# Hamilton County, IN Recovery Plan

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

2025 Report

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#### **GENERAL OVERVIEW**

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Since the beginning of the Pandemic, the Hamilton County Commissioners and Council have been committed to and acted, to protect the health of the public and provided resources to individuals, families, non-profits, and local businesses.

To guide the distribution of COVID-19 response and recovery-related federal, state, and local funding and resources, the county created an ARPA Committee to help ensure the county is meeting residents' needs. The ARPA Committee serves as the advisory counsel to the entire county governing body and is comprised of the three County Commissioners, three rotating County Council members, the County Auditor, the County Attorney, and the County Grants Administrator. While Hamilton County does not have any HUD Qualified Census Tracts within its boundaries, it does have a few underserved areas. The ARPA Committee uses an equity lens along with a quantitative and qualitative approach to prioritize and integrate consideration of racial and income equity where possible. This approach, along with community input, consideration of other available funding sources, sustainability and the U.S. Treasury's Final Rule helped to inform the spending priorities of the county.

The COVID-19 pandemic has had a significant impact on the lives of individuals, businesses, and communities throughout Hamilton County. The broad range of projects under the County's established ARPA plan strive to address economic and other impacts, while balancing the ongoing need for a robust public health response. The current and future projects initiated from within the spending plan strive to address the complex factors that influence health and equity including education, job training, housing, neighborhood and business development, broadband access, food insecurity, health and wellness, and behavioral health. There will be a broadened availability of housing and related resources for persons experiencing or threatened by homelessness by leveraging ARPA and other available funding. The committee has provided support to projects to respond to the COVID-19 public health emergency or its negative economic impacts, reward those employees performing essential work during the COVID-19 public health emergency, for the provision of government services and to make necessary investments in water, sewer, and broadband infrastructure.

Hamilton County recognizes these one-time federal funds represent a one-time opportunity to make strategic, transformational, and impactful investments to achieve our established goal: a full recovery from COVID-19, effectively balancing health, safety, and the economy.

#### **USE OF FUNDS**

With the passage of the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA), which includes a \$65.5 million aid package for Hamilton County, we have an unprecedented opportunity to strengthen our local economy and communities through significant investment from one-time ARPA dollars. These dollars will help the County to support urgent COVID-19 response efforts, replace lost revenues, support immediate economic stabilization for households and businesses, and address systemic public health and economic challenges that have contributed to the inequal impact of the pandemic.

With input from the community, the county's ARPA strategy was developed. This strategy set the priorities for programs and services and considers things like Treasury's guidelines, funding for COVID-19 response, sustainability, equity, and lives impacted. Consequently, the funds allocated to Hamilton County via ARPA represent an incredible opportunity for this county to make transformative investments in equity to emerge from this pandemic an even better place to live, work and raise a family.

#### Public Health (EC 1)

The county allocated funds toward prior and on-going COVID-19 response and mitigation efforts that cover a range of costs including testing, vaccination efforts, social distancing efforts, outreach and education, mental health and overdose prevention, public health and administrative costs.

Components of the COVID-19 response included accessible COVID-19 testing. The vaccination efforts utilized a mixed of county-hosted vaccine sites, mobile clinics, and sites in which the county partnered with hospitals and various clinics to ensure that those living in underserved areas and those disproportionately affected by COVID-19 had access to vaccinations. Active engagement of community sectors, county-wide vaccine messaging and focused community outreach have also been key as these efforts supported the most vulnerable and prevented the healthcare system from being overwhelmed.

The county utilized funding to reconfigure county offices/spaces where the public congregates to allow for proper social distancing and personal protection, to help mitigate the spread of the disease. In addition to reconfiguring physical spaces, the county digitized public records and files, so citizens could access them online and not have to come to a county office and risk contracting COVID.

The lives of individuals and families have been severely disrupted over the past year, with increased feelings of isolation, anxiety, and family stress magnifying a local need for focus on mental health. The county invested in a mental health study to gage the effects of COVID-19 on its citizens and to develop strategies to help those affected, recover, and return to being active participants in the community. Funds were also utilized to help maintain the county's most successful overdose prevention program.

#### Negative Economic Impacts of the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency (EC 2)

The county's small business and non-profit economic development program component of its ARPA strategy provided economic assistance to help businesses and nonprofits organizations impacted by COVID-19.

Applicants had to:

- Be able to demonstrate their qualifications through an online application process
- Been in business and providing goods and services to the county with a minimum 1-year operating history as of March 1, 2020
- Have experienced financial hardship as a result of COVID-19 and those impacts must be documented, quantifiable and clearly driven by COVID-19
- Be in good standing with both the state and county government

An initial review/screen of applicants was performed by the ARPA subcommittee with qualified applicants being passed on to the full ARPA Committee for review. Once the ARPA committee selects an applicant

for award, they applicant submits the remaining required documents and provides any further information the ARPA Committee requests. Upon final approval, the applicant receives a one-time payment from the County Auditor.

Business and organizations receiving financial assistance came from various industries, including: the food industry, arts and culture, entertainment and recreation, tourism, housing rental industry, healthcare, professional services, social services, senior serves, food assistance, fitness and wellness, education, and others.

#### Premium Pay (EC 4)

The COVID-19 pandemic presented the county and its workforce with unprecedented new challenges. In recognition of these efforts the ARPA Committee met and determined the appropriate qualification for premium pay and then worked through the County Auditor's office confirm all eligible employees. Based on available funding sources such as CARE Act, FEMA and ARPA, county leadership determined that the premium pay provision of the American Rescue Plan Act offered the most appropriate funding alignment for this program. Premium Pay for county employees was made available up to a \$3,000 one-time payment to employees working for an extended amount of time in facilities or providing services where COVID-19 exposure was more likely.

#### Water, Sewer, and Broadband Infrastructure (EC 5)

The COVID-19 pandemic has not only disrupted the social and economic realities of our county and local communities but also undermined some of the basic infrastructure we depend on. Our water infrastructure has been at the heart of this realization, its importance to health, hygiene and safety has never been more obvious. COVID has highlighted the need for countywide infrastructure improvements.

The ARPA Committee recognized this and working toward their goal of funding "transformational projects" to help the county emerge even better from the pandemic, allocated funding to support investments in stormwater, water, sewer and broadband projects.

While Hamilton County doesn't have any HUD qualified census tracks within the county, there are areas of underserved populations within its boundaries. The ARPA Committee's initial primary focus was to invest in infrastructure and broadband projects within these designated areas.

The initial project was a countywide water availability study to obtain an accurate assessment of available water resources. Armed with the proper data, the ARPA Committee approved projects, based on location and need, focusing on the census tracts with underserved people. Projects ranged in scope from funding the construction of new wastewater treatment plants, repairing and/or replacing drains and pipes, addressing overwhelmed sewer systems, stormwater and waste overflows, septic tank replacement to providing access to clean, healthy water.

The ARPA Committee also allocated funding to develop broadband infrastructure in underserved portions of the county.

Hamilton Count Population data by Census Tract

	Total		% 65 and		Limited English
Census Tract	Population	% Minority	Over	% Poverty	Proficiency
Census Tract 1101.01	6,964	15.28%	5.82%	9.10%	2.20%
Census Tract 1101.02	3,972	0.00%	14.85%	4.80%	0.00%
Census Tract 1102.01	4,802	6.66%	13.97%	6.70%	3.10%
Census Tract 1102.02	5,754	1.98%	18.54%	5.10%	0.60%
Census Tract 1103.01	8,400	13.15%	13.54%	5.10%	8.10%
Census Tract 1103.02	5,107	26.47%	17.17%	8.10%	0.00%
Census Tract 1103.02	5,218	2.84%	17.73%	4.50%	0.40%
Census Tract 1103.03	4,275	7.32%	13.71%	12.70%	4.50%
Census Tract 1104.04	4,910	10.39%	10.06%	3.20%	1.30%
Census Tract 1104.04	4,565	20.48%	5.91%	17.20%	13.10%
Census Tract 1104.06	6,423	17.08%	14.09%	0.00%	8.00%
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Census Tract 1105.05	8,472		9.83%	3.30%	0.90%
Census Tract 1105.09	5,154	4.44%	15.56%	1.00%	2.20%
Census Tract 1105.11	5,432	3.46%	10.11%	3.10%	1.00%
Census Tract 1105.12	4,513	5.65%	12.98%	3.70%	0.50%
Census Tract 1105.13	8,454	17.47%	9.97%	2.70%	5.60%
Census Tract 1105.14	4,324	2.15%	13.02%	0.00%	0.00%
Census Tract 1105.15	7,924	9.41%	15.01%	2.50%	0.40%
Census Tract 1105.16	8,197	4.75%	15.64%	1.20%	1.50%
Census Tract 1105.17	7,151	6.61%	13.96%	7.50%	2.10%
Census Tract 1105.18	4,838	8.41%	21.02%	1.80%	1.10%
Census Tract 1106	4,202	5.76%	10.40%	9.20%	0.60%
Census Tract 1107	2,899	12.94%	11.59%	11.00%	1.90%
Census Tract 1108.05	7,760	8.18%	17.85%	0.00%	4.10%
Census Tract 1108.07	6,446	28.20%	10.38%	0.00%	7.50%
Census Tract 1108.10	6,885	19.08%	10.76%	7.20%	2.80%
Census Tract 1108.11	4,974	15.00%	14.15%	9.80%	3.00%
Census Tract 1108.12	7,327	20.25%	12.23%	2.30%	10.20%
Census Tract 1108.13	10,308	16.07%	6.68%	0.00%	2.00%
Census Tract 1108.14	10,005	16.00%	14.18%	0.10%	3.90%
Census Tract 1108.15	6,835	18.52%	7.62%	0.90%	4.60%
Census Tract 1108.16	3,671	5.42%	19.64%	0.00%	1.00%
Census Tract 1108.17	7,429	26.07%	5.16%	0.00%	6.30%
Census Tract 1108.18	7,850	11.81%	5.27%	0.00%	0.60%
Census Tract 1108.19	7,068	4.92%	4.44%	0.00%	7.00%
Census Tract 1108.20	4,909	30.80%	8.90%	2.90%	5.80%
Census Tract 1108.21	4,142	19.29%	5.19%	0.00%	1.80%
Census Tract 1108.22	4,465	13.75%	4.34%	1.50%	5.90%
Census Tract 1109.04	4,820	10.23%	12.28%	0.70%	1.60%
Census Tract 1109.05	3,842	8.38%	11.22%	7.70%	4.10%
Census Tract 1109.06	6,844	12.80%	10.14%	0.00%	3.70%
Census Tract 1109.07				1.80%	1.40%
Census Tract 1109.07 Census Tract 1109.09	5,832	9.62%	13.82%	0.00%	
Census Tract 1109.09 Census Tract 1109.10	7,054	19.00%	7.39%		2.20% 4.40%
	7,077	37.36%	3.97%	1.70%	
Census Tract 1109.11	6,456	26.36%	12.17%	0.00%	6.90%
Census Tract 1109.12	5,306	23.58%	20.37%	1.60%	2.40%
Census Tract 1110.03	5,455	15.09%	23.04%	0.00%	0.00%
Census Tract 1110.04	2,972	6.59%	20.56%	2.60%	0.80%
Census Tract 1110.06	4,422	17.10%	18.91%	6.00%	6.60%
Census Tract 1110.07	4,306	27.59%	13.21%	10.70%	11.00%
Census Tract 1110.09	7,335	11.19%	11.87%	0.00%	1.10%
Census Tract 1110.10	5,853	22.88%	11.38%	4.10%	1.00%
Census Tract 1110.11	3,783	15.25%	16.20%	0.00%	5.10%
Census Tract 1110.12	4,189	37.29%	16.45%	5.20%	11.20%
Census Tract 1111.01	3,892	17.45%	14.41%	1.50%	1.10%
Census Tract 1111.03	3,605	17.56%	20.14%	0.00%	3.40%
Census Tract 1111.04	5,388	10.00%	20.08%	3.80%	0.70%
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#### Revenue Replacement (EC 6)

The county elected the standard revenue replacement of \$10 million. The County plans to use a portion of the revenue replacement funds to support infrastructure improvements to the 4-H Fairground Area and in partnership with the White River Regional Opportunity Initiative. The medical profession was hit hard during the COVID-19 pandemic. The County plans to use some of its replaced revenue to partner with Westfield University to develop a four-year program partially focused on the health and medical field to help bring new professionals into the medicine. Other government services will be supplemented as needed.

#### PROMOTING EQUITABLE OUTCOMES

Hamilton County features the highest median household income and lowest percentage of the population living in poverty of any county in the state, but that is not to say, there are no low-income, minority or linguistically isolated populations within Hamilton County that need to be served. The County has established a Title VI Non-Discrimination plan related to infrastructure projects that will be followed for each project under ARPA.

The ARPA Committee made it a focal point to ensure any program using ARPA funds are conducted equitability and in funding programs, where appropriate, that specifically address existing inequities.

The Committee sought input for subject matter experts and service organization leadership to help guide them in picking viable, sound, transformative projects, ensuring priority populations

Characteristic	County Estimate	Statewide Estimate	US Total Estimate
Population:	338,011	6,732,219	331,996,119
Population density (people per sq. mile):	857.14	187.91	94
Household size:	2.69	2.53	2.52
Percent uninsured:	5	9.1	9.2
Percent living in poverty:	4.7	14.1	10.5
Percent population 65 yrs and over:	12.81	16.3	16.3
CDC Social Vulnerability Index (CCVI):	0.0255	N/A	N/A
COVID - 19 Community Vulnerability Index (CCVI):	0.17	N/A	N/A
Metropolitan Classification:	Metro	N/A	N/A
NCHS Urban/Rural Classification:	Large fringe metro	N/A	N/A
Rural-Urban Continuum Code Classification:	Counties in metro areas of 1 million population or more	N/A	N/A

have rapid, effective access to support resources.

Community Characteristics for Hamilton County, Indiana

Demographic Data for Hamilton County, Indiana

Race and Hispanic Origin	Percent
White alone	86.60%
Black or African American alone	4.50%
American Indian and Alaska Native alone	0.20%

Asian alone	6.50%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander alone	0.00%
Two or More Races	2.10%
Hispanic or Latino	4.30%
White alone, not Hispanic or Latino	82.80%
Income & Poverty	Amounts
Median Household income (in 2020 dollars), 2016-2020	\$98,880
Per capita income in past 12 months (in 2020 dollars, 2016-	
2020	\$49,196

The public health emergency reinforced some geographic opportunity gaps. These gaps included unequal case and vaccination rates and investments in infrastructure.

The committee chose to implement infrastructure and broadband projects in historically underserved or marginalized communities. They funded service organizations with missions specific to the elderly, those experiencing food insecurity and those facing the threat of homelessness.

There are underserved and marginalized areas within the county, but because of the lack of development in these areas, there is not a large population base. This has caused development and expansion of infrastructure to these less populated areas to be cost prohibitive. The biggest constraints or challenges that impact project success in terms of increasing equity is currently supply chain issues causing delays on projects that have been scheduled to improve targeted communities in Hamilton County. A breakdown of total expenditures by census tract for the water and sewer infrastructure projects has been provided below.

Census Tract	Total Expended to Date
1101.02	384,606.07
1102.01	3,300,000.00
1103.02	1,419,983.61
1103.03	5,909,828.01
1105.05	1,213,018.10
1105.13	7,650.00
1111.04	1,043,560.63

The major equitable outcome for infrastructure and broadband projects is access to services. The focus of the expenditures to date was creating and expanding drains to mitigate stormwater issues. As the infrastructure projects related to adding new service lines to underserved areas have not started, there is currently no outcome data to share.

#### COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Hamilton County created an ARPA Committee that has held open meetings where the public and business community leaders are able to attend. We have created an ARPA-specific webpage where information is continually added/updated that community members can access. The ARPA Investment Plan is also published on the ARPA webpage. There is a community feedback link on the ARPA page where members of the public can provide comments that go directly to the ARPA Committee. The ARPA Committee has placed several informative articles in the various media outlets that serve the county, and our elected officials are constantly traveling throughout the county holding meetings and receiving feedback from community members.

#### LABOR PRACTICES

Hamilton County always works to ensure robust labor standards to promote effective and efficient delivery of high-quality infrastructure projects while also supporting the economic recovery through strong employment opportunities for local workers, where applicable. The county contracts include provisions requiring compliance with the Davis-Bacon Act. These contracts also include provisions requiring compliance with the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act and ensure that a contract award is not made to a party that has been debarred or suspended in the federal System for Award Management (SAM).

#### **USE OF EVIDENCE**

Where applicable, Hamilton County used SLFRF on projects that utilized evidence-based interventions. Below are a few highlights of evidence-based practices that are being incorporated into the county's plan:

- The 2022 Hamilton County Post-COVID Workforce Opportunity Analysis is focused on analyzing the impact the pandemic has had on various populations within our community.
- "Mental Health First Aid" trainings, this evidence-based training assists local businesses in assisting employed individuals and job seekers struggling with mental health and substance abuse issues.
- The county's C.O.P.E. program utilizes this program utilizes the Sequential Intercept Evidence-Based Model.

#### PERFORMANCE REPORT

Hamilton County is dedicated to monitoring performance goals for each project funded through the American Rescue Plan (ARP), where applicable. The County plans to fund several projects with different goals, so progress and performance for each area will be measured using appropriate data.

#### Infrastructure Projects

Numerous projects are completed or currently underway.

The Baker's Corner project is more than halfway complete in every aspect/phase which includes: wastewater and water lines throughout the Baker's Corner corridor. Phase one of the project was so well received and successful, the ARPA Committee opted to do a second phase to the north of Baker's Corner up to 276<sup>th</sup> and State Road 31, providing services to even more areas in need within the county.

A multitude of drainage projects are underway and/or complete throughout the county, many targeting underserved census tracts. The projects range in scope from providing better drainage to areas with a history of chronic standing water, over the road flooding to inadequate stormwater storage capacity.

A new septic system was designed and installed in the White River Campground. Electric and water pedestal upgrades for 30 sites is awaiting completion.

#### Prevention of COVID-19 Infection

COVID prevention projects/upgrades throughout county owned facilities has been completed. The projects range from digitizing records so members of the public can have access to those online, reducing the need to come to the courthouse in person and risk exposure to installing protective barriers for staff interactions with citizens.

#### Affordable Housing

The County changed direction regarding affordable housing. Instead of trying to locate and purchase land to develop affordable housing units on, the ARPA Committee decided to provide funding to organizations/developers that already have plans and developments established and underway.

#### Broadband

Broadband services have been upgraded and/or provided to numerous underserved areas throughout the county.

#### PROJECT INVENTORY

#### **Premium Pay**

Project ID:	Project Status:	Expenditure Category:
8950.0000.0000.1346	Completed (2021)	4.1 Public Sector Employees

**Project Description:** Provided a lump sum payment of \$3,000 in premium pay to each fulltime employee of Hamilton County for essential work performed during the public health emergency. County employees worked tirelessly throughout the pandemic to provide essential services to the public which required them to risk exposure to the coronavirus. This payment was awarded on May 21, 2021, and was included in the employee's pay distribution.

Total Funding Amount:	\$ 3.795.891.29
Total Fullding Amount.	\$ 5,795,091.29
Total Expenditures:	\$ 3,795,891.29
Current Period Obligation:	\$ 0.00
Current Period Expenditure:	\$ 0.00
Amount Allocated to Evidence-Based Intervention:	N/A

#### **Key Performance Indicators:**

Output Measures: Number of Employees Served: 1,421

Outcome Measures: Not Applicable.

#### **Drinking Water**

Project ID:	Project Status:	Expenditure Category:
See Below	See Below	5.13 Drinking Water: Source

Total Funding Amount:	\$ 2,331,000.00
Total Expenditures:	\$ 2,238,445.33
Current Period Obligation:	\$ 186,000.00
Current Period Expenditure:	\$ 353,978.80
Amount Allocated to Evidence-Based Intervention:	N/A

#### Well Field Drilling

Project ID:	Project Status:
8950.0000.8970.4500	More than 50% complete

Project Description: To determine local water availability

Current Period Obligations: \$ 186,000.00
Current Period Expenditures: \$ 93,445.33

#### **Key Performance Indicators**

#### **Output Measures:**

- Expanded Background Study Re-evaluated study area and identified over 10 new potential sites. This has been completed. Costs for the revision were covered by the budget for the geophysical work that was eliminated from the project. (Reference Technical Memo August 2024.)
- 2. Test Drilling at Potters Bridge/Beaver: Costs included in the original scope. This is in process but on hold due to weather limiting access to the site.

#### Outcome Measures: Work completed includes:

- 1. (2) 2-inch test wells
- 2. On hold weather permitting:
  - a. (1) 6-inch test well
  - b. (1) 2-inch test wells

#### Intera Water Availability

Project ID:	Project Status:
8950.0000.8101.3001	Completed

**Project Description:** To determine local water availability, create a water status dashboard that can display real-time information and use the groundwater model to consider alternative designs for infiltration systems. The goal of this project is to ensure safe groundwater availability. Information from the study will be used to place wellheads in areas that are identified as having a lack of access to clean water.

Current Period Obligations: \$ 0.00

Current Period Expenditures: \$260,533.47

#### **Key Performance Indicators:**

**Output Measures**: A network of 60 sonic water-level monitoring systems (including four in Census Tracts considered underserved) and 15 stilling wells were places in gravel pits throughout the county to provide real time data for observing water levels throughout the county.

#### **Outcome Measures:**

- Refinements to and completion of the Water-Level Monitoring Network: refinements include
  the addition of two new sensors to monitor infiltration from detention ponds and decommissioning
  of two monitoring sites. The Aquifer Monitoring Network now includes 45 active sites and 2
  inactive sites, with sensors installed on private wells across the county. In addition, 14 sites have
  sensors installed on utility-owned monitoring wells.
- 2. Network maintenance and data cleaning: both hardware and software problems were encountered with the sensor and data collection system. The issues were solved in collaboration with Wellntel, the sensor provider, through equipment adjustments and replacements. Data collected during the initial year of monitoring were cleaned to remove data based on misinterpreted acoustic signals.
- 3. **Finalizing the Water Study Dashboard:** the project dashboard, developed using AQI software and services, was completed. Data presented on the dashboard includes groundwater elevations from the network, as well as USGS surface water and groundwater elevations, NOAA daily precipitation stations, permitted NPDES discharges (ECHO data), and significant water withdrawals reported by the IDNR. The dashboard was publicly unveiled during the Indiana Water Summit on August 21, 2024.
- 4. Completion of a Hamilton County Water Study Public Report: an interactive, map-driven, public report was developed using ESRI Storymaps. The public report will be made available as a link on the County website. The report focuses on public education, with a description of the hydrologic conditions in the county supplemented by new data from the Water Study.

#### Wastewater Service Improvement and Expansion

Regional Sewage District

Project ID:	Project Status:	Expenditure Category:
8950.0000.8968.4500	Not Started	5.1 Clean Water: Centralized
		wastewater treatment

**Project Description:** The Hamilton County Regional Utility District was created in conjunction with the Bakers Corner/US 31 Infrastructure Investment Project. The major priorities of the Board are demonstrating the need for sanitary sewers in populated, unsewered portions of the county and investigating funding.

Current Period Obligations: \$2,4000,000.00

Current Period Expenditures: \$ 0.00

Project ID:	Project Status:	Expenditure Category:
See Below	See Below	5.3 Clean Water: Decentralized Wastewater

As clean water is essential to the health and wellbeing of the county's residents; the goal of this project is to make needed improvements to current wastewater treatment facilities and expand wastewater services to underserved or unincorporated areas of the county that currently do not have wastewater services.

Total Funding Amount:	\$ 32,029,379.59
Total Expenditures:	\$ 31,804,595.40
Total Current Period Obligations:	\$ 0.00
Total Current Period Expenditures:	\$ 10,214,017.68
Amount Allocated to Evidence-Based Intervention:	N/A

#### Baker's Corner (1103.03)

Project ID:	Project Status:
8950.0000.8102.3001 (Study)	More than 50% Complete
8950.0000.8211.3001 (Professional Services)	More than 50 % Complete
8950.0000.8211.3200 (Printing & Advertising)	Completed
8950.0000.8211.4100 (Land)	Completed
8950.0000.8211.4200 (Infrastructure)	Completed
8950.0000.8211.4500 (Machinery/Equipment)	Completed

**Project Description:** Bakers Corner is an unincorporated, un-sewered area of Hamilton County. Hamilton County has moved forward with the project at Baker's Corner and 236<sup>th</sup>. The project is currently 65% complete with wastewater phase of the project and roughly 60% compete with the waterlines. This portion of the project is Phase 1 under the obligation of the ARPA funding. The County has opted to do a second phase north of Baker's Corner to 276<sup>th</sup> and State Road 31. Phase 2 will allow water and wastewater to move into other areas in need of these services within the county.

Current Period Obligations: \$ 0.00

Current Period Expenditures: \$9,937,088.53

**Key Performance Indicators** 

#### Outcome Measures:

1. **Wastewater Treatment Plant** – Completed remaining equipment start-ups, testing; completed remaining sitework; completed final punch list.

- 2. **Booster Station** completed remaining sitework; completed; completed remaining Booster Pump Testing volume; complete final punch.
- 3. **Phase one Sewer and Water** lift station number 1; ready for flow (under generator power if necessary) by 08/15/2025; final sitework; final punch list 10/10/2025.
- 4. **List station number 2** ready for flow (under generator power if necessary); final sitework; final punch list.
- Phase 1 Water Areas South & East of Lift Station Number 1 Complete 20" H2O past LS #1; complete flushing and testing of waterlines; complete BacT's/System ready for use; complete services (water & sewer) and final restorations at 234th Street.
- Phase 1 Sewer Areas West from LS #1 to Dunbar complete Line A 18" gravity sewer; complete flushing and testing of remaining gravity lines; completed flushing and test of Force Mains from LS #1 Area East to LS #2; all final sewer connections for flows to WWTP 08/15/2025

#### White River Campground (1101.02)

Project ID:	Project Status:
8950.0000.8173.4100 (Land)	Completed (2021)
8950.0000.8173.4200 (Septic System)	Completed (2025)

**Project Description:** The County will provide funding to provide the White River Campground with improvements to its septic system. Six acres of land has been purchased for a natural sand filter system and grit chamber to support a new septic system. Then a new septic system will be designed and installed in the campground. Looking to go to bid in August 2022 with completion by the summer of 2023.

Current Period Obligations: \$ 0.00 Current Period Expenditures: \$ 276,929.15

Outcome Measures: The final stage of the project involved upgrading the site amenities in section C and section A. This included a new power service in section C to upgrade available sites to 50-amp service while replacing all site pedestals and water supply. Section A received all new pedestals and water supplies while keeping the power service the same. This stage finalized every camp site receiving its own fully hook up services.

#### Town of Arcadia (1102.01)

Project ID:	Project Status:
8950.0000.8164.3001	Completed (2022)

**Project Description:** Funding has been provided for improvements to the wastewater collection and the wastewater treatment plant that services the Town of Arcadia. Have received the IDEM Construction Permit for Division B. Waiting on comments for Division A.

Current Period Obligations: \$ 0.00 Current Period Expenditures: \$ 0.00

#### *Town of Atlanta (1102.01)*

Project ID:	Project Status:
8950.0000.8203.4200	Completed (2022)

**Project Description:** Funding has been provided for improvements to the wastewater collection and the wastewater treatment plant that services the Town of Atlanta. The installation of necessary infrastructure has not yet been scheduled.

Current Period Obligations: \$ 0.00 Current Period Expenditures: \$ 0.00

#### Indianapolis Executive Airport

Project ID:	Project Status:
8950.0000.8187.4200	Completed (2022)

**Project Description:** Funding will be provided for improvements to extend new water and sewer lines to twelve new hangers in the airport. Project was completed in December of 2021.

Current Period Obligations: \$ 0.00 Current Period Expenditures: \$ 0.00

#### **Key Performance Indicators:**

**Output Measures:** Output measures are not tracked for these projects. Projects are designed to improve wastewater treatment and management within the county.

**Outcome Measures:** 12 new services accounts through the airport. Three projects have been completed out of the five planned projects. The two remaining projects are in progress and are expected to be completed in the coming months.

#### Stormwater Improvements

Project ID:	Project Status:	Expenditure Category:
See Below	See Below	5.6 Clean Water: Stormwater

Stormwater drainage is essential to the health and well-being of the citizens of Hamilton County. The County intends to take up several stormwater related projects to improve drainage in various areas across the county.

Total Funding Amount:	\$ 9,634,506.54
Total Expenditures:	\$ 4,962,536.56
Total Experiultures.	\$ 4,902,000.00
Total Current Period Obligations	\$ 0.00
Total Current Period Expenditures	\$ 1,869,465.69
Amount Allocated to Evidence-Based Intervention:	N/A

#### Parking Garage Drainage

Project ID:	Project Status:
8950.0000.8114.4200	Completed (2022)

**Project Description:** Installation of an "interceptor system" that removes oil and other contaminates from storm water and snow melt before returning the clean water back to the river, in the new parking garage located at 225 N. 9<sup>th</sup> Street, Noblesville, IN. Project has been completed.

Current Period Obligations: \$ 0.00
Current Period Expenditures: \$ 0.00
Total Expenditures: \$ 91,565.00

#### REAM Creek

Project ID:	Project Status:
8950.0000.8133.4200	Completed (2023)

**Project Description:** This project will improve the existing drainage outlet of Orchard Park and Home Place. Ream Creek is located between 96<sup>th</sup> and 106<sup>th</sup> streets and between Westfield Boulevard and the Monon Trail. This project will allow future projects within the Orchard Park development and Home Place (located in census tract 1111.04 which is considered an underserved area) to provide better drainage outlets to areas with a history of chronic standing water. Contract awarded and the preconstruction meeting is pending. Having supply chain issues pushing the estimated completion of the project to winter of 2022.

Current Period Obligations: \$ 0.00 (original obligation was \$933,570.00)

Current Period Expenditures: \$ 0.00 Total Expenditures: \$ 923,905.63

#### George Symonds 2 Staged Ditch

Project ID:	Project Status:
8950.0000.8144.4200	Completed (2023)

**Project Description:** The construction of the 2-Stage ditch will allow storage of the increased stormwater from the Town of Sheridan drainage improvements and provide additional flood protection downstream. This project serves residents in census tract 1103.03. Project nearing completion, final walk through is pending.

Current Period Obligations: \$ 0.00 (original obligation was \$979,987.00)

Current Period Expenditures: \$ 0.00 Total Expenditures: \$ 882,463.56

#### Elwood Wilson, E.M Hare Drain

Project ID:	Project Status:
8950.0000.8149.4200	Completed (2022)

**Project Description:** The drain functions at an unacceptable level and is undersized by today's standards. Portions of the drainage shed served by the drain have standing water issues that includes over the road flooding on Promise Road. This project will service a portion of census tract 1105.05 which is considered underserved. Contract awarded and the preconstruction meeting is pending. Having supply chain issues pushing the estimated completion of the project to winter of 2022.

Current Period Obligations: \$ 0.00
Current Period Expenditures: \$ 0.00
Total Expenditures: \$ 200,000.00

#### Clara Knotts Drain

Project ID:	Project Status:
8950.0000.8131.4200	Less than 50% Complete

**Project Description:** This project will reconstruct and add storm sewers. The area is presently poorly drained by a system of roadside swales and experiences chronic standing water issues and flooding. This project is located in census tract 1111.04 which is considered underserved. Contract awarded and the preconstruction meeting is pending. Waiting on utility relocates, estimated completion of the project to fall of 2022.

Current Period Obligations: \$ 0.00 Current Period Expenditures: \$ 26,018.75 Total Expenditures: \$ 146,353.75

#### **Key Performance Indicators:**

Outcome Measures: The contractor anticipates an early September 2025 start date.

Flora Mendenhall Drain

Project ID:	Project Status:
8950.0000.8212.4200	Not Started

**Project Description:** Funding will replace an existing tile which is undersized with an open drain. Currently, the storm water flows over two county roads and is eroding the property it crosses. Contract has been awarded. This project will be located in census tract 1103.03 which is considered underserved. Working with landowner on a possible change order at this time, which means the preconstruction meeting is pending. Construction completion is anticipated for fall 2022. PROJECT WAS CANCELED

Current Period Obligations: \$ 0.00 Current Period Expenditures: \$ 0.00

#### W.S. Burnau Drain

Project ID:	Project Status:
8950.0000.8143.4200	Completed (2023)

**Project Description:** The W.S. Burnau Arm of the FM Musselman Drain is located generally between 191st Street and 196th Street and between Promise Road and Mallery Road in Wayne and Noblesville Townships. The drain functions but is undersized and requires frequent maintenance. There is significant flooding that occurs on the properties on both the east and west sides of Mallery Road south of 191st Street. There is also significant flooding in the field northeast of the intersection of 191st Street and Mallery Road that results in saturated soil that affects crop production. The project is one phase of an overall to reconstruct the drain.

Current Period Obligations: \$ 0.00 Current Period Expenditures: \$ 0.00

Total Expenditures: \$1,185,079.01

#### Joseph & Brooks Arm of the William Lehr Drain

Project ID:	Project Status:
8950.0000.8222.4200	Complete (2024)

**Project Description:** The LN Joseph and Eli Brooks Arm and the LN Joseph Arm are located in Noblesville Township of Hamilton County. The drain is generally located between 146th Street and 166th Street, west and east of Summer Road. The Eli Brooks Drain was established in 1893. The LN Joseph Drain was established in 1908. The Drains function but are undersized by today's standards. The Drains are between 70 and 129-years old and have exceeded the expected service life of such tiles. Routine maintenance is required for the Drains to function. This is the last phase of a multiphase project that reconstructed the majority of the LN Joseph and Eli Brooks Drain. After this project is complete only 813-feet of the original LN Joseph and Eli Brooks Drain will remain in service.

Current Period Obligations: \$ 0.00 Current Period Expenditures: \$ 29,819.10 Total Expenditures: \$ 179,808.20

#### A.F. Ingerman Drain

Project ID:	Project Status:
8950.0000.82232.4200	More than 50% complete

**Project Description:** The A.F Ingerman Drain became a regulated drain in 1893. The drain was constructed as an agricultural drain. The watershed is 1939 acres. This drain serves an area southwest of the town of Cicero. Most of the watershed is located east of SR19, south of 221st Street, west of Cumberland Road, and north of 206th Street in Noblesville and Jackson Townships. Development of the area within the watershed cannot occur until the drain is reconstructed to provide adequate capacity.

Current Period Obligations: \$ 0.00 Current Period Expenditures: \$ 942,951.19 Total Expenditures: \$ 942,951.19

#### **Key Performance Indicators**

Outcome Measures: According to the June 9, 2025, Drainage Board minutes, the contractor has mobilized off the site and they are planning to return to the site to finish grading and any remaining items for that project. A punch list needs to be developed, and they want to walk it with our inspector to develop that list.

#### J.S. McCarty Drain

Project ID:	Project Status:
8950.0000.82235.4200	More than 50% complete

**Project Description:** The J.S McCarty Drain was constructed in 1900 and drains the area north and south of State Road 38 from west of Boden Road to east of Prairie Baptist Road and drains the community of Clarksville. Phase 3 of the project consists of the reconstruction of the George Steffey Arm on the south side of Clarksville. The south side of Clarksville has chronic standing water issues. The Drain functions but is undersized by today's standards and is well beyond the useful life of such a tile. The project will also extend drains to provide a drainage outlet for the portions of Clarksville that are south of SR38. This project will improve the health and safety of the area by removing excess surface and ground water from the area improving conditions for septic systems, foundations, roads and preventing mosquitoes by eliminating standing surface water.

Current Period Obligations: \$ 0.00 Current Period Expenditures: \$ 624,553.65 Total Expenditures: \$ 672,553.65

#### **Key Performance Indicators**

**Outcome Measures**: According to the May 27, 2025, Drainage Board minutes, the project is on hold still. We are working through the acquisition of one easement that has moved to condemnation. The contractor has mobilized off the site pending the County securing that easement.

#### The Hortonville Drain

Project ID:	Project Status:
8950.0000.82234.4200	Less than 50% complete

**Project Description:** The Hortonville Drain project will provide drainage relief to an area of the county which suffers from chronic water problems. The project area is in the southeast quadrant of Horton Road and 206th Street. This project will improve the health and safety of the area by

removing excess surface and ground water from the area improving conditions for septic systems, foundations, roads and preventing mosquitoes by eliminating standing surface water.

Current Period Obligations: \$ 0.00
Current Period Expenditures: \$ 13,075.00
Total Expenditures: \$ 42,255.00

#### **Key Performance Indicators**

**Outcome Measures**: According to the May 27, 2025, Drainage Board minutes, the Surveyor stated we are working on a change order for that project. That project was bid for the full scope and based on funding we had to reduce the scope. The contractor has requested that change order prior to starting the work.

#### Adam Ault Drain

Project ID:	Project Status:
8950.0000.82231.4200	Complete (2024)

Project Description: The Adam Ault Drain is located in White River Township of Hamilton County. The drainage shed is 79.53-acres in Hamilton County and 18.51 acres in Tipton County totaling 98.04 acres. The drain is generally located between 291st Street and 296th Street east of Carpenter Road. The Adam Ault Drain was constructed by order of the Hamilton County Commissioners in 1886. The drain functions but is undersized by today's standards. This is most evident on 296th Street which floods and is impassable during and after heavy rainfall events. The flooding also affects the adjacent properties. Portions of the drainage shed served by the drain have standing water issues that affect crop production. The Adam Ault Drain needs reconstruction at this time due to its age, the lack of adequate capacity, and because the condition of the drain has deteriorated beyond the practicality of normal routine maintenance.

Current Period Obligations: \$ 0.00
Current Period Expenditures: \$ 0.00
Total Expenditures: \$ 250,000.13

#### Sam Craig Holleran Arm

Project ID:	Project Status:
8950.0000.822333.4200	Less than 50% complete

**Project Description:** The Craig Holleran Arm of the Elwood Wilson Drain is in Wayne and Noblesville Townships of Hamilton County. Generally, the drain is bounded by SR37 to the west, Mallery Road to the east, 186th Street to the north, and along the line of 181st Street to the south. The drain was originally constructed in 1887. The watershed drains approximately 1.33-square miles. The Drain functions but is undersized by today's standards and is well beyond the useful life of such a tile. The drain serves the Fishers Oakwood Community which has a long-standing and chronic standing water issue. This project will improve the health and safety of the area by removing excess surface and ground water from the area improving conditions for septic systems, foundations, roads and preventing mosquitoes by eliminating standing surface water.

Current Period Obligations: \$ 0.00
Current Period Expenditures: \$ 177,085.00
Total Expenditures: \$ 177,085.00

**Key Performance Indicators** 

Outcome Measures: The contractor anticipates a late July, early August start date.

#### West Arcadia Drain-Miller Arm

Project ID:	Project Status:
8950.0000.82236.4200	Less than 50% complete

**Project Description:** The West Arcadia Drain – Miller arm is a project that will provide relief to the existing drainage system within the Town of Arcadia. A large watershed drains into the Town from the north and west and the runoff exceeds the capacity of the drainage system. The project is located between the Town of Arcadia and Little Cicero Creek along 266th Street. The project is part of a multi-phased project to provide relief to the flooding conditions experienced in the Town of Arcadia.

Current Period Obligations: \$ 0.00 Current Period Expenditures: \$ 55,963.00 Total Expenditures: \$ 150,980.00

#### **Key Performance Indicators:**

Output Measures: Benefitted Parcels: Total Parcels – 3,122

#### Parcels in underserved census tracts:

Census Tract	Number of Parcels
1111.04	830
1103.03	928
1105.05	155

Outcome Measures: The County will monitor the performance of the newly installed and expanded drains to determine if they are functioning properly. Future incidences of flooding will be addressed if needed.

According to the May 27, 2025, Drainage Board minutes, the project is still on hold. There are several easements that we are acquiring.

#### Operating Assistance to Impacted Small Businesses

Project ID:	Project Status:	Expenditure Category:
8950.0000.8132.3001	Complete (2022)	2.29 Loans or Grants to Mitigate Financial Hardship
8950.0000.8134.3001		
8950.0000.8137.3001		
8950.0000.8155.3001		
8950.0000.8157.3001		
8950.0000.8159.3001		
8950.0000.8118.3001		
8950.0000.8120.3001		
8950.0000.8123.3001		
8950.0000.8127.3001		
8950.0000.8168.3001		
8950.0000.8163.3001		
8950.0000.8170.3001		
8950.0000.8186.3001		
8950.0000.8189.3001		

**Project Description:** The county's small business and non-profit economic development program component of its ARPA strategy provided economic assistance to help businesses impacted by COVID-19.

#### Applicants had to:

- Be able to demonstrate their qualifications through an online application process
- Been in business and providing goods and services to the county with a minimum 1-year operating history as of March 1, 2020
- Have experienced financial hardship as a result of COVID-19 and those impacts must be documented, quantifiable and clearly driven by COVID-19
- Be in good standing with both the state and county government

An initial review/screen of applicants was performed by the ARPA subcommittee with qualified applicants being passed on to the full ARPA Committee for review. Once the ARPA committee selects an applicant for award, they applicant submits the remaining required documents and provides any further information the APA Committee requests. Upon final approval, the applicant receives a one-time payment from the County Auditor.

Business and organizations receiving financial assistance came from various industries, including: the food industry, arts and culture, entertainment and recreation, tourism, housing rental industry, healthcare, professional services, social services, senior serves, food assistance, fitness and wellness, education, and others.

Total Funding Amount:	\$ 246,000.00
Total Expenditures:	\$ 246,000.00
Current Period Obligation:	\$ 0.00
Current Period Expenditure:	\$ 0.00
Amount Allocated to Evidence-Based Intervention:	N/A

#### **Key Performance Indicators:**

Output Measures: Number of Small Business assistance operating grants: 15

Outcome Measures: Small Business Recipients still in Operation as of July 31st, 2023: 14

#### **Operating Assistance to Impacted Non-Profit Organizations**

Project ID:	Project Status:	Expenditure Category:
8950.0000.0000.3001	Completed (2022)	2.34 Assistance to Impacted Nonprofit Organizations

**Project Description:** The county's small business and non-profit economic development program component of its ARPA strategy provided economic assistance to help non-profit organizations impacted by COVID-19.

#### Applicants had to:

- Be able to demonstrate their qualifications through an online application process
- Been in business and providing goods and services to the county with a minimum 1-year operating history as of March 1, 2020
- Have experienced financial hardship as a result of COVID-19 and those impacts must be documented, quantifiable and clearly driven by COVID-19
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Business and organizations receiving financial assistance came from various industries, including: the food industry, arts and culture, entertainment and recreation, tourism, housing rental industry, healthcare, professional services, social services, senior serves, food assistance, fitness and wellness, education, and others.

Total Funding Amount:	\$ 918,501.00
Total Expenditures:	\$ 918,501.00
Current Period Obligation:	\$ 0.00
Current Period Expenditure:	\$ 0.00
Amount Allocated to Evidence-Based Intervention:	N/A

#### **Key Performance Indicators:**

Output Measures: Number of Non-Profit operating Grants: 33

Outcome Measures: Non-Profit Recipients still in Operation: 33Assistance to Local Units of

Government

Project ID:	Project Status:	Expenditure Category:
8950.0000.8061.3001	Completed (2022)	2.29 Loans or Grants to Mitigate Financial Hardship
8950.0000.8177.3001	Completed (2022)	·
8950.0000.8184.3001	Completed (2022)	
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**Project Description:** The County will provide assistance to local township governments whose revenues were impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. The townships receiving assistance are Delaware, Jackson, and Westfield Washington. Delaware and Westfield Washington had to shut down parks programing and venue rentals due to the pandemic and suffered a loss of local revenue as a result. Jackson Township requested assistance with the operating costs of its Fire Department.

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Total Funding Amount:	\$ 143,597.00
Total Expenditures:	\$ 143,597.00
Current Period Obligation:	\$ 0.00
Current Period Expenditure:	\$ 0.00
Amount Allocated to Evidence-Based Intervention:	N/A

#### **Key Performance Indicators:**

Output Measures: Township programs supported: 3

**Outcome Measures:** N/A – Township granted funds will be used to support operations of the Township. Outcome measures not appropriate.

#### **Tourism**

Project ID:	Project Status:	Expenditure Category:
8950.0000.8108.3001	Completed (2022)	2.35 Aid to Tourism, Travel, or Hospitality
8950.0000.8182.3001	Completed (2022)	

**Project Description:** Funding will be granted to County Tourism organizations, Hamilton County Tourism and Nickel Plate Heritage Railroad, Inc. to support their operating costs. Tourism in Hamilton County suffered as a result of the pandemic, the goal of this funding is to support these agency's mission of boosting tourism to Hamilton County in an effort to fully recover from the Pandemic.

Total Funding Amount:	\$ 3,160,000.00
Total Expenditures:	\$ 3,160,000.00
Current Period Obligation:	\$ 0.00

Current Period Expenditure:	\$ 0.00
Amount Allocated to Evidence-Based Intervention:	N/A

#### **Key Performance Indicators:**

**Output Measures:** Local Tourism organizations assisted:

**Outcome Measures:** N/A – Grants were given for tourism organizations to maintain operations. No measurable outcomes appropriate.

#### **Community Opioid Prevention Effort (C.O.P.E)**

Project ID:	Project Status:	Expenditure Category:
8950.0000.8205.3001	Completed (2023)	1.13 Substance Use Services

**Project Description:** Drug overdose mortality rates have increased sharply in the U.S. since the COVID-19 pandemic began in 2020. This funding will ensure the C.O.P.E program continues by providing gap funding for salaries for program staff. This program utilizes the Sequential Intercept Model (SIM) to determine how individuals with mental and substance abuse disorders come into contact with and move through the criminal justice system.

Total Funding Amount:	\$ 16,435.95
Total Expenditures:	\$ 16,435.95
Current Period Obligation:	\$ 0.00
Current Period Expenditure:	\$ 0.00
Amount Allocated to Evidence-Based Intervention:	\$ 16,435.95

Community Overdose Prevention Efforts/Quick Response Teams had 123 surviving overdose patients referred to the program in 2022. Sixty-five (65) were males and fifty-eight (58) were female patients. This was the fourth year for the Quick Response Teams to conduct home visits and engage with the patients. The patients are all overdose survivors revived with Narcan. The Teams made seventy-three home visits. The home visits resulted in 35 patients successfully enrolling and engaging into treatment.

#### **County Employee COVID-19 Testing**

Project ID:	Project Status:	Expenditure Category:
8950.0000.8201.2200		1.2 COVID-19 Testing
0000100001020112200	Completed (2022)	112 00 112 10 10011119

**Project Description:** To maintain vital public services the County offered testing to County Employees who report exposure to or symptoms of COVID-19 virus to prevent further infection of staff.

Total Funding Amount:	\$ 14,100.00
Total Expenditures:	\$ 14,100.00
Current Period Obligation:	\$ 0.00
Current Period Expenditure:	\$ 0.00
Amount Allocated to Evidence-Based Intervention:	N/A

#### **Key Performance Indicators:**

**Output Measures:** The county purchased 1,200 tests

Outcome Measures: The county has tested 80 employees, identifying 12 positive cases of COVID-19.

#### Prevention of COVID-19 Infection – County Building

Project ID:	Project Status:	Expenditure Category:
8950.0000.8128.4500	Completed (2022)	1.4 Prevention in Congregate Setting – Dense
8950.0000.8204.4500	Completed (2024)	Worksite
8950.0000.8202.3001	Completed (2023)	
8950.0000.8213.4500	Completed (2022)	
8950.0000.8215.4500	Completed (2023)	
8950.0000.8216.4400	Completed (2024)	
8950.0000.8217.4500	Completed (2023)	
8950.0000.8217.3001	Completed (2023)	

**Project Description:** The County reconfigured workstations and office spaces, constructed additional counter space, and installed protective barriers to promote social distancing and limit exposure to COVID-19 for county staff and the visiting public. The County will also work to scan official documents so the public can have access to them online, reducing the need to come to the courthouse in person and risk exposure.

Total Funding Amount:	\$ 1,302,462.04
Total Expenditures:	\$ 1,302,462.04
Current Period Obligation:	\$ 0.00
Current Period Expenditure:	\$ 0.00
Amount Allocated to Evidence-Based Intervention:	\$ 0.00

#### **Key Performance Indicators:**

Output Measures: Number of COVID cases among employees.

**Outcome Measures:** Prior to the reconfiguration of the office, there were multiple positive COVID cases and quarantines due to exposure. Since the office reconfiguration, there have been no positive cases or quarantines.

#### **Workforce Study and Mental Health Program**

Project ID:	Project Status:	Expenditure Category:
8950.0000.8119.3001	Completed (2024)	2.10 Job Training Assistance

**Project Description:** The Project Team created a Workforce Opportunity Analysis that provides insights on (1) changing needs of employers, (2) projected availability of talent to meet the needs, and (3) current state of education/career pathways in the county that can serve to align workers, students, and jobs. The 2022 Hamilton County Post-COVID Workforce Opportunity Analysis focused on analyzing the impact the pandemic had on various populations within our community and evaluating the workforce response to the gaps brought on by the pandemic. Focus areas of the study include various disadvantaged populations including dislocated workers, racial demographics, educational attainment levels, and essential worker populations within the community. Gaps have been identified in high school attainment, housing, transportation, childcare, community college infrastructure and other social determinants of health that disproportionately impact disadvantaged portions of our population. Labor force participation, *financial insecurity, unemployment and resiliency are all tied to educational attainment.* An analysis of K-12, post-secondary training and workforce priorities, and ensuring their alignment with struggles brought on by the pandemic, is a top priority for the community.

#### Study Integration, Research, Stakeholder Engagement

Mental Health 101 Resource Guide for local businesses has been produced and is beginning to be rolled out to local businesses and partners. Data assistance for multiple disability and mental health partners has been provided. Population research helping to inform Riverview strategic planning.

Project team has worked to connect workforce development resources with mental health stakeholders, attend/lead local crisis response infrastructure meetings, and assisted with development plan for ecosystem.

#### **Educational Events**

12 total events were conducted in partnership with OneZone, Noblesville and Westfield Chambers of Commerce. Events included:

- Mental Health First Aid
- Mental Health and the Office Environment
- Marijuana and the Workplace
- ADA/OSHA/FMLA and Mental Health

#### Web Resources and Technology Supports

New investhamiltoncounty.com website is live and includes resources via: <a href="https://investhamiltoncounty.com/live/mental-health-support/">https://investhamiltoncounty.com/live/mental-health-support/</a>

New site includes a link for getting help, stigma reduction, and resources.

#### **Workforce Development, Program Strategy and Collateral Development**

Activities included:

- Recruitment of employers for county jail job fair with recovery environment (TOWER)
- Expanding availability of recovery coaching in work release and county jail
- Building an interaction between Ivy Tech Community College and jail recovery environment
- Delivering programming re: employment in partnership with Community Mental Health Center (CMHC) for patient population.

Total Funding Amount:	\$ 150,000.00
Total Expenditures:	\$ 150,000.00
Current Period Obligation:	\$ 0.00
Current Period Expenditure:	\$ 3,500.00
Amount Allocated to Evidence-Based Intervention:	\$ 11,000.00

#### **Affordable Housing**

Project ID:	Project Status:	Expenditure Category:
See Below	See Below	2.15 Long-term Housing Security: Affordable
		Housing

#### Affordable Housing Project

Project ID:	Project Status:
8950.0000.8100.3001	Not Started

**Project Description:** Building of deed-restricted units for occupancy to very-low, low and moderate-income households. The project is still in the planning stages and thus, there is no confirmation on the number of units that will be created. There is no available estimated start or completion date at this time. The ARPA Committee voted to re-allocate \$1,400,000 of the original obligation for affordable housing. They also voted to provide \$250,000.00 to an established affordable housing project in Noblesville. PROJECT WAS CANCELLED

#### Section 42 Workforce Housing Project

Project ID:	Project Status:
8950.0000.8971.4500	Not Started

Project Description: To provide gap funding to finish an affordable housing project.

Current Period Obligation: \$ 0.00

Current Period Expenditures: \$ 0.00

Total Expenditures: \$ 0.00

Total Funding Amount:	\$ 250,000.00
Total Expenditures:	\$ 0.00
Current Period Obligation:	\$ 250,000.00
Current Period Expenditure:	\$ 0.00
Amount Allocated to Evidence-Based Intervention:	N/A

#### **Key Performance Indicators:**

Output Measures: Number of affordable housing unites preserved or developed.

Outcome Measures: N/A - Project has not yet started.

#### **Broadband**

Project ID:	Project Status:	Expenditure Category:
8950.0000.8103.3001	More than 50% complete	5.21 Broadband: Other Projects
8950.0000.8219.3001	Complete (2025)	-

**Project Description:** Funding to expand access and options, issuing an RFP to either fiber or wireless providers to bring access to unserved or underserved parts of town. As one condition from the RFP, respondents must prove the infrastructure they build can match 100 Mbps/20 Mbps speeds.

Total Funding Amount:	\$ 427,500.00
Total Expenditures:	\$ 423,979.50
Current Period Obligation:	\$ 0.00
Current Period Expenditure:	\$ 234,943.50
Amount Allocated to Evidence-Based Intervention:	N/A

#### **Key Performance Indicators:**

Output Measures: Providing access to the underserved areas of the county, which could be as many as 3,900 residents.

Outcome Measures: Primary deliverables during this project period included:

- 1. Coordination of county contract with Comcast and ensuring project deliverables met for ARPA award to match state of Indiana Next Level Connections (NLC) Round 3 Grants
- 2. Coordination of county match set aside for federal BEAD awards to applying local providers
- 3. Community marketing and coordination or challenge phases involved in BEAD awards and NLC Round 4 in partnership with libraries, employers, school districts, parks, economic development, and civic leaders
- 4. Facilitating BEAD applications and coordinated provider conversations

KSM, in coordination with Invest Hamilton County, acted as the County's representative to assist in coordinating with broadband providers. As a result of these efforts in 2024, Hamilton County saw significant provider applications in the Q1 2025 BEAD phase and in NLC Round 4 applications. The end results helped or will help hundreds of local households gain access to high quality broadband services.

#### **Administrative Expenses**

Project ID:	Project Status:	Expenditure Category:		
8950.0000.8136.3001	More than 50%	7.1 Administrative Expenses		
	Complete			
8950.0000.8214.3001	Completed (2023)			
8950.0000.8220.3001	Completed (2024)			
8950.0000.1111.3001	Completed (2024)			

**Project Description:** Consulting contracts with Baker Tilly to help with ARPA Reporting and other administrative tasks.

Total Funding Amount:	\$ 191,304.10
Total Expenditures:	\$ 148,672.85
Current Period Obligation:	\$ 76,304.10
Current Period Expenditure:	\$ 25,672.85
Amount Allocated to Evidence-Based Intervention:	N/A

<sup>\*\$ 55,000.00</sup> approved to reallocated towards 8950.0000.8136.3001 for Professional Services. This amount resulted from completed projects prior to December 2024.

#### **Key Performance Indicators:**

Output Measures: Treasury Reports accurate and submitted on time.

Outcome Measures: Reports have been accurate and submitted on time.

Under the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLFRF), the U.S. Department of the Treasury has provided specific guidance regarding the use of unobligated funds for future audit costs.

#### Key points

- While the general obligation deadline for SLFRF funds was December 31, 2024, recipients may
  use unobligated funds after this date to cover certain necessary costs incurred in 2025 and 2026.
- Single Audit costs are an explicitly allowed category for these post-obligation deadline expenditures.
- This also includes costs related to various compliance and administrative requirements.
- To use funds for these costs, recipients must determine and document a reasonable estimate of the amount and report it to the Treasury by July 31, 2024.

Note: Any designated amounts not spent must be returned to the Treasury.

This guidance allows for the continued use of ARPA funds for administrative and compliance activities extending beyond the obligation deadline.

#### **Revenue Replacement**

Project ID:	Project Status:	Expenditure Category:
8950.0000.8218.3001	Completed (2023)	6.1 Revenue Replacement
8950.0000.8105.3001	Completed (2023)	·
8950.0000.0011.3001	More than 50% Completed	

Hamilton County claimed the standard \$10,000,000 of its State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund allocation as lost revenue. Lost revenue will be used to support the various county projects described below.

Total Funding Amount:	\$ 10,000,000.00
Total Expenditures:	\$ 5,836,585.00
Current Period Obligation:	\$ 0.00
Current Period Expenditure:	\$ 836,585.00
Amount Allocated to Evidence-Based Intervention:	N/A

Westfield University (8218.3001)

**Project Description:** Funding to help develop a 4-year university focused partially on public health/healthcare education and training.

Total Obligation: \$ 2,000,000.00
Total Expenditures: \$ 2,000,000.00

Current Period Obligations: \$ 0.00
Current Period Expenditures: \$ 0.00

White River Regional Opportunity Initiative (8105.3001)

**Project Description:** This project will fund drainage and stormwater related improvements along the White River.

Total Obligation: \$3,000,000.00 Total Expenditures: \$3,000,000.00

Current Period Obligations: \$ 0.00 Current Period Expenditures: \$ 0.00

#### 4-H Fairground (0111.3001)

**Project Description:** To relieve inadequate drainage from locations of high standing water that complicates events and causes damage to the fairgrounds and horse arena. The county is waiting on the "master plan" for the 4-H Fairground reconfiguration to determine the timing of the drainage projects. The master plan was presented to the County Commissioners on 8/8/2022. ARPA committee voted to provide \$1,500,000 to cover increased expenses in the 4-H Fairground drainage project at their June 6<sup>th</sup>, 2024, meeting.

Total Obligation: \$2,150,000.00 Total Expenditures: \$1,486,585.00

Current Period Obligations: \$ 0.00 Current Period Expenditures: \$ 836,585.00

#### **Key Performance Indicators**

#### Outcome Measures:

- 1. **South Drainage Pond** Completed South Pond. Remaining sitework is being finalized. Completed final punch list.
- 2. **Northeast Drainage Pond** 85% completed. Remaining sitework is in progress.
- 3. New drainage piping from South Pond Completed. Final site work complete.
- 4. **Building Drainage** Completed. Final site work complete.
- 5. Areana Drainage Completed. Final site work complete.