

Madison County, Alabama

**Recovery Plan Performance Report**

Madison County Commission

**State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds**

2022 Report



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## GENERAL OVERVIEW

### **Executive Summary**

The Madison County Commission was awarded \$72,433,202 of State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds. The Commission received the first 50% payment of \$36,216,601 on June 17, 2021. The County received the second 50% payment of \$36,216,601 on June 21, 2022. Expenses must be incurred by December 31, 2024, and expended by December 21, 2026.

The Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds provide a substantial infusion of resources to help turn the tide on the pandemic, address its economic fallout, and lay the foundation for a strong and equitable recovery.

### **Uses of Funds**

Within the categories of eligible uses, Madison County has broad flexibility to decide how best to use this funding to meet the needs of our communities.

#### **Supporting the public health response**

Mitigating the impact of COVID-19 continues to require an unprecedented public health response from local governments. Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds provide resources to meet these needs through the provision of care for those impacted by the virus and through services that address disparities in public health that have been exacerbated by the pandemic. Madison County may use this funding to address a broad range of public health needs across COVID-19 mitigation, medical expenses, behavioral healthcare, and public health resources.

#### **Addressing the negative economic impacts caused by the public health emergency**

The COVID-19 public health emergency resulted in significant economic hardship for many Americans. As businesses closed, consumers stayed home, schools shifted to remote education, and travel declined precipitously. To help alleviate the economic hardships caused by the pandemic, Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds enable local governments to provide a wide range of assistance impacted industries, in addition to enabling governments to rehire public sector staff and rebuild capacity.

#### **Serving the hardest-hit communities and families**

While the pandemic has affected communities across the country, it has disproportionately impacted low-income families and has exacerbated systemic health and economic inequities. Low-income and socially vulnerable communities have experienced the most severe health impacts

## **Investing in water and sewer infrastructure**

Madison County may use this funding to invest in an array of drinking water infrastructure projects, such as building or upgrading facilities and transmission, distribution, and storage systems, including the replacement of lead service lines.

## **Promoting equitable outcomes**

Madison County's programs will be designed to promote equitable outcomes, advancing equity and support for underserved communities and vulnerable populations. Information on Qualified Census Tracts and the Center for Disease Control's Social Vulnerability Index is currently being evaluated. Madison County will focus its efforts on providing services and programs to address the negative economic impacts of the pandemic through strategic targeted programing.

## **Community Engagement**

Madison County will conduct various methods of community engagement through interest forms, longstanding community organizations, meetings with elected officials across the county, department heads, and staff, and other forums to create a plan well suited to meet the needs of Madison County.

## **Labor Practices**

Madison County uses and will continue to use strong labor practices that promote safe, effective, and efficient work environments for all employees. All infrastructure projects will be staffed utilizing workers that meet or exceed all local, state, and federal guidelines to provide strong employment opportunities for workers.

## **Use of Evidence**

Madison County's commitment to an equitable economic recovery includes the use of evidence-based interventions in situations where program evaluations are not conducted. If applicable, detailed evidence information will be provided for each project in the Project Inventory section below.

## Project Inventory

### Law Enforcement Projects – Budgeted \$4,000,000

- Patrol Vehicle Fleet Improvements - Budgeted: \$2,090,500
  - Adding new patrol vehicles and enhancements to the equipment inside of the patrol vehicles will allow for more deputies to be seen across the county and aid in our Community Oriented Policing initiatives. The equipment in these vehicles will assist deputies in finding unlawfully possessed weapons in vehicles in an effort to reduce the number of stolen or unlawful weapons used in the course of committing crimes. This initiative will help to foster a safer community and will have an impact on the level of violent crimes committed with firearms.
  - Other Projects will be announced at a later date.
  
- Premium Pay – Budgeted \$5,500,000
  - Premium Pay for Eligible Workers: to respond to workers performing essential work during the COVID-19 public health emergency by providing premium pay to eligible workers who are performing such essential work.

## Performance Report

Projects are currently in the design and initial procurement stages and performance reports will be made available once the projects have made progress on their key performance indicators.