

INTRODUCED: November 12, 2024

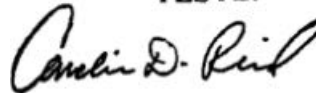
AN ORDINANCE No. 2024-303

To amend Ord. No. 2022-099, adopted Apr. 11, 2022, which amended Ord. No. 2021-099, adopted May 24, 2021, to create certain new line items in the Non-Departmental agency, transfer \$1,283,288.00 from the Department of Housing and Community Development, and appropriate such \$1,283,288.00 to the new line items in the Non-Departmental agency, all for the purpose of providing grants to certain entities for the provision of housing-related services, to recapture funds in the amount of \$80,342.95 from Saint Joseph's Villa; to amend Ord. No. 2022-104, adopted Apr. 25, 2022, as previously amended by Ord. No. 2022-243, adopted Sept. 12, 2022, and Ord. No. 2023-086, adopted Mar. 27, 2023, which authorized the Chief Administrative Officer to issue grants, loans, or a combination thereof from the City's 1st Tranche of American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 funds to certain entities in designated amounts and to authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City, to execute all necessary documents to effect such issuance for the purpose of financing the construction and preservation of single-family and multifamily dwellings, to recapture funds in the amount of \$250,000.00 from the Better Housing Coalition; and to amend Ord. No. 2023-180, adopted Jun. 26, 2023, which authorized the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, to accept the second tranche of American Rescue Plan Act funds in the amount of \$10,000,000.00 from the United States Department of the Treasury and amended the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 General Fund Budget by increasing estimated revenues and the amount appropriated to the General Fund Budget for certain agencies by \$8,000,000.00 of the \$10,000,000.00 of ARPA funding from the Department of Housing and Community Development for the purpose of funding the City's efforts to recover from the economic and health effects of the COVID-19 pandemic in accordance with the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, to recapture funds in the amount of \$245,174.86 from Commonwealth Catholic Charities and funds in the amount of \$500,000.00 from Planet Zero Residences, LLC, all for the purpose of expanding affordable housing initiatives.

Patron – Mayor Stoney

Approved as to form and legality
by the City Attorney

**A TRUE COPY:
TESTE:**


City Clerk

PUBLIC HEARING: DEC 9 2024 AT 6 P.M.

AYES: 8 NOES: 0 ABSTAIN: _____

ADOPTED: DEC 9 2024 REJECTED: _____ STRICKEN: _____

THE CITY OF RICHMOND HEREBY ORDAINS:

I. That Ordinance No. 2022-099, adopted April 11, 2022, be and is hereby amended and reordained as follows:

§ 1. That Ordinance No. 2021-040, adopted May 24, 2021, which adopted a General Fund Budget for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2022, and made appropriations pursuant thereto, is hereby amended by:

(a) Creating the following new line items in the Non-Departmental agency:

(1) ARPA - HCD - Homeward - Greater Richmond Continuum of Care Homeless Connection Line;

(2) ARPA - HCD - Daily Planet, Incorporated - Medical Respite Services;

(3) ARPA - HCD - Southside Community Development and Housing Corporation - Post-Purchase Counseling;

(4) ARPA - HCD - St. Joseph's Villa - Youth Outreach; and

(5) ARPA - HCD - CARITAS - Emergency Shelter Retrofits;

(b) Transferring \$1,283,288.00 from the Department of Housing and Community Development; and

(c) Appropriating these transferred funds to the following new line items in the Non-Departmental agency created by subsection (a) of this section in the following amounts:

(1) ARPA - HCD - Homeward - Greater Richmond Continuum of Care Homeless Connection Line . . . \$264,170.00;

(2) ARPA - HCD - Daily Planet, Incorporated - Medical Respite Services . . . \$350,400.00;

(3) ARPA - HCD - Southside Community Development and Housing Corporation - Post-Purchase Counseling . . . \$78,718.00;

(4) ARPA - HCD - St. Joseph's Villa - Youth Outreach . . . [~~\$240,000.00~~]
\$159,657.05; and

(5) ARPA - HCD - CARITAS - Emergency Shelter Retrofits . . . \$350,000.00,
all for the purpose of providing grants to certain entities for the provision of housing-related services.

§ 2. This ordinance shall be in force and effect upon adoption.

II. That Ordinance No. 2022-104, adopted April 25, 2022, as previously amended by Ordinance No. 2022-243, adopted September 12, 2022, and Ordinance No. 2023-086, adopted March 27, 2023, be and is hereby amended and reordained as follows:

WHEREAS, section 15.2-958 of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended, provides that the “governing body of an locality may provide by ordinance that such locality may make grants or loans to owners of residential rental property occupied, or to be occupied, following rehabilitation or after construction if new, by persons of low and moderate income, for the purpose of rehabilitating or producing such property,” and the Council desires to make such grants or loans to owners of residential rental property and to the City’s land bank entity pursuant to section 15.2-7509 of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended; and

WHEREAS, the City has determined to issue grants, loans, or a combination thereof from the City’s 1st Tranche of funds received pursuant to the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, H.R. 1319, 117th Cong., 1st Sess. (2021-2022), to certain entities in designated amounts to finance the construction and preservation of single-family and multifamily dwellings as set forth in the document entitled “Amended 2 Attachment A2 – Recommendation for ARPA Funding Awards,”

a copy of which is attached to and incorporated into Ordinance No. 2023-086, adopted March 27, 2023, except as modified to recapture funds in the amount of \$250,000.00 from the Better Housing Coalition, as shown on the document entitled “Attachment A, Transferred, Unallocated, and Recaptured ARPA Funding Awards,” a copy of which is attached to and incorporated into this amendatory ordinance;

NOW, THEREFORE,

THE CITY OF RICHMOND HEREBY ORDAINS:

§ 1. That, subject to any requirements of section 15.2-958 of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended, the Chief Administrative Officer be and is hereby authorized to issue grants, loans, or a combination thereof from the City’s 1st Tranche of funds received pursuant to the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, H.R. 1319, 117th Cong., 1st Sess. (2021-2022) to the entities designated in the column entitled “Award Recipient” in the aggregate amounts designated in the column entitled “Recommended Award Amount” in the document entitled “Amended 2 Attachment A2 – Recommendation for ARPA Funding Awards,” a copy of which is attached to and incorporated into Ordinance No. 2023-086, adopted March 27, 2023, except as modified to recapture funds in the amount of \$250,000.00 from the Better Housing Coalition, as shown on the document entitled “Attachment A, Transferred, Unallocated, and Recaptured ARPA Funding Awards,” a copy of which is attached to and incorporated into this amendatory ordinance, for the purpose of financing the construction and preservation of single-family and multifamily dwellings.

§ 2. The Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, be and is hereby authorized to execute all necessary documents, each of which first must be approved as to form by the City Attorney, to effect the issuance of grants, loans, or a combination thereof from the

City's 1st Tranche of funds received pursuant to the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, H.R. 1319, 117th Cong., 1st Sess. (2021-2022) authorized pursuant to section 1 of this ordinance and as set forth in the document entitled "Amended 2 Attachment A2 – Recommendation for ARPA Funding Awards," a copy of which is attached to and incorporated into Ordinance No. 2023-086, adopted March 27, 2023, except as modified to recapture funds in the amount of \$250,000.00 from the Better Housing Coalition, as shown on the document entitled "Attachment A, Transferred, Unallocated, and Recaptured ARPA Funding Awards," a copy of which is attached to and incorporated into this amendatory ordinance, for the purpose of financing the construction and preservation of single-family and multifamily dwellings in accordance with sections 15.2-958 and 15.2-7509 of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended.

§ 3. This ordinance is in force and effect upon adoption.

III. That Ordinance No. 2023-180, adopted June 26, 2023, be and is hereby amended as follows:

WHEREAS, pursuant to Ordinance No. 2021-220, adopted September 27, 2021, the Director of Finance has credited all funds received by the City, whether from the United States government, the Commonwealth of Virginia, or otherwise, provided pursuant to the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, H.R. 1319, 117th Cong., 1st Sess. (2021-2022) in the general ledger, to be managed in the Projects and Grants Module in the City's enterprise resource planning system for purposes authorized by the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, H.R. 1319, 117th Cong., 1st Sess. (2021-2022) for future appropriation by the Council of the City of Richmond only for expenditures authorized by the said Act;

NOW, THEREFORE,

THE CITY OF RICHMOND HEREBY ORDAINS:

§ 1. That the Chief Administrative Officer is authorized to accept the second tranche of American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, H.R. 1319, 117th Cong., 1st Sess. (2021-2022), funds in the amount of \$10,000,000.00 from the United States Department of the Treasury for the purpose of funding the City's efforts to recover from the economic and health effects of the COVID-19 pandemic in accordance with the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, H.R. 1319, 117th Cong., 1st Sess. (2021-2022).

§ 2. That a portion of the funds received pursuant to section 1 of this ordinance are hereby appropriated to the General Fund Budget for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2022, by increasing estimated revenues by \$8,000,000.00, increasing the amount appropriated for expenditures by \$8,000,000.00 and allotting to certain agencies the sum of \$8,000,000.00 as set forth in the document entitled "2nd Tranche – Recommendation for ARPA Funding Awards – ATTACHMENT A," a copy of which is incorporated into and made a part of Ordinance No. 2023-180, adopted June 26, 2023, except as modified to recapture funds in the amount of \$245,174.86 from Commonwealth Catholic Charities and funds in the amount of \$500,000.00 from Planet Zero Residences, LLC, both as shown on the document entitled "Attachment A, Transferred, Unallocated, and Recaptured ARPA Funding Awards," a copy of which is attached to and incorporated into this amendatory ordinance, for the purpose of funding the City's efforts to recover from the economic and health effects of the COVID-19 pandemic in accordance with the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, H.R. 1319, 117th Cong., 1st Sess. (2021-2022).

§ 3. This ordinance shall be in force and effect upon adoption.

IV. This amendatory ordinance shall be in force and effect upon adoption.

Approval History

Version	Seq #	Action Date	Approver	Action	Due Date
2	1	11/12/2024	Lincoln Saunders	Approve	11/14/2024
2	2	11/12/2024	Mayor Stoney	Approve	11/14/2024

History of Legislative File

Ver- sion:	Acting Body:	Date:	Action:	Sent To:	Due Date:	Return Date:	Result:

Text of Legislative File Admin-2024-1380

Title

The State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds Under the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) - Transferred, Unallocated, and Recaptured Funds to be Reprogrammed for Various Construction Projects and a Housing-Related Services Project to Further Affordable Housing Activities

Body

O&R REQUEST

DATE: October 22, 2024

EDITION: 3

TO: The Honorable Members of City Council

THROUGH: The Honorable Levar M. Stoney, Mayor

THROUGH: J.E. Lincoln Saunders, Chief Administrative Officer

THROUGH: Sabrina Joy-Hogg, Senior Deputy Chief Administrative Officer for Finance and Administration

THROUGH: Sheila White, Director of Finance

THROUGH: Meghan Brown, Director of Budget and Strategic Planning

THROUGH: Sharon L. Ebert, DCAO for Planning & Economic Development

FROM: Merrick Malone, Acting Director, Housing and Community Development

RE: **The State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds Under the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) - Transferred, Unallocated, and Recaptured Funds to be Reprogrammed for Various Construction Projects and a Housing-Related Services Project to Further Affordable Housing Activities**

PURPOSE: To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to issue grants, loans, or a combination thereof for a total of \$3,200,325.01, consisting of transferred, recaptured and unallocated funds, all for the purpose of providing grants and loans to certain entities in designated amounts and to authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City, to execute all necessary documents.

The City awarded two tranches of funding from the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding. The funding to be reallocated to other projects are the result of unexpended, unallocated, and recaptured

ARPA dollars from projects that could no longer meet the criteria of the ARPA funding, didn't expend all its money, or funds that were never allocated to a specific project. These funds are to be reallocated to seven (7) projects that are outlined in **Attachment B**.

BACKGROUND: On March 11, 2021, the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) was signed into law and established the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund and Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund, which together make up the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds ("SLFRF") program. This program is intended to provide support to State, territorial, local, and Tribal governments in responding to the economic and public health impacts of COVID-19 and in their efforts to contain implications for their communities, residents, and businesses. The City Council approved the City of Richmond's ARPA Spending Plan on October 25, 2021. The funds are to be used in response to the disease itself or the harmful consequences of the economic disruptions resulting from or exacerbated by the COVID-19 public health emergency.

Mayor Stoney and the City Council allocated under the City's 1st Tranche of ARPA funds \$10,000,000 to further affordable housing opportunities. This use is intended for projects that will align with and meet the requirements of the ARPA category of "Building Stronger Communities Through Investments in Housing and Neighborhoods" as well as align with the City's 5-Year Consolidated Plan, the Mayor's Equity Agenda, the Comprehensive Plan (Richmond 300), and the Equitable Affordable Housing Plan. The City of Richmond's approved 2021 ARPA Spending Plan also called for a subsequent \$10,000,000 allocation in the 2nd Tranche of ARPA funding to continue efforts to expand affordable housing activities.

The following ordinances represents the transfer, recaptured, and unallocated ARPA funds from the 1st and 2nd ARPA tranches (See **Attachment A**). In addition, the recommended seven (7) projects to be funded with these funds. The Housing and Community Development Department (HCD) published a Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) and received twenty-one (21) applications for the production and preservation of affordable housing and housing-related service projects (See **Attachment C**).

As a result of a competitive application process, seven (7) projects are recommended for funding (See **Attachment B**).

The ordinances include the following:

- A. Amending Ordinance No. 2024-099 adopted May 13, 2024, by transferring funds from the Non-Departmental Agency line item:
 - a. ARPA-HCD -St. Joseph Villa-Youth Outreach in the amount of \$80,342.95
 - b. ARPA-HCD-Commonwealth Catholic Charities-Inclement Weather Shelter Operations in the amount of \$245,174.86 and appropriating the transferred funds in the amount of \$325,517.81 to the Department of Housing and Community Development for the purpose of funding affordable housing initiatives.

The total amount of funds transferred is \$325,517.81

- B. Amending Ordinance No. 2022-099 adopted April 11, 2022, which amended Ordinance No. 2021-099 adopted May 24, 2021, to recapture funds in the amount of \$80,342.95 from Saint Joseph Villa, to amend Ordinance No. 2022-104 adopted April 25, 2022, as previously amended by Ordinance No. 2022-243, adopted September 12, 2022 and Ordinance No. 2023-086, adopted March 27, 2023 to recapture funds in the amount of \$250,000 from the Better Housing Coalition; and to amend Ordinance No. 2023-180 adopted June 26, 2023 to recapture funds in the amount of \$245,174.86 from Commonwealth Catholic Charities and funds in the amount of \$500,000 from Planet Zero Residences, LLC and capture the unallocated \$2,000,000 for the purpose of expanding affordable housing initiatives.

The total amount of funds recaptured is \$1,075,517.81

The total amount of funds unallocated is \$2,000,000.00

- C. Other GF Appropriation is **\$124,807.20**

The total funds to be awarded to the seven (7) projects is **\$3,200,325.01**

- D. To amend Ordinance No. 2022-104, adopted April 25, 2022, as previously amended by Ordinance No. 2022-245, adopted September 26, 2022, and Ordinance No. 2023-086, adopted March 27, 2023, for the purpose of recapturing funds awarded to certain entities.
- E. To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to issue grants, loans, or a combination thereof to certain entities in designated amounts and to authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on the behalf of the City to execute all necessary documents for the seven (7) projects recommended for funding (See **Attachment B**).

STRATEGIC INITIATIVES AND OTHER GOVERNMENTAL: One Richmond: An Equitable Affordable Housing Plan

FISCAL IMPACT: 3,200,325.01 will be awarded to seven (7) projects that will result in 185 new multifamily affordable rental units, 20 new single-family residential units available for homeownership, and 318 persons receiving housing-related services. No adverse fiscal implications are anticipated with the adoption of this ordinance.

DESIRED EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon adoption.

REQUESTED INTRODUCTION DATE: November 12, 2024

CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARING DATE: December 9, 2024

REQUESTED AGENDA: Consent

RECOMMENDED COUNCIL COMMITTEE: Finance and Economic Development Standing

Committee

AFFECTED AGENCIES: Housing and Community Development; Budget and Strategic Planning; Finance

RELATIONSHIP TO EXISTING ORD. OR RES.: 2021-099, 2022-099, 2022-104, 2022-243, 2022-245, 2023-086, 2023-180, 2024-099

ATTACHMENTS: Attachment A: Transferred, Unallocated, and Recaptured ARPA Funding Awards; Attachment B: Recommendation for the Reallocation of the Transferred, Unallocated, and Recaptured ARPA Funding Awards; Attachment C: Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA)

STAFF: Merrick Malone, Acting Director (804) 646-7426; Michelle Peters, Deputy Director (804) 646-3975

ATTACHMENT A
TRANSFERRED, UNALLOCATED, AND RECAPTURED ARPA FUNDING AWARDS

Award Recipient	Project Name	Funding Request Type	Award Amount	Recaptured Amount	Unallocated Amount	Project Description/Notes	No. of Units/Persons to be Assisted	AMI Range		
								0-50%	51-60%	61-80%
Saint Joseph's Villa	Saint Joseph Villa- Youth Outreach	Services	\$240,000.00	\$80,342.95		Expansion of Youth Outreach Services to LGBTQ+ Populations	100	100	0	0
Commonwealth Catholic Charities (CCC)	Inclement Weather Shelter	Services	\$615,000.00	\$245,174.86		Operation cost for the Inclement Weather Shelter at 1900 Chamberlyane Parkway	60 beds nightly	60	0	0
Unallocated Funds	Unallocated Funds	Unallocated Funds			\$2,000,000.00	In Ordinance No. 2022-099 \$2,000,000 was not allocated to projects	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Better Housing Coalition	North Oak Apartments	Multifamily Preservation	\$250,000.00	\$250,000.00		Preservation project for upgrading units at North Oak Apartments.	143	60	36	47
Planet Zero Residences, LLC-PLZ, LLC	Planet Zero Apartments	Multifamily New Construction	\$500,000.00	\$500,000.00		New multifamily housing development	48	0	0	48
		Amount to be Awarded	\$1,605,000.00	\$1,075,517.81	\$2,000,000.00					
		TOTAL RECAPTURED AND UNALLOCATED FUNDS	\$3,075,517.81							
		Other GF Appropriation	\$124,807.20							
		Total to be allocated	\$3,200,325.01							

ATTACHMENT B

RECOMMENDATION FOR THE REALLOCATION OF THE TRANSFERRED, UNALLOCATED, AND RECAPTURED ARPA FUNDING AWARDS

Award Recipient	Project Name	Funding Request Type	Recommended Awards	Project Description/Notes	No. of Units/Persons to be Assisted	AMI Range					Total Project Cost	TDC Per Unit	Leveraged Amount
						0-30%	31-50%	51-60%	61-80%	81-120%			
Liberty Townhomes, LLC	Townhomes at Liberty Place	New Construction - Single Family	\$377,360.00	Completion of 40 affordable housing units for individuals at or below 60% AMI.	40	0	20	20	0	0	\$ 16,665,721	\$416,643	\$16,665,721
New Manchester Flats VI MM, LLC. Lynx Ventures, Inc.	New Manchester Flats VI	New Construction - Multifamily	\$667,360.00	Construction of 127 units for individuals at 60% AMI as a part of the larger New Manchester Flats, which is a 400-unit mixed-use mixed-income development.	127	0	0	127	0	0	\$35,292,406	\$277,893	\$34,552,406
ElderHomes Corporation DBA Project:HOMES	Mosby Street	New Construction - Multifamily	\$657,360.00	Construction of 9 affordable rental units at 815-821 Mosby St. 1 bldg. with 6 units, and 1 bldg. with 3 units. 2 Structures in total across 4 parcels.	9	3	3	3	0	0	\$1,860,000	\$206,667	\$1,130,000
Southside Community Development Housing Corporation (SCDHC)	SCDHC The Hollands	New Construction - Single Family	\$197,360.00	9 new single family attached townhomes to be sold to first-time homebuyers at or below 80% AMI. Project will complete the Hollands Subdivision.	9	0	0	0	9	0	\$3,054,790	\$339,421	\$2,514,790
Emergency Shelter, Inc DBA HomeAgain	Financial Assistance for Shelter Clients	Housing Related Services	\$150,885.01	associated with exit to permanent housing. Examples of eligible cost include vital record fees, application fees, security deposits and first month rent, and rental and utility arrears.	318	260	42	13	3	0	\$240,160	NA	\$85,160
The Maggie Walker Community Land Trust	Oak Grove Townhomes	New Construction-Single Family	\$600,000.00	Construction of 15 new single-family dwellings for homeownership.	15	0	0	8	7	0	\$4,230,457	\$282,031	\$3,630,457
ElderHomes Corporation DBA Project:HOMES	Blackwell Affordable Homeownership	New Construction-Single Family	\$550,000.00	Construction of 5 new single-family dwellings for homeownership.	5	0	0	0	5	0	\$1,550,000	\$310,000	
		Amount to be Awarded	\$3,200,325.01										

SUMMARY	
Recaptured Funds	\$ 1,075,517.81
Unallocated ARPA Funds	\$ 2,000,000.00
Other GF Appropriation	\$ 124,807.20
Total to be Allocated	\$ 3,200,325.01

	Allocated Amount
Liberty Townhomes	\$377,360
New Manchester Flats VI MM, LLC. Lynx Ventures, Inc.	\$667,360
ElderHomes Corporation DBA Project:HOMES	\$657,360
Southside Community Development and Housing Corporation	\$197,360
Emergency Shelter, Inc. dba/HomeAgain	\$150,885.01
The Maggie Walker Community Land Trust	\$600,000
ElderHomes Corporation DBA Project:HOMES	\$550,000
Total Allocated	\$3,200,325.01

**The Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal
Recovery Funds (SLFRF)
Under The American Rescue Plan Act
(ARPA)
Unallocated and Recaptured Funds**



Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA)
(Affordable Housing and Related Services)

Release of Application: August 15, 2024

Applications Due: August 23, 2024

NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY
The Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLFRF)
Under The American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)
Unallocated and Recaptured Funds

The City of Richmond is issuing this Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) for the allocation of funding provided by the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA). As indicated in the title, this NOFA contains funding from Tranche 1 and Tranche 2 that was not awarded, and recaptured funds from previously awarded projects. It is the Department of Housing and Community Development's (HCD) intent to obligate these funds to selected projects by October 30, 2024.

ARPA, enacted on March 11, 2021, established the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund and Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund, which together make up the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds ("SLFRF") program. This program is intended to provide support to State, territorial, local, and Tribal governments in responding to the economic and public health impacts of COVID-19 and in their efforts to contain impacts on their communities, residents, and businesses. The City of Richmond's ARPA Spending Plan was approved by City Council on October 25, 2021. The funds are to be used in response to the disease itself or the harmful consequences of the economic disruptions resulting from or exacerbated by the COVID-19 public health emergency and cannot be grossly disproportionate to the harm experienced.

This NOFA is intended for projects that will align with the "Building Stronger Communities Through Investments in Housing and Neighborhoods" portion of the City's ARPA Spending Plan and targets projects that:

- preserves or increases the supply of affordable, high-quality housing units through the preservation or new construction of single-family or multifamily units;
- address homelessness via supportive housing through the addition of new units;
- improves access to stable, affordable housing among unhoused individuals and families; or
- uses housing vouchers, residential counseling, or housing navigation assistance to facilitate household moves to neighborhoods with high levels of economic opportunity and mobility for low-income residents and to help residents increase their economic opportunity and reduce concentrated areas of low economic opportunity.

Application Details:

- **Available from:** August 15, 2024, on the City of Richmond's website [Public Documents | Richmond \(rva.gov\)](https://publicdocuments.rva.gov/). To request an application by email or for a paper copy, please contact Kristen Stell via email at Kristin.Stell@rva.gov or via phone at (804) 646-1766.
- **Submission Deadline:** 4:30 p.m. on August 23, 2024
- **Submission Method:** Email to rachel.hightman2@rva.gov. Faxed applications and late submissions will **not** be accepted.

Please direct all questions to rachel.hightman2@rva.gov by 4:30pm on August 19th. Responses will be posted in one document at [Public Documents | Richmond \(rva.gov\)](https://publicdocuments.rva.gov/) by 5:00pm on August 20th.

The City of Richmond does not discriminate based on disability status in the admission or access to its programs. Virginia Relay Center - TDD users dial 711.

Disclaimer/Disclosure: The City of Richmond reserves the right to award funding, other than what has been requested by an applicant, at its discretion, for projects that meet an immediate need, priority, or goal of the City, and is an eligible activity as permitted by the City's general provisions for ARPA funding.



APPLICATION GUIDELINES

The Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLFRF)

Under The American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)

Unallocated and Recaptured Funds

Purpose:

The Department of Housing and Community Development is utilizing a competitive application process to allow organizations and developers to apply for funding. Funding will be available to projects that align with the “Building Stronger Communities Through Investments in Housing and Neighborhoods” portion of the City of Richmond’s ARPA Spending Plan.

Eligibility:

- The following types of organizations are eligible to apply; non-profits, for-profit developers, economic development, housing, or human service agencies, and/or organizations with federal tax-exempt status.
- Projects must align with the “Building Stronger Communities Through Investments in Housing and Neighborhoods” of the City’s ARPA Spending Plan, and specifically:
 - preserves or increases the supply of affordable, high-quality housing units through the preservation or new construction of single-family or multifamily units;
 - address homelessness via supportive housing through the addition of new units;
 - improves access to stable, affordable housing among unhoused individuals and families; or
 - uses housing vouchers, residential counseling, or housing navigation assistance to facilitate household moves to neighborhoods with high levels of economic opportunity and mobility for low-income residents and to help residents increase their economic opportunity and reduce concentrated areas of low economic opportunity.

Questions:

Direct all questions to rachel.hightman2@rva.gov by 4:30pm on August 19, 2024 Responses will be posted in one document at [Public Documents | Richmond \(rva.gov\)](#) by 5:00pm on August 20, 2024.

Submission:

Applications for ARPA Funds must be submitted no later than 4:30 p.m. on Friday, August 23, 2024. Applicants must submit their application and attachments via email to rachel.hightman2@rva.gov

Funding:

- **Total Availability:** \$2,076,637 available through a competitive application process
- **Evaluation:** Based on Project Feasibility (45 points), Income Targeting/Special Populations Served (25 points), Leveraging (10 points), and Objectives and Linkages (20 points). See Attachment A for detailed rating criteria.

Important Notes:

- **These funds are to be allocated to projects that can be completed by September 2026. If the project is a construction project, this should be evidenced with a Certificate of Occupancy.**
- Successful Applicants must work with HCD to funds obligated by October 30, 2024.
- Projects that are seeking Special Approval through the City's Planning Commission and City Council are not eligible to apply for this round of funding. You may apply if you have a SUP or Rezoning already approved by the City Council.
- If you are a LIHTC developer, you must have already secured your 4% or 9% award or have already secured Bond funding that has been closed or closing within the next 30 days.
- See Attachment B for "Consolidated Plan –Boundaries for the Priority Areas"



Cover Sheet

The Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLFRF) Under The American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Unallocated and Recaptured Funds

1. **Program Funds Requested: (Remember an application is required for each proposed project).**

ARPA PROJECT FUNDING REQUEST:

- ☐ Housing Development (New Construction Single Family)
- ☐ Preservation (Single-Family and Multifamily)
- ☐ Housing Development (Rental or Owner-Occupied Rehab)
- ☐ Housing Related Services

2. **Amount Requested:** Click or tap here to enter text.

3. **Contact Information:**

Organization: Click or tap here to enter text.

Project Name: Click or tap here to enter text.

Contact Person: Click or tap here to enter text.

Phone: Click or tap here to enter text.

Email: Click or tap here to enter text.



APPLICATION
The Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLFRF)
Under The American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)
Unallocated and Recaptured Funds

Instructions: This form must be completed by all organizations and agencies applying for funds.
PLEASE NOTE: You must complete a separate application for each project.

1. Organization Information:

Organization Name: Click or tap here to enter text.

Federal Tax ID: Click or tap here to enter text.

Unique Entity Identifier Number: Click or tap here to enter text.

Project Name: Click or tap here to enter text.

Project Contact Person: Click or tap here to enter text.

Mailing Address: Click or tap here to enter text.

Phone: Click to enter text. Facsimile: Click to enter text. Email: Click to enter text.

Chief Executive Officer/Executive Director: Click to enter text. Signature: Click or tap here to enter text.

Is your organization incorporated? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Is your organization:

A non-profit with approved Federal tax-exempt certification? ☐ Yes ☐ No

A for-profit business ☐ Yes ☐ No

Total operating budget for the organization, including income/revenues from all sources.

Click to enter text.

2. Location of Project:

A. Is the project City-wide or does it serve a specific project area?

☐ City-wide ☐ Specific Project area ☐ Qualified Census Tract

B. Name and Geographic Boundaries of Project Area (Include Street names): Click to enter text.

C. Census Tract(s): Click to enter text. Council District(s): Click to enter text.

Priority Areas: (see Attachment B for boundaries)

- ☐ Hull Street – Swansboro Corridor
- ☐ Hull Street – Lower Corridor
- ☐ Richmond Highway – North
- ☐ Richmond Highway – South
- ☐ Highland Park
- ☐ City Wide – Only for Housing Related Services or Rehab Projects
- ☐ The project is not located in a Priority Area

3. Description of Project:

- A.** For housing related services projects, provide a concise description of the proposed project and the clients to be served. If this is the expansion of an existing project, please share the increase in the number of individuals to be served and if the agency’s sustainability plan includes continued expanded service delivery when the ARPA funding is no longer available.

For construction projects, provide a concise description of the proposed project. For a new construction rental project, in the concise description include all resident amenities that will be offered by the project. If relocation is a part of your preservation project, please include your relocation plan.

Click or tap here to enter text.

- B.** For housing related services projects, please explain the agencies plan to ensure timely invoicing and internal controls to ensure funds are fully utilized.

For construction projects, will the project be completed, with Certificate of Occupancy in hand if needed, by September 2026? Please explain the status of the project and how this funding would ensure that goal.

Click or tap here to enter text.

- C.** For construction projects - Unit Breakdown

Number of Units (Single Family Construction):Click or tap here to enter text.

Number of Units (Multi Family Construction):Click or tap here to enter text.

Number of Units (Preservation of Multi Family): Click or tap here to enter text.

Number of Units (Preservation of Owner-Occupied): Click or tap here to enter text.

Length of time in which housing units will remain affordable at each income level:

Click or tap here to enter text.

D. Project Beneficiaries/Targeted Income Levels:

#Click to enter text.	0-30% of the Area Median Income
#Click to enter text.	31-50% of the Area Median Income
#Click to enter text.	51%-60% of the Area Median Income
#Click to enter text.	61%-80% of the Area Median Income

If the construction project will be utilizing income averaging for this project, please explain.

Click or tap here to enter text.

If the project is housing related services, how many households will benefit from this ARPA specific funding? Households can be single individuals, or family units.

Click or tap here to enter text.

If this project will target specific populations, please check all that apply below:

- ☐ Elderly (62+)
- ☐ Disabled
- ☐ Families and Children
- ☐ Youth
- ☐ Homeless
- ☐ Other (please indicate): Click or tap here to enter text.

4. Community Impact:

- A.** Briefly describe the neighborhood to be served, highlighting such items as: population to be served, housing conditions, median household income, neighborhood strengths/weaknesses and describe how the project will positively impact the community.

Click or tap here to enter text.

- B.** Briefly describe how the project is in proximity to services, medical facilities retail centers, grocery store, transportation, and employment centers.

Click or tap here to enter text.

5. Evidence of Neighborhood/Partnership Support: Describe the neighborhood/partnership support for the proposal, including Partners, Civic Association, Continuum of Care (CoC), City Department support, and groups that will assist in the implementation or be directly affected by the

project. If the project includes construction, please describe the collaboration between any partners including neighborhood support of the project.

Click or tap here to enter text.

6. Sustainability Initiatives/Green Practices: For construction projects, describe any sustainable or “green” aspects or design elements that will be incorporated as part of the implementation of the proposed project. Please share how these design elements will improve resilience to the effects of climate change.

Click or tap here to enter text.

7. Evidence of Site Control: If the project involves the development or conversion of a property to be used for housing the applicant must already have site control. If your site control is in the form of an option, please explain your timeline for exercising that option.

Click or tap here to enter text.

8. Marketing Strategy: Briefly describe your strategies and methods for marketing your program or housing units.

Click or tap here to enter text.

9. Section 3 Residents or Section 3 Businesses: Detail if your organization or business will target Section 3 residents, or if your business is a Section 3 business. Click or tap here to enter text.

Click or tap here to enter text.

10. Funds Received Previously for this Project by Year of Allocation, as applicable. Note all funds received for this project from the City of Richmond. If your agency received funding from the City’s non-departmental grant process, please show that funding in the other funds category in the table below:

	Previous 2023	Previous 2024	Current 2025
AFFORDABLE HOUSING TRUST FUND (AHTF)	\$	\$	\$
	Previous 2023	Previous 2024	Current 2025
ARPA:	\$	\$	\$
CDBG:	\$	\$	\$

CDBG-CV:	\$	\$	\$
ESG:	\$	\$	\$
HOME:	\$	\$	\$
HOPWA:	\$	\$	\$
EAHP	\$	\$	\$
Other Funds (Specify): Click or tap here to enter text.	\$	\$	\$

11. Project Leveraging: List all sources of funds you will receive and commit for this project. Please only list funds that will be utilized to complete this project.

Source of Funds	Status	Term of Award	Dollar Amount
1.			\$
2.			\$
3.			\$
4.			\$
5.			\$
6.			\$
7.			\$
8.			\$
9.			\$
10.			\$
11.			\$
12.			\$
13.			\$
14.			\$

Leveraged Total:			\$
Leveraged Funds Ratio:			\$

12. Table of Sources and Uses of Funds:

A. List all project sources and uses for the proposed project.

List of Expenses (Uses)	Cost of Expenses	Source of Funds	Funding Amount	Amount Committed Y/N
	\$		\$	Choose an item.
	\$		\$	Choose an item.
	\$		\$	Choose an item.
	\$		\$	Choose an item.
	\$		\$	Choose an item.
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	\$		\$	Choose an item.
	\$		\$	Choose an item.
	\$		\$	Choose an item.
	\$		\$	Choose an item.
Total Expenses:	\$	Total Funding:	\$	Choose an item.

B. Describe how receipt of partial funding (50% of funds requested or 75% of funds requested) would impact the ability to complete or operate the project.

Click or tap here to enter text.

13. Description of Applicant and Overall Capacity:

A. Briefly describe background and mission for your organization. Be concise.

Click or tap here to enter text.

B. Briefly highlight the organization's significant achievements in the last 3 years, specifically the capacity to complete current projects and development activities in-budget and on-time or to provide services in a timely manner. Please explain any challenges that you may have experienced with past projects, and how the matter was resolved.

Click or tap here to enter text.

C. Provide a brief description of any financial default or involvement in legal actions during the last 3 years. This would include lawsuits, tax delinquency, bankruptcy, client complaints, and citations of violating building, zoning, and environmental codes.

Click or tap here to enter text.

Attachment A

Application Evaluation/Rating and Ranking Criteria

THE CITY OF RICHMOND ARPA FUNDING CYCLE UNALLOWCATED AND RECAPTURED FUNDS AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND RELATED SERVICES

A total of **100 points** are available. An application must score a **minimum of 70 points** to be recommended for funding.

I. Project Feasibility – Total of 45 Points

a. Soundness of approach and cost effectiveness: _____/25 Points

Things to consider for construction and renovation projects:

- Is the budget and financial model based on reasonable assumptions and is sustainable?
- How units will be constructed or preserved through this project?
- Is the debt ratio coverage adequate?
- What is the project's affordability period?
- Does the budget include adequate operating and capital reserves?
- If gap funding is requested, is the amount sufficient to complete the project? How will the applicant handle any additional increases?
- Is all other needed funding in place?

Things to consider for housing related services projects:

- Is the budget based on reasonable assumptions and are cost appropriate?
- Is the delivery of services well-thought out and adequate for the populations to be served?
- What is the total number of persons to be served? What is the estimated cost per client?
- Will applicable best practices and national standards be employed? If so, are these clearly articulated in the delivery of services?

b. Experience/Capacity: _____/20 Points

- Did the application provide evidence of experience and organizational capacity to undertake the proposed activities?
- Did the applicant demonstrate an ability to spend the ARPA funds within the required timeframe?

II. Income Targeting/Special Populations Served - Total of 25 Points

- a. What income level will most of the beneficiaries of this project be at? ____/20 Points
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|----------------|-----------|
| 0-30% of AMI: | 20 points |
| 31-50% of AMI: | 15 points |
| 51-60% of AMI: | 12 points |
| 61-80% of AMI: | 10 points |
- b. Will the project serve a special needs population? ____/5 Points
- Seniors, individuals with disabilities, families and children, youth, individuals who are unhoused, etc.
- (No matter if it is one or more populations, the maximum points to be awarded is 5.)

III. Leveraging and Affordability - Total of 10 Points

- a. What is the leverage ratio for the project? ____/10 Points
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|----------------|-----------|
| 1:5 or greater | 10 points |
| 1:3 | 5 points |
| 1:1 | 2 points |

IV. Objectives and Linkages – Total 20 Points

- a. Does the proposed project have realistic goals, objectives, and timelines for delivery of services or units? ____/15 Points
- b. Does the proposed project correlate to any of the strategies articulated in the 2020-2030 Strategic Plan to End Homelessness, the Richmond 300, or RVAgreen 2050: Climate Equity Action Plan 2030? ____/5 Points
- (Only 5 points no matter the number of plans.)

Attachment B

Priority Areas

1. Hull Street - Swansboro Corridor

This mainly residential corridor extends along Hull Street from its intersection with Cowardin Avenue and Richmond Highway. The boundary extends along Richmond Highway southwards to its intersection with Stockton Street and then follows Stockton Street to East 21st Street until intersecting with Hull Street. The boundary then follows Hull Street until its intersection with the Census Block Group 1, Tract 604 boundary until Everett Street. At Everett Street, the boundary follows city parcel boundaries to meet Old Dominion Street and then follows Decatur Street until its intersection with East 29th Street. Following East 29th Street, the boundary extends to Stockton Street at its intersection with East 29th Street from this intersection the lower portion of the Swansboro corridor follows the Census Block Group 2, Tract 604 Boundary until it meets the Census Block Group 1, Tract 604 boundary at the intersection of East 29th Street and Hull Street. The boundary then follows West 29th Street until Bainbridge Street intersects with Cowardin Avenue to Richmond Highway.

2. Hull Street - Lower Corridor

This mixed-use corridor begins at the intersection of Hull Street and the CSX Railroad. The corridor includes the residential area from Hull Street to Alberene Road until their intersections with Warwick Road. The boundary then follows Warwick Road to Fernbrook Drive through its intersection with Bryce Lane until its intersection with Troy Road. The boundary follows Troy Road to Tignor Road intersecting Orcutt Lane and following the residential parcel boundary to Snead Road and following the boundary of Census Block Group 4, tract 708.01 along Snead Road to Kendall Road to Bertram Road until its intersection with Walmsley Boulevard. The boundary then follows Walmsley Boulevard until its intersection with a tributary of the Pocoschock Creek. The boundary then follows parcel lines North to encompass the nearby residential area including the neighborhoods on Pocosham Drive, Hey Road, St. Moritz Drive, and Geneva Drive, among others. The boundary then continues south to meet the boundary of Census Block Group 3, Tract 708.01 along Chippenham Parkway. The boundary follows Chippenham Parkway until its intersection with Hull Street. The boundary then follows Hull Street northward until it intersects with a tributary of Pocoschock Creek. Following the tributary, the boundary extends to Whitehead Road until its intersection with Daytona Drive. The boundary follows Daytona Drive to the nearby residential neighborhood that includes Bramwell Road, Coniston Avenue, and Stansbury Avenue. Following the parcel boundaries to Judson Road, the corridor extends along Judson Road to its intersection with Swanson Road. The boundary extends along Swanson Road, including the parcels on both sides of Swanson Road until its intersection with Hull Street. Finally, moving northward along Hull Street until the intersection with Warwick Road, the boundary meets the top portion of the area outlined above. This corridor focuses on largely residential areas and excludes large industrial and commercial parcels.

3. Richmond Highway- North

This corridor extends along Richmond Highway and its intersection with East 16th Street to its intersection with Hull Street South and extends to Ingram Avenue at its intersections with Richmond Highway and East 16th Street. As U.S. Route 1/301, Richmond Highway has six lanes throughout the corridor and carries a significant traffic load, both local and regional.

4. Richmond Highway- South

This corridor extends along Richmond Highway from its intersection with Harwood Street to Bellemeade Road. The area follows the boundary of Census Block Groups 3, 4, and 5 in Census Tract 607 along Harwood Road, to Rosecrest Avenue, to Bruce Street, to East Commerce Road, and to Bellemeade Road. This area includes the Hillside Court public housing complex on the far eastern edge of the corridor.

5. Highland Park

The boundaries follow 2nd Avenue on the North, East Brooklyn Park Boulevard on the West, Detroit Avenue on the South, and the CSX Railroad on the East. This target area is in part of the North Highland Park neighborhood and falls in Census Block Group 1, Tract 109.

6. Richmond Redevelopment Housing Authority (“RRHA”) “Communities of Choice” as outlined in the [Richmond 300 Master Plan](#).

City Council District Boundaries can be found at: [Richmond Voter District Maps BIG 2.112019.pub \(rva.gov\)](#)