

Hamilton County, IN  
**Recovery Plan**

**State and Local Fiscal Recovery  
Funds**  
2022 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 Interim 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 effected 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 tracts 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

| Census Tract         | Total Population | % Minority | % 65 and Over | % Poverty | Limited English 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 1103.03 | 5,218            | 2.84%      | 17.73%        | 4.50%     | 0.40%                       |
| Census Tract 1104.01 | 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 1104.05 | 4,565            | 20.48%     | 5.91%         | 17.20%    | 13.10%                      |
| Census Tract 1104.06 | 6,423            | 17.08%     | 14.09%        | 0.00%     | 8.00%                       |
| Census Tract 1105.05 | 8,472            | 8.50%      | 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 | 5,832            | 9.62%      | 13.82%        | 1.80%     | 1.40%                       |
| Census Tract 1109.09 | 7,054            | 19.00%     | 7.39%         | 0.00%     | 2.20%                       |
| Census Tract 1109.10 | 7,077            | 37.36%     | 3.97%         | 1.70%     | 4.40%                       |
| 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%                       |

Total population for minority and low-income populations may differ. Population for low income is often lower since it includes only the population for which poverty status was determined.

## 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. 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 equitably 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 have rapid, effective access to support resources.

### *Community Characteristics for Hamilton County, Indiana*

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

*Demographic Data for Hamilton County, Indiana*

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| <b>Race and Hispanic Origin</b>                                  | <b>Percent</b> |
| 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%         |
| <b>Income &amp; Poverty</b>                                      | <b>Amounts</b> |
| Median Household income (in 2020 dollars), 2016-2020             | \$98,880       |
| Per capita income in past 12 months (in 2020 dollars, 2016-2020) | \$49,196       |
| Persons in poverty percentage                                    | 4.20%          |

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         | 287,606.07             |
| 1102         | 2,723,182.00           |
| 1103         | 779,158.10             |
| 1111         | 66,540.01              |

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 the 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*

A large portion of the County's ARP award has been dedicated to improving and expanding infrastructure in underserved areas of the county. The County will utilize contractors to complete each of the projects identified. A provision will be included in each contract that the contractor be in compliance with Davis-Bacon regulations related to wages and labor standards. Documentation will be requested as needed to ensure that contractors are in compliance. In general, outputs will be measured in terms of new services lines placed, added service capacity, performance of the planned improvements, and growth over time in areas where projects have been completed. As many of these projects have not yet been started, performance measures were not available for this reporting period.

### *Assistance Projects*

Several projects have been identified to provide assistance to small businesses, non-profit organizations and individuals. Many assistance projects have been funded during the period covered by this report. In general, performance was measured by the number of assisted individuals, small businesses, and non-profit organizations. Outcome measures such as recidivism for addiction support programs and whether supported entities remain in business will be tracked over time. For projects that are still currently in the planning phase the county will determine proper performance indicators on a case-by-case basis.

Specific performance indicators identified by the County for each project include both output and outcome measures where appropriate. These measures will be included in the Project Inventory section below and will be updated for each period as the information becomes available. Required performance indicators will also be included for applicable projects within the Project Inventory.

## PROJECT INVENTORY

### Premium Pay

|   |                                     |   |
|---|-------------------------------------|---|
| <b>Project ID:</b><br>8950.0000.0000.1346 | <b>Project Status:</b><br>Completed | <b>Expenditure Category:</b><br>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.

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| Total Funding Amount:                            | \$3,795,891.29 |
| Total Expenditures:                              | \$3,795,891.29 |
| Current Period Obligation:                       | \$3,795,891.29 |
| Current Period Expenditure:                      | \$3,795,891.29 |
| 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

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|---|--|---|
| <b>Project ID:</b><br>8950.0000.8101.3001 | <b>Project Status:</b><br>Less than 50% Complete | <b>Expenditure Category:</b><br>5.13 Drinking Water: Source |
|---|--|---|

**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.

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| Total Funding Amount:                            | \$2,145,000.00 |
| Total Expenditures:                              | \$620,796.52   |
| Current Period Obligation:                       | \$2,145,000.00 |
| Current Period Expenditure:                      | \$620,796.52   |
| Amount Allocated to Evidence-Based Intervention: | N/A            |

#### Key Performance Indicators:

**Output Measures:** A network of 21 sonic water-level monitoring systems (including one in Census Tract 1103.02) and 15 stilling wells were placed in gravel pits throughout the county to provide real time data for observing water levels throughout the county.

**Outcome Measures:** Not Applicable.

## Wastewater Service Improvement and Expansion

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|---------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---|
| <b>Project ID:</b><br>See Below | <b>Project Status:</b><br>See Below | <b>Expenditure Category:</b><br>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.

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| Total Funding Amount:                            | \$30,959,198.69 |
| Total Expenditures:                              | \$3,396,514.81  |
| Amount Allocated to Evidence-Based Intervention: | N/A             |

### *Baker's Corner*

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| Project ID:<br>8950.0000.8102.3001 (Study)<br>8950.0000.8211.4200 (Infrastructure) | Project Status:<br>Less than 50% Complete<br>Not Started |
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**Project Description:** Bakers Corner is an unincorporated, un-sewered area of Hamilton County. A preliminary study, which is currently underway, will evaluate options for wastewater services and associated costs to provide the County with the information needed to make a decision on how best to proceed. To install the necessary infrastructure \$25,000,000 in funding has been set aside to provide wastewater services to Baker's Corner once a decision on how to proceed has been made. The installation of necessary infrastructure has not yet been scheduled.

Current Period Obligations: \$25,204,843.69  
Current Period Expenditures: \$140,843.69

### *White River Campgrounds*

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|--|--|
| Project ID:<br>8950.0000.8173.4100 (Land)<br>8950.0000.8173.4200 (Septic System) | Project Status:<br>Completed<br>Less than 50% Complete |
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**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 competition by the summer of 2023.

Current Period Obligations: \$2,100,000.00  
Current Period Expenditures: \$287,606.07

### *Town of Arcadia*

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|------------------------------------|---|
| Project ID:<br>8950.0000.8164.3001 | Project Status:<br>More than 50% Complete |
|------------------------------------|---|

**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: \$2,800,000.00  
Current Period Expenditures: \$2,200,000.00

*Town of Atlanta*

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|------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Project ID:<br>8950.0000.8203.4200 | Project Status:<br>Completed |
|------------------------------------|------------------------------|

**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: \$500,000.00  
 Current Period Expenditures: \$500,000.00

*Indianapolis Executive Airport*

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|------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Project ID:<br>8950.0000.8187.4200 | Project Status:<br>Completed |
|------------------------------------|------------------------------|

**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: \$354,355.00  
 Current Period Expenditures: \$268,065.05

**Key Performance Indicators:**

**Output Measures:** There really are no output measures we can track.

**Outcome Measures:** 12 new services accounts

**Stormwater Improvements**

|                                 |                                     |   |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---|
| <b>Project ID:</b><br>See Below | <b>Project Status:</b><br>See Below | <b>Expenditure Category:</b><br>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.

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| Total Funding Amount:                            | \$12,673,837.89 |
| Total Expenditures:                              | \$796,419.42    |
| Amount Allocated to Evidence-Based Intervention: | N/A             |

*White River Regional Opportunity Initiative – Storm Water Drainage*

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| Project ID:<br>8950.0000.8105.3001 | Project Status:<br>Not Started |
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**Project Description:** This project will fund drainage and stormwater related improvements along the White River.

Current Period Obligations: \$3,000,000.00  
 Current Period Expenditures: \$0.00

*Parking Garage Drainage*

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| Project ID:<br>8950.0000.8114.4200 | Project Status:<br>Completed |
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**Project Description:** Installation of an “interceptor system” that removes oil and other contaminants 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: \$100,000.00  
Current Period Expenditures: \$91,565.00

*REAM Creek*

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| Project ID:<br>8950.0000.8133.4200 | Project Status:<br>Less than 50% Complete |
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**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: \$933,570.00  
Current Period Expenditures: \$39,540.01

*George Symonds 2 Staged Ditch*

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| Project ID:<br>8950.0000.8144.4200 | Project Status:<br>More than 50% Complete |
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**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. Project nearing completion, final walk through is pending.

Current Period Obligations: \$979,987.00  
Current Period Expenditures: \$638,314.41

*Elwood Wilson, E.M Hare Drain*

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| Project ID:<br>8950.0000.8149.4200 | Project Status:<br>Not Started |
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**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: \$1,575,900.00  
Current Period Expenditures: \$0.00

*Clara Knotts Drain*

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| Project ID:<br>8950.0000.8131.4200 | Project Status:<br>Less than 50% Complete |
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**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. (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: \$1,447,720.00  
 Current Period Expenditures: \$27,000.00

*Flora Mendenhall Drain*

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|------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Project ID:<br>8950.0000.8212.4200 | Project Status:<br>Not Started |
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**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. 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.

Current Period Obligations: \$637,000.00  
 Current Period Expenditures: \$0.00

*W.S. Burnau Drain*

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| Project ID:<br>8950.0000.8143.4200 | Project Status:<br>Not Started |
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**Project Description:** This project is for the reconstruction of an undersized drain to fix significant flooding that occurs on the properties on both sides of Mallary Road south of 19<sup>1st</sup> Street. Reconstruction hearing pending on plan revisions. Construction completion anticipated for spring 2023.

Current Period Obligations: \$1,979,206.00  
 Current Period Expenditures: \$0.00

**Key Performance Indicators:**

**Output Measures:** Benefitted Parcels

| Census Tract | Number of Parcels |
|--------------|-------------------|
| 1111.04      | 830               |
| 1103.03      | 928               |
| 1105.05      | 82                |

**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.

#### 4-H Fairground

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| <b>Project ID:</b><br>8950.0000.0111.3001 | <b>Project Status:</b><br>Not Started<br>Not Started | <b>Expenditure Category:</b><br>6.0 Revenue Loss |
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**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 will be presented to the County Commissioners on 8/8/2022.

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| Total Funding Amount:                            | \$650,000.00 |
| Current Period Obligations:                      | \$650,000.00 |
| Current Period Expenditures:                     | \$0.00       |
| Amount Allocated to Evidence-Based Intervention: | N/A          |

#### Key Performance Indicators:

Not applicable to this expenditure category.

#### Operating Assistance to Impacted Small Businesses

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| <b>Project ID:</b><br>8950.0000.8132.3001<br>8950.0000.8134.3001<br>8950.0000.8137.3001<br>8950.0000.8155.3001<br>8950.0000.8157.3001<br>8950.0000.8159.3001<br>8950.0000.8118.3001<br>8950.0000.8120.3001<br>8950.0000.8123.3001<br>8950.0000.8127.3001<br>8950.0000.8168.3001<br>8950.0000.8163.3001<br>8950.0000.8170.3001<br>8950.0000.8186.3001<br>8950.0000.8189.3001 | <b>Project Status:</b><br>Complete | <b>Expenditure Category:</b><br>2.29 Loans or Grants to Mitigate Financial Hardship |
|---|------------------------------------|---|

**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.

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| Total Funding Amount:                            | \$246,000.00 |
| Total Expenditures:                              | \$246,000.00 |
| Current Period Obligation:                       | \$246,000.00 |
| Current Period Expenditure:                      | \$246,000.00 |
| 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: 14

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

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| <b>Project ID:</b><br>8950.0000.0000.3001 | <b>Project Status:</b><br>Complete | <b>Expenditure Category:</b><br>2.34 Assistance to Impacted Nonprofit Organizations |
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**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
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| Total Funding Amount:                            | \$918,501.00 |
| Total Expenditures:                              | \$918,501.00 |
| Current Period Obligation:                       | \$918,501.00 |
| Current Period Expenditure:                      | \$918,501.00 |
| Amount Allocated to Evidence-Based Intervention: | N/A          |

**Key Performance Indicators:**

**Output Measures:** Number of Non-Profit operating Grants: 29

**Outcome Measures:** Non-Profit Recipients still in Operation: 29

**Assistance to Local Units of Government**

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| <b>Project ID:</b><br>8950.0000.8061.3001<br>8950.0000.8177.3001<br>8950.0000.8184.3001 | <b>Project Status:</b><br>Complete | <b>Expenditure Category:</b><br>2.34 Loans or Grants to Mitigate Financial Hardship |
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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 programming 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:                       | \$143,597.00 |
| Current Period Expenditure:                      | \$143,597.00 |
| 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**

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| <b>Project ID:</b><br>8950.0000.8108.3001<br>8950.0000.8182.3001 | <b>Project Status:</b><br>Complete | <b>Expenditure Category:</b><br>2.35 Aid to Tourism, Travel, or Hospitality |
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**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.

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| Total Funding Amount:                            | \$3,160,000.00 |
| Total Expenditures:                              | \$3,160,000.00 |
| Current Period Obligation:                       | \$3,160,000.00 |
| Current Period Expenditure:                      | \$3,160,000.00 |
| 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)**

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| <b>Project ID:</b><br>8950.0000.8205.3001 | <b>Project Status:</b><br>More than 50% Complete | <b>Expenditure Category:</b><br>1.13 Substance Use Services |
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**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.

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| Total Funding Amount:                            | \$18,000.00 |
| Total Expenditures:                              | \$9,115.74  |
| Current Period Obligation:                       | \$18,000.00 |
| Current Period Expenditure:                      | \$9,115.74  |
| Amount Allocated to Evidence-Based Intervention: | \$18,000.00 |

**Demographics Served:**

| Age     | Gender                   | City          |    |
|---------|--------------------------|---------------|----|
| 18-24   | 13 Male                  | 103 Cicero    | 1  |
| 25-29   | 44 Female                | 48 Sheridan   | 5  |
| 30-34   | 34                       | Indianapolis  | 9  |
| 35-39   | 19                       | Out of Zone   | 10 |
| 40-44   | 12 White                 | 140 Westfield | 20 |
| 45-49   | 6 Unspecified            | 6 Carmel      | 38 |
| 50-54   | 9 Black/African American | 2 Noblesville | 50 |
| 55-59   | 9 Asian                  |               |    |
| 60+     | 2 Hispanic               |               |    |
| Unknown | 3                        |               |    |

**Key Performance Indicators:**

**Output Measures:** Total Referrals into Treatment: 46

**Outcome Measures:** Only 3 C.O.P.E. participants that went through the treatment programs had a recurrence to date.

### County Employee COVID-19 Testing

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| <b>Project ID:</b><br>8950.0000.8201.220 | <b>Project Status:</b><br>Complete | <b>Expenditure Category:</b><br>1.2 COVID-19 Testing |
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**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.

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| Total Funding Amount:                            | \$14,100.00 |
| Total Expenditures:                              | \$14,100.00 |
| Current Period Obligation:                       | \$14,000.00 |
| Current Period Expenditure:                      | \$14,000.00 |
| 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

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| <b>Project ID:</b><br>8950.0000.8128.4500<br>8950.0000.8204.4500<br>8950.0000.8202.3001<br>8950.0000.8213.4500 | <b>Project Status:</b><br>Complete<br>Not Started<br>Less than 50%<br>Complete<br>Not Started | <b>Expenditure Category:</b><br>1.4 Prevention in Congregate Setting –<br>Dense Worksite |
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**Project Description:** The County will reconfigure workstations and office spaces, construct additional counter space, and install 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.

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| Total Funding Amount:                            | \$780,416.02 |
| Total Expenditures:                              | \$171,416.75 |
| Current Period Obligation:                       | \$780,416.02 |
| Current Period Expenditure:                      | \$171,416.75 |
| 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

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| <b>Project ID:</b><br>8950.0000.8119.3001 | <b>Project Status:</b><br>Complete | <b>Expenditure Category:</b><br>2.10 Job Training Assistance |
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**Project Description:** The Project Team will create 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 (still ongoing) is focused on analyzing the impact the pandemic has 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 are being 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.

Two ‘Mental Health First Aid’ trainings offered, engaging a total of 47 businesses. This evidence-based training assists local businesses in assisting employed individuals and job seekers struggling with mental health and substance use issues. Mental health and SUD recovery are identified as a top priority of the ARPA COVID response and those individuals struggling with those disabilities are identified as a disadvantaged population. Ten to twelve additional events will occur in the series by the end of 2023. Engagement of workforce development regional infrastructure with disadvantaged populations struggling with Mental health, justice involvement, SUD, homelessness/housing insecurity and other disadvantages.

A new Skills-based and AI powered career tool “SkillFit Hamilton County” is being piloted with mental health, re-entry and community-based organizations to empower vocational conversations.

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| Total Funding Amount:                            | \$150,000.00 |
| Total Expenditures:                              | \$47,200.00  |
| Current Period Obligation:                       | \$150,000.00 |
| Current Period Expenditure:                      | \$47,200.00  |
| Amount Allocated to Evidence-Based Intervention: | \$11,000.00  |

### Key Performance Indicators:

**Output Measures:** (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.

**Outcome Measures:** Two ‘Mental Health First Aid’ trainings offered, engaging a total of 47 businesses.

### Affordable Housing

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| <b>Project ID:</b><br>8950.0000.8100.3001 | <b>Project Status:</b><br>Not Started | <b>Expenditure Category:</b><br>2.15 Long-term Housing Security: Affordable Housing |
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**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.

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| Total Funding Amount:                            | \$5,000,000.00 |
| Total Expenditures:                              | \$0.00         |
| Current Period Obligation:                       | \$5,000,000.00 |
| Current Period Expenditure:                      | \$0.00         |
| Amount Allocated to Evidence-Based Intervention: | \$0.00         |

#### Key Performance Indicators:

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

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

### Broadband

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| <b>Project ID:</b><br>8950.0000.8103.3001 | <b>Project Status:</b><br>Not Started | <b>Expenditure Category:</b><br>5.21 Broadband: Other Projects |
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**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.

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| Total Funding Amount:                            | \$327,500.00 |
| Total Expenditures:                              | \$0.00       |
| Current Period Obligation:                       | \$327,500.00 |
| Current Period Expenditure:                      | \$0.00       |
| Amount Allocated to Evidence-Based Intervention: | N/A          |

#### Key Performance Indicators:

Output Measures: Providing access to the underserved areas of the county.

Outcome Measures: Project has not started so no outcomes are available.

### Administrative Expenses

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| <b>Project ID:</b><br>8950.0000.8136.3001 | <b>Project Status:</b><br>Complete | <b>Expenditure Category:</b><br>7.1 Administrative Expenses |
| 8950.0000.8214.3001                       | Not Started                        |   |

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

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| Total Funding Amount:                            | \$93,000.00 |
| Total Expenditures:                              | \$9,420.34  |
| Current Period Obligation:                       | \$93,000.00 |
| Current Period Expenditure:                      | \$9,420.34  |
| Amount Allocated to Evidence-Based Intervention: | N/A         |

**Key Performance Indicators:**

**Output Measures:** Treasury Reports accurate and submitted on time.

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

## JUSTIFICATION FOR PROJECT OVER \$10 MILLION

### Bakers Corner Wastewater Treatment System

- Description of the harm or need to be addressed.
  - Numerous private septic systems in the Bakers Corner community were failing in the early 2000's, resulting in excessive e-coli levels in the William Baker Drain, which outfalls into Hinkle Creek, a tributary of Morse Reservoir which is a drinking water source for Hamilton County. A study and partial "fix" was accomplished by Hamilton County Health Department staff and property owners in the 2002-2005 era. However, all the failing septic systems were not permanently fixed at that time, and potential pollution in this area remains an ongoing concern for the County. The proposed project will install sanitary sewer and potable water infrastructure in and around the Bakers Corner community and US 31/236<sup>th</sup> Street interchange to reduce E. coli pollution, improve public health and spur economic development along a vital county and state corridor.
- Explanation of why a capital expenditure is appropriate.
  - Sewer and water infrastructure in the Bakers Corner community has been discussed and studied for decades with similar outcomes: it has always been too expensive for existing service providers to extend utilities. With the planned Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT) improvements along the U.S. 31 corridor, northern Hamilton County is poised to experience growth; however, sewer and water infrastructure are vital components that must be planned and installed for Hamilton County team to accommodate that growth. This capital expenditure for sewer and water infrastructure is appropriate because it reduces pollution, improves public health, and meets the eligible use criteria enumerated by the Treasury.
- Comparison of a proposed capital project against at least two alternative capital expenditures and demonstration of why the proposed capital expenditure is superior.
  - Hamilton County is installing a centralized wastewater system of gravity sanitary sewers, pump stations, and a centralized wastewater treatment plant. Collecting sewage from homes and businesses and treating at one plant. Decentralized treatment would be more expensive because we would have multiple cluster systems around the District, and they would not facilitate residential subdivisions or development. Also, the centralized wastewater system will be more environmentally sound because we will be sampling and testing our effluent discharge to meet stringent NPDES permit standards, whereas decentralized systems and septic systems do not have treatment limits or standards.