2021 American Rescue (ARP) Preliminary Fiscal Recovery Plan

July 31, 2021
Executive Summary

A. County to form working group consisting of 4 Councilmen, 1 Commissioner, the Auditor, finance and legal advisors

B. Working group to make a call for applications for grants to County departments and outside organizations in June 2021

C. Working group to provide recommendations to full County Council on projects approved, denied, or needing more information during summer 2021 on round one

D. First year only work with first half of ARP funds - begin round two in late fall 2021
Uses of Funds

A. 1. Public Health
B. 2. Negative Economic Impacts
C. 3. Services to impacted groups
D. 5. Infrastructure
E. 6. Revenue Replacement
F. 7. Administration
A. Working group will prioritize projects and investments that emphasize attention to adversely affected groups including:

A. Homeless
B. Crisis Mental Health
C. Unemployed
D. Crisis Juveniles
E. Hotels and Restaurants
F. Public Safety
G. Elder Care
Community Engagement

A. Media to be provided plan and updates
B. All County Council meetings are open to the public for comment
C. All appropriations are required by Indiana law to request public comment prior to enactment
D. No project will be committed without County Council appropriation and public hearing
A. St. Joseph County will follow State and Federal laws regarding procurement and labor practices

B. Any project which involves contracting will need subsequent approval after County Council by the County Commissioners per Indiana statute.
American Rescue Plan Local Government Fiscal Recovery Fund

50% in May 2021 and 50% in May 2022

- Roughly $26 Million will receipted into new fund in May 2021
- ARP working group to draft Fiscal Recovery Plan
- Fiscal Recovery Plan presented to Council in June
- No spending until Council appropriates

Fiscal Recovery Plan Priorities - Solutions from Data

- Replacing lost revenues
- Public Health COVID investments
- Housing Sustainability and Homeless Solutions
- Leveraging mental health for public safety outcomes
- Wellness and planning for health outcomes
- Infrastructure investments for quality of life
1. Public Health Related to COVID

A. Types of potential projects/investments:
   A. Vaccination
   B. Testing and Contact Tracing
   C. Prevention in Portage Manor, Jail, Ducomb and JJC
   D. PPE
   E. Medical Expenses
   F. Capital Investments in buildings and parks
   G. Mental Health

$6,000,000 Target
2 and 3. Assistance to Affected Populations

A. Types of Potential Projects/Investments:
   A. Homeless Assistance
   B. Supplement Emergency Rental Assistance
   C. Aid to Tourism, Travel or Hospitality
   D. Community Policing body cams
   E. Emergency Response Vehicle for Health
   F. Juvenile transition programs
   G. Sub-recipient projects engaged in support of affected populations

$8,000,000 Target
5. Eligible Infrastructure

A. Types of potential projects/investments:
   A. Wastewater
   B. Stormwater
   C. Drinking Water
   D. Broadband

$5,000,000 Target
6 and 7. Revenue Replacement and Admin

A. Types of potential projects/Investments:
   A. Roads
   B. Bridges
   C. Facilities
   D. Other capital projects
   E. Legal and Financial Professional Services
   F. Data Analysis Services
   G. Grant Administration
   H. Other general government services

$9,400,000 Target
Timeline

**May. 2021**
- ARP Working Group Draft Recovery Plan

**June 2021**
- Council and Commissioners approve Recovery Plan

**August 2021**
- Council appropriate expenses already incurred for transfers

**Sept. 2021**
- Public Hearing on 2022 Budget and ARP Projects

**Oct. 2021**
- Finalize round one grant decisions

**November 2021**
- Begin round two grant process