2022

Project Expenditure Category: 5.6 Clean water/ stormwater

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: MA041174

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

The Town is requesting \$160,000 in ARPA funds for the purchase of a Backhoe with accessories. The backhoe will be used to construct, improve and repair storm water infrastructure as it relates to the Federal MS4 permit and control of non-point sources of pollution. This piece of equipment will be used

to improve the resiliency of Town infrastructure to severe weather events, create green infrastructure, and protect waterbodies from pollution. In addition, the backhoe will be used to in the maintenance and upkeep of the Town's public water system along the Route 6 Corridor and will be used to repair future expansion of the Town's sewer system.

ARPA-1029: Town of Swansea Replacement Vinnicum Well No. 9 Replacement – Swansea Water District

Funding amount: \$496,000.00

Approval Date: 6/6/2022

Project Expenditure Category: 5.13 Drinking water: source

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: 4292000

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

Swansea Water District has been working towards increasing water quality and quantity since 2018. The Water District has found that the yield from current wells has declined by over 30% since 2005. The current well, utilizing inefficient pumping technology with a shutter screen, cannot be utilized to increase yield regardless of rehabilitation and cleaning. The Water District is seeking funds to replace well number 9, utilizing modern technology to increase the efficiency of the well. The district will utilize new submersible pumps to do so.

ARPA-1030: City of Taunton Emergency Task Force Emergency Funding

Funding amount: \$100,000.00

Approval Date: 4/25/2022

Project Expenditure Category: 2.2 Household assistance: rent, mortgage, and utility aid

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

As unemployment extensions and the moratorium on evictions end, we will be facing winter and a need for emergency funding to assist with basic needs services such as rental, utility, fuel and food assistance for those financially impacted by the pandemic and/or facing the termination of utility services, empty oil tank, food insecurity or eviction.

Our Human Services Department uses an assessment approach to qualify individuals, along with the use of QCT and evidence base intervention. This program will service, on average, approximately 40 households per year. This funding will be allocated for this program over a 2 year period equaling approximately \$1,250.00 per qualifying family.

Mandatory Performance Indicators:

- Number of households receiving eviction prevention services (including legal representation): 0
- Number of affordable housing units preserved or developed: 0

ARPA-1031: City of Taunton Department of Human Services COVID Outreach & Referral Specialist

Funding amount: \$51,980.00

Approval Date: 5/17/2022

Project Expenditure Category: 1.14 other public health service

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

The COVID Caregiver Support Specialist will be responsible for identifying opportunities and developing relationships with local community groups, businesses, health, and social services colleagues to broker services and resources to assist with a caregiver's burden from the COVID pandemic. Funding is also received for mileage and program supplies. We are requesting 2 years of mileage for a total of \$2,000.00 and 2 years of supplies for a total of \$3,000. This is a two-year position. One year will be funded through

the City of Taunton's County ARPA funds and the other through the City of Taunton's federal ARPA funds.

ARPA-1032: City of Taunton Department of Human Services Recreational Therapist

Funding amount: \$111,200.00

Approval Date: 5/17/2022

Project Expenditure Category: 1.12 mental health services

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

The new hire of a Certified Recreational Therapist will assist in the design of senior center activities both on site and the newly created satellite sites. The purpose is to expand upon wellbeing and social activities for those 60+ so to decrease the social isolation that so many seniors have experienced during the pandemic. All programs created will address the increase in depression, anxiety, social isolation and overall decline of our aging population which was exacerbated by the pandemic. Funding is also received for mileage.

ARPA-1035: City of Taunton Board of Health Contract Tracing Nurse

Funding amount: \$90,000.00

Approval Date: 5/12/2022

Project Expenditure Category: 1.3 Covid19 contract tracing

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

The Contract Tracing Nurse is responsible for outreach to individuals who have tested positive for COVID-19 as well as those who are identified as close contacts of a positive individual to provide health education and guidance to interrupt disease transmission. Guided by standard protocols for assessing symptoms, exposure, and other relevant health information, the tracing nurse provides instruction for isolation, self-quarantine, testing, and refers for any needed clinical services.

Based on current cases per day, approx. 7,000 people a year will be served by this, with the potential to serve the entire city. Approx 40% of that figure are low to moderate income. The program focus is mainly on COVID positive people, elderly, children & low to moderate income. Visits will be made to over 55 living facilities, soup kitchens, camps, etc... BOH uses survey (verbal), and evaluations of the program to ensure success. Funding was requested for 2 years but the signed contract submitted with the application was for one year so only one year [\$45,000] was funded.

ARPA-1036: Town of Easton Housing Security for Homeowners

Funding amount: \$50,000.00

Approval Date: 4/11/2022

Project Expenditure Category: 2.3 Household assistance: cash transfers

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

Easton's Taxation Aid Committee exists to provide direct financial relief to income-qualified or otherwise eligible (disability status) residents to reduce the burden of real estate taxes consistent with MGL c. 60 c 3D. To meet their statutory and local charge, the Committee adopted regulations for the administration of this financial aid including eligibility standards for applicants using Massachusetts' own standard for housing affordability – specifically those standards relating to MGL c. 40B – wherein housing income limits are determined based on size of household and whether or not the combined income is at or below 80% of the Area Median Income. To qualify for financial assistance, applicants must demonstrate

that they meet these standards. Disbursements will mirror stimulus payments (up to \$1,400). The entire project request of \$50,000 is allocated toward this evidence-based intervention.

ARPA-1037: City of Taunton TOGETHER Summer Camp

Funding amount: \$100,000.00

Approval Date: 5/12/2022

Project Expenditure Category: 2.11 Healthy childhood environments: childcare

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

Provide safe & free/affordable childcare to low/moderate income families & give economic opportunities to a diverse group of high school & college students to increase income within their homes (summer jobs).

Mandatory Performance Indicators:

- Number of children served by childcare and early learning (Pre-school/pre-K/ages 3-5): 0
- Number of families served by home visiting: 0

ARPA-1038: Town of Mansfield School Interventionists #2

Funding amount: \$210,524.00

Approval Date: 4/25/2022

Project Expenditure Category: 2.25 Addressing educational disparities: academic, social, emotional

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

Interventionists are reading and math teachers who are working with students who were hardest hit by COVID-19's remote and hybrid learning models. The two elementary schools have math teachers, and the middle school has a math and reading teacher. The amount requested is for the salaries for these 4 teachers who provide additional academic support to students to accelerate their learning that was lost during the pandemic. We collect data to assure that the neediest students are being served.

Mandatory Performance Indicators:

- Number of students participating in evidence-based tutoring programs: 0

ARPA-1039: City of New Bedford Hazelwood Park Bowling Green Walkway and Bench Pads

Funding amount: \$43,650.00

Approval Date: 4/25/2022

Project Expenditure Category: 2.22 Healthy communities: H & S neighborhood features

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

The Hazelwood Park bowling greens in the City's South End was a longtime destination for local outdoor recreation and physical activity, featuring lawn bowling and croquet. These sports are accessible to all age groups, and the opportunity is offered freely to the community. The park's historic greens, however, had fallen into disrepair and needed a major overhaul. The bowling greens were reconstructed with a mixture of private and CPA funds. The last piece in the construction is the installation of the concrete walkway. The maintenance contractor has recommended that the greens not be opened to the public until the walkway is installed. He is concerned that the sub grade gravel and stone dust will migrate to the greens damaging the turf. With a median income of \$39,216, the City of New Bedford meets the income threshold for being considered disproportionately impacted and the greens will have a City-wide benefit as the only bowling greens in the City and the premier bowling greens in the Northeast.

ARPA-1040: Town of Dighton Emergency Response Communications Project

Funding amount: \$273,719.76

Approval Date: 4/26/2022

Project Expenditure Category: 1.14 Other public health services

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

Dighton's current emergency communication transmission systems have significant gaps when it comes to ensuring the ability for the Town's first responders to communicate. The Town's current system is not rated for public safety use.

Dighton's proposal to utilize ARPA funding to address this infrastructure is integral to the Town's ability to address the COVID-19 pandemic and future public health and safety emergencies. We have identified problems with an equipment survey of both of our repeater sites which identified the following with Dighton's technology to respond to public health and safety emergencies, including bad grounding and moderate to severe signal loss in the current radio network, many spots in town where Police and Fire cannot communicate with Dispatch or with each other, with a new system needing no Police, Fire or Dispatch manual interjection in certain areas in town to get appropriate communication coverage.

ARPA-1041: City of New Bedford COVID Vaccination Incentive Program

Funding amount: \$15,000.00

Approval Date: 5/5/2022

Project Expenditure Category: 1.1 Covid19 vaccination

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

Distribution of \$20 Dunkin Donuts gift cards at vaccination sites to City residents who got vaccinated.

ARPA-1042: City of Taunton Department of Human Services COVID Caregiver Support Supplies and Activities

Funding amount: \$135,000.00

Approval Date: 5/17/2022

Project Expenditure Category: 1.14 Other public health services

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

This is a two year program that will serve 100 low to moderate income individuals each year for one program and approximately 5,000 for another. These programs target the caregiver population; more specifically those who are affected by caring for a loved one with dementia or other debilitating cognitive diseases, grandparents raising grandchildren due to the death/inability of the parents to care for the child. They also attract elderly residents to activities to increase socialization and promote wellness. This advancement would be for 2 years of programs. COVID Caregiver Support Supplies at \$5,000 per year, Senior Center Supplies at \$25,000 per year, COVID Caregiver Support Activities at \$7,500 per year and Senior Center Supplies at \$30,000 per year. The total for all programs over a 2 year period is \$135,000.00

ARPA-1044: City of North Attleboro Allen Avenue Regional Food Collaborative

Funding amount: \$5,200,000.00 (project cancelled)

Approval Date: 7/19/2022

Project Expenditure Category: 1.14 Other Public Health Services

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

The Town will renovate a vacant school to enhance services to the underserved. The pandemic highlighted the demand for food assistance for Town and surrounding community residents, and the facility will function primarily as a regional food collection and distribution point. Formalized relationships between the Town-run pantry and external organizations will ensure services to Attleborough, Franklin and Foxborough. To further improve the welfare of the underserved, the building will also house elements of the Health Department, Council on Aging, Commission on Disabilities, and Veterans Services. Renovations will include ADA upgrades, safety code compliance, envelope stabilization, and HAZMAT remediation. Energy-efficient mods will reduce lighting demands, and HVAC upgrades will improve indoor air quality and mitigate the spread of disease. Outdoor spaces will promote exercise and multi-purpose rooms will accommodate an array of workshops, meetings, and functions for community groups.

ARPA-1046: Town of Freetown Meter Reading System Upgrade

Funding amount: \$373,198.26

Approval Date: 6/27/2022

Project Expenditure Category: 5.15 Drinking water: other water infrastructure

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: 4102035

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

The Town of Freetown would like to replace all its existing water meters with new electronic read water meters. Many of our existing meters are inoperable and nearing the end of their lives. Our Water Department is a small enterprise with only 700 customers. Large capital expenditure is cost prohibitive for the department. Many of our existing meters must be read in person, which entails an employee walking on foot and accessing homes and businesses in person. During the pandemic this was not possible, and the water department had to estimate water bills. We are now reading the operable meters and finding that we have severely undercharged many people and businesses. This is now causing homeowners hardships and in turn the Town. Many of these outstanding water bills will be uncollectable. The Town would like to install approximately 700 new electronic read water meters. This would alleviate the need for an employee to enter homes and businesses in person.

ARPA-COORD: ARPA Coordinator

Funding amount: \$380,000

Approval Date: 11/24/2021

Project Expenditure Category: 7.1 Administrative Expenses

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

The County of Bristol has hired a full-time ARPA Coordinator to provide grant administrative services and outreach to the County's member Cities/Towns. This position works directly with the Treasurer and the outside consultants in administering and approving grant applications.

ARPA-CLA: ARPA Grant Administration and Compliance

Funding amount: \$900,000

Approval Date: 8/26/2021

Project Expenditure Category: 7.1 Administrative Expenses

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

The ARPA grant administration and compliance project represents the outsourced costs of administering the ARPA grant for the life of the grant. Costs included in this project are for eligibility review, compliance and reporting. Additionally, it also includes the ARPA portal, custom built to house and workflow all ARPA applications of the County.

ARPA-P&S: ARPA Grant Compliance

Funding amount: \$100,000

Approval Date: 4/5/2022

Project Expenditure Category: 7.1 Administrative Expenses

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

The ARPA grant compliance project represents the outsourced costs of administering the ARPA grant for the life of the grant at level 2, for review of project for eligibility and compliance.

ARPA-MINTZ: ARPA Legal

Funding amount: \$76,668

Approval Date: 1/11/2022

Project Expenditure Category: 7.1 Administrative Expenses

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

The ARPA legal project represents the overall costs for legal review of the ARPA portal, contracts, terms and conditions, etc. for the life of the grant.

ARPA-Misc: ARPA Admin Costs

Funding amount: \$38,334

Approval Date: 12/14/2021

Project Expenditure Category: 7.1 Administrative Expenses

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

This project represents admin costs associated with the on-boarding of the ARPA coordinator for items such as position posting, office equipment and technology set up for the individual to start her new position.

2023 Projects

ARPA-1013: Town of Norton – Holly Road and Knollwood St Sewer Pump Station Improvements

Funding amount: \$278,000.00

Approval date: 10/28/2022

Project Expenditure Category: 5.5 Clean Water: Other Sewer Infrastructure

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: MA0101702

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- Wastewater Infrastructure Project: Design, bidding, construction and construction administration for the installation of a new generator and all pertinent generator instrumentation equipment at the Holly Road pump station, and replacement of the existing backup gas fueled pump engine at the Knollwood Road pump station with new generator and pertinent generator instrumentation equipment.

ARPA-1033: City of Taunton – Department of Public Works Assawompset Pumping Station Upgrade

Funding amount: \$1,574,000.00

Approval date: 3/6/2023

Project Expenditure Category: 5.13 Drinking Water: Source

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: 429300

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- Upgrade to critical pump station for the Taunton Water Distribution system that serves Taunton, and sections of Lakeville, Middleboro, North Dighton, Norton, and Raynham. The Assawompset pump station is very old and in poor condition. The screening system has failed. The building needs to be rehabilitated so it is reliable into the future. The upgrade will include all systems, from the building envelope, its electrical and mechanical systems, including a new screen, instrumentation and controls, security and other systems.

ARPA-1034: City of Taunton – Department of Public Works Prospect Hill Reservoir Improvements

Funding amount: \$2,085,190.00

Approval date: 3/6/2023

Project Expenditure Category: 5.14 Drinking Water: Storage

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: 429300

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The Prospect Hill Reservoir is a two bay reservoir that holds the finished water delivered from the water treatment plant for distribution into the water system. Federal law requires that when finished water is stored in reservoirs that they be covered so no external matter can enter the water. One of the liners at the Reservoir is torn and needs repair. The covers and liners have reached their useful life and require replacement. It is more cost effective to replace both parts at the same time due to the complexity of the installation process. This project entails the removal and replacement of the liner and floating covers on each of the two bays. Also, two large valves that control flow from the reservoirs into the system will be replaced. Finally, we will purchase a slope mover to enable mowing the steep slope to maintain compliance with our state dam permit.

ARPA-1047: Town of Berkley – Berkley Emergency Response Communications Project

Funding amount: \$117,511.90

Approval date: 8/11/2022

Project Expenditure Category: 1.14 Other Public Health Services

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- Berkley's current emergency communication system is experiencing significant failures for the Town's first responders due to age and lack of support to have it serviced or repaired. The current dispatch consoles and fire department radio repeater no longer meet public safety standards. Our proposal to utilize ARPA funds to address this infrastructure is integral to the town's ability to address the COVID-19 pandemic and future public health emergencies.

ARPA-1048: Town of Berkley – Communication Systems for School

Funding amount: \$49,774.00

Approval date: 8/24/2022

Project Expenditure Category: 1.14 Other Public Health Services

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- To replace all school phone service including robocalls to notify parents of important events, closings, and emergencies. The Berkley School District utilizes the phone system as part of its parent and student notification system for all school matters, including COVID-19 information. The School Districts provide updates to families regarding COVID-19 testing availability, vaccination clinics, and information regarding any student outbreaks of COVID-19. Information regarding actions taken by the School Committee, Superintendent, and School Principals that needs to be shared with families is passed along through the phone system, especially relating to COVID-19 and any updated information provided by the CDC. The amount requested as an advancement.

ARPA-1049: City of Taunton – Momentum Kids Summer Program

Funding amount: \$80,535.41

Approval date: 11/21/2022

Project Expenditure Category: 2.11 Healthy Childhood Environments: Child Care

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- Momentum Kids is a nonprofit located in the QCT. This organization provides safe, in-person programs. Momentum Kids promotes (rebuild) building self-esteem, social-emotional skills, team building, meeting mental health needs, physical activities to build healthy bodies & minds. Transportation/meals provided. Program will connect youth in peer to peer relationships through organized activities. Games will provide an opportunity for critical thinking, problem solving and team building, all lost by the pandemic.

Mandatory Performance Indicators:

- Number of children served by childcare and early learning (Pre-school/pre-K/ages 3-5): 0
- Number of families served by home visiting: 0

ARPA-1050: City of Taunton – Taunton Youth Mental Health Partnership Initiative

Funding amount: \$175,000.00

Approval date: 8/2/2022

Project Expenditure Category: 1.12 Mental Health Services

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- This project serves predominately low-to-moderate income (LMI) youth who are residents of Taunton & served by The Boys & Girls Clubs/Girls Inc & YMCA. The primary age group being served is 5-18, with most of the youth being served being between the ages of 8-13. This project addresses the long-running need for LMI at-risk youth to have access to high-quality mental and behavioral health resources by having a network of licensed social workers across our three organizations. This need for trauma-informed care and support was significantly inflamed by the COVID-19 pandemic. As 3 of the preeminent youth-serving agencies in Taunton are uniquely positioned to provide these resources through our out-of-school-time programs.

ARPA-1052: Town of Berkley – Cardiac Monitors

Funding amount: \$53,072.05

Approval date: 8/11/2022

Project Expenditure Category: 1.6 Medical Expenses (Including Alternative Care Facilities)

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- Berkley's fire department ambulances are currently using 10-year-old cardiac monitor/defibrillators which due to the increased volume of calls related to COVID-19, have begun to show signs that they are failing. Over the last 2 years, the fire department has had to have the cardiac monitors serviced more frequently and they have been advised by the manufacturer that availability of parts is becoming more limited as these first-generation monitors are reaching the end of their life cycle.
- The Town has determined that replacement of the fire department's cardiac monitor/defibrillators is a high priority given the frequency of their use in treating COVID-19 patients. These cardiac monitors are used not only as a lifesaving tool but are used multiple times a day in treating every patient as they are capable of monitoring blood pressure, respiratory effort and rate through waveform capnography & pulse oximetry, and body temperature. New cardiac monitors will provide our ambulances with the necessary lifesaving tools to provide our community with the highest level of care possible.

ARPA-1053: City of Fall River – Blue Water Project

Funding amount: \$241,275.00

Approval date: 10/28/2022

Project Expenditure Category: 5.9 Clean Water: Nonpoint Source

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: MA 0100382

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The purpose of the Blue Water Project is to reduce phosphorus loading to the South Watuppa Pond, hence restoring water quality and protect it as a potential back-up water supply and recreational resource for the public to use and enjoy. Funding would be used for design and permitting of four retrofits. The community would benefit from a back-up water supply and recreational resource, as well as the addition of educational programs.

ARPA-1054: City of Fall River – 911 Dispatch Communications System

Funding amount: \$305,000.00

Approval date: 10/18/2022

Project Expenditure Category: 1.14 Other Public Health Services

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The proposed funding would be used to upgrade the main public safety communications terminal utilized by the Fall River Police, Fire and EMS Departments. In 2020 the Fall River Police Department Communications Division which includes all “calls for service” for the Police, Fire, and EMS received 66,895 such calls, with an increase in 2021 by 0.80% with 67,429 calls. Without the upgrade the equipment supporting these departments and the communities they serve would suffer possible partial or total loss of fixed capabilities, leading to all three agencies working from telephone or mobile apparatus. Communication and its equipment are at the heart of all three departments; it is crucial to have uninterrupted services to serve the community. It is necessary to have the 911 Dispatch System upgraded to ensure that those victims of violent crimes, those in need of mental health and substance use assistance can access police, fire or EMS departments and that these departments can continue to keep the community safe.

ARPA-1057: City of New Bedford – Employee COVID Medical Expenses – Jan-Jun 2022

Funding amount: \$358,103.42

Approval date: 8/11/2022

Project Expenditure Category: 1.6 Medical Expenses (Including Alternative Care Facilities)

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- Funding for health insurance is carried through the Medical Claims Trust Fund, which combines employer and employee payments to support the City’s self-insured health insurance program, which is managed by Blue Cross Blue Shield. When entities are self-insured, ARPA-eligible expenses include medical expenses related to confirmed COVID cases as well as suspected COVID cases for testing and diagnostics. CARES Act funding covered these expenses until the end of 2021. The City would like to transfer these expenses to ARPA for the remaining period of eligibility.

ARPA-1058: City of Fall River – Graffiti Removal Machines

Funding amount: \$75,300.00

Approval date: 10/6/2022

Project Expenditure Category: 2.31 Rehabilitation of Commercial Properties or Other Improvements

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- Transformation, beautification, and preservation of the commercial districts that were negatively impacted during the pandemic are necessary to further the economic development of Fall River.
- The COVID-19 pandemic stopped socialization as the community went into a lockdown, the streets quieted, and a surge in graffiti occurred in cities throughout the country. The City became a canvas for graffiti during the pandemic. Graffiti is vandalism and scars the community, hurting property values, and causing home and business owners already struggling to incur the cost to remove it. In an effort to support local businesses within the community and to spotlight some of the wonderful tourist attractions throughout the City, we need to remove the graffiti across the city.

ARPA-1060: City of Fall River, Street Sweepers

Funding amount: \$950,000.00

Approval date: 10/6/2022

Project Expenditure Category: 5.6 Clean Water: Stormwater

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: MA 0100382

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The purchase of three street sweepers will enhance the City's ability to remove contaminants from city streets that routinely make their way into the storm drains and combined sewer. Routinely, sand, oil, leaf litter and urban debris make their way into the catch basins, which flow into our local rivers, streams and the Waste Water Treatment Plant, and eventually into the Taunton River and Mt. Hope Bay. The addition of three street sweepers will allow for an increase in the number of times per year the City is able to clean the streets and prevent contamination from entering the catch basins. The result is increased treatment of wastewater.

ARPA-1061: City of Fall River – Body-Worn Cameras and Tasers

Funding amount: \$1,522,877.00

Approval date: 10/3/2022

Project Expenditure Category: 1.11 Community Violence Interventions

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- Body-worn cameras are a tool for creating accountability with law enforcement. The ability to capture law enforcement and community encounters provides transparency. The purchase would equip the Fall River Police Department with 225 cameras, equipment for charging stations, side arm activation kits for activating system upon an officer drawing their Taser, docking stations and mounting kits. The purchase of new X7 Tasers which is compatible with the technology that automatically turns all body worn cameras into "record" mode, whenever the Taser is powered on, and additionally can plot geographical data in recreating a scene on paper where a deployment occurred. Without the new X7 Tasers, the body-worn cameras cannot be automatically activated, an officer would be required to turn them on manually during a potentially time sensitive, challenging, and urgent encounter.

Mandatory Performance Indicators:

- Number of workers enrolled in sectoral job training programs: 0
- Number of workers completing sectoral job training programs: 0
- Number of people participating in summer youth employment programs: 0

ARPA-1062: City of New Bedford – Restoring Pre-pandemic Employment

Funding amount: \$743,289.95

Approval date: 8/11/2022

Project Expenditure Category: 3.2 Public Sector Workforce: Rehiring Public Sector Staff

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The Treasury Final Rule allows recipients to use SLFRF funds to pay for payroll and covered benefits associated with increasing the number of budgeted FTEs up to 7.5% above the pre-pandemic baseline. Using the formula provided by the Treasury, we have calculated that New Bedford is eligible to cover up to 11 FTEs hired on or after March 3, 2021, that are not covered by other grant funds. Their total earnings from March 3, 2021, to the end of FY 22 sum to \$559,790.59. To calculate the eligible costs associated with covered benefits, we took the fringe rate approved by FEMA, which equals 32.78%. The value of the eligible benefits for those employees is therefore \$183,499.36. The total request equals earnings plus eligible benefits, which equals \$743,289.95.

ARPA-1070: Town of Raynham – Emergency Backup Generator Replacement Program

Funding amount: \$568,321.00

Approval date: 10/14/2022

Project Expenditure Category: 5.5 Clean Water: Other Sewer Infrastructure

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- Replacement of 6 Emergency backup power generators for sewage pumping stations. The existing generators are nearly 25 years in service and have been problematic and unreliable. The Town wishes to replace these generators for storm resiliency. The Sewer Department has an estimated project cost of \$950,000. This would include engineering, bidding, and oversight services, as well as the replacement cost of the generators, and transfer switches for 6 of our older pumping stations. Reliability along with the availability of replacement parts, or possible obsolescence of parts are the main reasons for replacement. These emergency generators are crucial to the operation of the sewer pumping stations, and a failure to any one of these generators could happen at the worst possible time.

ARPA-1071: City of New Bedford – New Bedford City Staff Substantially-Dedicated to COVID-19 Response

Funding amount: \$197,589.22

Approval date: 8/19/2022

Project Expenditure Category: 3.1 Public Sector Workforce: Payroll and Benefits for Public Health

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- Reimbursement for salaries and covered benefits (FEMA-approved 32.78% fringe rate) for City staff "substantially-dedicated" to the COVID-19 response. Includes compensation for FY22 not covered by other grant programs for staff time that was at least 50% dedicated to COVID-related activities.

ARPA-1072: City of Fall River – Bioreserve Discovery Center

Funding amount: \$1,365,000.00

Approval date: 10/6/2022

Project Expenditure Category: 2.37 Economic Impact Assistance: Other

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The purchase will include 9 acres of land and a building that will be renovated to include a gallery space (400 sq ft) displaying professionally developed illustrations, maps, timelines, narratives and interactive experiences focusing on five dominant themes of the Southeastern Massachusetts Bioreserve: Water, Biodiversity, Climate Change & Resiliency, Cultural History, and Recreation Opportunities. There will also be classrooms, open room for exhibits, meetings, and classes, office space, and a lecture hall.
- The Bioreserve Environmental Education and Discovery Center will serve as a gateway to the bioreserve acting as a regional resource for educational and interpretive programs related to history, land use, and ecological significance of the bioreserve land. Educational programs will be offered and operated by program partners, including: Durfee Career & Technology Program, Diman Science and Culinary Studies, BCC Sustainable Studies and Culinary Studies, Massachusetts Audubon, and Narragansett Bay Estuary Program. The funding would provide an opportunity for increased activity and interest in the outdoor recreational activities available within the Southeastern Massachusetts bioreserve.

ARPA-1073: City of Taunton – Rescue Engine

Funding amount: \$560,000.00

Approval date: 11/21/2022

Project Expenditure Category: 1.14 Other Public Health Services

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The City of Taunton is requesting ARPA funds for the purchase of a new rescue engine (RE). The City provides 24hr a day, 7 days a week, and 365 days a yr. Emergency Medical Service to the 1,200 residents per sq. mile residing in the City. It employs 7 certified Paramedics (among all departments), the City's department goes on over 10,700 calls a year (on average since the pandemic). The City has seen an overall increase in calls over the last year. This purchase will save the City money and primarily be serving a disadvantaged community as this rescue engine will be housed on Bay Street, in a QCT. This RE will go on all medical calls in addition to outsourced ambulance services.

ARPA-1074: Bristol County – New Bedford 3rd District Court Building HVAC Engineering Services

Funding amount: \$8,000.00

Approval date: 10/6/2022

Project Expenditure Category: 1.14 Other Public Health Services

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- Conduct a study of the existing HVAC System at the New Bedford 3rd District Court, 75 North Sixth Street, New Bedford. Generate a report of existing conditions using the DCAMM Certified Study Template which includes an executive summary, photographic images of existing equipment and systems, cost estimate and recommendations for upgrades and/or repairs for the HVAC systems in order to increase efficiency, thermal comfort and plans to provide for current air quality standards for employees and the general public.

ARPA-1076: City of Attleboro – Attleboro – Lindsey Street Water Main Replacement

Funding amount: \$4,072,123.66

Approval date: 1/26/2023

Project Expenditure Category: 5.11 Drinking Water: Transmission & Distribution

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: MA4016000

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- This project entails engineering, construction, and road restoration services relative to the replacement of approximately 10,800 linear feet of water main on Lindsey Street, including all associated gate valves, fire hydrants, and replacement of approximately 150 water services from main to curb stop.

ARPA-1077: City of Fall River – Fitness Court

Funding amount: \$114,350.00

Approval date: 10/6/2022

Project Expenditure Category: 2.22 Strong Healthy Communities: H&S Neighborhood Features

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Massachusetts (BCBSMA) has created a "National Fitness Campaign" in an effort to "build healthy communities by bringing people outside to move every

day.” As part of this campaign, BCBSMA, is offering a \$50,000 grant to 15 communities to build a Fitness Court® World’s Best Outdoor Gym. The City was notified in August 2022 that it was the recipient of the grant. The Fitness Court ® is the world's largest free outdoor gym. With a functional training system allowing for thousands of exercises and enabling users of all ability levels to focus on seven full body workouts and incorporates opportunities to participate in interval training, full body circuit training, and functional bodyweight movements.

ARPA-1078: City of Taunton – Triumph Head Start

Funding amount: \$56,000.00

Approval date: 11/21/2022

Project Expenditure Category: 2.34 Assistance to Impacted Nonprofit Organizations

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- Triumph Head Start is a nonprofit serving 176 at-risk children ages birth to 5. Children who qualify for Head Start must meet income eligibility requirements equal to 100% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines. Some eligible families may be homeless, in foster care, on public assistance or have been referred by the Department of Youth and Families.

ARPA-1082: City of Taunton – Sign and Facade

Funding amount: \$550,000.00

Approval date: 10/6/2022

Project Expenditure Category: 2.31 Rehabilitation of Commercial Properties or Other Improvements

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The City of Taunton's OECD will administer a sign and façade program for businesses in Qualified Census Tracts, as stated in section 2.18 of the ARPA FAQs published on July 14, 2021. This will offer owners and tenants of commercial properties as an incentive to improve and restore the original character of their buildings. Façade grants will match private investments to assist owners in restoring the appearance of their buildings. Façade improvement projects must contribute to and not detract from the overall attractiveness of commercial buildings and streetscapes.

ARPA-1083: City of Taunton – Vactor Truck

Funding amount: \$458,589.54

Approval date: 11/21/2022

Project Expenditure Category: 5.6 Clean Water: Stormwater

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: MAR041164

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The City of Taunton is asking for \$450,000 to purchase a Vactor Truck. This truck is for cleaning the lateral piping in the City that connects our catch basins and Drain Manholes of our Drainage system throughout the city. The City maintains miles of Drainage Pipe and thousands (approx. 4800) of Catch Basins. The City is mandated by the EPA through the Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) program to do this work.
- The Vactor Truck will improve storm water infrastructure as it relates to the Federal MS4 permit. This piece of equipment will be used to advance the resiliency of the City's infrastructure to severe weather events, create green infrastructure, and protect water bodies from pollution.

ARPA-1086: Bristol County – New Bedford Registry of Deeds Building HVAC Installation

Funding amount: \$31,250.00

Approval date: 10/28/2022

Project Expenditure Category: 1.14 Other Public Health Services

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- An HVAC system has been installed at the County's New Bedford Registry of Deeds Building located at 25 N. Sixth Street, New Bedford. The system was installed in this public building to provide better ventilation as well as air purification in the areas that serve the employees and general public. The system meets the guidelines for HVAC systems resulting from the concerns of the COVID 19 Pandemic.

ARPA-1088: Town of Westport – Medical Emergency Vehicles

Funding amount: \$112,000.00

Approval date: 11/29/2022

Project Expenditure Category: 1.14 Other Public Health Services

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- We are requesting ARPA funding for two SUVs to be equipped and used for emergency medical responses within our 64-square-mile response area (one for Station 1, one for Station 2). These vehicles are staffed by paramedics, who provide Advanced Life Support to patients needing emergency medical care. We have seen an increase in EMS call volume throughout COVID, answering 1,897 EMS calls in 2020 and 2,139 in 2021. This demand has increased the need for additional scene support and has also increased the maintenance and mileage of our aging fleet. The vehicles will be used to respond to medical emergencies, including those that are COVID-related. Many people infected with the COVID virus experience a wide range of symptoms, including acute respiratory distress, which can quickly evolve into a life-threatening situation. These calls often require additional staffing to provide the highest level of Advanced Life Support (ALS) care.

ARPA-1089: Town of Westport – Route 6 Water/Sewer Zoning Study

Funding amount: \$35,000.00

Approval date: 10/28/2022

Project Expenditure Category: 5.18 Water and Sewer: Other

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: MA 4334001

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The Town of Westport is in the process of completing 100% design plans for public water and sewer along the Route 6 Corridor from Fall River to the Dartmouth Line. As part of this infrastructure project the Planning Board is seeking to engage a qualified engineering consulting firm to perform a Zoning study with proposed amendments to address the changes in permitted uses directly impacted by the installation of public water and sewer. Public infrastructure along the corridor will permit uses currently prohibited by the constraints of onsite water and individual septic systems. The Town must plan for the increase in economic development and the potential for more affordable housing when sewer and water infrastructure is installed. Zoning updates are a critical component of the water and sewer project.

ARPA-1092: Town of Mansfield - Interventionists

Funding amount: \$290,000.00

Approval date: 4/6/2023

Project Expenditure Category: 2.25 Addressing Educational Disparity: Academic, Social, Emotional

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- Interventionists are reading and math teachers who are working with students who were hardest hit by COVID-19's remote and hybrid learning models. The two elementary schools have math teachers, and the middle school has a math and reading teacher. The amount requested is for the salaries for these 4 teachers who provide additional academic support to students to accelerate their learning that was lost during the pandemic. We collect data to assure that the neediest students are being served.

Mandatory Performance Indicators:

- Number of students participating in evidence-based tutoring programs: 0

ARPA-1093: Town of Berkley – Berkley Holloway Street Drinking Water Project

Funding amount: \$51,947.00

Approval date: 2/21/2023

Project Expenditure Category: 5.15 Drinking Water: Other Water Infrastructure

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: 4293000

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The Town of Berkley is applying for reimbursement of the cost of roadway paving and detail costs associated with a waterline project that is complete and is providing safe drinking water to residents along Holloway St. in our town. For a long time, Waste Management Disposal Services of Massachusetts (WMDSM) has been providing bottled drinking water to various homes on Holloway Street because their wells were contaminated by a since capped landfill on County Street in Berkley. WMDSM is installing an 8 in" water main to provide water for these residents. In addition, an old section of 6" water main from County Street to the area of 21 Holloway St. is being replaced by a separate contractor (Berkley LD, LLC) with an 8" line that will connect to the section WMDSM is completing. As part of this waterline replacement the Town of Berkley is providing the police details associated with the work, and the cost of the temporary pavement once the water line is complete. Berkley and the City of Taunton have an IMA for the project as well, allowing the water to be purchased by residents, and the waterline to be replaced and extended, which is owned by the City of Taunton.

ARPA-1094: City of New Bedford – EMS Operations Study

Funding amount: \$60,000.00

Approval date: 12/9/2022

Project Expenditure Category: 3.4 Public Sector Capacity: Effective Service Delivery

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- This City is engaging an outside consulting firm to evaluate EMS operations. We are hoping that this study will help us get the most out of the resources we currently have and let us know what areas of the department need more resources. The scope of work includes an evaluation of EMS system performance and resource allocation, the development of a staffing to demand model that shows both current and potential alternatives for resource utilization, quantitative and geographic analyses of workload, response time, and system resiliency, stakeholder input, and recommendations for increased efficiency, enhanced performance, and fiscal sustainability.

ARPA-1095: City of Fall River – Supplemental Application Fitness Court

Funding amount: \$3,000.00

Approval date: 11/4/2022

Project Expenditure Category: 2.22 Strong Healthy Communities: H&S Neighborhood Features

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- This is a supplemental application to 1077 that was approved in the amount of \$114,350. The amount requested required additional funding that was left off the original application in error.
- Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Massachusetts (BCBSMA) has created a “National Fitness Campaign” in an effort to “build healthy communities by bringing people outside to move every day.” As part of this campaign, BCBSMA, is offering a \$50,000 grant to 15 communities to build a Fitness Court® World’s Best Outdoor Gym. The City was notified in August 2022 that it was the recipient of the grant. The Fitness Court® is the world's largest free outdoor gym. With a functional training system allowing for thousands of exercises and enabling users of all ability levels to focus on seven full body workouts and incorporates opportunities to participate in interval training, full body circuit training, and functional bodyweight movements.

ARPA-1096: Town of Berkley – Berkley Fire Department Ambulance

Funding amount: \$400,000.00

Approval date: 3/20/2023

Project Expenditure Category: 1.14 Other Public Health Services

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The Berkley Fire Department is requesting approval of this application for the purchase of a new ambulance to replace a 2013 ambulance, (Ambulance 2) that is one of two ambulances that the department uses. Ambulance 2 will be 10 years old this January and has 75,000 miles, and 4,000 engine hours, which equates to 135,000 miles.
- The estimated cost of a new ambulance is just shy of \$400,000 based on the most recent quote. The new ambulance will contain a HEPA filtration HVAC system in the patient compartment to reduce transmission of airborne illnesses. The equipped handrails will be of antimicrobial material to reduce risk of virus and bacteria transmission. The ambulance will also contain LED disinfecting lights which break down bacteria on surfaces. All measures are to reduce the spread of viral & bacterial diseases being spread from patient to staff during calls, maintaining our staff readiness for calls, and decrease risk.

ARPA-1098: City of Fall River – Supplemental Fitness Court (Slab and Installation)

Funding amount: \$47,000.00 (net award \$25,000.00)

Approval date: 11/21/2022

Project Expenditure Category: 2.22 Strong Healthy Communities: H&S Neighborhood Features

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Massachusetts (BCBSMA) has created a “National Fitness Campaign” in an effort to “build healthy communities by bringing people outside to move every day.” As part of this campaign, BCBSMA, is offering a \$50,000 grant to 15 communities to build a Fitness Court® World’s Best Outdoor Gym. The City was notified in August 2022 that it was the recipient of the grant. The Fitness Court® is the world's largest free outdoor gym. With a functional training system allowing for thousands of exercises and enabling users of all ability

levels to focus on seven full body workouts and incorporates opportunities to participate in interval training, full body circuit training, and functional bodyweight movements.

ARPA-1099: City of Taunton – Community EMS Program

Funding amount: \$66,000.00

Approval date: 11/21/2022

Project Expenditure Category: 1.14 Other Public Health Services

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- This is a Mobile Integrated Health Care Program. Taunton will partner with Brewster Ambulance to operate a Community EMS Program by submitting an application and receiving approval from the Department of Public Health. Individuals will be referred by the Elder Outreach Program, Taunton Housing Authority and Taunton Human Services Department, who meet the criteria for the program. The program will focus on Behavioral Health and Chronic Disease.

ARPA-1100: City of Taunton – PRIDE, Inc.

Funding amount: \$10,000.00

Approval date: 11/21/2022

Project Expenditure Category: 2.34 Assistance to Impacted Nonprofit Organizations

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- PRIDE, Inc. is a non-profit organization providing quality vocational, alternative residential and social programs for individuals with cognitive, developmental and/or intellectual disabilities.

ARPA-1102: City of Taunton – The South Coast LGBTQ Network

Funding amount: \$6,935.00

Approval date: 11/21/2022

Project Expenditure Category: 2.34 Assistance to Impacted Nonprofit Organizations

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The South Coast LGBTQ Network supports low to moderate income LGBTQ+ youth, allies and families in the Taunton Community through no cost access to programs during out of school time for youth and young adults who have aged out of programming available to other youth. The programs available offer expression through art, financial literacy and job preparation. These programs also offer healthy meals if applicable.

ARPA-1103: Town of Rehoboth – Town of Rehoboth Code Codification

Funding amount: \$10,000.00 (net award \$9,995.00)

Approval date: 12/6/2022

Project Expenditure Category: 3.4 Public Sector Capacity: Effective Service Delivery

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, and as part of the Town's continuity of operations plan, the Town expanded many of its public-facing services to an online format. Doing so has enabled residents to receive the information they need even when departments are understaffed, or buildings closed due to illness. At the same time, residents are now able to conduct business with various town departments from the safety and comfort of their home; reducing prolonged in-person interactions which can lead to the spread of infections.

ARPA-1104: Town of Dartmouth – Switchgear Maintenance and Repair

Funding amount: \$24,985.00

Approval date: 3/3/2023

Project Expenditure Category: 5.1 Clean Water: Centralized Wastewater Treatment

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: MAR041102

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- To replace the 5b switchgear in the o&m building. the mcc controls two of the aeration blowers necessary for our primary function as an activated sludge factory. In order to replace bucket 5b we will need to shut the entire main mcc center down for up to 5 hours. While the main mmc center is shut down, prior to the installation of the new switchgear, maintenance of the center is required to ensure the new switchgear functions properly. There are several other switchgear buckets in this control center of the same 30 plus year vintage that are in similar condition and are impossible to replace. Since replacement parts are not available for these units, the technicians will remove these units and perform cleaning, inspection and repairs while the facility is down, a condition that may not happen again, to extend the life of the remaining units until further upgrade. Once complete, and the mcc center is back together, it will be tested for compliance prior to recharging the center. A failure of any of these additional units will lead to the failure and loss of preliminary treatment, primary treatment, sludge handling, or additional blower operation which would render the facility inoperable. This should not be considered routine maintenance but a necessary part of the replacement of the switchgear. This shutdown shall take place during the weekend, low flow conditions during low precipitation and ground water elevation.

ARPA-1106: Town of Westport – Westport School Vans

Funding amount: \$180,000.00

Approval date: 12/9/2022

Project Expenditure Category: 2.25 Addressing Educational Disparity: Academic, Social, Emotional

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- During the pandemic, Westport Schools placed the utmost importance on continued outreach for the school community, as many children were home without supervision during the initial closing of schools. The school started the Start'em Youn Program, over the past two years, this program has grown to over 300 students involved in various after school programs. The program is widespread, including lacrosse, soccer, basketball and track. These programs promote physical and emotional health and allow students to participate in activities that reinforce their executive functioning abilities in a fun environment. The pandemic has caused a regression in learning for some students, and this program is being used to address learning deficiencies and emotional health. These vans are needed to support the program and transport students to the various activities.

Mandatory Performance Indicators:

- Number of students participating in evidence-based tutoring programs: 300

ARPA-1107: Town of Easton – Emergency Relief for Veterans

Funding amount: \$100,000.00

Approval date: 12/6/2022

Project Expenditure Category: 2.3 Household Assistance: Cash Transfers

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The Town of Easton has established a SERVE (Support Emergency Relief for Veterans in Easton) Fund to provide direct financial relief to income-qualified veterans and their dependents in need of immediate assistance with food, transportation, heat and oil expenses, consistent with MGL c.60, section 3F. The Town has adopted regulations for the administration of this financial aid including eligibility standards for applicants using 80% of the area median income based on household size. In order to qualify for financial assistance, applicants must demonstrate that they meet these standards (see memo, policy and application documents attached to this application). Disbursements will mirror stimulus payments (up to \$1,400). This project request is very similar Easton's project 1036 (Housing Security for Homeowners) and will be administered by the Veterans' Services Officer (VSO) or Director of Health and Community Services in the absence of the VSO.

ARPA-1108: City of Taunton – New Hope Inc

Funding amount: \$30,000.00

Approval date: 3/3/2023

Project Expenditure Category: 2.34 Assistance to Impacted Nonprofit Organizations

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- New Hope seeks funds to increase its services within the City of Taunton (this is part of New Hope's operations. This is not a new project/service). Due to COVID, New Hope is experiencing an increase in demand for services and survivors are presenting with increased levels of trauma due to the effects of COVID. Additionally, survivors are in need of more financial support.
- Funds will support the increase in staffing of our Educator/Outreach worker from 25 to 35 hours per week, to increase our efforts to reach survivors least likely to call our hotline or come into our offices as we expect these survivors are also very much in need. Funds also will support the increased financial needs of survivors due to COVID, including transportation, groceries, utilities, housing. Other funds will pay for resources our counselor can utilize in their therapeutic interventions, including art material, books, journals, subscription to calming apps.

ARPA-1112: Bristol County – BCAHS Project Closeout Agreement | Gilbane

Funding amount: \$2,336,500.00

Approval date: 1/19/2023

Project Expenditure Category: 6.1 Provision of Governmental Services

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- WHEREAS, the District and Gilbane entered a construction management agreement dated May 28, 2019, which, together with the Drawings, Specifications, GMP Amendment and other Contract Documents, as amended and as defined therein, constitute the "CM Agreement" pursuant to which the District retained Gilbane for construction of renovations and additions to the Bristol County Agricultural School complex in Dighton, Massachusetts (the "Project"); and
- Lump Sum Payment. In consideration of undertakings of Gilbane set forth herein, The District hereby agrees to pay to Gilbane the total lump sum amount (the "Lump Sum Payment") of two million three hundred thirty-six thousand five hundred dollars and no cents (\$2,336,500.00) no later than sixty (60) days from the Effective Date of this Agreement only upon performance of the other requirements and conditions of this Agreement. The Lump Sum Payment shall represent the full and final payment for any and all costs that Gilbane has sought for the Project up to and including the date of this Agreement.

ARPA-1113: Bristol County – BCAHS Project Closeout Agreement | Colliers Project Leaders USA

Funding amount: \$193,500.00

Approval date: 1/3/2023

Project Expenditure Category: 6.1 Provision of Governmental Services

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The Commission approves a final payment to the Project's manager Colliers Project Leaders USA NNE, LLC a final payment in the amount of \$193,500.00 for its extended construction management fees incurred since December 2021 - July 2022.

ARPA-1114: Bristol County – BCAHS Project Closeout Agreement | HMFH Architects, INC

Funding amount: \$70,000.00

Approval date: 1/3/2023

Project Expenditure Category: 6.1 Provision of Governmental Services

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The Commission approves a final payment to the Project's architects HMFH Architects, Inc. in the amount of \$70,000.00 for construction management fees incurred since the expiration of the County's Contract with HMFH Architects, Inc on December 31, 2021.

ARPA-1116: City of Fall River – Speed Alert Radar Message Signs/Trailers

Funding amount: \$56,592.99

Approval date: 3/3/2023

Project Expenditure Category: 2.22 Strong Healthy Communities: H&S Neighborhood Features

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- In an effort to ensure the safety of pedestrians accessing the heavily travelled intersections, schools, elderly housing and parks in the City and to increase visibility and awareness of drivers on the roadway, the City of Fall River needs to purchase 3 Speed Alert Radar Message Signs and Trailers to provide safe access to City sidewalks and public spaces.
- The City of Fall River is one of the most financially stressed communities with high poverty and unemployment rates, making it a disproportionately impacted community, which were further exacerbated by the COVID-19 emergency health crisis.

ARPA-1117: Town of Fairhaven – Town-Wide Water Main Flushing

Funding amount: \$300,000.00

Approval date: 3/29/2023

Project Expenditure Category: 5.11 Drinking Water: Transmission & Distribution

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: 4094000

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The proposed project, which will be overseen by the Department of Public Works, will be to hire an outside vendor to conduct a full water main flush throughout the Town of Fairhaven. The Town of Fairhaven is experiencing water quality issues (i.e., discolored water) being supplied to residents and businesses. Flushing the entire water system in Fairhaven is the first Phase of this project and part of a larger approach in the region to address water quality issues. The Town in its entirety would benefit from the flushing and these funds are only being used with the Town of Fairhaven. The total cost of the project is estimated at \$300,000 (quote attached). The quote is for one zone - there are 11 zones to be completed and a small amount for contingency. The

Town Meeting vote for Phase 2 of this project (which is not being funded through ARPA but from the ratepayers) is also attached.

ARPA-1118: Town of Fairhaven – Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrades

Funding amount: \$930,540.00

Approval date: 3/29/2023

Project Expenditure Category: 5.1 Clean Water: Centralized Wastewater Treatment

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: MAR041112

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- This project includes a large-scale upgrade to the Town's wastewater treatment plant to include nitrogen removal capability. The facility is located on Arsene Street and is a conventional activated sludge plant that is designed for 5 million gallons a day (MGD) of wastewater flow. During a heavy rain event the flows can peak at 16MGD. The original facility was completed in 1969 and some of the original structures still exist. It was last upgraded in 1989. The plant discharges to the inner harbor thru an outfall located just west of the intersection of Church and Main Streets. Prior to discharge the flow is treated to levels of biological oxygen demand (BOD) and total suspended solids (TSS) below those dictated to us thru our National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit which is issued jointly by the Massachusetts DEP and the Federal Environmental Protection Agency. Fairhaven's current permit mandates that we upgrade our treatment plant to manage nitrogen removal levels set forth by the DEP/EPA in our NPDES permit. Future phases of the project will be funded by the ratepayers and if possible other funding sources. The total project including all phases is expected to cost close to \$50 million dollars over the next 4 years. The Town is proposing using 1 million in ARPA funds to cover some of the cost and reduce the impact on ratepayers. The full appropriation was voted by Town Meeting (copy of vote attached).

ARPA-1124: Town of Freetown – Backup Generator for Pump Station and Control System

Funding amount: \$35,460.00

Approval date: 1/26/2023

Project Expenditure Category: 5.11 Drinking Water: Transmission & Distribution

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: 4102035

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- To purchase and install a backup generator system for the Chipaway Pump Station. In the event of a power outage the generator will maintain the water pressure adequately in order to be able to continue water service to residents. In addition, the computerized control system is over 20 years old, and parts are no longer available for the system. The control system needs to be replaced prior to it failing.

ARPA-1129: Town of Easton – Premium Pay for Essential Town Employees

Funding amount: \$227,796.92

Approval date: 5/2/2023

Project Expenditure Category: 4.1 Public Sector Employees

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The Town has negotiated premium pay for eligible essential employees required to work in person during the State of Emergency declared by Massachusetts Gov. Baker (March 10, 2020, through June 15, 2021). The essential functions of these employees necessitated performance of duties in person, rather than remotely for a majority of the time during the State of

Emergency. These eligible workers were required to maintain continuity of operations of essential critical infrastructure sectors in the areas of public safety and emergency response, public works and public health.

ARPA-1130: Town of Westport – Route 6 Water/Sewer Zoning Study

Funding amount: \$1,309.69

Approval date: 2/3/2023

Project Expenditure Category: 5.18 Water and Sewer: Other

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: MA 43334001

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The Town is in the process of completing 100% design plans for public water and sewer along the Route 6 Corridor from Fall River to the Dartmouth Line. As part of this infrastructure project the Planning Board is seeking to engage a qualified engineering consulting firm to perform a Zoning study with proposed amendments to address the changes in permitted uses directly impacted by the installation of public water and sewer. Public infrastructure along the corridor will permit uses currently prohibited by the constraints of onsite water and individual septic systems. The Town must plan for an increase in economic development and the potential for more affordable housing when sewer and water infrastructure is installed. Zoning updates are a critical component of the water and sewer project. Bristol County has already approved \$35,000 for this rezoning initiative. In order to complete the entire corridor an additional \$20,000 is needed.

ARPA-1131: Town of Berkley – Berkley Holloway St Culvert

Funding amount: \$82,691.40

Approval date: 2/21/2023

Project Expenditure Category: 5.6 Clean Water: Stormwater

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: 4293000

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The Town needed to perform an emergency replacement of a culvert located on Holloway St. During a water line replacement as part of providing water to residents with contaminated wells, the culvert that the water line needs to go under was determined to be at a point of failure where the water line could not be put under it. The Town moved forward with an emergency procurement to replace the culvert. This same culvert was also identified in the Town Municipal Vulnerability Plan (MVP) Community Resiliency Building Plan recently completed by SRPEDD and approved, as an under-sized culvert causing area flooding. The culvert was designed by an engineer, including the headwalls, culvert and guardrails. The procurement was completed on an emergency basis and approved by the Inspector General's office. The culvert has been replaced.

ARPA-1134: City of Fall River – Waterfront Stormwater Corridor Project

Funding amount: \$2,000,000.00

Approval date: 3/20/2023

Project Expenditure Category: 5.6 Clean Water: Stormwater

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: MA 0100382

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- Reconstruction of the Davol Street CSO chambers and creating a stormwater conveyance system which includes large box culverts and specially designed and configured manholes that will allow a large amount of stormwater to pass through a newly constructed transportation corridor.

ARPA-1135: Town of Rehoboth – Exterior Communication Messaging Display – Town Hall Building
Funding amount: \$50,000.00

Approval date: 2/21/2023

Project Expenditure Category: 1.7 Other COVID-19 Public Health Expenses (Comms, Enfrcmnt, Isolation)

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The Rehoboth Board of Selectmen request funding to purchase and install an exterior mounted full color LED sign measuring approximately 50" X 88" to be located in front of the Rehoboth Town Hall. The sign would be visible to all who travel the main north / south roadway through the town and would be utilized to assist in the notification of public health and public safety matters, as well as other critical information. The proposed cloud-based solution would enable messages to be changed remotely and in real time; thus, making notifications available as events unfold. The communication device would also be connected to the automatic emergency generator to ensure the ability to communicate without interruption.

ARPA-1136: Town of Dartmouth – Scada Improvement and Controls Upgrade - WEF

Funding amount: \$160,440.00

Approval date: 5/19/2023

Project Expenditure Category: 5.13 Drinking Water: Source

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: 4072000

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- SCADA design and implementation services including engineering design, equipment, electrical installation, startup services, control panel modifications, construction administration, implementation, and startup service.

ARPA-1139: City of Fall River – Removal of Partial Lead Remediation and Infrared Hot Box for Water Line Access

Funding amount: \$3,128,571.80

Approval date: 4/6/2023

Project Expenditure Category: 5.12 Drinking Water: Lead Remediation, Including in Schools/Daycares

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: MA 0100382

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- Fall River received a \$10 million federal grant for the removal and replacement of a portion of the City's approximately 3,760 lead service lines that brings residents drinking water to their homes. A review of the City's existing inventory indicates an estimated 760 service lines require full replacement and under 3,000 service lines require partial replacement in private property (curb stop to water meter) to remove the remnant lead pipe from previous public right of way replacements. In order to complete the entirety of the removal and replacement of the City's lead service lines, more funding is required. The funding from the BC Treasury will allow the City to replace approximately 450 partial lead services from meters to the curb stop near property lines. The infrared equipped "hot box" asphalt arrays are essential in the operations for repairs and installations below paved bituminous surfaces by the Department of Community Utilities-Water and Sewer Division. The equipment would be utilized in the removal of partial lead remediation project.

ARPA-1140: City of Taunton – Grant Program for Nonprofits

Funding amount: \$195,100.00

Approval date: 3/16/2023

Project Expenditure Category: 2.34 Assistance to Impacted Nonprofit Organizations

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The City of Taunton would like to offer a grant program for nonprofits. The goal is to fund nonprofits that provide programs that directly target those in our community who were disproportionately impacted by the pandemic. ARPA permits funding nonprofits in order to assist communities in the recovery and to assist the nonprofit in its own recovery.
- The grant funding may be used for programs that provide direct aid to Taunton households, employment programs, mental health/substance abuse programs, food/shelter insecurity assistance, and other programs targeted to those disproportionately impacted by the pandemic. The City of Taunton also recognizes that many nonprofits suffered a negative economic impact and need assistance in recovering. To assist in the recovery, the nonprofit may seek funds to help them do so.

ARPA-1144: City of Taunton – Weir Riverfront Park Splash Pad

Funding amount: \$454,945.40

Approval date: 6/26/2023

Project Expenditure Category: 2.22 Strong Healthy Communities: H&S Neighborhood Features

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- Two shaded spaces, both Approximately 17 x 18, for individuals to relax. Approximately 4,000 square feet of a splash pad for children of all ages to run, play and stay cool.
- Adding a splash pad in the Weir Riverfront Park will provide the community with a safe recreational area for children of all ages. This will help promote health and increased physical activities and will positively affect the community's well-being.

ARPA-1147: City of Attleboro – Wastewater Equipment

Funding amount: \$1,089,450.90

Approval date: 5/10/2023

Project Expenditure Category: 5.18 Water and Sewer: Other

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: MA0100595

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- This project entails the procurement and installation of essential Wastewater equipment available through the program that will serve to improve the City's Wastewater system. The pieces of equipment are as follows:
- Vactor Truck: Purchase a VACTOR 2100i with Single Engine Dual Stage Fan, 10 Yard Debris Body, 1000 Gallons of Fresh Water. This vehicle is for the collections crew. It is used for daily work required in the upkeep of the sewer collections system. This work includes maintenance of sewer lines, treatment plant tanks and process lines and pump stations.
- Replacement of Emergency Generator at Abbie Lane Pumping Station: This project consists of purchasing and installing a new 25kW emergency standby generator for the Abbie Lane Sewer Pumping Station, transfer switch, connecting to propane supply tank and miscellaneous electrical supplies needed for the installation.
- Replacement of Emergency Generator at Trinity Circle Pumping Station: This project consists of purchasing and installing a new 30kW emergency standby generator for the Trinity Circle Sewer Pumping Station, transfer switch, connecting to propane supply tank and miscellaneous electrical supplies needed for the installation.

- Replacement of Water Booster System: The project consists of replacing the present Water Booster System, electrical control panel and related control automation.

ARPA-1148: City of Taunton – TOGETHER Summer Camp

Funding amount: \$200,000.00

Approval date: 3/30/2023

Project Expenditure Category: 2.11 Healthy Childhood Environments: Child Care

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- This application is the remaining request for application ARPA-1037, which was approved in 2022. Provide safe & free/affordable childcare to low/moderate income families & give economic opportunities to a diverse group of high school & college students to increase income within their homes (summer jobs)

Mandatory Performance Indicators:

- Number of children served by childcare and early learning (Pre-school/pre-K/ages 3-5): 4
- Number of families served by home visiting: 1

ARPA-1150: Town of Westport – Emergency Response Upgrades

Funding amount: \$314,943.40

Approval date: 5/2/2023

Project Expenditure Category: 1.14 Other Public Health Services

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The upgrades are required to maintain consistent operations for the Town of Westport public safety (police, fire, EMS) departments during all emergencies including pandemic response. The current radio repeaters are not in optimal locations and use old phone landline technology that experience repeated failures. The upgrades will allow access to the Town's fiber optic network and provide reliable service. This will enable improved radio communication within the Town, including the Town's senior living facilities and larger apartments. Currently, communications are poor, forcing responding personnel to use cell phones, which could delay emergency response and patient care during a crisis such as the COVID pandemic.
- The battery backups are required to support network infrastructure supporting these radio repeaters by providing critical power to this equipment during a crisis, thus enabling proper response from all public safety departments in a pandemic response.
- The relocation of the Internet demarc is vital to public safety. In a crisis such as a pandemic, even more so. This connection allows for communication with external medical services such as doctors, researchers, hospitals as well as various state and federal agencies that will be providing guidance and responses during pandemic emergencies. Each of these items work conjunctively to provide increased capability and response for the citizens of the community during a pandemic like we witnessed during COVID.

ARPA-1151: Town of Westport – Emergency Response Radio Equipment

Funding amount: \$140,000.00

Approval date: 5/2/2023

Project Expenditure Category: 1.14 Other Public Health Services

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The radio upgrades are required to maintain consistent radio operations for the Westport School staff to coordinate with public safety (police, fire, EMS) departments during all emergencies including pandemic response. This will enable improved radio communications within the schools, including staff, SRO's and emergency personnel. Currently, radio communications are poor, forcing personnel to use cell phones, which could delay emergency response and patient care during a crisis such as a pandemic.
- In addition, the school department's request for two-way radios is part of the district's overall policy to battle Covid and other respiratory diseases within the school building, while encouraging and developing experiential learning that effectively personalizes education for students at Westport. To do so, students must sometimes leave the school proper and be provided with experiential learning opportunities outside the traditional classroom. As a case in point, the district partnered with our farming community during the 2023 school year to initiate a "Farm to Table" program at our Westport Elementary School. As a part of the program, students work with farm educators outside the campus, engaging in science and agricultural research. To do this safely, it is critical that staff have access to equipment that can allow them to clearly communicate in real time outside the classroom, especially in light of the health and safety issues that impact schools daily.

ARPA-1152: Town of Freetown – Sewer Line Engineering

Funding amount: \$200,000.00

Approval date: 5/2/2023

Project Expenditure Category: 5.18 Water and Sewer: Other

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: 4102035

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- This funding is to be used as a match to the Massworks grant received in the amount of \$775,000 for the design and engineering for the Assonet Sewer Line extension. Design and permitting will pave the way for subsequent construction, which will establish a foundation to catalyze economic development and workforce housing as well as other housing options by expanding sewer service northerly along South Main Street near Exit 9 at Route 24 and Route 79 to Freetown Town Hall (Assonet Four Corners area). A 2019 feasibility study highlighted the need for expansion.; so, did a regional CEDS document. In 2019, Freetown retained Environmental Partners to conduct a feasibility study to explore sewer expansion in Assonet. The report explored the installation of low-pressure sewer system from the Freetown Town Hall area to the South Main Street and High Street intersection. In addition, the report outlined the installation of a gravity sewer system from the South Main Street and High Street intersection to a new sewer pump station located at the Alexandra Drive and Ridge Hill Road intersection. This would entail a lot/easement procurement at 23 Alexandra Drive to develop it into a pump station. Lastly, the feasibility study recommended the installation of a sewer pump station and force main piping along Ridge Hill Road and South Main Street.

ARPA-1153: City of Taunton – Valve Replacement

Funding amount: \$600,000.00

Approval date: 6/9/2023

Project Expenditure Category: 5.11 Drinking Water: Transmission & Distribution

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: 4293000

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The work includes the installation of three additional gate valves on the 30" finished water transmission mains between the Taunton Water Treatment Plant in Lakeville and the Harris

Street Pumping Station in Taunton. Additional 24" insertion valve to be added to replace a broken valve at the water treatment plant on the feed line to the sedimentation basins and a 24" insertion valve in Precinct Street in Lakeville. Temporary and permanent trench-width pavement restoration. Temporary bypass piping.

ARPA-1154: City of Fall River – FRACC Artist Recovery Program

Funding amount: \$173,000.00

Approval date: 5/2/2023

Project Expenditure Category: 2.30 Technical Assistance, Counseling, or Business Planning

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The Fall River Arts and Culture Coalition (FRACC), in partnership with Assets for Artists, proposes a hands-on approach to implement the FRACC Artist Recovery Program. FRACC proposes a multi-faceted plan to advance Arts, Culture and Tourism in the City of Fall River. The program will provide working capital funds and assistance to artists that have struggled as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.

ARPA-1155: Town of Easton – Housing Security for Homeowners #2

Funding amount: \$71,384.00

Approval date: 5/2/2023

Project Expenditure Category: 2.3 Household Assistance: Cash Transfers

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- Easton's Taxation Aid Committee exists to provide direct financial relief to income-qualified or otherwise eligible (disability status) residents to reduce the burden of real estate taxes consistent with MGL c. 60 c 3D. In order to meet their statutory and local charge, the Committee adopted regulations for the administration of this financial aid including eligibility standards for applicants using Massachusetts' own standard for housing affordability – specifically those standards relating to MGL c. 40B – wherein housing income limits are determined based on size of household and whether or not the combined income is at or below 80% of the Area Median Income. To qualify for financial assistance, applicants must demonstrate that they meet these standards (see guidelines document). Disbursements will mirror stimulus payments (up to \$1,400). The entire project request of \$71,384 is allocated toward this evidence-based intervention.
- Note: This application is a continuation of ARPA-1036, which has been fully expended.

ARPA-1156: Town of Dartmouth – Belt Filter Klampress Reconditioning

Funding amount: \$690,000.00

Approval date: 5/19/2023

Project Expenditure Category: 5.18 Water and Sewer: Other

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: MAR041102

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- Recondition two (2) Klampress Type 85 Size 2 Type 85 Size2 (1.5 Meter) belt filter presses at job site, installation of main control panels and installation of wash water booster pumps. Reconditioning of Klampresses includes using only new O.E.M. (Original Equipment Manufacturer) parts, labor for removal/installation, inbound/outbound freight charges and start-up services. Complete factory Rebuild to "like new" condition of 2 Klampress Type 85 size 2(1.5 Meter) belt filter presses using OEM parts, installation of new Belt Filter Press Main

Control Panels and the installation of 2 new replacement direct coupled wash water booster pumps with 3HP motors.

ARPA-1159: City of New Bedford – Employee COVID Medical Expenses – Jul 2022 – Mar 2023

Funding amount: \$507,900.91

Approval date: 5/18/2023

Project Expenditure Category: 1.6 Medical Expenses (including Alternative Car Facilities)

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- Funding for health insurance is carried through the Medical Claims Trust Fund, which combines employer and employee payments to support the City's self-insured health insurance program, which is managed by Blue Cross Blue Shield. When entities are self-insured, ARPA-eligible expenses include medical expenses related to confirmed COVID cases as well as suspected COVID cases for testing and diagnostics. This request covers COVID-related medical expenses for the period from July 2022 to March 2023.

ARPA-1160: City of Fall River – Veteran's Kitchen of Fall River

Funding amount: \$50,000.00

Approval date: 5/19/2023

Project Expenditure Category: 2.34 Assistance to Impacted Nonprofit Organizations

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- Request to provide financial assistance to the non-profit organization, the Veteran's Kitchen of Fall River. The organization provides crucial services to veterans and their families, including weekly eat-in or take-out meals, weather appropriate clothing, non-perishable food staples, and event outings with lunch included. Additionally, the organization operates out of 602 Third Street in Fall River, which is in a Qualified Census Tract and the "Final Rule" deems disproportionately impacted.

ARPA-1161: Town of Rehoboth – Bulk Water Purchase for Senior Center/Emergency Shelter

Funding amount: \$46,336.00

Approval date: 6/5/2023

Project Expenditure Category: 5.10 Drinking Water: Treatment

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: 4247009

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The Town has detected elevated concentrations of per-and polyfluoroalkyl substance (PFAS) in the public water supply wells at the Senior Center. The Senior Center is unable to use the kitchen to provide meals to our seniors or allow them to drink the water. The Senior Center is also a designated Emergency Shelter, in the event of an emergency and would provide food, water and shelter to its residents. A social benefit to our senior who experience isolation during the pandemic is sharing meals with other seniors in town. Our senior center is a great resource for our seniors in not only in socialization but communicating other services available for those in need.
- The Town will utilize SLRF Funds to:
 - Temporary supply of drinking water at the Senior Center/Emergency Shelter for 8 months with added 2 months contingency.
 - Provide pump station with two \$3,000 gallon tanks to tie into pump house in order to utilize the kitchen to provide meals to our seniors.

- Henshaw Farms is an approved vendor by MassDEP (see attached list of Emergency Bulk Water Providers on MassDEP website, Henshaw Farms is the local provider). Henshaw Farms provides the tanks and sources the water from designated suppliers, which meets all the water criteria determined by MassDEP for all public water suppliers. The City of Fall River will be providing water. All water supplied is tested monthly and sent to the lab to ensure the water is safe to drink.

ARPA-1163: Town of Fairhaven – HVAC Improvements at Town Hall

Funding amount: \$18,000.00

Approval date: 6/26/2023

Project Expenditure Category: 1.14 Other Public Health Services

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- These much-needed HVAC improvements will improve ventilation, air handling and temperature control in the Town Hall. The request includes installation of mini split units and a plan that will maintain the integrity of the existing building. Equipment, labor and electric wiring of the new units are all included in this cost. This project is eligible for ARPA funding as delineated in the US Treasury's SLFRF - Final Rule Overview, Page 14 Ventilation System Installation and Improvement - public building. This work has not yet been completed and the project will begin once the ARPA project is approved by the County.

ARPA-1166: Town of Swansea – Route 6 Corridor Sewer Collection System

Funding amount: \$2,278,665.12

Approval date: 6/5/2023

Project Expenditure Category: 5.2 Clean Water: Centralized Wastewater Collection and Conveyance

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The Town is seeking funding for the design and engineering services for the Route 6 Corridor Sewer Collection System. We have recently partnered with the Town of Somerset and agreed to an IMA. The Town now has an elected Sewer Commission, which was established recently with its first members voted in this past April. The Town is working to design a collection system, pumping stations and force mains from the Coles River crossing over Wood Street to the Somerset Wastewater Treatment Plant, consisting of approximately 10.74 miles. The Town has gone out to bid for vendors for this project, receiving two competitive proposals. The Town has selected Wright-Pierce and has received a price proposal for the Scope of Work. We are working on the contract now - all terms have been agreed upon, but this funding piece is the last part of our work before signatures are provided. The Scope will be to design and get the Town through all required permit processes and approvals so that the work can be shovel ready. The Town will be using Somerset's NPDES permit as a co-permittee.

ARPA-1167: Town of Rehoboth – Testing and Remediation of Contaminated Drinking Water

Funding amount: \$644,000.00

Approval date: 6/26/2023

Project Expenditure Category: 5.10 Drinking Water: Treatment

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: 4247009; 4247058; 4247074

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The Town has detected elevated concentrations of per-and-polyfluoroalkyl substance (PFAS) in the public water supply wells at the Rehoboth Town Hall property; the adjacent Fire/Police Station property; and the Rehoboth Senior Center.
- The Town will utilize ARPA funds to:
 - Retain the services of Wilcox & Barton, Inc. to manage and coordinate the Town's response with MassDEP and provide support and technical assistance to address questions and concerns from Town residents.
 - Prepared an immediate Action Response Action Plan for submission to MassDEP.
 - Testing and mitigation of impacted groundwater at private homes and businesses affected by release of PFAS at the Fire Department property, sampling, laboratory analysis, treatment systems installation/maintenance, regulatory reporting, source assessment and remediation.
 - Permitting and design of treatment system for public water supply wells at the Fire Department, Town Hall and Council on Aging (Senior Center).
 - Once permitting has been completed and the design of the treatment system has been approved by MassDEP, an additional request for the installation of treatment system will be submitted.

ARPA-1169: Town of Fairhaven – Emergency Medical Response Boat

Funding amount: \$799,916.30

Approval date: 7/13/2023

Project Expenditure Category: 1.14 Other Public Health Services

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The area of North Fairhaven includes 4 Environmental Justice neighborhoods, 3 that have Median Household Incomes of just \$29,917, while the Median Household Income of the Town as a whole is much more than that-\$75,645. This area has also been designated by DHCD as a "Slum and Blight" Neighborhood, making it eligible for specific federal programs. This area is located along the Acushnet River and since the pandemic has seen an increase in public health and safety calls for emergency medical assistance. This area has also seen a dramatic rise in opioid and overdose calls since the onset of the pandemic and the need for health and medical assistance to this low-income vulnerable population. This particular area of the Town, North Fairhaven, along the river and harbor, includes some of the lowest income members of the population making them highly vulnerable to the impacts of the pandemic, especially the use of opioids and opioid related medical and health needs. Given its proximity to the river and harbor, there are areas that are difficult to get to and are much more accessible by boat rather than traditional vehicles, especially the areas where low income and vulnerable populations congregate in Fairhaven. The Fire/EMS Department would like to partner with the Harbormaster & Health Department to purchase a boat that could be used in this area to more effectively respond to public health and safety calls, including calls related to opioid related emergencies.

2024 Projects

ARPA-1079: City of Fall River – Solar Flashing Stop and Pedestrian Signs

Funding amount: \$145,000.00

Approval date: 2/27/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 2.22 Strong Healthy Communities: H&S Neighborhood Features

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- Ensuring the safety of pedestrians accessing the most heavily travelled intersections, schools, elderly housing, and parks in the City of Fall River and increasing the visibility and awareness of drivers on roadways.

ARPA-1090: Town of Mansfield – Water Infrastructure and PFAS Remediation

Funding amount: \$1,745,187.52

Approval date: 1/29/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 5.10 Drinking water: Treatment

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: MAR041126

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- This project consists of costs associated with designing, upgrading, constructing and/or replacing various Water Department facilities and infrastructure, including PFAS remediation. This is a continuation of application 1025.
- Mansfield Town Meeting has approved \$23,020,000 in funding, which is the anticipated total cost of the PFAS Remediation and Water Infrastructure upgrades. To date, through municipal bonds and the Clean Water Trust, Mansfield has borrowed \$13,786,695. The goal is to utilize the requested ARPA funding to offset the total amount needed to be borrowed by the Town.

ARPA-1109: Town of Seekonk – Street Sweeper

Funding amount: \$290,000.00

Approval date: 10/25/2023

Project Expenditure Category: 5.18 Water and Sewer: Other

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: MAR041156

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The purchase of a street sweeper will enhance the Town's ability to keep the streets clean and prevent contamination from entering the catch basins. This will reduce the impact on our systems as well as improve the quality in our ponds, streams, and rivers.

ARPA-1110: Town of Seekonk - Massachusetts Small MS4 General Permit Mapping Requirements

Funding amount: \$199,050.00

Approval date: 5/14/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 5.6 Clean Water: Stormwater

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: MAR041156

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- Greenman-Pedersen, Inc. (GPI) will work with the Town to evaluate the GIS database currently available, its compatibility with GPI's GIS systems and convert the data to a format that can be used by GPI's field crews while collecting structure and invert data on the Town's drainage infrastructure. The current GIS database will also be used to get a preliminary determination of the number of drainage manholes, catch basins and closed drainage outfall locations. As part of

this work, the Consultant will provide survey services for each of the Town's approximately 1,850 catch basins, 1,000 drain manholes and 200 outfalls and other features as may be required.

ARPA-1111: Town of Seekonk - Massachusetts Small MS4 General Permit Screening of Outfalls/Interconnections

Funding amount: \$224,240.00

Approval date: 5/14/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 5.6 Clean Water: Stormwater

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: MAR041156

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The Town of Seekonk is regulated under a municipal separate storm sewer system (MS4) permit. This has entailed completing work in accordance with National Pollutant Discharge Elimination Systems (NPDES) monitoring programs approved by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ARPA-1137: City of New Bedford - Brooklawn Park Pony League LED Lighting

Funding amount: \$402,236.00

Approval date: 9/25/2023

Project Expenditure Category: 2.22 Strong Healthy Communities: H&S Neighborhood Features

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- Geotechnical engineering, lighting acquisition, and lighting installation of LED field lights used by PONY League at City-owned and managed baseball field in Brooklawn Park.

ARPA-1142: City of New Bedford - Pedestrian and Cyclist Safety Cameras Along Cove and Harbor Walk

Funding amount: \$175,560.00

Approval date: 9/25/2023

Project Expenditure Category: 2.22 Strong Healthy Communities: H&S Neighborhood Features

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- Currently there are no cameras on the Harbor Walk. Since this a busy pedestrian traffic area, it is concerning that there are no cameras. Although there is lighting along the walkway, there are no other public safety measures. In areas of this walkway, it is out of the general public's sight which is a public safety concern. Over the years, we have also seen the lighting along the walkway to be vandalized. Without having cameras in place there has been no way to deter or solve the acts of vandalism. As far as the Cove Walk is concerned, there are also no functional cameras along this walkway. This is also a very popular pedestrian walkway. When the walkway was built, cameras were installed but since then all have them are no longer working and the technology that was designed at the time is out of date. Recently, we had a report of major vandalism where many of the lights were snapped off of the railings, causing thousands of dollars in damage. Since there were no functioning cameras the crime remains unsolved. Not only does this project ensure a high quality camera it also ensures that the cameras will be on a fiber network, which means the cameras will be extremely reliable.

ARPA-1145: City of New Bedford - Ambulance Equipment

Funding amount: \$254,396.37

Approval date: 12/26/2023

Project Expenditure Category: 1.4 Congregate Settings Prevention

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The City recently acquired new ambulances, but it didn't come with any spare equipment. Stryker stretchers and ZOLL monitors are essential equipment to continue using the ambulances if these parts break or need service. The ZOLL monitors are used to treat and care for COVID-19 or post-COVID heart problems, as well as many other illnesses and diseases. ZOLL monitors allow providers to monitor patient status while providing the highest level of care. The Stryker Stretchers allow providers to transport patients into the ambulance while limiting close contact with COVID-19 patients. One was procured through a collective buying group and the other through a state contract.

ARPA-1162: Town of Fairhaven - Public Health & Safety Message Boards

Funding amount: \$145,200.00

Approval date: 8/7/2023

Project Expenditure Category: 1.7 Other COVID-19 Public Health Expenses (Comms, Enfrcmnt, Isolation)

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- This project is for the purchase of two (2) message boards. These message boards will be used to disseminate important public information in real time (e.g., COVID or other public health and safety updates). These message boards have not yet been purchased. We intend to use the ARPA funding to purchase them. The sign boards will be dual-faced and placed at the public safety complex and the Senior/Recreation Center. The primary purpose of these signs is to tie into the public health and safety communications network and provide visual signs on pending or current health and safety emergencies. When no emergencies are pending or existing, the Senior/Recreation Center and Public Safety administration will be able to advertise current events or safety emergency and public health preparedness messages on the sign. The boards cost \$72,600 per location, and the estimated completion schedule is 6 months from the time of placing the order. This ARPA request falls under "Public Communication Efforts" as listed on Page 14 of the US Treasury's SLFRF-Final Rule Overview.

ARPA-1164: Town of Fairhaven - Playground Resurfacing at Leroy Wood Elementary School

Funding amount: \$300,000.00

Approval date: 7/26/2023

Project Expenditure Category: 2.37 Economic Impact Assistance: Other

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The Fairhaven School Department would like to resurface a playground that is currently in poor condition and poses a significant need for replacement. The poor condition of the playground poses a safety risk to students and community members. The PIP surfacing will include removal and disposal of PIP rubber surfacing system, as the main play area is 10,817 Square Feet. Surface America Playbound Poured-in-Place Rubber Surfacing system will be installed by a factory crew. This playground in particular has been frequently used by the children at the Leroy Wood School and the general public and has seen significant wear and tear, with the most noticeable wear and tear occurring during the 2020 calendar year.

ARPA-1168: Town of Rehoboth - Public Safety Radio System

Funding amount: \$133,144.22

Approval date: 8/21/2023

Project Expenditure Category: 1.14 Other Public Health Services

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- Significant improvements have been made to the public safety radio system; however, significant gaps still remain. Specifically, the fire services and ambulance system lack the necessary infrastructure to provide the consistent and reliable redundancy required to dispatch fire and ambulance services in the event of the malfunctioning of the main radio console or repeater situated on the main communications tower located in the center of town. Additionally, first responders have experienced communications issues with dispatch while using handheld radios while on scene in some areas of the town. These gaps must be filled to maintain adequate readiness to respond to COVID 19 calls and future public health and public safety matters.

ARPA-1170: Bristol County -New Bedford Registry of Deeds Digitizing, Re-Indexing & Tagging Images of Docs

Funding amount: \$140,000.00

Approval date: 7/10/2023

Project Expenditure Category: 3.4 Public Sector Capacity: Effective Service Delivery

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- All digitized documents will be uploaded to the user-friendly website making them readily available without the need to go to the Registry in person. The process will decrease traffic within the Registry and will allow a safer option as compared to prolonged visits to the building. This will help maintain the safety and health protocols put in place during the COVID 19 Pandemic.

ARPA-1175: Town of Raynham – Gushee Pond & Lake Nippenicket Water Treatment Plant Upgrades to Treat PFAS

Funding amount: \$425,000.00

Approval date: 9/25/2023

Project Expenditure Category: 5.10 Drinking water: Treatment

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: 4245000

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- Funding will be utilized to offset a significant portion of the design and engineering costs associated with updating/upgrading two existing water treatment facilities to address remediation of perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances in the Raynham Center District's water supply sources.
- Additional project description, scope and cost estimates will be attached to the project application in support of the grant request. Information in a memorandum prepared by the consulting engineer should provide sufficient details regarding the purpose and scope of said project more thoroughly than can be explained here within the project description.

ARPA-1176: Town of Acushnet - Design/Engineering of Water Main Replacement & Stormwater Improvements-Slocum St

Funding amount: \$416,250.00

Approval date: 8/10/2023

Project Expenditure Category: 5.11 Drinking water: Transmission & Distribution

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: 4003000

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The Town of Acushnet is requesting County ARPA funds to fund the replacement of significantly aged water mains along Slocum Street. Given the age and condition of the water pipe and appurtenances along this roadway, the Town is in desperate need of replacement of the water mains to improve fire flow capacity and water quality for the residents of Acushnet. While the water main is being constructed, the Town will also replace and upgrade the stormwater and drainage infrastructure in this area, as well as repair the roadway and effected areas from the water and stormwater construction. The funds requested in the amount of \$416,250 represent the cost of designing these infrastructure improvements. This contract was publicly bid in accordance with state and federal procurement requirements (documentation attached). Woodard and Curran was the only engineering firm that bid on the on-call engineering bid.

ARPA-1177: Town of Berkley - Fire & Rescue EMS Vehicles

Funding amount: \$159,989.07

Approval date: 8/10/2023

Project Expenditure Category: 1.14 Other Public Health Services

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The Berkley Fire Department is requesting ARPA funding for two utility vehicles to be equipped with emergency medical equipment and used for emergency medical responses within our 16 square miles. These vehicles will be staffed with EMT's and Paramedics who will respond in conjunction with our Advanced Life Support ambulances to patients needing emergency medical care. Since the beginning of the COVID pandemic we have seen a 30% increase in EMS call volume over the last 3 years throughout COVID, with a greater majority of EMS calls requiring additional EMS staff on scene. Many people infected with the COVID virus experience a wide range of symptoms, including acute respiratory distress, which can quickly evolve into a life-threatening situation. These calls often require additional staff to assist in providing the highest level of Advanced Life Support care. Since the beginning of COVID our members have been on the frontline caring for our residents, including providing in-house vaccinations and medical evaluations to our most vulnerable who could not leave their homes.

ARPA-1178: City of New Bedford - Restoring Pre-Pandemic Employment FY2023

Funding amount: \$989,903.50

Approval date: 10/25/2023

Project Expenditure Category: 3.2 Public Sector Workforce: Rehiring Public Sector Staff

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The Treasury Final Rule allows recipients to use SLFRF funds to pay for payroll and covered benefits associated with increasing the number of budgeted FTEs up to 7.5% above the pre-pandemic baseline. Using the formula provided by the Treasury, we have calculated that New Bedford is eligible to cover up to 11 FTEs hired on or after March 3, 2021, that are not covered by other grant funds. Their total earnings from July 1, 2022, to June 30, 2023 (FY2023) sum to

\$704,576.97. To calculate the eligible costs associated with covered benefits, we took the fringe rate approved by FEMA for FY2023, which equals 41.85% and 1.53% for Overtime. The value of the eligible benefits for those employees is therefore \$285,326.53. The total request equals earnings plus eligible benefits, which equals \$989,903.50.

ARPA-1179: Town of Berkley - Berkley Town Fiber Project

Funding amount: \$53,798.00

Approval date: 10/12/2023

Project Expenditure Category: 5.21 Broadband: Other projects

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The Town of Berkley has been planning to build its ITY network over the last year and a half and received at State Community Compact Cabinet Grant to replace in improving all of our services, backup systems, and some workstations at Town Hall, as phase 1 of our plan. Phase 2 was to build out a fiber network for all town buildings, and we again applied for and received a CCC Grant for our fiber project. Unfortunately, we did not receive the whole request necessary to complete the Town fiber project at a cost of \$ 253,798. The Town received \$200,000 in the grant award from the state. The Town is now looking to apply for ARPA funding to complete the project. This application is for the balance of \$53,798 that is needed to complete the project.

ARPA-1181: Town of Berkley - Berkley Community School Special Education Teacher

Funding amount: \$52,000.00

Approval date: 9/25/2023

Project Expenditure Category: 2.25 Addressing Educational Disparity: Academic, Social, Emotional

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- Berkley Public Schools is requesting ARPA funds to pay for the salary of a 1.0 Full Time Equivalency (FTE) Special Education Teacher at Berkley Community School. In order to balance the FY24 budget Berkley Public Schools reduced a special education teacher and two paraprofessionals. The impact is that the remaining special education teachers needed to divide their class loads across multiple grade levels, providing less instructional support to students. This increased support will allow students to recover from the learning loss of the pandemic and develop more skills that will make them successful in the classroom moving forward.

Mandatory Performance Indicators:

- Number of students participating in evidence-based tutoring programs: 0

ARPA-1187: City of Fall River - Waterfront Stormwater Corridor Project (2)

Funding amount: \$3,000,000.00

Approval date: 11/6/2023

Project Expenditure Category: 5.6 Clean Water: Stormwater

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: MA 0100382

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- Reconstruction of Waterfront Stormwater Corridor and creation of a stormwater conveyance system which includes large box culverts and specially designed and configured manholes that will allow a large amount of stormwater to pass through a newly constructed transportation corridor.

ARPA-1188: City of Fall River - Veterans Assistance Program

Funding amount: \$20,000.00

Approval date: 10/12/2023

Project Expenditure Category: 2.37 Economic Impact Assistance: Other

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The City of Fall River would create a Veterans Assistance Program to provide financial aid and assistance to qualifying veterans. The program would target those veterans that receive just enough to survive but not enough to thrive.
- The economy has been significantly impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic, and has resulted in the increased costs of food, fuel, housing, and transportation. For individuals already struggling with fixed incomes, these increases have been extremely detrimental and have impacted their ability to afford the basic necessities. The purpose of the Veterans Assistance Program is to have an immediate and direct impact on qualifying veterans.

ARPA-1191: Town of Easton - INTERFACE Mental Health Referral Services

Funding amount: \$18,000.00

Approval date: 1/10/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 1.12 Mental Health Services

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The Town of Easton has contracted with INTERFACE Referral Services, an initiative of William James College, the primary goal of which is to promote and facilitate access to outpatient mental health services for individuals within the Town who are permanent residents and/or who are full-time students in the public school system. The primary feature of the service is to provide appropriate counseling referrals that take into account, to the extent practicable, such factors as location, availability, specialty, and insurance or fee requirements. Individuals can call a toll free referral helpline Monday-Friday 9:00am to 5:00pm to consult with a Resource and Referral Counselor to receive services. Services are health care related and exempt from Chapter 30.

ARPA-1192: City of Fall River - Stafford Square Preliminary Design

Funding amount: \$450,000.00

Approval date: 11/13/2023

Project Expenditure Category: 5.18 Water and Sewer: Other

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: MA 0100382

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The planning/design/construction management of wastewater and stormwater infrastructure projects involving Stafford Square will allow the City of Fall River to remedy a flooding issue that has long impacted the area. The project began with a feasibility study that was completed and with this funding the next steps can ensue. The funding would allow Wright-Pierce to do the following: (1) MEMA and FEMA grant applications, (2) One Stop for Growth, (3) Economic Analysis, (4) Wetlands Assessment, (5) Topographic Survey, (6) Initial Property Owner Coordination, (7) Preliminary Design, (8) Property Owner Coordination Follow-Up Meeting, (9) Preliminary Traffic, (10) Private Parcel Topographic and Boundary Surveys and Easement Plan Preparation, (11) Meetings, (12) Public Outreach Meeting and Preparation.

ARPA-1194: Bristol County - Bristol Northern-Taunton Registry of Deeds HVAC wall units

Funding amount: \$246,913.58

Approval date: 11/7/2023

Project Expenditure Category: 1.14 Other Public Health Services

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The Bristol Northern Registry of Deeds building is located at 11 Court Street in Taunton and is owned and operated by Bristol County. This project will replace/supplement the current HVAC system in this public building, providing a more efficient way to help purify the air quality for patron and employees. COVID-19 variants continue to emerge. It is essential that this public building remain open to day to day property registration/sale transactions. These units will help filter the air quality.

ARPA-1195: Town of Freetown - Water Meter Upgrade - Additional Request ARPA application 1046

Funding amount: \$20,963.04

Approval date: 11/30/2023

Project Expenditure Category: 5.15 Drinking water: Other water infrastructure

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: 4102035

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- Freetown is in the process of replacing all of its water meters with new remote read meters. While in the process of completing this project it was discovered that many homes had different size meters than originally recorded. Additionally, there were issues that occurred with this large-scale project. The cost of the project has gone over the original requested amount of \$373198.26. This application is to request additional funds in the amount of \$20,963.04 to complete the project.

ARPA-1196: Town of Freetown - Freetown Public Safety Communications Equipment

Funding amount: \$425,000.00

Approval date: 11/30/2023

Project Expenditure Category: 1.14 Other Public Health Services

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- Purchase Radio Equipment for Two Radio Towers which will improve radio communications between the Public Safety Departments. This will improve response times and ultimately save lives and make our community safer. The Town of Freetown has had significant issues with its communications system. The Public Safety radios have not worked in certain areas of Town for many years. This is a very dangerous situation and has become a priority due to the increase in calls since COVID and during COVID. Approximately 18 months ago our First responders were called to a scene of an accident and were attacked by the driver of the vehicle. Due to the poor radio reception, the First Responders were unable to call for police back up. We were fortunate with the combined efforts of the First Responders, both Police and Fire, that the attacker was subdued and none of our First Responders were injured. Later, we were made aware that the attacker had allegedly just committed a murder in Brockton.

ARPA-1197: Bristol County - Window Replacement Study- Fall River Children's Museum (County leased)

Funding amount: \$16,520.00

Approval date: 10/25/2023

Project Expenditure Category: 6.1 Provision of Governmental Services

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The windows of this County building will be evaluated by a historic architectural firm in order to estimate costs to repair or replace the windows. Some windows and frames are original to this 1889 structure and have far surpassed their ability to properly protect the building by allowing the windows to be opened and closed. They are unable to be opened to provide the needed ventilation to help maintain healthy air flow and ventilation.

ARPA-1198: Bristol County - Window/Skylight Replacement Study-Fall River Registry of Deeds

Funding amount: \$16,770.00

Approval date: 10/25/2023

Project Expenditure Category: 6.1 Provision of Governmental Services

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The windows of this County building will be evaluated by a historic architectural firm in order to estimate costs to repair or replace the windows. Some windows and frames are original to this 1889 structure and have far surpassed their ability to properly protect the building. They are not able to be opened to provide the needed ventilation to help maintain healthy air flow and ventilation, which is essential during this continued news of emerging COVID 19 variants.

ARPA-1199: Bristol County - Window/Skylight Replacement Study-New Bedford Superior Court (County owned)

Funding amount: \$12,720.00

Approval date: 10/25/2023

Project Expenditure Category: 6.1 Provision of Governmental Services

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The windows of this County building will be evaluated by a historic architectural firm in order to estimate costs to repair or replace the windows. Some windows and frames are original to this 1830 structure and have far surpassed their ability to properly protect the building. Many windows are not able to be opened.
- Maintaining, repairing, and replacing worn or broken components in a historic building maintains its historic and cultural value. Work can be undertaken to limit significant alterations to the historic fabric and has a beneficial effect by returning the building to its intended operation and expected use.

ARPA-1200: City of New Bedford - Increased Emergency Response Jan 2022 - June 2023

Funding amount: \$1,575,092.06

Approval date: 4/8/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 1.7 Other COVID-19 Public Health Expenses (Comms, Enfrmnt, Isolation)

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- Services from EMS, Police, EMA and Fire have increased due to the public health harm caused and exacerbated by COVID-19. The increase of services is a result of the municipality responding to the harms caused by the COVID-19 public health emergency, page 53 of Final Rule. The services are serving the general public of the City of New Bedford, which will be referred to as the 'designated class', aligning with the ARPA Final language, page 14 of the Final Rule. The increase of services is proportional and reasonable to the harm caused to the designated class,

also known as the 'general public'. Increased calls for emergency public services have increased the consumption of resources and need for expanded capacity to respond to urgent public health needs. Including the increased consumption of fuel to power emergency response vehicle's responding to the needs of the public as we were required to put more vehicles on the road to meet safety concerns and answer the increased number of calls.

ARPA-1201: City of New Bedford - City AED Equipment

Funding amount: \$123,140.88

Approval date: 12/26/2023

Project Expenditure Category: 1.7 Other COVID-19 Public Health Expenses (Comms, Enfrcmnt, Isolation)

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- ZOLL AEDs are essential equipment for savings lives during cardiac arrest. These were required to be used more often during the COVID-19 pandemic, requiring more rapid replacement than normal. Additionally, we added AEDs to every City building for decreased response time to emergent situations. This purchased 69 total units and the required supplies for use.

ARPA-1202: Town of Fairhaven - HVAC Cleaning & Disinfecting Town Hall Attic

Funding amount: \$8,249.00

Approval date: 11/13/2023

Project Expenditure Category: 1.14 Other Public Health Services

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- HVAC Improvements in the Town Hall Attic. This section of the Town Hall's HVAC system will be cleaned and disinfected in an effort to improve efficiency and reduce the spread of Covid-19 and other illnesses. The goal is to improve air flow and ventilation to reduce the risk of spreading Covid-19. This project is eligible for ARPA funding as delineated in the US Treasury's SLFRF - Final Rule Overview, Page 14 Ventilation System Installation and Improvement - public building. This work has not yet been completed, and the project will begin once the ARPA project is approved by the County.

ARPA-1205: Bristol County - Fall River Registry of Deeds Roof Replacement

Funding amount: \$100,125.00

Approval date: 11/7/2023

Project Expenditure Category: 6.1 Provision of Governmental Services

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- This project will replace the currency roof which is currently allowing water to seep into the building causing water damage and a mold and mildew situation that is a potential health risk for employees and the general public that utilizes the building on a daily basis.

ARPA-1206: Town of Fairhaven - Fairhaven Recreation Playground Renovations

Funding amount: \$200,000.00

Approval date: 11/13/2023

Project Expenditure Category: 2.22 Strong Healthy Communities: H&S Neighborhood Features

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The Recreation Department is seeking funds to replace the playground behind the Recreation Center. The location is a convenient stop along the bike path that makes it a potential attraction for many kids and families. Known users of the playground include area residents, and the participants of the Kool Kids summer program at the recreation center. Built in 2003, the playground is aged and outdated as it is more than 20 years old. The playground was heavily used during the pandemic, much more so than before Covid-19, causing wear and tear and aging much quicker than normal.
- The playground has an out of code and non-ADA compliant surface, has poor drainage and floods when it rains, and is lacking amenities such as benches, and trash and recycling receptacles. This playground is in the same neighborhood as Leroy Wood (just 3 minutes away), a Title I school, with students coming primarily from low income families. These same families frequently use the playground at the Rec Center.

ARPA-1207: City of Fall River - Open Space and Recreational Plan

Funding amount: \$35,200.00

Approval date: 11/30/2023

Project Expenditure Category: 2.22 Strong Healthy Communities: H&S Neighborhood Features

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- An Open Space and Recreational Plan (OSRP) allows the City to (1) engage the community to plan for the future of its conservation and recreational resources, (2) provides regional and historical context, (3) provides environmental inventory and analysis, and (4) includes community goals, analysis of needs, and an action plan.
- The OSRP is essentially a 7-year action plan that will guide the City's park-related work heading towards 2030. The OSRP process requires public engagement and drafting of a report documenting public input received through a survey and public meetings. Required as well, is a complete inventory of City-owned recreation and conservation lands with complete data on condition, method of acquisition, and land preservation status. The last plan was completed in 2009, so all maps, tables, and charts will be revised and updated. OSRP also requires an evaluation of all publicly accessible City-owned recreation and conversation properties for ADA compliance.

ARPA-1210: Town of Rehoboth - Public Safety Radio Upgrade - Pagers

Funding amount: \$24,942.24

Approval date: 12/26/2023

Project Expenditure Category: 1.14 Other Public Health Services

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- Application 1168 Public Safety Radio System, Public Safety Radio System was approved in order to address inconsistent and unreliable redundancy required to dispatch fire and ambulance services in the event of the malfunctioning of the main radio console or repeater. As part of this upgrade, we will be enabling our second or back up frequency for full redundancy should the main frequency go down. The fire and ambulance lack the necessary infrastructure to provide the consistent and reliable redundancy required to dispatch fire and ambulance in the event of the malfunctioning of the main radio console or repeater situated on the main communications tower located in the center of town.

ARPA-1215: Bristol County - Custodial COVID-19 Sanitation, Disinfection and Cleaning

Funding amount: \$19,500.00

Approval date: 12/26/2023

Project Expenditure Category: 4.1 Public Sector Employees

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- During the COVID-19 Pandemic the Bristol County Custodial Staff worked their normal work schedules continually sanitizing, disinfecting and cleaning the court houses and public buildings. They are eligible for an ARPA payment for conducting those services under the regulations.
- The custodial staff was selected for a one-time premium pay because they were required to work Monday through Friday throughout the COVID 19 emergency with no opportunity to "work from home" like most all other County employees. They were required to handle the day-to-day cleaning and sanitizing of office space and public use areas in all of our County owned buildings.

ARPA-1216: Bristol County - New Bedford Superior Court Roof Replacement and Construction

Administration

Funding amount: \$764,000.00

Approval date: 12/7/2023

Project Expenditure Category: 6.1 Provision of Governmental Services

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The New Bedford Superior Court is a historical building dating back to 1830. It is an active courthouse. The current roof conditions have far surpassed their lifespan. The County of Bristol will replace the current roof system to stop the current leak issues to prevent further interior damage.

ARPA-1217: Bristol County - Taunton Superior Court Roof Replacement and Construction Administration Services

Funding amount: \$2,387,449.00

Approval date: 12/7/2023

Project Expenditure Category: 6.1 Provision of Governmental Services

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The National Historic Taunton Superior Courthouse was built in 1895. Much of the historic copper roof and gutter system are original to the structure. Significant water damage is visible in the interior walls of this active courthouse due to the failure of the current roof and gutter system. This project will replace the remaining sections of copper roof and gutters that have not been replaced on this historic structure.

ARPA-1218: City of New Bedford - Police Retention Incentive

Funding amount: \$606,000.00

Approval date: 4/2/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 3.3 Public Sector Workforce: Other

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The project was targeted at essential workers, specifically, front line public safety personnel. 202 Police Officers received retention pay. The program followed Final Rule in "restore and

support government employment, including hiring above a recipient's pre-pandemic baseline, providing funds to employees that experienced pay cuts or furloughs, avoiding layoffs and providing retention incentives." New Bedford provided retention pay for Police Officers under the eligible workers as "those workers needed to maintain continuity of operations of essential critical infrastructure sectors and additional sectors as each . . . [government] may designate as critical to protect the health and wellbeing of [its] residents." Police Officers were among the top employees that continued in-person work that included contact with the general public throughout the defined emergency period, their work to keep the community and general public safe spans many forms that did not cease at any point. They were constantly at risk of exposure to themselves and then their family members and often had to arrange isolation from their homes to keep their families safe.

ARPA-1221: City of Fall River - Medical Equipment for EMS

Funding amount: \$167,937.77

Approval date: 1/10/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 1.14 Other Public Health Services

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The Emergency Medical Services (EMS) is in need of essential medical equipment for the Mobile Integrated Healthcare Division (MIH). Specifically, (1) Stethoscopes, (2) Portable Ultrasounds, and (3) Ventilators. Mobile Integrated Health was created by Commonwealth of Massachusetts prior to COVID, however during the pandemic, MIH services were critical in addressing the challenges of transporting elderly, disabled, or other non-emergency situations to hospitals that were at maximum capacity, or patients that had COVID into a congregate setting.

ARPA-1222: Town of Somerset - Chace Elementary School Window Replacement

Funding amount: \$1,000,000.00

Approval date: 1/30/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 1.7 Other COVID-19 Public Health Expenses (Comms, Enfrcmnt, Isolation)

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The Town of Somerset requested \$1,000,000 to begin the replacement of 60-year-old windows. Window replacement is necessary to enhance the airflow in classrooms and mitigate the spread of COVID-19. This phase of the project will remove and replace a section of classroom windows to improve air quality and temperature fluctuation during seasons. The scope of work also includes the necessary repairs to the masonry and eliminating potential water penetration in the classroom. Replacing these windows will significantly improve the air quality and natural light for an enhanced teaching and learning environment.

ARPA-1223: Town of Dartmouth – Compost Ventilation Blower Replacement

Funding amount: \$57,850.00

Approval date: 4/2/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 5.1 Clean Water: Centralized Wastewater Treatment

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: MAG59004

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The existing Biofilter at the Dartmouth Water Pollution Control Facility consists of a surface area of approximately 5,900 square feet with a filter media depth of 4'. The Biofilter is designed to

provide treatment for approximately 24,000cfm of exhaust air originating from the compost room. The exhaust air from the compost room is collected by five 2-speed wall fans and a series of ventilation ducts extended over five different compost zones.

- The exhaust ventilation blower fans are an important function of the Water Pollution Control Facility Composting process and failure of these components could lead to harmful air quality inside the composting building as well as odor complaints outside the facility. The existing exhaust ventilation blower fans have been inspected and have failed beyond repair. The immediate replacement of the existing exhaust ventilation blower fans is crucial to continuing the composting process at the facility.

ARPA-1225: Town of Dartmouth – Water Pollution Division - Lamp

Funding amount: \$584,518.50

Approval date: 2/23/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 5.1 Clean Water: Centralized Wastewater Treatment

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: MAG59004

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- (1) LAMP 6A64T6HE ANGLE BASE UV LAMPS
- (2) LAMP DRIVER KIT, SMD W/PLS UV BALLASTS
- ABOVE MATERIAL ARE PARTS FOR THE UV DISENFECTION SYSTEM

ARPA-1228: Town of Seekonk - EMS ALS/Command Vehicle

Funding amount: \$71,992.44

Approval date: 2/23/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 1.14 Other Public Health Services

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The pandemic and time since has put an unanticipated strain on the emergency medical services system and like other departments, the Seekonk Fire Department was forced to adapt as needed. A position was created within the department as a full-time EMS Director, and this response vehicle allows this position to respond, treat and be in command during any medical emergency. This vehicle is a response vehicle, meaning that it required the appropriate lighting and warning system, radios and restraint system for equipment in the vehicle. This vehicle is needed in order to respond to daily medical emergencies (which make up roughly 70% of the department's call volume), as well as highway incidents and fires to serve in a medical command function or safety officer.

ARPA-1229: Town of Seekonk - Zoll Monitors

Funding amount: \$111,548.62

Approval date: 1/29/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 1.14 Other Public Health Services

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- In early 2021, the Seekonk Fire Department did an internal assessment of our needs regarding our responses to medical emergencies and found a need to license our fire engines at the Advanced Life Support (ALS) level. Often our engines were the first on scene and staffed with paramedics, but the apparatuses were equipped and licensed at the Basic Life Support (BLS) level (without a cardiac monitor, paramedic level medications, etc.). A plan was put into place

that when the ambulance cardiac monitors were scheduled for replacement, the monitors already in service and coming off the ambulances would be now transferred to the engines, making them ALS and they would be replaced in the fall 2021 or early 2022. This did not happen and was directly a casualty of the pandemic due to the financial uncertainty at the time. Over the next 2 years the monitors stayed on the engines out of the necessity of ALS treatment, but the warranty has since lapsed, and we fell outside the manufacturer's recommended lifespan

ARPA-1232: Town of Easton – Acquisition of Emergency Response – Police Radio Systems

Funding amount: \$177,999.25

Approval date: 6/17/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 1.14 Other Public Health Services

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The Easton Police Department has acquired 55 new portable radios to replace their outdated, 13-year-old communication systems that had reached the end of their service life. These radios are essential for effective public safety operations, enabling officers to maintain communication while away from their vehicles. This upgrade enhances coordination between field officers and the emergency operations center. The project is being submitted under the COVID-19 mitigation and prevention category, specifically aligning with the eligible use case of “Emergency operations centers & emergency response equipment (e.g., emergency response radio systems)” as outlined in the U.S. Department of the Treasury’s *Coronavirus State & Local Fiscal Recovery Funds: 2022 Overview of the Final Rule* (page 14).

ARPA-1233: Town of Westport - Route 6 Water Loop

Funding amount: \$163,000.00

Approval date: 2/23/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 5.11 Drinking water: Transmission & Distribution

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: MA4334090

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- Engineering services to design water line extension in Route 6 from East Briggs Street to Washington Street and to design the water line loop from Route 6 down Osborn Street to Gifford Road, thence northerly along Gifford Road to Route 6. This new water main will replace existing contaminated public water supply wells on Route 6 and provide public water to the Westport Macomber School. This project is related to design only.

ARPA-1234: Town of Seekonk - Online Permitting

Funding amount: \$92,989.25

Approval date: 2/23/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 3.4 Public Sector Capacity: Effective Service Delivery

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- In response to COVID-19, the Town began transitioning many of its permit application processes to an online format. Online permitting helps to limit in-person interactions, balancing the need to protect the public health and safety with the need to ensure that municipal services continue uninterrupted. This project will allow the Town to continue to provide online permitting services to its residents and businesses.

ARPA-1236: Town of Dighton - Dighton Power Plant Pump Station Upgrades

Funding amount: \$76,800.00

Approval date: 5/6/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 5.2 Clean Water: Centralized Wastewater Collection and Conveyance

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: MA0100897

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The Town of Dighton, MA has a sewer pump station located at 1450 Somerset Avenue, within an easement from the Dighton Power Plant property. This pump station is known as the Power Plant Pump Station. The pump station was installed in 1997 and collects sewage from the power plant as well as parts of Somerset Avenue. Over time, the pump station has required increasing maintenance and some of the critical equipment has reached or exceeded its design life. A review of the Power Plant Pump Station was completed with condition issues, performance issues, and consequences of failures identified, and it was found that the pump station scored a "Very High" risk rating.

ARPA-1238: City of Fall River - CARE Fund

Funding amount: \$16,000.00

Approval date: 4/8/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 2.3 Household Assistance: Cash Transfers

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- Bristol Community College (BCC) created the CARE Fund which is a program designed to offset short term financial need for Fall River students experiencing immediate financial concerns which would otherwise prevent them from continuing their education at BCC. Funds are limited to students who are currently enrolled in classes at the time of the request and are in good academic standing.

ARPA-1240: Town of Seekonk - Public Health & Safety Message Boards

Funding amount: \$19,250.00

Approval date: 2/27/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 1.7 Other COVID-19 Public Health Expenses (Comms, Enfrcmnt, Isolation)

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- This project is for the purchase of one (1) message board with radar capability. This message board will be used to disseminate important public information in real time (e.g., COVID or other public health and safety updates). The primary purpose of this sign is to tie into the public health and safety communications network and provide visual signs on pending or current health and safety emergencies. When no emergencies are pending or existing, it will be used as a radar to control speeding in high volume areas.

ARPA-1242: Town of Seekonk - Paramedic Fire Engine

Funding amount: \$999,999.00

Approval date: 4/8/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 1.14 Other Public Health Services

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The Town of Seekonk is requesting ARPA funds for the purchase of a new Paramedic Fire Engine. The Town provides 24hr a day, 7 days a week, and 365 days a yr., Fire and Emergency Medical

Service to the approx. 16,000 residents residing here. The Seekonk Fire Department employees 44 dual role/cross trained Firefighter/EMT's and Firefighter/Paramedics. The department responds to over 3,000 emergency calls per year (average since the pandemic) (including multiple fire/EMS calls in support of a migrant hotel located here). The Town has seen an overall increase in calls over the last year. This purchase will save the Town considerable money. This Paramedic Engine responds along with a Seekonk Fire or mutual aid ambulance to all medical calls in town and is also available to respond to assist neighboring cities and towns if requested. All Seekonk fire engines are equipped for advanced life support (ALS) services.

ARPA-1243: Town of Dartmouth – Sewer Pump Station Generator Upgrades

Funding amount: \$367,975.00

Approval date: 4/2/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 5.1 Clean Water: Centralized Wastewater Treatment

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: MAG5904

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- This project includes the purchase and turnkey installation of four new generators at four of our sewer pump stations. The four stations are located at the intersection of State Road and Route 177, Alden Avenue, Mosher Street and Snowberry Drive. Currently, each of the listed pump stations are fitted with multiple pumps and a kicker motor that is connected to only one pump in the event of power loss. Currently when either of these stations loses power, the kicker motor will start up and generate power to run one pump. If this pump fails, then the station will become inoperable, and the station may surcharge if the power loss continues after the pump fails. If the power loss occurs during an extended intense rain event and the flows exceed the capacity of one pump, the station may surcharge because only one pump is operable. Each pump station generator upgrade will ensure that the entire station is powered during a power loss including multiple pumps. Since Covid-19, our sewer collection system has experienced increased flows and loadings. This could be due to the increase in development along with an increase in residents working from home.

ARPA-1244: Town of Westport - Route 6 sewer loop

Funding amount: \$147,000.00

Approval date: 4/2/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 5.2 Clean Water: Centralized Wastewater Collection and Conveyance

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: MA4334090

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- Engineering services to design sewer line from Route 6 down Osborn Street to Gifford Road, thence northerly along Gifford Road to Route 6. This new line will allow residential properties and the Macomber school to abandon their septic systems and tie into public sewer. There are two parts to this application, there is the design phase for \$125,000 and the preparation of the bidding contract for water and sewer along Route 6 and the Osborn/Gifford Loop, \$22,000 for a total cost of \$147,000. This project is a continuation of the Osborn Street water loop and the Route 6 sewer and water project both are part of the same project relating to sewer and water design in the Route 6 area.

ARPA-1246: Town of Seekonk - Paramedic Ambulance

Funding amount: \$521,041.00

Approval date: 4/8/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 1.14 Other Public Health Services

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The Town of Seekonk is requesting ARPA funds for the purchase of a new Paramedic Ambulance. The Town provides 24hr a day, 7 days a week, and 365 days a year Fire and Emergency Medical Service to the approx. 16,000 residents residing here. The Seekonk Fire Department employees 48 dual role/cross trained Firefighter/EMT's and Firefighter/Paramedics. The department responds to over 3,500 emergency calls per year (average since the pandemic). The Town has seen an overall increase in medical calls over the last year. This purchase will save the Town considerable money, replacing our current front-line ambulance which is quickly acquiring high mileage and general wear and tear.

ARPA-1249: Town of Acushnet – Water Main Replacement – Slocum Street Area

Funding amount: \$1,385,053.00

Approval date: 6/27/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 5.11 Drinking Water: Transmission & Distribution

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: 4003000

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The Town of Acushnet is seeking County ARPA funds to replace aging water mains along Slocum Street, which are in poor condition and urgently need replacement to enhance fire flow capacity and water quality for residents. The design phase of this project was previously approved under ARPA 1176 and is now complete, with the project currently out to bid. A professional engineer's estimate has been provided for the construction costs. To fund the project, the Town plans to combine its remaining County ARPA allocation of \$1,365,053 with \$851,097 in local NEU ARPA funds, and the Acushnet Selectboard approved this request, along with an additional \$20,000 for police details, on February 27, 2024, bringing the total County request to \$1,385,053.

ARPA-1250: Town of Rehoboth - Bulk Water Purchase for Senior Center - Add on to Application 1161

Funding amount: \$3,625.00

Approval date: 4/8/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 5.10 Drinking water: Treatment

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: 4247009

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- This application is an addition to Application 1161 Bulk Water. The Town of Rehoboth has detected elevated concentrations of per-a polyfluoroalkyl substance (PFAS) in the public water supply wells at the Senior Center. We are currently operating our senior center kitchen with bulk water, approved by Mass DEP in order to keep our Senior Center while we address the PFAS.
- The Town has been working with our engineer consultant and Mass DEP to remediate the PFAS issue and provide an approved filtration system and remediation plan for the senior center. Mass DEP has approved the plan, and we currently are working on that plan for an inspection by Mass DEP in order to remove the Bulk Water from the Senior Center.

ARPA-1251: City of Fall River - Mental Health Outreach for Veterans

Funding amount: \$10,000.00

Approval date: 4/22/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 1.12 Mental Health Services

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- During the pandemic, veterans experienced more mental health challenges than civilians. A study published in the National Library of Medicine outlines the impact the pandemic had on veterans, “the prevalence rates of alcohol use, anxiety, depression, post-traumatic stress disorder, stress, loneliness, and suicide ideation significantly increased during the pandemic.” The article goes on to attribute the “main risk factors of negative consequences included pandemic-related stress, poor family relationships, lack of social support, financial problems, and preexisting mental disorders.” While “resilience factors” included “greater community interaction and support.” The article emphasizes the significant detrimental impact the pandemic had by increasing adverse mental health consequences among veterans and urged that addressing mental health challenges with veterans be made a priority. The funding will provide the VSO with an opportunity to support veterans and their families with behavioral health support through speaker series, presentations, forums and providing resources.

ARPA-1252: City of Taunton - Purchase of 2 Hamilton Street

Funding amount: \$2,551,820.43

Approval date: 4/30/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 2.27 Addressing Impacts of Lost Instructions

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The Coyle Cassidy facility had already been established as a remote hub for higher education with Bristol Community College and the City recognized the importance of this outlet and the need to keep it within an EJ community. The purchase of the facility will allow Taunton to keep that resource within City limits. With the City’s needs for younger educational and recreational space and our proposed plans for the facility, the City will be able to foster educational resources for Taunton children, youth to adult. As programs evolve, Taunton schools will also be afforded the space to implore various educational programs and purchasing this facility will provide the means to do that. Increased physical space will provide an outlet to reduce existing classroom sizes and better classroom student to teacher ratios, ultimately making for a more qualitative experience and mitigate the impacts of the pandemic and other respiratory illnesses.

Mandatory Performance Indicators:

- Number of students participating in evidence-based tutoring programs: 0

ARPA-1253: City of New Bedford - East Beach Comfort Station

Funding amount: \$121,596.07

Approval date: 4/22/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 2.22 Strong Healthy Communities: H&S Neighborhood Features

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- Funding a new, towable, ADA compliant restroom trailer/ comfort station to be mainly used at the New Bedford East Beach that encourages use of open spaces. This trailer would be able to withstand weather in all four seasons and be used for additional purposes when not being used during the beach season. Examples of additional usage: emergency temporary bathrooms at any given city location if needed, and at city events that might require additional bathroom services if rental services are not available at the time.

ARPA-1255: City of New Bedford - Incinerator Demolition

Funding amount: \$890,793.40

Approval date: 5/6/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 2.23 Strong Healthy Communities: Demolition and Rehabilitation
NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The former incinerator building has been out of use for several decades. The building is currently derelict and structurally deficient. Although access by the public is restricted, there is evidence of occasional trespassing which constitutes a substantial safety hazard. The presence of asbestos in building materials adds a potential threat to public health as some of the materials are exposed to the environment and weathering. The Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection's Bureau of Air and Waste has jurisdiction over the enforcement of the above referenced regulations and has issued a Notice of Non-Compliance and Administrative Consent Order (ACO) directing the City to complete asbestos abatement and removal actions at the facility. Proper asbestos abatement will eliminate the threat to public health to the benefit all New Bedford residents. Because of the dilapidated and obsolete nature of the building and potential for injury, we believe it is prudent to demolish the building immediately following the asbestos abatement. This project will not only bring the facility into compliance with the regulations cited above and the conditions of the ACO, but it will also permanently eliminate a potential liability relative to public safety and a significant source of blight. Abatement and demolition is a permanent solution to this long-standing issue and no follow-up work will be required.

ARPA-1257: Town of Dighton - Fire Department Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus and Protective Equipment

Funding amount: \$340,485.00

Approval date: 4/22/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 1.14 Other Public Health Services

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- This project seeks funding in the amount of \$340,485 to replace the Department's fifteen (15)-year-old Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) personal protective equipment (PPE) and fund a new air compressor, filling station and related equipment to meet current National Fire Protection Association

ARPA-1258: Bristol County - New Bedford Superior Court Steam Boiler Replacement

Funding amount: \$163,780.00

Approval date: 4/22/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 1.4 Congregate Settings Prevention

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- Replacement of HVAC heating system at the New Bedford Superior Court. Demolish and removal of the existing cast iron HB Smith 44-13 Mill Steam boiler, asbestos, refractory, oil burner, boiler feed pump, boiler feed tank, condensate return piping, steam converter, steam control valve wiring and associated piping.

ARPA-1259: Bristol County - Taunton Superior Courthouse Steam Boilers Replacement

Funding amount: \$1,153,589.33

Approval date: 5/8/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 1.4 Congregate Settings Prevention

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- Replacement of the HVAC/Heating System Boilers at the Taunton Superior Court. The existing boiler plant that currently serves the courthouse and registry of deeds was installed in the mid-1950's and set up as an oil-fired, fire-tube boiler, high-pressure steam system. At that time, the boiler plant provided heating to the entire Superior Court House complex, which consisted of the Superior Court and Registry of Deeds.

ARPA-1260: Town of Berkley - Bayview Ave/Bryant St. Culvert Project

Funding amount: \$87,115.25

Approval date: 5/14/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 5.6 Clean Water: Stormwater

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: MAR041092

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The project would replace two culverts that are in significant danger of failing. One at Bayview Ave in the area of Osprey Dr., that is a smaller culvert of two steel pipes and the other in the area of Bryant St. and Seymour St. that is a significant undertaking. Both are causing significant flooding as they collapse and lie along major routes through Town.

ARPA-1271: Town of Westport - Mac Loop Water Sewer Borings

Funding amount: \$45,350.00

Approval date: 4/30/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 5.5 Clean Water: Other Sewer Infrastructure

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: MA4334090

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- As part of the Water and Sewer Design, subsurface investigations are needed as well as permitting fees for MassDOT Street opening permit. These are being paid through and administered by Kleinfelder. This is additional work related to Water and Sewer design.

ARPA-1272: Town of Westport - Route 6 Sewer Pump Stations

Funding amount: \$54,100.00

Approval date: 5/8/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 5.2 Clean Water: Centralized Wastewater Collection and Conveyance

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: MA4334001

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- As part of the Route 6 sewer project the Town will be installing two pump stations in Contract 1. The Town needs to take temporary and permanent easements at each location prior to construction. Appraisals have been completed for the two locations 35 and 287 State Road. The Town is requesting funding for the taking of land required to install the pump stations at 35 State Road \$44,400 and 287 State Road \$9,700 for a total of \$54,100.

ARPA-1273: City of New Bedford - Restoring Pre-Pandemic Employment FY2024

Funding amount: \$1,636,574.00

Approval date: 5/9/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 3.2 Public Sector Workforce: Rehiring Public Sector Staff

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The Treasury Final Rule allows recipients to use SLFRF funds to pay for payroll and covered benefits associated with increasing the number of budgeted FTEs up to 7.5% above the pre-pandemic baseline. Using the formula provided by the Treasury, we have calculated that New Bedford is eligible to cover up to 37 FTEs hired on or after March 3, 2021, that are not covered by other grant funds. Their total earnings from July 1, 2023, to April 25, 2024 (FY2024) sum to \$1,164,407.31. To calculate the eligible costs associated with covered benefits, we took the fringe rate approved by FEMA for FY2023, which equals 41.85% and 1.53% for Overtime. The value of the eligible benefits for those employees is therefore \$472,166.69. The total request equals earnings plus eligible benefits, which equals \$1,636,574.00.

ARPA-1274: Town of Rehoboth - Police Radio Upgrade

Funding amount: \$178,715.00

Approval date: 5/8/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 1.7 Other COVID-19 Public Health Expenses (Comms, Enfrcmnt, Isolation)

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- Significant improvements have been made to our public safety system; however, some significant issues still remain. Specifically, our police officers' inability to have consistent connection in our schools in the event of an emergency. Our police officers many times are the first responders, and it is critical to the safety of the public and our police officers that they are able to communicate in all areas of our schools and communicate out to our dispatchers. Our ability to have consistent and timely communication not only between police officers but with our dispatchers is critical to public safety in responding to COVID 19 matters or future public safety issues. To address this important issue, the Town will use ARPA funds to provide reliable communications in all areas of our school buildings by amplifying communication that will provide communication out to other public safety personnel. The funds will be used to provide in building boosters to amplify Class A Signal for our police radio 800mhz frequency in all school buildings, to insure 100% reliable radio communications. State police and other public safety personnel with 800mhz will also be able to communicate with our public safety personnel in the interest of public safety. This will include all equipment, material, and labor associated with this project, including a battery backup, for a complete turnkey system installation, including electrical & fire alarm connections.

ARPA-1275: City of New Bedford – Employee COVID Medical Expenses – Apr 2023 – Feb 2024

Funding amount: \$489,064.87

Approval date: 6/27/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 1.6 Medical Expenses (including Alternative Care Facilities)

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The City's self-insured health insurance program, administered by Blue Cross Blue Shield, is funded through the Medical Claims Trust Fund, which pools contributions from both the employer and employees; under this self-insured model, expenses related to confirmed and suspected COVID-19 cases, such as testing and diagnostics, are eligible for ARPA funding, and this request specifically seeks to cover such COVID-related medical costs incurred between April 2023 and February 2024.

ARPA-1276: City of New Bedford - Increased Emergency Response July 2023 - April 2024

Funding amount: \$895,317.63

Approval date: 5/9/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 1.7 Other COVID-19 Public Health Expenses (Comms, Enfrcmnt, Isolation)

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- Services from EMS, Police, EMA and Fire have increased due to the public health harm caused and exacerbated by COVID-19. The increase of services is a result of the municipality responding to the harms caused by the COVID-19 public health emergency, page 53 of Final Rule. The services are serving the general public of the City of New Bedford, which will be referred to as the 'designated class', aligning with the ARPA Final language, page 14 of the Final Rule. The increase of services is proportional and reasonable to the harm caused to the designated class, also known as the 'general public'. Increased calls for emergency public services has increased the consumption of resources and the need for expanded capacity to respond to urgent public health needs. Capacity has been expanded to meet the general public's needs by purchasing an additional ambulance through CARES Act funding, we are now left supporting the additional overhead of payroll cost that comes with the additional emergency vehicle (also referred to as the "5th Ambulance").

ARPA-1279: City of New Bedford - NBForward!

Funding amount: \$1,090,000.00

Approval date: 5/14/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 2.29 Loans or Grants to Mitigate Financial Hardship

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- NBForward! is a new small business assistance program that provides resources for pandemic-impacted New Bedford based businesses to get through the challenges of the next phase of COVID-19 recovery, while looking toward investing in and preparing for greater future success. The Subrecipient will be offering 100 grants of up to \$20,000 in conjunction with matching financing from other non-ARPA sources and other technical assistance (business planning, resource guidance, best practices, etc.). Businesses may apply for up to \$20,000 in grant funds under this program, and grant funds shall be matched with a non-ARPA funded loan from the Subrecipient with deferred payments for three months.

ARPA-1280: City of New Bedford - NB100!

Funding amount: \$130,000.00

Approval date: 5/14/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 2.32 Business Incubators and Start-Up or Expansion Assistance *^

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The goal of NB100! Is to promote entrepreneurship, grow local wealth, and strengthen community bonds by helping 100 new businesses get off the ground. The Subrecipient will lead an expansive effort to provide a variety of technical assistance delivered by seven New Bedford SourceLink resource partners who will manage targeted programs as the first phase of assistance.

ARPA-1285: Town of Dighton - MS4 Permit Compliance Services

Funding amount: \$45,000.00

Approval date: 5/31/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 5.6 Clean Water: Stormwater

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: MAR041105

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- This project would allow the Town to fund the services of a procured and contractor outside engineer to create an MS4 implementation plan, complete a Stormwater Regulations Review, and, importantly, complete dry weather outfall/interconnection mapping, screening and sampling of each of Dighton's outfalls/interconnections as outlined in the enclosed scope of work. It would also fund required investments in Dighton's stormwater public education program.

ARPA-1286: Town of Westport - Macomber Loop Waterline Construction

Funding amount: \$648,650.00

Approval date: 5/31/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 5.11 Drinking water: Transmission & Distribution

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: 4334090

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The Town has used Bristol County ARPA funds to design waterlines extending easterly along Route 6 and southerly along Gifford Road from Route 6 to Osborn Street, thence northerly along Osborn Street back to Route 6. (Locus Map Attached). The Town was awarded a \$4,000,000 grant from USEPA and MassDEP to construct the waterlines. This grant is being funded with federal ARPA funds and will need to be obligated summer of 2024 as well. The Town has hired Kleinfelder Engineering to complete the design, prepare bid documents and provide construction oversight. The estimated construction costs including contingencies and Engineering services (Construction) is \$5,172,290. The Town is requesting \$648,650 of Bristol County ARPA funds that would be used to offset some of the construction costs. The Town has sufficient funding previously approved to cover the \$523,640 difference.

2025 Projects

ARPA-1157: City of N. Attleboro - Regional Food Collaborative - 451 Elm Street North Attleborough

Funding amount: \$60,098.00

Approval date: 12/18/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 1.14 Other Public Health Services^

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- This amendment to ARPA-1044 supports the Town's plan to purchase and renovate the former Fisher College building at 451 Elm Street, with the goal of expanding services for underserved populations. The COVID-19 pandemic underscored a growing need for food assistance within the Town and surrounding communities, and this initiative aims to address that demand by enhancing local support infrastructure.

ARPA-1182: Town of Dartmouth - Cushman Elementary School HVAC Project

Funding amount: \$84,240.00

Approval date: 9/5/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 1.4 Congregate Settings Prevention*^

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The project at Cushman Elementary School involves upgrading the existing pneumatic control system, which currently manages steam heating and ventilation with limited temperature and occupancy control capabilities. The new plan includes installing a Tridium/Niagara-based Energy Management and Control System (EMCS), replacing pneumatic valves on unit ventilators, air handling units, and heating equipment with electronic control valves. This upgrade will enable automated temperature regulation, night setback, and improved scheduling for occupied and unoccupied periods. Additionally, the project will implement boiler outdoor air lockout, monitoring of boiler room equipment, and integrate exhaust fan operation with flow switches into the EMCS, enhancing overall system efficiency and flexibility.

ARPA-1183: Town of Dartmouth - Dartmouth High School HVAC Project

Funding amount: \$227,832.00

Approval date: 9/5/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 1.4 Congregate Settings Prevention*^

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The project at Dartmouth High School involves upgrading the existing pneumatic control system, which currently manages steam heating and ventilation with limited functionality, including basic temperature control and a manual outdoor air setting that cannot be easily adjusted. The system also lacks flexibility in managing occupied and unoccupied schedules, relying on a single building-wide signal. The proposed upgrade will replace the outdated system with a modern Tridium/Niagara-based Energy Management and Control System (EMCS), including new electronic control valves for unit ventilators, air handling units, and steam baseboard and convector systems. It will also integrate boiler room monitoring, outdoor air lockout, and exhaust fan operation with flow switches, enabling more precise temperature control, improved ventilation management, and energy-efficient night setback capabilities.

ARPA-1184: Town of Dartmouth - Demello Elementary School HVAC Project

Funding amount: \$177,480.00

Approval date: 9/5/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 1.4 Congregate Settings Prevention*^

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The project at DeMello Elementary School involves upgrading the existing pneumatic control system, which currently manages steam heating and ventilation with limited capabilities, including basic temperature regulation and a fixed manual setting for outdoor air ventilation that cannot be easily adjusted. The system also lacks flexibility in managing occupied and unoccupied schedules, relying on a single building-wide signal. The proposed upgrade will implement a modern Tridium/Niagara-based Energy Management and Control System (EMCS), replacing pneumatic control valves for unit ventilators, air handling units, and heating and ventilating equipment. Additionally, the project includes installing boiler room monitoring, outdoor air lockout, and integrating exhaust fan operation with flow switches to verify functionality. All steam baseboard and convector control valves will be replaced with electronic versions, enabling precise temperature control and energy-saving night setback features.

ARPA-1185: Town of Dartmouth - Potter School HVAC Project

Funding amount: \$174,600.00

Approval date: 9/5/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 1.4 Congregate Settings Prevention*^

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The project at Potter School involves upgrading the outdated pneumatic control system currently used to manage steam heating and ventilation. This existing system is limited to basic temperature control through pneumatic sequences and relies on a manual setting for outdoor air ventilation, which cannot be easily adjusted. It also lacks flexibility in managing occupied and unoccupied schedules, using a single building-wide signal. The proposed upgrade will implement a modern Tridium/Niagara-based Energy Management and Control System (EMCS), replacing pneumatic control valves for unit ventilators, air handling units, and heating and ventilating equipment. The project will also include boiler room monitoring, outdoor air lockout, and integration of exhaust fan operation with flow switches to verify functionality. Additionally, all steam baseboard and convector control valves will be replaced with electronic versions, enabling precise temperature regulation and energy-efficient night setback capabilities.

ARPA-1208: City of New Bedford - Vacant Building Redevelopment

Funding amount: \$1,510,099.00

Approval date: 12/5/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 2.23 Strong Healthy Communities: Demolition and Rehabilitation^

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- Three vacant properties, 21-35 Commercial Street, 13-19 Commercial Street, and 24 Union Street, have been selected by the City of New Bedford for revitalization under the Vacant Building Program, an initiative aligned with the ARPA Final Rule's provisions for addressing "vacant or abandoned properties." Recognizing the pandemic's impact on housing and neighborhood health, the program targets the negative public health and economic effects associated with high vacancy rates, such as environmental hazards and increased crime. Using

ARPA-eligible funds, the City aims to support neighborhood revitalization through activities like demolition or deconstruction of vacant buildings, greening or lot improvements, conversion to affordable housing, and securing or rehabilitating properties to reduce their detrimental impact.

ARPA-1213: Town of Somerset - Water Main Replacement Project

Funding amount: \$2,122,383.68

Approval date: 12/12/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 5.11 Drinking Water: Transmissions & Distribution

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: PWS #4273000

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The Town of Somerset requests \$1,990,755.98 to replace corroding and outdated water mains to improve the service, quality, and safety of the Town's water distribution system. Almost 20% of the Town's water mains were installed between the late 1920s and late 1930s. During this time, 2" steel was the preferred piping used. Over the past hundred years, these steel mains have deteriorated inside and out, resulting in leaks, tuberculation, rusty water, low flow rates, and low water pressure. Approximately 6 to 7 miles of 2" steel water main remains in service. This project will remove and replace approximately 2.57 miles of these old, deteriorated water mains with new 6", C900 PVC piping. Additionally, each buildable lot along either side of the repaired streets will receive a new service line extending from the new main to the respective property lines. Further, new fire hydrants will be installed at strategic locations along the streets to provide fire protection that, presently, is nonexistent. The scope of work also includes repaving the trenches cut in the streets to accommodate the water main work. Replacing these water mains will enhance the quality of life for Somerset residents: their water quality will improve, their costs for water will be reduced (by eliminating pipe leakage and watermain breaks), and fire safety improved.

ARPA-1214: City of New Bedford - Affordable Housing

Funding amount: \$2,743,028.00

Approval date: 9/3/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 2.15 Long-Term Housing Security: Affordable Housing*^

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- Eighteen and Union (AHD02) is the substantial rehabilitation of three historic buildings in downtown New Bedford for 23 market rate units, 5 affordable units, and 2 commercial spaces. The project as designed will have a transformative impact on Union Street and has been carefully designed in size and scale to complement existing buildings downtown. 117 Union Street (AHD04) is a proposed mixed-use development located in downtown New Bedford. The project combines new construction with the preservation of the historically significant Moby Dick Chandler Building to create 45 units of mixed-income housing and approximately 3,000 square feet of ground floor retail space. This includes 13 units up to 100% AMI, 21 units up to 60% AMI with no rental assistance, 3 units up to 60% AMI with rental assistance, and 8 units for Section 8 vouchers.

ARPA-1219: Town of Raynham - Britton Street Water Main Concept Design & Construction

Funding amount: \$395,000.00

Approval date: 12/3/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 5.11 Drinking Water: Transmissions & Distribution

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: PWS #4245002

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The North Raynham Water District executed an agreement with Stantec Corporation to compile a conceptual design & Engineer's Opinion of Probable Construction Cost to install a new 12-inch water main in Britton Street. This would replace the existing 6-inch water main, which would be abandoned in place. The new 12-inch main would tie into the water main that leaves the King Philip Street WTP driveway.

ARPA-1237: Bristol County - Design Services for New Bedford 3rd District Court HVAC Replacement

Funding amount: \$194,200.00

Approval date: 7/31/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 1.14 Other Public Health Services^

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- Bristol County is planning on replacing the HVAC system at the New Bedford 3rd District Court located at 75 N.Sixth Street New Bedford, MA. Bristol County leases this courthouse to the State of Massachusetts Trial Court. It is considered one of the busiest courthouses in the County. The current HVAC system is original to the courthouse and dates to 1982. The County has had a study conducted to identify options for the HVAC replacement. That study was conducted by GGD Consulting Engineers, Inc. and is attached to this application. The Bristol County Commissioners have voted to proceed with the project, and they have contracted with Tighe & Bond Engineers to provide professional design services for mechanical, electrical, plumbing, architectural and structural engineering services required to support this project through the design, bidding and construction phases of this project.

ARPA-1241: Town of Fairhaven - Administrative Costs

Funding amount: \$14,635.03

Approval date: 12/12/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 7.1 Administrative Expenses

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- Consulting services related to ARPA administrative costs. Specifically, for the cost of consultants hired to handle the submission of ARPA applications, compliance and monitoring for the County ARPA allocation for the Town of Fairhaven. In accordance with MGL30b procurement - quotes were obtained for these services

ARPA-1247: Town of Easton - Premium Pay for School Dept Employees

Funding amount: \$574,955.42

Approval date: 11/18/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 4.1 Public Sector Employees

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The Easton School Department has issued premium pay to essential employees required to work in person during the Covid-19 public health emergency. The essential functions of these employees necessitated performance of these duties in person, rather than remotely for most of the time during the State of Emergency. These eligible workers were required to maintain continuity of operations for essential critical infrastructure sectors related to educational, school nutrition and other work required to operate a school facility. Most premium payments were

paid to school department employees. However, several food service workers are employees of an outside food service vendor, and those payments were made to the food service vendor.

ARPA-1256: City of New Bedford - Clegg Field

Funding amount: \$510,764.00

Approval date: 8/13/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 2.22 Strong Healthy Communities: H&S Neighborhood Features^

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID:

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The project aims to enhance safety and usability at Clegg Field located at the corner of Coral Street and Brock Avenue by installing field lighting, replacing the outfield sod, and upgrading the infield dirt, with a focus on improving recreational access for residents in a low-income neighborhood.

ARPA-1261: Town of Raynham - Mill Street Bridge Replacement - Stormwater/Drainage infrastructure only

Funding amount: \$158,646.00

Approval date: 11/18/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 5.6 Clean Water: Stormwater

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: MAR041151

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The Town of Raynham is replacing the Mill Street Bridge over Pine Brook Swamp and the adjoining roadway. The project includes at least \$158,646 for stormwater/drainage infrastructure work which is critical for the management of stormwater near the bridge. The total project cost is \$1.4 million, and a contract has already been awarded.

ARPA-1262: Town of Raynham - Town-wide stormwater/drainage infrastructure

Funding amount: \$146,286.00

Approval date: 11/18/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 5.6 Clean Water: Stormwater

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: MAR041151

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The Town of Raynham has initiated a \$435,500 contract, awarded in April 2024 and running through December 31, 2024, to improve stormwater infrastructure and drainage systems excluding any change orders. Due to the Town's housing density, topography, and soil composition, stormwater management poses significant challenges related to safety, public health, and environmental impact. With support from ARPA funds, the Town is now able to address these issues more aggressively than would otherwise be feasible.

ARPA-1270: Town of Berkley - Stormwater Screening, Testing, and Reporting Services

Funding amount: \$22,380.00

Approval date: 9/3/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 5.6 Clean Water: Stormwater

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: MAR041092

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The Town of Berkley is soliciting proposals for Testing, Screening, and Reporting services as part of its Year 6 MS4 report, continuing its commitment to stormwater compliance. This includes contracting a two-person crew for dry weather screening and analysis, either in the field or in a

lab, when dry weather flow is detected. New efforts this year will focus on identifying problematic outfalls and launching a public education initiative, developed in collaboration with the selected engineering firm, to raise awareness about pollution from everyday activities. Additionally, the Town seeks a contractor to compile a summary of lab findings, prepare the annual MS4 report, and liaise with the EPA on future recommendations. These initiatives aim to build on past progress and better target future stormwater management efforts.

ARPA-1277: City of New Bedford - Affordable Housing - 10@8th

Funding amount: \$1,004,631.50

Approval date: 10/3/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 2.15 Long-Term Housing Security: Affordable Housing*^

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The 10 @ 8th project, located at the intersection of Union Street and 8th Street in downtown New Bedford, is a mixed-use real estate development that will feature 52 residential units designed to accommodate a diverse range of residents and income levels, with all units designated for households earning at or below 80% of the area median income (AMI); the development will also adhere to modern environmental and sustainability standards, aiming to be LEED certifiable.

ARPA-1289: Town of Dighton - Main Street Stormwater Drainage Improvements

Funding amount: \$314,403.84

Approval date: 12/10/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 5.6 Clean Water: Stormwater

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: MAR041105

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The Town of Dighton plans to replace approximately 3,100 linear feet of drainage pipe and related infrastructure along Main Street, targeting areas within the federally designated Urbanized Area. This stormwater drainage upgrade, featuring new pipes, catch basins, and water quality units, will be carried out by in-house staff and aims to improve roadway conditions during heavy rainfall by facilitating more efficient runoff. The installation of water quality units at outfalls is the best management practice designed to prevent debris from entering nearby water bodies. Overall, the project is essential for mitigating flood risks in historically affected zones and enhancing pedestrian safety along this busy corridor.

ARPA-1290: Town of Easton - Additional Public Safety Staffing

Funding amount: \$418,072.51

Approval date: 7/31/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 3.2 Public Sector Workforce: Rehiring Public Sector Staff

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- This project covers payroll, and some additional expenses related to hiring additional public safety staff, specifically police patrol officers, above the pre-pandemic baseline. The pre-pandemic baseline reflected a budget of 36 uniformed officers in FY20. The Town has remained at that budgeted level up to and including the FY25 budget. The Town hired several patrol officers, beginning in April 2022 and is requesting ARPA funding for these positions from that time through June 30, 2025. The pre-pandemic baseline of 36 uniformed officers as of 1/27/20 multiplied by the allowable increase of 7.5% results in an adjusted pre-pandemic baseline of

38.7 FTE (36x1.075). Budgeted FTEs at the beginning of the performance period on 3/3/21 totaled 36, therefore for up to 2.7 FTEs (38.7-36) are eligible for funding. This request covers the hiring of 2 FTEs plus 4 weeks of payroll for another new officer which bridged the overlap between the retirement of a previously budgeted officer and their replacement. The amount spent on this project to date is \$241,295.07 and the Town anticipates spending an additional \$176,777.44 through June 30, 2025, for a total of \$418,072.51.

ARPA-1291: City of Attleboro - Bishop Street Water Main Replacement

Funding amount: \$1,677,430.00

Approval date: 7/16/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 5.11 Drinking Water: Transmission & Distribution

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: MA4016000

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- This project consists of furnishing and installing approximately 4,700 LF of 12-inch diameter ductile iron water main and associated service connections, valves, fittings, hydrants, and appurtenances along Bishop Street from Park Street to Pike Street. Temporary bypass piping shall be used along the entire project route, where the new water main will replace the existing cast iron water main. Where removed, the existing cast iron water main must be properly disposed of off-site. All locations shall be restored to equal or better condition including pavement, sidewalk and curbing restoration, and loam and seed.

ARPA-1292: Town of Dartmouth - 579 Old Westport Road WTP Backwash Supply Storage Tank and CT Contact Loop Project

Funding amount: \$2,518,000.00

Approval date: 8/13/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 5.1- Drinking Water: Treatment

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: MAR041102

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The 579 Old Westport Road Water Treatment Plant (WTP), operational since 2003, utilizes six Greensand Plus pressure vessels to remove iron and manganese from groundwater, which is pre-treated with sodium hypochlorite for oxidation, sodium hydroxide for pH adjustment, and a polymer for coagulation before filtration; post-filtration, chloramines are formed using sodium hypochlorite and ammonium sulfate for secondary disinfection as water enters distribution. The plant sources water from eight gravel-packed wells, Violetta wells V4 and V5, Pinelli wells P1, P2, and P3, and three additional wells in the Pinelli Wellfield, after retiring Violetta wells V1–V3 in 2021 due to contamination. Recently, wells P1 and P3 were also taken offline following bacteriological detections, as WTP lacks 4-log virus inactivation/removal capability. The facility is permitted to treat up to 2.323 million gallons per day (approximately 1,600 g.p.m.) and currently operates at an average of 750 g.p.m.

ARPA-1295: Town of Westport - Macomber Loop Waterline Construction 2

Funding amount: \$371,236.88

Approval date: 7/16/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 5.11 Drinking Water: Transmission & Distribution

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: 4334090

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The Town has utilized Bristol County ARPA funds to design new waterlines extending east along Route 6, south on Gifford Road to Osborn Street, and then north on Osborn Street back to Route

6, with a \$4 million grant from the USEPA and MassDEP, also funded by federal ARPA dollars, secured for construction, which must be obligated by summer 2024. Kleinfelder Engineering has been contracted to finalize the design, prepare bid documents, and oversee construction, with total estimated costs, including contingencies and engineering services, reaching \$5,172,290. Previously, the Town received \$648,650 in ARPA funds to offset construction costs and is now requesting an additional \$371,236.88, with the remaining \$152,403.12 already covered by prior approvals. The project is scheduled to go out to bid in early July, with the construction contract expected to be awarded in August.

ARPA-1296: Town of Easton - INTERFACE Mental Health Referral Services #2

Funding amount: \$53,500.00

Approval date: 8/13/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 1.12 Mental Health Services*^

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The Town of Easton has contracted with INTERFACE Referral Services, an initiative of William James College, the primary goal of which is to promote and facilitate access to outpatient mental health services for individuals within the Town who are permanent residents and/or who are full-time students in the public school system. The primary feature of the service is to provide appropriate counseling referrals that consider, to the extent practicable, such factors as location, availability, specialty, and insurance or fee requirements. Individuals can call a toll free referral helpline Monday-Friday 9:00am-5:00pm to consult with a Resource and Referral Counselor to receive services. Services are health care related and are exempt from Chapter 30B. A similar contract was first approved for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024, through ARPA-1191. The new contract was recently awarded on June 24, 2024, for a two year period beginning 7/1/24 and ending 6/30/26. The total price for the new two year contract is \$53,500.

ARPA-1297: Bristol County - Cupola Restoration-New Bedford Superior Court

Funding amount: \$199,000.00

Approval date: 7/16/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 6.1 Provision of Governmental Services

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- This project would restore the historic cupola at the New Bedford Superior Court. This court is a historic building built in 1830. The contractor would restore the current dilapidated cupola in accordance with the architects' historical drawings.

ARPA-1298: Town of Easton - Community Mental Health Liaison Position and Related Expenses

Funding amount: \$212,696.04

Approval date: 9/18/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 1.12 Mental Health Services*^

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The COVID-19 pandemic has brought unprecedented challenges to global mental health, necessitating the essential role of mental health personnel in supporting public well-being. The integration of mental health liaisons within police departments is a proactive measure to support individuals with mental health issues and the overall well-being of law enforcement personnel by promoting a more compassionate and effective approach using crisis intervention

and de-escalation techniques to address a variety of mental health issues such as anxiety, depression and trauma exacerbated by the pandemic's uncertainty and isolation measures. With financial assistance provided from ARPA funding, the Town of Easton was able to create the new position of Mental Health Liaison for this purpose. To date the Town has spent \$123,488.70 and projects additional spending of \$89,688.71 for the remainder of fiscal 2025 for a total project cost of \$213,177.41. Of the \$123,488.70 spent to date, \$120,205.66 is for payroll and \$3,283.04 is for related expenses which fall below procurement thresholds.

ARPA-1299: City of Attleboro - Water Main Replacement and Restoration Paving of Globe St

Funding amount: \$129,100.00

Approval date: 8/13/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 5.11 Drinking Water: Transmission & Distribution

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: MA4016000

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The project involves installing approximately 350 feet of 6-inch ductile iron water main, beginning at its connection with the existing water main on Bushee Street and extending to the end of Globe Street beyond #17 Globe Street, along with all related work as specified in the bid documentation.

ARPA-1300: City of Attleboro - 30 Inch Butterfly Valve and Stand Operator Installation

Funding amount: \$169,000.00

Approval date: 7/31/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 5.10 Drinking Water: Treatment

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: MA4016000

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The project involves furnishing and installing two 30-inch butterfly valves along with their operators at the recirculation tanks of the Russell F. Tennant Treatment Plant, encompassing all necessary labor, tools, materials, and equipment required to complete the work.

ARPA-1303: Town of Dartmouth - WPC Biofilter Blower & VFD Replacement

Funding amount: \$36,974.28

Approval date: 9/20/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 5.18 Water and Sewer: Other

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: MAG590000

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The existing Biofilter at the Dartmouth Water Pollution Control Facility spans approximately 5,900 square feet with a 4-foot-deep filter media and is designed to treat around 24,000 cubic feet per minute of exhaust air from the compost room, which is ventilated by five two-speed wall fans and a network of ducts covering five compost zones. These exhaust ventilation blower fans are critical to maintaining safe air quality within the composting building and preventing odor issues outside the facility. However, the current fans have been deemed irreparable following inspection, making their immediate replacement essential to sustaining composting operations. Additionally, since the fans are operated via Variable Frequency Drives (VFDs), these drives must also be replaced during the blower upgrade to ensure optimal performance and efficiency.

ARPA-1304: Town of Dartmouth - DPW WPC SWITCHGEAR BREAKER REPLACEMENT

Funding amount: \$212,098.00

Approval date: 9/3/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 5.18 Water and Sewer: Other

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: MAG590000

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The Dartmouth Water Pollution Control Facility is undertaking a critical project to replace its aging switchgear breakers, originally installed in 1992, due to increasing failures and safety concerns. These seven breakers are essential to the facility's operations, and the failure of any one of them could disrupt preliminary and primary treatment, sludge handling, or blower functions, potentially rendering the facility inoperable. Since the current breakers are obsolete and reconditioned units are extremely scarce, new compatible breakers will be custom-manufactured and installed. This replacement is not routine maintenance but a vital infrastructure upgrade. The installation will require a temporary facility shutdown, scheduled during low-flow weekend periods with minimal precipitation and groundwater levels, and backup generators will be deployed to maintain operational readiness during the transition.

ARPA-1305: Town of Easton - Summer Enrichment Academy Program

Funding amount: \$190,598.54

Approval date: 12/10/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 2.27 Addressing Impacts of Lost Instructional Time^

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- Over the past three years, our Summer Enrichment Academy has provided valuable educational opportunities for students in grades Kindergarten through 12. The program, which lasted between 3 to 4 weeks each summer, was designed to address and mitigate the summer slide by focusing on essential skills in English Language Arts (ELA) and Math. In addition to academic enrichment, the program included a Social and Emotional Learning (SEL) component to support students' overall well-being and personal development. By combining rigorous academic instruction with SEL, the academy aimed to enhance both students' academic performance and their social-emotional skills, ensuring a well-rounded approach to summer learning and growth. Expenses include costs for instructional services and transportation.

ARPA-1306: Town of Mansfield - PFAS Remediation

Funding amount: \$146,241.54

Approval date: 9/20/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 5.10 Drinking Water: Treatment

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: MAR041126

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- This project consists of costs associated with designing, upgrading, constructing and/or replacing various Water Department facilities and infrastructure, including PFAS remediation. This is a continuation of application 1025 and 1090. Like the other projects, Town Meeting had approved a debt borrowing in total of \$23,020,000. This funding will help to reduce the balance that will need to be bonded long term. The ARPA funding will directly help to offset costs with the infrastructure improvement, as well as reduce the burden that will be put on the rate payers.

ARPA-1308: Town of Dartmouth - KLAMPRESS REBUILD PROJECT

Funding amount: \$38,954.00

Approval date: 9/18/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 5.18 Water and Sewer: Other

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: MAR041102

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The project involves comprehensive reconditioning of two Klampress Type 85 Size 2 (1.5 Meter) belt filter presses directly at the job site, including the installation of new main control panels and two direct-coupled wash water booster pumps equipped with 3HP motors. The reconditioning process will utilize only new Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM) parts and will cover all associated labor for removal and installation, inbound and outbound freight, and start-up services. The goal is to restore the belt filter presses to a “like new” condition, ensuring reliable and efficient operation.

ARPA-1310: Town of Berkley - Water System Extension Evaluation Proposal

Funding amount: \$20,191.87

Approval date: 9/4/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 5.13 Drinking Water: Source

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: 4293000

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The Town of Berkley is pursuing a water system evaluation to assess the feasibility of two proposed water main extensions, marking a significant step toward deeper collaboration with the City of Taunton. With no major service expansions in generations and growing concerns over groundwater contamination and stricter PFAS regulations, the need for this project is more pressing than ever. The first proposed extension would close a loop from Holloway Street to Church/Myricks Street, approximately 0.8 miles, enhancing water quality in the General Business District and encouraging local development. This would also address contamination issues that previously necessitated an emergency extension along Holloway Street. The second, more ambitious proposal involves a three-mile extension from the current dead-end on Berkley Street, passing key public buildings like Berkley Community School and Berkley Middle School, replacing two public wells, and reaching the small business district north of Berkley Common. Completion of this evaluation is considered a foundational step toward broader regional water infrastructure efforts.

ARPA-1312: City of Fall River - Water Main Replacement Project

Funding amount: \$2,293,484.61

Approval date: 9/27/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 5.11 Drinking Water: Transmission & Distribution

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: MA 0100382

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The Water Main Replacement Project involved the replacement of 17,720 feet of water main and 36 lead services that were identified throughout the City of Fall River. The Water Main Replacement Project was funded through City of Fall River ARPA Funds in the amount of \$15,446,028.46. The application for reimbursement through BC Treasury in the amount of \$1,633,882.00 is for the required construction work associated with the project. The project commenced in 2021. The construction work has been completed. Procurement has satisfied both federal and state requirements, work has been finished, and funds have been expended.

ARPA-1313: Town of Freetown - Town of Freetown Fire Rescue Ambulance

Funding amount: \$494,592.00

Approval date: 12/13/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 1.14 Other Public Health Services^

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The Town of Freetown is requesting these funds to apply towards the purchase of a new ambulance which will replace our older second ambulance. The second ambulance is nearing its end of life. Our second ambulance is used as a back up to the primary ambulance. However, since the COVID-19 pandemic, the number of ambulance calls has continued to increase, and the second ambulance is used much more frequently than in years prior to COVID-19. This has accelerated the need to replace this ambulance. The estimated cost of the new ambulance will be \$495,000. The new ambulance will include all the state of the art measures to reduce the spread of viral and bacterial diseases being spread from patient to staff during calls.

ARPA-1314: Bristol County - Emergency Masonry Repair Taunton Superior Court Dome

Funding amount: \$1,323,694.00

Approval date: 9/12/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 6.1 Provision of Government Services

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- In late July the County was informed by our current roofing contractor that the corner tower lanterns in each of the four sections of the roof were visibly unstable. They would not be able to tie the new replacement copper roofing to those sections of the roof because of the unstable conditions. Engineers, architects and masonry companies were brought in to look at the conditions. It was determined that the corner tower lantern supports had deteriorated and needed immediate attention. The County sought an emergency waiver of bidding and advertising requirements under MGL c.149, Section 44A (4) from the State of Massachusetts Division of Capital Asset Management & Maintenance. Waiver No 4737 was granted on July 31, 2024. Funds would also be needed for architectural design and structural engineering services from RGB Architects.

ARPA-1315: Bristol County - Taunton Superior Court Roof Replacement Project

Funding amount: \$54,775.00

Approval date: 11/18/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 6.1 Provision of Government Services

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The project, as outlined in ARPA Application #1217, requests \$54,775 in funding to cover change orders related to unforeseen repairs to the decking and the addition of lightning protection measures.

ARPA-1316: Town of Easton - Unemployment Expenses

Funding amount: \$474.29

Approval date: 9/20/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 2.9 Unemployment Benefits or Cash Assistance to Unemployed Workers*^

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- This application is submitted to seek reimbursement for expenses associated with pandemic-related unemployment

ARPA-1317: Town of Raynham - Town of Raynham Highway Department Backhoe

Funding amount: \$156,025.00

Approval date: 11/18/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 5.18 Water and Sewer: Other

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: MA111111

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The Town is seeking to replace a 1997 backhoe with a newer model (including attachments). The new backhoe will be used by the Town through its Highway Department and as a backup piece of equipment by the Town's Sewer Department and independent water districts to ensure compliance with Federal & State MS-4 permit requirements including catch basin repairs and installations, repairs or replacement of outlet pipes around detention or retention ponds, make critical improvements in existing and future storm water and/or drainage infrastructure, control of non-point pollution sources as well as make installation or repairs to the Town's water and sewer mains. Additionally, the Highway and Sewer Departments have applied for reimbursement for the purchase of drainage and sewer manhole covers, catch basins and frames (reference ARPA-1318 and ARPA-1319). This piece of equipment is vital for the installation of these appurtenances. Furthermore, the Town will be using this piece of equipment to assist in the town-wide drainage/stormwater infrastructure project (reference ARPA-1262).

ARPA-1318: Town of Raynham - Town of Raynham Drainage System Catch Basins including Frames, Rims, & Covers

Funding amount: \$7,634.00

Approval date: 11/18/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 5.6 Clean Water: Stormwater

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: MAR041151

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The Town of Raynham Highway Department plans to purchase 16 catch basin frames and 12 rims and covers to support the deployment of essential drainage and stormwater infrastructure, ensuring continued compliance with MS-4 environmental regulations.

ARPA-1319: Town of Raynham - Sewer Manhole Covers and Frames and Stormwater Manhole Covers and Frames

Funding amount: \$32,135.89

Approval date: 12/10/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 5.6 Clean Water: Stormwater

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: MAR041151

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The Town of Raynham Highway Department is acquiring 20 stormwater drainage manhole covers and frames to support the deployment of essential drainage and stormwater infrastructure, ensuring continued compliance with MS-4 regulations; all equipment has already been ordered, received, and invoiced.

ARPA-1321: Town of Raynham - Diesel Fuel Tank Replacement at the Rt. 44 Sewer Pump Station

Funding amount: \$128,200.00

Approval date: 12/3/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 5.5 Clean Water: Other Sewer Infrastructure

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: MAR041151

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The existing 3,000-gallon diesel tank at the Rt. 44 sewer pump station, which had been in service for 50 years, was in critical need of replacement due to deterioration likely caused by its placement in a below-grade concrete vault. This tank supplied diesel fuel to the site's emergency generator, a vital component for maintaining operations during electrical outages. A new, double-walled, above-grade tank has now been installed to enhance durability and extend the asset's life expectancy to approximately 30 years, ensuring continued reliable fuel supply to the emergency generator.

ARPA-1326: Town of Raynham - Town of Raynham Fire Department Personal Protective Equipment Replacement

Funding amount: \$165,925.49

Approval date: 12/3/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 1.5 Personal Protective Equipment^

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- One of the Raynham Fire Department's strategic goals is to ensure firefighters are safe and protected from all hazards. Firefighting is a physical career that sometimes places firefighters in dangerous and toxic conditions. These conditions have also substantially raised the risk of cancer in the fire service. Personal Protective Equipment is the first line of defense against those environments, whether a fire, hazmat situation or bodily fluids. National Standards require Personal Protective Equipment to be retired after a ten- year cycle; the Town was approaching the end of life for its former Personal Protective Equipment. As an added protection, the Town was fortunate that innovation has improved Personal Protective Equipment, providing better safety for firefighters.

ARPA-1327: Town of Raynham - Town of Raynham - 911 Dispatch Communications System

Funding amount: \$399,962.37

Approval date: 12/3/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 1.14 Other Public Health Services^

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The proposed funding aims to replace a 12-year-old emergency communications system that is nearing the end of its service life, ensuring uninterrupted public safety operations in Raynham. New dispatch consoles will first be installed at the current public safety facility and later relocated to a new one once it is built and operational. Given Raynham's strategic location at the intersection of Routes 495, 24, 44, and 138, continuous and reliable communication is essential for police, fire, and EMS services. Without this upgrade, these departments risk losing fixed communication capabilities, forcing reliance on phones or mobile units, which could compromise emergency response. Upgrading the 911 Dispatch System is critical to maintaining public safety, especially for individuals affected by violent crime, mental health crises, substance use issues, or future public health emergencies.

ARPA-1328: Town of Easton - Housing Security for Homeowners #3

Funding amount: \$296,200.00

Approval date: 12/12/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 2.3 Household Assistance: Cash Transfers*^

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- Easton's Taxation Aid Committee exists to provide direct financial relief to income-qualified or otherwise eligible (disability status) residents to reduce the burden of real estate taxes consistent with MGL c. 60 c 3D. To meet their statutory and local charge, the Committee adopted regulations for the administration of this financial aid including eligibility standards for applicants using Massachusetts' own standard for housing affordability – specifically those standards relating to MGL c. 40B – wherein housing income limits are determined based on size of household and whether the combined income is at or below 80% of the Area Median Income. To qualify for financial assistance, applicants must demonstrate that they meet these standards (see guidelines document). Disbursements will mirror stimulus payments (up to \$1,400). The entire project request of \$296,200 is allocated toward this evidence based intervention. Note: This application is a continuation of ARPA-1036 and ARPA-1155, both of which have been fully expended. It is a hybrid application as \$116,200 has been expended to date.

ARPA-1329: Town of Dartmouth - Dartmouth Water Pollution Control Odor Control Pump

Funding amount: \$36,213.00

Approval date: 9/20/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 5.1 Clean Water: Centralized Wastewater Treatment

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: MAG590004

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- This project involves acquiring a spare odor control pump for the Water Pollution Control Facility's odor control system, which is essential for maintaining air quality at the facility and in nearby residential areas. Previously, the facility received numerous complaints about strong odors, prompting the installation of the current system. However, a recent pump failure rendered the system inoperable until a replacement was sourced and installed, highlighting the need for a standby pump to minimize downtime. Since the pumps operate continuously and require annual rebuilding, and with part lead times extending up to five months due to COVID-19, a spare pump would ensure uninterrupted operation by allowing immediate replacement and timely maintenance.

ARPA-1330: Town of Dartmouth - Dartmouth Water Pollution Control Filter Feed Pump Replacement

Funding amount: \$24,500.00

Approval date: 9/20/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 5.1 Clean Water: Centralized Wastewater Treatment

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: MAG590004

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- A Filter Press Feed Pump is a specialized industrial pump used to deliver slurry or liquid material under pressure to a filter press, enabling effective filtration and water extraction. The pump must be carefully selected to withstand abrasive slurry, provide adequate pressure, match the press's flow capacity, and operate efficiently. Currently, there are two such pumps in use, one replaced in 2021 and the other, an original from 1992, is now in disrepair, highlighting the need for an upgrade to maintain reliable operation.

ARPA-1331: Town of Dartmouth - Dartmouth-Faunce Corner Drinking Water Supply Pump Station 16" Insertion Valve

Funding amount: \$31,057.00

Approval date: 9/27/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 5.11 Drinking Water: Transmission & Distribution

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: 4072000

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- This project entails the purchase and installation of a 16-inch insertion valve at the Faunce Corner Road Drinking Water Supply Pumping Station in Dartmouth. The valve will allow the isolation of the pumping station to perform necessary internal work without disrupting water service to multiple residents, which is currently unavoidable. As the only interconnection between the Dartmouth and New Bedford water distribution systems, this station is critical for emergency water supply redundancy and for supplementing Dartmouth's supply during peak demand periods.

ARPA-1333: Town of Dartmouth - Dartmouth Water PFAS Evaluation Sampling

Funding amount: \$25,494.00

Approval date: 9/20/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 5.13 Drinking Water: Source

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: 4072000

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- In March 2023, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) proposed the first federal limits on six types of PFAS, persistent chemicals known to remain in the human body for years and resist environmental degradation, after finding that nearly half of U.S. faucets may contain these "forever chemicals," which are linked to cancer and other health risks. By April 2024, the EPA finalized a rule requiring public water systems to begin reporting PFAS levels in drinking water by 2027 and to take corrective action by 2029 if levels exceed the maximum contaminant limits. In response, we are initiating a system-wide evaluation of PFAS in our drinking water, beginning with an intensive six-month sampling program. Although a purchase order has been submitted, sampling has not yet started, but we aim to launch the program by the end of September to begin analyzing results promptly and determine any necessary mitigation steps.

ARPA-1334: Town of Dartmouth - Water Pollution Control Tub Grinder SCR Catalyst Assembly Replacement

Funding amount: \$29,679.45

Approval date: 9/20/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 5.1 Clean Water: Centralized Wastewater Treatment

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: MAG590004

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The project involves replacing the SCR (Selective Catalytic Reduction) Catalyst Assembly in the Water Pollution Control (WPC) Facility's Tub Grinder, a critical component in the composting process. The Tub Grinder processes brush and tree branches, collected from residents or purchased when supply is low, into mulch, which is then combined with dehydrated biosolids from the Compost Facility to produce a Grade A compost product. The SCR system, which significantly reduces nitrogen oxide emissions in diesel-powered equipment, failed this year and required replacement to maintain environmental compliance and operational efficiency.

ARPA-1335: Town of Dartmouth - Water System Leak Detection Program

Funding amount: \$9,999.00

Approval date: 9/27/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 5.11 Drinking Water: Transmission & Distribution

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: 4072000

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- This project will provide a leak detection service for approximately 50% of the drinking water distribution system. Leaks in the drinking water system can introduce contaminants into the system as well as a loss of revenue due to the loss of treated drinking water. At the completion of the leak detection program, any detected leaks in the system will be further inspected and repaired.

ARPA-1336: City of Attleboro - Additional Funding/Amendment to ARPA 1291 - Bishop Street Water Main Replacement

Funding amount: \$122,872.04

Approval date: 9/27/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 5.11 Drinking Water: Transmission & Distribution

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: MA4016000

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The project experienced delays unrelated to the awarded contractor, resulting in a shift of certain tasks originally scheduled for Fall to the following Spring due to seasonal constraints. Consequently, there has been an increase in costs related to prevailing wages, materials, equipment, and subcontractors. In agreement with the project engineer and City staff, the contractor has submitted a change order to account for these escalated costs, which were not part of the original bid. After thorough review, the project team fully supports incorporating these additional costs into the contract. The initial ARPA 1291 application, guided by the Bristol County ARPA team, was based solely on the awarded bid without contingency funds, and the team has advised submitting a new application for any necessary additional funding. All procurement documentation was reviewed and approved as part of the original ARPA application. With the revised timeline, the contractor now estimates substantial completion by September 2025, with full project closure expected by December 31, 2025.

ARPA-1338: Town of Dartmouth - Water Pollution Control Switchgear Replacement Additional Funding

Funding amount: \$48,522.00

Approval date: 9/27/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 5.18 Water and Sewer: Other

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: MAG590004

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The Dartmouth Water Pollution Control Facility is seeking additional funding to replace its aging switchgear breakers, originally installed in 1992, which are now prone to failures and pose safety risks. These seven breakers are critical to the facility's operations, any failure could halt preliminary or primary treatment, sludge handling, or blower functions, effectively shutting down the plant. Since the original breakers are no longer manufactured and reconditioned units are scarce, new compatible breakers will be custom-made and installed. The replacement process will require a temporary facility shutdown, scheduled during low-flow weekend conditions with backup generators in place to maintain safety. Although the project was initially awarded at an estimated cost of \$212,098, the lowest bid received was \$260,620, prompting a

request for an additional \$48,522 in funding from Bristol County ARPA. The contract is expected to be awarded on September 19, 2024.

ARPA-1339: Town of Easton - Acquisition of Emergency Response Equipment - Fire Department Radio Systems

Funding amount: \$320,000.00

Approval date: 10/3/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 1.14 Other Public Health Services^

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The Easton Fire & Rescue Department has upgraded its communication capabilities by acquiring new portable radios and accessories to replace outdated systems that had deteriorated, especially due to heavy use during the pandemic. These radios are essential for effective field communication during emergency response operations and are distinguished by their hand-free functionality, allowing users to adjust channels, control volume, and activate Mayday alerts without manual input, features particularly beneficial during patient transport and incident response. This investment enhances communication between the emergency operations center and firefighter/EMTs by offering improved reliability, extended battery life, and additional channels to streamline coordination.

ARPA-1340: Town of Easton - Covid-19 Contact Tracing and Follow-up

Funding amount: \$25,417.32

Approval date: 10/3/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 1.3 COVID-19 Contact Tracing^

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- This project provides funding for costs associated with Covid-19 Contact Tracing and continued monitoring of cases through the Massachusetts Virtual Epidemiological Network (MAVEN) and follow up with affected individuals to mitigate spread of the disease. Services are almost entirely provided through the Town's Public Health Nurse in addition to a small amount of related payroll expense. Expenditures to date for these services total \$21,567.32, with an additional \$3,850 to be expended during the remainder of the fiscal year 2025.

ARPA-1341: Town of Easton - Emergency Relief for Veterans #2

Funding amount: \$100,000.00

Approval date: 12/12/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 2.3 Household Assistance: Cash Transfers*^

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- Town of Easton has established a SERVE (Support Emergency Relief for Veterans in Easton) Fund to provide direct financial relief to income-qualified veterans and their dependents in need of immediate assistance with food, transportation, heat and oil expenses, consistent with MGL c.60, section 3F. The Town has adopted regulations for the administration of this financial aid including eligibility standards for applicants using 80% of the area median income based on household size. To qualify for financial assistance, applicants must demonstrate that they meet these standards. Disbursements will mirror stimulus payments (up to \$1,400). This project is the same as the previously approved project #1107 and will be administered by Easton's Veterans' Services Officer (VSO).

ARPA-1344: Town of Seekonk - Communications/Dispatch Consoles

Funding amount: \$47,098.65

Approval date: 10/30/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 1.14 Other Public Health Services^

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The Seekonk Communications Department serves as the Town's Emergency Operations Center. As part of the Public Safety team, which includes Police, Fire, and EMS, they handle all 911 and emergency calls, dispatching them to the appropriate department whether it's Police, Fire, EMS, or a combination of all three. As technology continues to advance, their current consoles have become outdated and are no longer effective in fulfilling their purpose. This project aims to upgrade their equipment by purchasing two Console Transit 78x78 Cockpits and one height-adjustable 72x24 electric table. Three quotes are provided. The lowest bidder is Sustema Corp.

ARPA-1346: Town of Easton - Grant and Benefits Navigator funding

Funding amount: \$240,359.22

Approval date: 10/25/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 2.19 Social Determine Health: Community Health Wrker/Benefit Navigator

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- Grant and benefits navigators play a crucial role in helping individuals and organizations access financial resources and support. Their work involves guiding clients through the often complex processes of applying for grants, government benefits, and other forms of assistance. The purpose of this position is to increase awareness and accessibility to public assistance, benefits and grants for Easton residents, businesses and civic groups, especially those temporary or limited programs authorized under the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) and other related COVID-19 economic recovery programs on the state and federal level, in a manner that maximizes awareness and access to benefits while minimizing duplicative programming on the local level. The Benefits and Grant Navigator is responsible for assisting individuals in understanding and enrolling in the benefits and programs they may be eligible for, while also providing comprehensive case management. The Benefits and Grant Navigator offers personalized support to help remove barriers to access, especially for underserved or vulnerable populations. The assistance provided by grant and benefits navigators can result in improved financial stability, access to essential services, and increased opportunities for personal or organizational growth.

ARPA-1347: Town of Easton - Public Safety and Public Health Workforce

Funding amount: \$86,316.76

Approval date: 10/3/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 3.1 Public Sector Workforce: Payroll and Benefits for Public Health

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- This application seeks funding to address public safety workforce shift vacancies caused by the pandemic and additional public health personnel costs required to maintain effective continuity of services to the public. Additionally, this use supports broader economic recovery by reinforcing public sector capacity, especially in areas critical to public health and safety.

ARPA-1348: Town of Easton - Covid Testing and Test Kits

Funding amount: \$28,958.63

Approval date: 10/16/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 1.2 COVID-19 Testing^

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The project focuses on purchasing COVID-19 test kits for use in testing clinics and for distribution to residents and employees.

ARPA-1349: Town of Rehoboth - Ambulance

Funding amount: \$310,800.00

Approval date: 10/16/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 1.14 Other Public Health Services^

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The Town of Rehoboth seeks ARPA funding to purchase a new ambulance to ensure timely and reliable emergency medical response for residents. Since the pandemic, both the demand for ambulance services and the associated operational costs have significantly increased, leading to greater wear on the current 2016 vehicle. The new ambulance would serve as the primary unit, reducing maintenance expenses and reliance on mutual aid, which often delays response times and results in lost billing revenue. Three bids have been sourced, including two through the Fire Chiefs Association of Massachusetts Cooperative Purchasing Program and one via a national contract with GAC in Texas.

ARPA-1350: Town of Easton - Develop and Support Early College and Career Pathways Programming

Funding amount: \$127,466.01

Approval date: 12/13/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 2.27 Addressing Impacts of Lost Instructional Time^

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- This project funds the development and support of early college and career pathway programming, which have become essential tools in bridging educational gaps and helping students regain momentum in their learning journey which was disrupted by pandemic related school closures and remote learning challenges. With initial startup costs supported by expert consultants, we have successfully established partnerships with universities, including Harvard, Middlesex County Community College, Syracuse University, and Stonehill College. These collaborations enable us to create programs that facilitate exposure to diverse career pathways and broaden access to higher education and career exploration, while providing students with invaluable opportunities for academic and professional growth. Recognizing the need for early engagement, we also extend our programming to middle school students through the Project Contemporary Competitiveness Advanced Studies Program. This summer initiative introduces younger learners to the college experience, igniting their interest in higher education early on.

ARPA-1351: Town of Easton - Literacy Program

Funding amount: \$625,266.47

Approval date: 12/13/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 2.27 Addressing Impacts of Lost Instructional Time^

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- In response to the challenges posed by the Covid-19 pandemic, Easton Public Schools' Literacy Program has undergone a transformative shift to embrace the Science of Reading. Recognizing the urgent need for effective literacy instruction, we have integrated high-quality instructional materials from renowned resources such as Great Minds, Heggerty, and Wilson Language Training. This comprehensive approach not only enhances our curriculum but also ensures that all students receive the foundational skills necessary for reading success. Our program focuses on evidence-based practices that support diverse learners, fostering a love for reading while systematically building phonemic awareness, phonics, fluency, vocabulary, and comprehension. To empower our educators in this endeavor, we are committed to providing robust professional development and all staff members will receive targeted training on implementing these materials effectively, ensuring a consistent and cohesive approach across classrooms.

ARPA-1353: Town of Easton - Interventionists

Funding amount: \$194,989.28

Approval date: 12/13/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 2.27 Addressing Impacts of Lost Instructional Time^

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- This project will fund additional interventionists to provide services to Easton Public School students at our elementary schools and middle school. Our Interventionist program is designed to address the learning losses experienced during the Covid-19 pandemic. This initiative focuses on providing targeted intervention in both math and literacy, ensuring that students receive the personalized support they need to catch up and thrive. Our dedicated interventionists work closely with students to identify specific challenges and implement tailored strategies that foster academic growth. By focusing on both foundational skills and advanced concepts, we aim to build confidence and competence in every learner.

ARPA-1354: Town of Easton - Purchase of Air Filters

Funding amount: \$23,232.09

Approval date: 10/25/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 1.4 Congregate Settings Prevention*^

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- This project involves the acquisition of air filters aimed at reducing the transmission of Covid-19 within school buildings by improving indoor air quality; by enhancing air cleaning and filtration, the initiative seeks to lower the concentration of airborne contaminants, including particles that may carry the highly transmissible Covid-19 virus, thereby creating safer environments in enclosed educational spaces.

ARPA-1355: Town of Easton - Covid Vaccination Clinics

Funding amount: \$9,553.03

Approval date: 10/25/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 1.1 COVID-19 Vaccination^

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- This project seeks reimbursement for personnel and other costs related to Covid vaccination clinics held in Town.

ARPA-1357: Town of Easton - Prevention in Congregate Settings Zoom & Other Remote Technology

Funding amount: \$20,110.99

Approval date: 12/12/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 1.4 Congregate Settings Prevention*^

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- This project covers subscription costs for Zoom and Verizon Wireless charges incurred to allow for remote and hybrid meetings and additional support for the Health and Community Services department to work remotely when required.

ARPA-1359: Town of Dartmouth - Water Pollution Control Agitator Computer SCADA

Funding amount: \$8,905.24

Approval date: 11/5/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 5.2 Clean Water: Centralized Wastewater Collection and Conveyance

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: MAG590004

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- This project includes the purchase and installation of Allen Bradley components for the Compost Agitator by BDP Industries. The project has been completed paid for.

ARPA-1362: Town of Dartmouth - C Well Motor Replacement

Funding amount: \$8,994.00

Approval date: 11/5/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 5.13 Drinking Water: Source

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: 4072000

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The C-Well, which is engineered to pump up to 312,000 gallons of raw water per day to the 299 Chase Road Treatment Facility, experienced a motor failure that necessitated replacement. As a result, the well is currently non-operational, preventing it from contributing to the public drinking water supply. To meet demand, we are temporarily relying on higher-cost water purchases from the City of New Bedford.

ARPA-1363: Town of Dartmouth - Water Pollution Control Compost Pit Blower & Motor

Funding amount: \$6,497.00

Approval date: 12/3/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 5.1 Clean Water: Centralized Wastewater Treatment

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: MAG590004

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The Water Pollution Control Compost Pit Blower and Motor system is essential for aerating biosolids extracted from influent wastewater during treatment, facilitating their transformation into compost. By blowing air through the biosolids, the system supplies oxygen to prevent anaerobic decomposition, while also aiding in drying and cooling the material. This compost is later mixed with processed wood chips. The composting facility includes six bays, each supported by five blowers, totaling 30 units. One blower and motor unit, having failed after seven years due to irreparable corrosion, now requires full replacement.

ARPA-1364: Town of Dartmouth - Water Pollution Control Compost Building Backflow Device Replacement

Funding amount: \$8,320.00

Approval date: 11/5/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 5.18 Water and Sewer: Other

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: MAG590004

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The Water Pollution Control Compost Building air is extremely corrosive. The backflow device on the fire suppression system failed and required replacement to maintain safe use.

ARPA-1365: Town of Dartmouth - GORMAN-RUPP ITEM# T4A3S-B CENTRIFUGAL SELF PRIMING PUMP AND WEAR PLATE

Funding amount: \$5,411.86

Approval date: 11/5/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 5.1 Clean Water: Centralized Wastewater Treatment

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: MAG590004

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The GORMAN-RUPP OEM Super T Series Self-Priming Pump is engineered for cost-effective, dependable performance across a wide range of demanding applications. With exceptional solids-handling capabilities, it is ideally suited for pumping solids-laden liquids and slurries. Its large volute design enables automatic repriming in completely open systems, eliminating the need for suction or discharge check valves and reducing maintenance complexity.

ARPA-1366: City of Attleboro - Water Meter Replacements - Program Year FY2023

Funding amount: \$112,159.96

Approval date: 11/18/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 5.18 Water and Sewer: Other

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: MA4016000

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The City of Attleboro is undertaking a comprehensive infrastructure upgrade by replacing outdated residential water meters with advanced radio-read technology as part of its FY2023 capital improvements program. This initiative included the installation of 300 new meters along with necessary fittings, supplies, and equipment, all procured through a competitive sealed bid process completed in December 2022. The new meters enhance the accuracy and efficiency of the water and sewer systems, help residents save money by detecting leaks early, and support conservation efforts. Additionally, they contribute to reducing unaccounted-for water, an important metric reported annually to the State, which recommends it remain below 10% of total water produced.

ARPA-1367: City of Attleboro - Water Meter Replacements - Program Year FY2022

Funding amount: \$158,566.38

Approval date: 11/18/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 5.18 Water and Sewer: Other

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: MA4016000

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The City of Attleboro has been systematically upgrading its water infrastructure by replacing outdated residential water meters with advanced radio-read meters as part of its FY2022 capital improvements program. This initiative included the installation of 675 new meters along with necessary fittings, supplies, and equipment, all procured through a competitively bid contract from FY2020 with renewals in FY21 and FY22. The new technology enhances the accuracy and efficiency of the water and sewer systems, helps detect leaks early to support conservation, and

reduces costs for residents. Additionally, it addresses the issue of unaccounted-for water, reported annually to the State and expected to remain below 10% of total production, by improving measurement precision and reducing revenue loss. The funding request represents the remaining balance of Attleboro's BC ARPA allocation, which is less than the total cost of the completed project.

ARPA-1368: Bristol County - Emergency Masonry Repair Taunton Sup. Ct.-Change Order #1

Funding amount: \$8,826.91

Approval date: 11/18/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 6.1 Provision of Governmental Services

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- This application stems from a change order related to previously approved ARPA Project #1314. The change order has been received, and the revised total, reflecting the difference between the original contracts with Crocker Architectural and RGB Architect plus the change order, amounts to \$8,826.81.

ARPA-1370: Bristol County - New Bedford 3rd District Chiller & Boiler Replacement

Funding amount: \$1,208,000.00

Approval date: 12/26/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 1.4 Congregate Settings Prevention*^

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- Bristol County has studied the most economical and least disruptive way to replace the heating and air conditioning system at the New Bedford 3rd District Court, which is one of the busiest district courts in the County. The engineering firm of Tighe & Bond was hired to prepare the necessary documents to bid the project. Bids have been opened and reviewed. The County is applying for \$1,208,000 to replace the Chiller & Boiler at the New Bedford 3rd District Court which are essential components to maintain the health and safety of employees and visitors to the court.

ARPA-1371: Bristol County - Masonry Phase 2- Taunton Superior Court

Funding amount: \$888,170.25

Approval date: 12/30/2024

Project Expenditure Category: 6.1 Provision of Governmental Services

NPDES Permit # or PWS ID: N/A

Project Overview, Use of Evidence, and Performance Report:

- The Phase 2 Masonry project is an essential project to repair this historic courthouse. Currently there is a significant water infiltration issue causing damage to several interior sections of the courthouse. The County continues to repair and address the issues. Folan Waterproofing & Construction Co Inc. (lowest bidder \$448,500.00) and RGB Architects (\$41,600) have been chosen to continue with the building repairs