

Recovery Plan Performance Report

Greene County. Missouri

Report on the use of State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds through July 31, 2021

Executive Summary

As of July 31, 2021, Greene County, Mo. has not incurred obligations or expenditures from its allocation of State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLFRF). The Greene County Commissioners will develop a spending and allocation plan in the coming months. It is anticipated that the plan will continue to evolve as additional guidance from the Federal government is received and State of Missouri funding mechanisms are defined, and priorities change in response to community needs. The development of this spending plan will occur through a deliberative process that will include community engagement and review of community data as described in greater detail within this report.

Once a spending plan has been developed, Greene County will develop program designs that are responsive to community needs, address equity, consider relevant labor standards for infrastructure projects, and make use of evidence-based practices as required by Department of Treasury guidance and reporting requirements. Future reports will include relevant programmatic data and performance indicators as appropriate.

Greene County looks forward to the opportunity to make legacy investments for the long-term benefit of our community using ARPA funds in partnership with Federal, state, and local partners.

Use of Funds

As of July 31, 2021, Greene County, Missouri has not incurred obligations or expenditures from its allocation of State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLFRF).

Greene County continues to provide financial assistance to Greene County residents through the Emergency Rental Assistance Program,

<https://greenecountymo.gov/era/>. At the time of filing, Greene County has committed 99.6% of received ERA I and ERA II funds to 6 community partner agencies to distribute in an efficient and fair manner. 55.9% of the funds have been distributed to these partner agencies and they have awarded 34.9% of these funds. A case manager system has been put in place where in-person appointments to complete applications take away any possible barriers of access to or use of internet applications and the knowledge required to complete an application or of the program requirements are placed on the case manager and not the client. We project to have spent all of the funding before April 30, 2022.

Information about Greene County's approach to the expenditure of CARES Act funding to address and respond to immediate and emerging community needs during the peak of the COVID-19 pandemic can be found at <https://greenecountymo.gov/cares/>.

We relied and worked closely with our Springfield-Greene County Health Department, our Office of Emergency Management and our municipal partners throughout the county to work collaboratively in serving our communities and county.

Promoting Equitable Outcomes

As discussed below, Greene County is initiating a community engagement process through which the Commissioners, staff and community members will develop a responsive and flexible spending plan for its ARPA allocation. This process will include targeted outreach to service providers, nonprofit entities serving disadvantaged populations and focused listening sessions with underrepresented groups. Initial efforts in this regard have included review of various community reports that provide information and prioritization of community needs as well as feedback from nonprofit leaders. We have also begun listening sessions with community leaders in underrepresented communities to ascertain current impact of the pandemic.

The Greene County Commissioners utilize data and input from many sectors of the community and our various office holders to learn what pressing needs our community is facing. Greene County has preliminarily evaluated several potential

expenditures in the Negative Economic Impacts and Services to Disproportionately Impacted Communities categories, including but not limited to services to public health, economic recovery, mental health services, workforce development, affordable housing, and services to unsheltered persons. While final funding decisions have not been made, Greene County anticipates these projects will address the County's objective to provide a safety net that protects vulnerable individuals and promotes self-sufficiency.

Greene County has also hired a consultant with extensive experience in equity issues and policy matters related to underrepresented groups and communities. Our county has experienced a significant increase in population amongst racial and ethnic groups over the last decade which is evidenced in the initial data coming from the 2020 census. We also know from data with our Covid dashboard reported by the Springfield-Greene County Health Department that underrepresented groups have been particularly impacted by the Covid-19 pandemic. We seek to be intentional in our ARPA implementation to recognize and address the impacts that these members of our community are experiencing as we work towards recovery.

Once a spending plan has been developed, Greene County will consider equity in its program designs, and measure equity in outcomes where feasible in accordance with Treasury guidance. This may include targeted program eligibility criteria, ongoing outreach efforts for funded services and programs, and evaluation of the geographic and socio-economic distribution of services and projects. Census tract and community data analysis will be very important in this phase of our community prioritization and examining social equity.

In future Performance Reports, Greene County will present equity-related program data as needed in accordance with Treasury reporting guidance, including information regarding the geographic and socioeconomic distribution of services and projects, particularly for funding targeted to Disproportionately Impacted Communities.

Community Engagement

Greene County is beginning a process to identify funding priorities and develop a spending plan that will best support the needs of Greene County citizens and businesses now and in the future. Priorities within the spending plan will be

developed based in part on public input and consultation with stakeholder groups including:

- Municipalities
- Business advocacy organizations
- Community Groups
- Nonprofit entities serving disadvantaged populations.

Community listening sessions (live and virtual) are planned to further solicit input, and Greene County also intends to collect citizen feedback on the potential use of ARPA Funds through a survey.

We recognize that we do have a very engaged community and we have a number of community reports that illuminate pressing community issues and they have been labeled as red flag issues in our most recent community report. In addition, the city of Springfield has developed an extensive community survey as a part of its long range planning effort that includes citizen input in relation to community issues. We consider these sources of information as excellent starting points which will be complimented with additional survey and feedback reflecting the pandemic influence in our community.

The results of all of these community planning efforts and listening sessions will be incorporated into the development of the Equity plan as a part of Greene County's Recovery plan.

We consider Community input as an essential part of our ARPA response. In our CARES program citizens were heavily involved including serving on a county wide CARES advisory council and participating in an advisory capacity in funding recommendations. Our county commission has indicated that they are interested in citizen involvement in our ARPA process which is welcomed.

In addition, Greene County representatives have been participating in a collaborative planning process with the city of Springfield, our universities and school districts in an effort to coordinate our efforts as entities receiving SLFRF funds. These meetings have been used to discuss our initial planning efforts and to discuss the opportunity to collaborate on projects that can provide overall community benefit and address top community priorities. We also see this

process as beneficial to community organizations and community partners as it provides information on the overall ARPA funding to our county and what various entities may be able to assist in recovery efforts and projects.

Labor Practices

As of July 31, 2021, no funds have been allocated to or expended on infrastructure projects. For any future infrastructure projects funded with ARPA Funds, Greene County will consider the appropriateness of relevant labor practices as encouraged in published ARPA guidance, and report on the use of such practices as required by applicable Treasury Department Compliance and Reporting Guidance.

Use of Evidence

As of July 31, 2021, Greene County, Missouri has not incurred obligations or expenditures from its allocation of State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds. As applicable under Treasury Reporting Guidance for future expenditures in the Public Health, Negative Economic Impacts, and Disproportionately Impacted Communities Expenditure Categories, Greene County will identify whether SLFRF are being used for evidence-based interventions and if projects are being evaluated through rigorous program evaluations.

Where appropriate, Greene County will quantify expenditures toward evidence-based interventions, describe project goals, and discuss the relevant evidence base for such interventions.

Table of Expenses by Expenditure Category

As of July 31, 2021, Greene County, Missouri has not incurred obligations or expenditures from its allocation of State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds.

Chart

1: Public Health	Expenditures
1.1 COVID-19 Vaccination ^	\$0
1.2 COVID-19 Testing ^	\$0
1.3 COVID-19 Contact Tracing	\$0
1.4 Prevention in Congregate Settings (Nursing Homes, Prisons/Jails, Dense Work Sites, Schools, etc.)*	\$0
1.5 Personal Protective Equipment	\$0
1.6 Medical Expenses (including Alternative Care Facilities)	\$0
1.7 Capital Investments or Physical Plant Changes to Public Facilities that respond to the COVID-19 public health emergency	\$0
1.8 Other COVID-19 Public Health Expenses (including Communications, Enforcement, Isolation/Quarantine)	\$0
1.9 Payroll Costs for Public Health, Safety, and Other Public Sector Staff Responding to	\$0

2.8 Contributions to UI Trust Funds	\$0
2.9 Small Business Economic Assistance (General)* ^	\$0
2.10 Aid to Nonprofit Organizations*	\$0
2.11 Aid to Tourism, Travel, or Hospitality	\$0
2.12 Aid to Other Impacted Industries	\$0
2.13 Other Economic Support* ^	\$0
2.14 Rehiring Public Sector Staff	\$0
3: Services to Disproportionately Impacted Communities	Expenditures
3.1 Education Assistance: Early Learning* ^	\$0
3.2 Education Assistance: Aid to High-Poverty Districts ^	\$0
3.3 Education Assistance: Academic Services* ^	\$0
3.4 Education Assistance: Social, Emotional, and Mental Health Services* ^	\$0
3.5 Education Assistance: Other* ^	\$0
3.6 Healthy Childhood Environments: Child Care* ^	\$0
3.7 Healthy Childhood Environments: Home Visiting* ^	\$0
3.8 Healthy Childhood Environments: Services to Foster Youth or Families Involved in Child Welfare System* ^	\$0
3.9 Healthy Childhood Environments: Other* ^	\$0
3.10 Housing Support: Affordable Housing* ^	\$0
3.11 Housing Support: Services for Unhoused Persons* ^	\$0
3.12 Housing Support: Other Housing Assistance* ^	\$0
3.13 Social Determinants of Health: Other* ^	\$0
3.14 Social Determinants of Health: Community Health Workers or Benefits Navigators* ^	\$0
3.15 Social Determinants of Health: Lead Remediation ^	\$0
3.16 Social Determinants of Health: Community Violence Interventions* ^	\$0
4: Premium Pay	Expenditures
4.1 Public Sector Employees	\$0
4.2 Private Sector: Grants to Other Employers	\$0
5: Infrastructure²⁷	Expenditures
5.1 Clean Water: Centralized Wastewater Treatment	\$0
5.2 Clean Water: Centralized Wastewater Collection and Conveyance	\$0
5.3 Clean Water: Decentralized Wastewater	\$0
5.4 Clean Water: Combined Sewer Overflows	\$0
5.5 Clean Water: Other Sewer Infrastructure	\$0
5.6 Clean Water: Stormwater	\$0
5.7 Clean Water: Energy Conservation	\$0
5.8 Clean Water: Water Conservation	\$0
5.9 Clean Water: Nonpoint Source	\$0
5.10 Drinking water: Treatment	\$0
5.11 Drinking water: Transmission & Distribution	\$0
5.12 Drinking water: Transmission & Distribution: Lead Remediation	\$0

Project Inventory

As of July 31, 2021, Greene County, Missouri has not incurred obligations or expenditures from its allocation of State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds. For future expenditures, Greene County will list and briefly describe SLFR-funded projects as required by applicable Treasury Department Compliance and Reporting Guidance.

Performance Report

As of July 31, 2021, Greene County, Missouri has not incurred obligations or expenditures from its allocation of State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds. For future expenditures, Greene County will list and briefly describe SLFRF projects as required by applicable Treasury Department Compliance and Reporting Guidance.

Required Performance Indicators and Programmatic Data

As of July 31, 2021, Greene County has not incurred obligations or expenditures from its allocation of State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds. For future expenditures, Greene County will report key indicators for SLFRF projects as required by applicable Treasury Department Compliance and Reporting Guidance.