MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
COBB COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
FEBRUARY 14, 2023
9:00 AM

The Regular Meeting of the Cobb County Board of Commissioners was held on Tuesday, February 14, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. in the second-floor public meeting room at 100 Cherokee Street, Cobb County Building, Marietta, Georgia. Present and comprising a quorum of the Board were:

Chairwoman Lisa Cupid
Commissioner JoAnn Birrell
Commissioner Keli Gambrill
Commissioner Jerica Richardson
Commissioner Monique Sheffield

CALL TO ORDER

Chairwoman Cupid called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m.

PRESENTATIONS

1. To present a proclamation designating February 2023 as *American Heart Month* in Cobb County.

Chairwoman Cupid presented a proclamation designating February 2023 as *American Heart Month* in Cobb County.

PUBLIC HEARING

2. To conduct a public hearing and approve the Chattahoochee Corridor Plan Certificate of Compliance for the construction of a single family home at 60 Sherwood Lane.

Jessica Guinn, Community Development Agency Director, presented information regarding a Chattahoochee Corridor Certificate for a single family home at 60 Sherwood Lane, in Land Lot 74 & 80, of the 1st District, Cobb County, GA.

Chairwoman Cupid opened the Public Hearing and asked those wishing to speak to come forward to address the Board. Following no speakers, the Public Hearing was closed.

Motion by Richardson, second by Gambrill, to **approve** the Chattahoochee Corridor Certificate of Compliance for a single family home at 60 Sherwood Lane, in Land Lot 74 & 80, of the 1st District, Cobb County, GA; subject to the rules and guidelines of the Metropolitan River Protection Act and all applicable Cobb County development standards and regulations.

***Clerk's Note**: Prior to the vote the following statements were made:*

Commissioner Birrell read the following statement and requested each vote reflect the statement. A copy of the statement is attached and made a part of these minutes:

> *I do not support the Home Rule Challenge of the majority of this board. It is unconstitutional and illegal. I voted against the amended map 3 times in 2022 (1/25/22, 10/11/22 and 10/25/22).*
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> *I have a duty to represent my constituents and will not have my vote suppressed as I was duly elected on November 8, 2022 under the state map (HB 1154) voted on by the Georgia General Assembly in February 2022 and signed into law by Governor Kemp on March 2, 2022 and certified by the Board of Elections on November 15, 2022.*

Commissioner Gambrill read the following statement and requested each vote reflect the statement. A copy of the statement is attached and made a part of these minutes:

> *When the Board first entered Executive Session in March 2022 to discuss the "Home Rule" challenge, I challenged the County Attorney's Office on the premise and requested outside counsel to be sought.*
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> *While the County Attorney's Office claims the Association of County Commissioners of Georgia (ACCG) provided legal advice, I too am in receipt of the documents from the ACCG regarding Home Rule, to which it clearly defines the limit of this Boards Constitutional powers as to redistricting. I also contend that the Board of Commissioners did not follow the Home Rule challenge in its entirety.*
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> *In addition, the Georgia Supreme Court has ruled, that the GA Constitution Limits legislative action by the Board of Commissioners to matters for which no provision has been made by general law. Furthermore, the "Home Rule" powers granted to the Board of Commissioners do not extend to any matters which the Georgia General assembly by general law has preempted, like the redistricting map here in Cobb Co. Commissioners of Wayne Co. v. Smith 240 Ga. 540 (1978); Brophy v. McCranie 264 Ga. 187 (1994).*
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> *In fact, even in Federal Court in Georgia, the court has ruled the General Assembly is the only legislative body with the power to enact redistricting legislation for the counties; therefore, where the General Assembly failed to enact reapportionment legislation for a certain county, although it was entitled to consideration as an expression of county policy, a reapportionment plan proposed by a county was not a legislatively enacted plan requiring deferential treatment and the district court was required to fashion a reapportionment plan. Bodker v. Taylor, 2002 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 27447 (N.D. Ga. June 5, 2002).*
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> *In January, Georgia State Attorney General, Chris Carr stated that the Cobb County Commissions move to amend its electoral redistricting map is "inappropriate and not legally binding."*

Commissioner Gambrill statement (cont.)

Per the letter dated December 22, 2022, from C. Ryan Germany, General Counsel for the Office of the Secretary of State, " you should not consider the ministerial function of filing the Amendment with our office or the publishing of the Amendment to the a comment on whether the Amendment is allowable under state law or a proper exercise of the authority by the Cobb County Commission, nor should you rely on this to attempt to establish the validity of the Amendment." "In fact" he continues " it appears that the Amendment is very likely an unauthorized exercise of authority by the Cobb County Commissioner that does not comply to Georgia Law or the State Constitution.

With the majority of this Board actions on October 25, 2022 and the resulting filing and recording with the Office of the Secretary of State on October 26, 2022, the boundaries of the districts from which county commissioners were elected in Districts 1 and 3 were changed (14) days prior to the General Election, and eight (8) days after early voting had begun using district boundaries for Districts 1 and 3 as approved by the Governor.

Furthermore, the Board of Elections certified the election of Commissioners in District 1 and 3 using the map as approved by the Governor on March 2, 2022 on November 15, 2022 and not the maps that the Board of Commissioners made effective on October 26, 2022.

In a letter dated October 3, 2022 Deputy Legislative Counsel D. Stuart Morelli, "It is practically indisputable that a county home rule resolution or ordinance changing the boundaries of the districts from which county commissioners are elected would be an action affecting the procedure for the election of the county's governing authority. O.C.G.A. 36-35-4.1, no such statutory authority exists for Georgia counties.

Just last month, I was unjustifiably removed from this dais and prevented from representing my constituents and carrying out the duties I was elected to perform, based on an opinion that is not supported by law or policies of this Board.

Quotes by DaShanne Stokes, "Leadership by deception isn't leadership. It's fraud. Truth is hard, propaganda is cheap."

While I am here representing my constituents and fulfilling my duties as an elected official, I hereby request the clerk to attack this statement to each vote that is recorded herein.

VOTE: **ADOPTED 5-0** *(Statements read by Commissioner Birrell and Commissioner Gambrill are attached and made a part of these minutes)*

3. **To conduct a public hearing prior to expending $100,000.00 or more for engineering design services for Cumberland Core Loop – Segment D, Project No. B2434, Transportation Management Center Upgrade, Project No. B2583, and 2022 SPLOST Transportation Improvements Program sidewalk projects.**

Drew Raessler, Transportation Agency Director, requested a public hearing prior to expending $100,000.00 or more for engineering design services for Cumberland Core Loop – Segment D, Project No. B2434, Transportation Management Center Upgrade, Project No. B2583, and 2022 SPLOST Transportation Improvements Program sidewalk projects.

Chairwoman Cupid opened the Public Hearing and asked those persons wishing to speak to come forward. Following no speakers, the Public Hearing was closed.

No official action was taken by the Board.

PUBLIC COMMENT

1. Christine Rozman addressed the Board regarding ARPA funding.
2. Debbie Fisher addressed the Board regarding Public Comment procedures and Home Rule.
3. Robert Maynard addressed the Board regarding ARPA funding.
4. George Hitchcock addressed the Board regarding Robinson Creek flooding.

NON- AGENDA

Motion by Cupid, second by Birrell, to **approve** the addition of the following non-agenda item to be added following the consent vote (See item 32 of these minutes):

- *To approve a resolution opposing legislation that would increase the authorized truck size or weight on Georgia's public roads.*

VOTE: **ADOPTED 5-0** *(Statements read by Commissioner Birrell and Commissioner Gambrill are attached and made a part of these minutes)*

CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION: Motion by Cupid, second by Birrell, to **approve** the following items on the Consent Agenda, *as revised*; and **authorize** execution of the necessary documents by the appropriate County personnel.

District Attorney

4. **To ratify previous action by the County Manager authorizing the District Attorney's grant application to the US Department of Justice under the BJA FY2023 Local Law Enforcement Crime Gun Intelligence Center Integration Initiative.**

   To ratify previous action by the County Manager authorizing the District Attorney's grant application to the US Department of Justice under the BJA FY2023 Local Law Enforcement Crime Gun Intelligence Center Integration Initiative.

   Should funds be awarded, the District Attorney will submit the necessary agenda item to the Board for authorization to accept the funds with the required impact and funding information.

Superior Court Administration

5. **To authorize the application for grant funds from the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council (CJCC) for the Cobb County Veterans Accountability and Treatment Court.**

   To **authorize** the application for grant funds from the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council for the Cobb County Veterans Accountability and Treatment Court.

6. **To authorize the application for grant funds from the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council (CJCC) for the Cobb County Mental Health Court.**

   To **authorize** the application for grant funds from the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council for the Cobb County Mental Health Court.

7. **To authorize the application for grant funds from the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council (CJCC) for the Cobb County Drug Treatment Court.**

   To **authorize** the application for grant funds from the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council for the Cobb County Drug Treatment Court.

Juvenile Court

8. **To authorize the application for grant funds from the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council for the Juvenile Drug Treatment Court Program.**

To **authorize** the application for grant funds from the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council for the Cobb County Juvenile Drug Treatment Program.

9. **To authorize the application for grant funds from the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council for the Family Treatment Court Program.**

To **authorize** the application for grant funds from the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council for Cobb County Family Treatment Court.

Solicitor General

10. **To authorize the appropriation of prior year budget savings into the FY2023 budget.**

To **authorize** appropriation of prior year Cobb Solicitor's budget savings, in the amount of $23,763.96, into the FY2023 budget; **authorize** the corresponding budget transactions; and **further authorize** the Chairwoman to execute the necessary documents.

Increase Revenue:	010-190-8900-4980	Fund Balance Appropriation	$23,763.96
Increase Expenditure:	010-190-8900-6601	Other Miscellaneous Expenses	$23,763.96

Magistrate Court

11. **To approve the appointment of Magistrate Judge Louis Feingold as a Senior Magistrate Judge.**

To **approve** Chief Magistrate Judge Brendan F. Murphy's appointment of Magistrate Judge Louis Feingold to the office of Senior Magistrate for a term ending on December 31, 2024.

This appointment would be funded from the Magistrate Court's existing budget. This designation would simply allow the Senior Magistrate Judge to serve in any Magistrate Court in the State of Georgia upon the request of any Chief Magistrate. Such service would be at the expense of the local taxpayers in that jurisdiction.

When a Senior Magistrate serves in Cobb County, s/he is compensated from already-appropriated funds budgeted for part-time Judge's service. Senior Magistrates and part-time Magistrate Judges are compensated by the hour. The hourly rate for Judge Feingold will remain unchanged by this appointment. The minimal expense of Judge Feingold's required judicial training will be absorbed in the Court's current budget for the fiscal year.

Water System

12. **To authorize a License Agreement with Gaston M. Randolph, Jr. for the installation of a sanitary sewer line across County-owned property located in Land Lots 185 and 248 of the 17th District.**

To **approve** a License Agreement with Gaston M. Randolph, Jr. for the installation of a sanitary sewer line across County-owned property located in Land Lots 185 and 248 of the 17th District; and **further authorize** the Chairwoman to execute the necessary documents.

13. **To approve the list of prequalified contractors for the South Cobb Water Reclamation Facility Headworks Improvements, Program No. T3017.**

To **approve** the list of prequalified contractors for the South Cobb Water Reclamation Facility Headworks Improvements, Program No. T3017.

14. **To authorize the use of available State Contracts, Sourcewell (formerly NJPA), and other Contracted Pricing Agreements for the procurement of new and replacement vehicles and equipment for the Water System.**

To **authorize** the use of available State Contracts, Sourcewell (formerly NJPA), and other Contracted Pricing Agreements for the procurement of vehicles and equipment for the Water System, in an amount not to exceed $1,868,000.00; and **further authorize** the Chairwoman to execute the necessary documents.

Funding is available in the FY2023 Water System's Operating Budget as follows:

Available:	500-500-5140-8605	Autos, Vans, Trucks, & Motorcycles	$ 35,000.00
	500-500-5201-8605	Autos, Vans, Trucks, & Motorcycles	$ 80,000.00
	500-500-5205-8605	Autos, Vans, Trucks, & Motorcycles	$330,000.00
	500-500-5400-8605	Autos, Vans, Trucks, & Motorcycles	$185,000.00
	500-500-5400-8610	Specially-Equipped Vehicles	$525,000.00
	500-500-5400-8615	Trailers	$ 93,000.00
	500-500-5400-8415	Construction Equipment	$422,000.00
	500-500-5400-8490	Other Machinery & Equipment	$118,000.00
	500-500-5600-8605	Autos, Vans, Trucks, & Motorcycles	$ 80,000.00

15. <u>To approve funding for Cobb County Water System utility improvements and relocation work associated with the City of Powder Springs Brownsville Road Improvements, Program No. W2421.</u>

To **approve** funding for Cobb County Water System utility improvement and relocation work, in the amount of $221,675.00, associated with the City of Powder Springs Brownsville Road Improvements, Program No. W2421; **authorize** the corresponding budget transactions; and **further authorize** the Chairwoman to execute the necessary documents.

Funding is available in the Water System's CIP Budget as follows:

Transfer from:

Unidentified New/Replacement Water Mains			
Preliminary Estimates	510-500-5754-8005	W1503-Z	$236,115.00

Transfer to:

Brownsville Road Improvements			
Construction	510-500-5754-8260	W2421-C	$221.675.00
Materials & Supplies	510-500-5754-8265	W2421-M	$ 10,000.00
Contingency	510-500-5754-8810	W2421-T	$ 4,440.00
Total			$236,115.00

16. **To approve final funding for the work order under the Unit Price Contract for Water, Sewer, and Miscellaneous Services with Chatfield Contracting, Inc. for FY21 Noonday Creek Streambank Stabilization, Program No. SW2158.**

To **approve** final funding for the work order under the Unit Price Contract for Water, Sewer, and Miscellaneous Services with Chatfield Contracting, Inc., a savings to the work order in the amount of $110,486.00, for FY21 Noonday Creek Streambank Stabilization, Program No. SW2158; **authorize** the corresponding budget transactions; and **further authorize** the Chairwoman to execute the necessary documents.

No additional funding is required for the Water System's FY21 Noonday Creek Streambank Stabilization, Program No. SW2158.

Decrease Encumbrance:			
GAE 51006082117	510-500-5758-6496	SW2158-C	$110,486.00
Transfer from:			
FY21 Noonday Creek Streambank Stabilization			
Drainage Contract R&M Service	510-500-5758-6496	SW2158-C	$110,486.00
Transfer to:			
Stormwater Multi-Year Budget			
Drainage Contract R&M Service	510-500-5758-6496	SW9999-Z	$110,486.00

17. **To authorize advertisement for and conduct of a public hearing for employment of consultant services where contract fees will likely exceed $100,000.00 for Pearl of East Cobb Detention Pond Dam/Wall Failure Repair Design, Program No. SW2193.**

To **authorize** the advertisement for and conduct of a public hearing prior to the employment of a consultant or consulting firm where contract fees will likely exceed $100,000.00 for professional services for Pearl of East Cobb Detention Pond Dam/Wall Failure Repair Design, Program No. SW2193.

Transportation

18. To authorize the creation of three new residential Street Light Districts.

To **authorize** the creation of three new residential Street Light Districts for The Park at Creekside, Gunnerson Pointe, and Silver Spring.

Available in the Street Light District Fund approved FY23 Operating Budget, as follows:

Available:	235-050-SLD1-4712/6472	Street Light Energy Revenue/Electricity

19. To approve Project No. T081-TO#1 to the 2022 Master Task Order Contract with WSP USA, Inc., to perform an On-Demand Service Study, CCDOT Contract No. 002091.

To **approve** Project No. T081-TO#1 to the 2022 Master Task Order Contract with WSP USA, Inc., in an amount not to exceed $71,408.00, to perform an On-Demand Service Study, CCDOT Contract No. 002091; **authorize** the corresponding budget transaction; and **further authorize** the Chairwoman to execute the necessary documents.

Funding is available in the Transit Grant Fund, with the following budget transfer:

Transfer from:	203-050-T081-8005	Preliminary Estimate	$71,408.00
Transfer to:	203-050-T081-6326	Professional Services	$71,408.00

Public Services Agency

Elections

20. To authorize the change in precinct boundary for the Norton Park 01 precinct to better consolidate all the voters who are eligible to vote within the City of Mableton.

To **approve** change to the precinct boundary for the Norton Park 01 precinct to move voters who are eligible to vote in any Mableton Municipal Elections to Mableton 04, Floyd Middle School, 4803 Floyd Rd., Mableton, GA 30126, effective February 21, 2023.

Public Safety Agency

Police Department

21. **To approve a five-year contract with Axon Enterprises, Inc. for the procurement of equipment and services to implement In-Car/Body Worn Cameras, interview rooms and a Video Evidence Management System.**

To **approve** a five-year contract with Axon Enterprises, Inc. under provisions of Sourcewell Contract 010720-AXN, in an amount not to exceed $8,177,510.69 the replacement and maintenance of the Police Department In-Car and Body Worn Camera Systems; **authorize** the corresponding budget transactions; and **further authorize** the Chairwoman to execute the necessary documents.

Funding for the FY23 payment will be available in the FY23 Police Department Budget with the following budget transactions:

Decrease expenditure:	010-130-2100-8005	(Preliminary Estimate)	$817,751.08
Increase expenditure:	010-130-2100-6491	(Annual Maintenance & Support Contracts)	$817,751.08

Funding for years 2-5 will be included in annual operating requests and is detailed below for FY24-FY27.

Year 2:	FY24 (02/01/2024-01/31/2025)	$1,717,277.25
Year 3:	FY25 (02/01/2025-01/31/2026)	$1,880,827.45
Year 4:	FY26 (02/01/2026-01/31/2027)	$1,880,827.45
Year 5:	FY27 (02/01/2027-01/31/2028)	$1,880,827.46

Fire Department

22. **To authorize the application for grant funding through FEMA Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program.**

To **authorize** the application for grant funding through the FEMA Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program, in an amount not to exceed $250,000.00; and **further authorize** the Chairwoman to execute the necessary documents.

CCFES will bring forth a subsequent agenda item to the Board of Commissioners to accept and appropriate the funding.

Emergency Management

23. **To authorize the acceptance of funds from the Public Assistance Program for the presidential declaration designated FEMA-4501- DR-GA, Cobb County Emergency Management Agency, PA ID #067-U6UMY-00, under the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, Public Law 100 - 707, 42 USC 5121 et seq. ("The Act"}, in accordance with 44 CFR 206.44.**

To **authorize** the acceptance of funds under FEMA-4501- DR-GA, Cobb County Emergency Management Agency, PA ID #067-U6UMY-00, in the amount of $318,969.54; **authorize** the corresponding budget transactions; and **further authorize** the Chairwoman to execute the necessary documents.

Increase Revenue:	010-015-0145-4493	GEMA/FEMA	$318,969.54
Increase Expenditure:	010-130-0260-6258	Accountable Equipment	$31,896.95
Increase Expenditure:	010-015-0145-8820	Undesignated Contingency	$287,072.59

Community Development

24. **To approve annexation notice of Non-Objection per HB 489 Intergovernmental Agreement and HB 2 regarding a petition for the annexation of a .33-acre tract of land located at 2076 Gober Avenue into the City of Smyrna.**

To **approve** an annexation Notice of Non-Objection per HB 489 Intergovernmental Agreement and HB 2 regarding a petition for the annexation of a tract of land consisting of .33 acres located in Land Lot 372 of the 17th District at 2076 Gober Avenue into the City of Smyrna. A copy of the Notice of Non-Objection is attached and made a part of these minutes.

25. **To approve annexation notice of Non-Objection per HB 489 Intergovernmental Agreement and HB 2 regarding a petition for the annexation of a 1.00-acre tract of land located at 3141 Baker Road.**

To a**pprove** an annexation Notice of Non-Objection per HB 489 Intergovernmental Agreement and HB 2 regarding a petition for the annexation of a tract of land consisting of 1.00 acres located in Land Lot 12 of the 20th District located at 3141 Baker Road into the City of Acworth. A copy of the Notice of Non-Objection is attached and made a part of these minutes.

26. To approve an update to the fee schedule for plan review, residential, and commercial permitting within the Development & Inspection Division of the Community Development Agency.

To **approve** the updated fee schedule for the Development and Inspections Division within the Community Development Agency effective April 3, 2023.

Risk Management

27. To approve all interfund transfers for claims and safety equipment purchases to allow Risk Management to reimburse the appropriate departments.

To **approve** all interfund transfers for claims and safety equipment purchases; and authorize Risk Management to reimburse the appropriate department.

Police Department - Total Loss - Damaged Equipment

Decrease Expenditure:	710-055-8011-6441	Property Loss	$29,052.74
Increase Expenditure:	710-055-8011-6594	Interfund Expense	$29,052.74
Increase Revenue:	010-130-2100-4960	Interfund Revenue	$29,052.74
Increase Expenditure:	010-130-2100-6207	Safety Supplies	$29,052.74

Property Management - 21-01047

Decrease Expenditure:	710-055-8011-6605	Property Loss	$4,540.62
Increase Expenditure:	710-055-8011-6594	Interfund Expense	$4,540.62
Increase Revenue:	010-110-3640-4960	Interfund Revenue	$4,540.62
Increase Expenditure:	010-110-3640-6500	Property Repair	$4,540.62

Finance

28. To adopt a resolution adopting all budget amendments set forth in agenda items on this date.

To **adopt** a resolution adopting all budget amendments set forth in agenda items on this date. A copy of said resolution is attached and made a part of these minutes.

CobbWorks

29. **To accept a Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act grant award from the Technical College System of Georgia for CobbWorks, Inc. to provide education, training, and employment services for Dislocated Workers.**

To **authorize** the acceptance of the Dislocated Worker Program grant award, in the amount of $973,934.40, from the Technical College System of Georgia for CobbWorks, Inc.; the local Workforce Development Board to provide training and employment services for dislocated workers; **authorize** the corresponding budget transactions; and **further authorize** the Chairwoman to execute the necessary documents.

Funding for this Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act grant will be appropriated in the WIOA Fund as follows:

Increase Revenue:	
276-120-WF21-WF21DR- (Federal Grant Revenue)	$973,934.40
Increase Expenditures:	
276-120-WF21-WF21DR-P-4430/vary- P (Program)	$876,541.40
276-120-WF21-WF21DR -A-4430/vary-A (Admin)	$ 97,393.00
Total Grant:	**$973,934.40**

County Attorney

30. **To ratify and authorize the filing and continued prosecution of the legal action filed on January 30, 2023 in the Superior Court of Cobb County, *Cobb County Board of Commissioners v. Shea-Traylor, A Joint Venture*, Civil Action File No. 23-1-00779, against the named defendant and any later-added parties, and to otherwise pursue any claims related to the South Cobb WRF Influent Lift Station (the "Pump Station") failure, including any related agreement to arbitrate.**

To **ratify** and authorize the filing and continued prosecution of the lawsuit, including any related agreement to arbitrate, as may be allowed by law, and related actions, filed on January 30, 2023 in the Superior Court of Cobb County, *Cobb County Board of Commissioners v. Shea-Traylor, A Joint Venture*, Civil Action File No. 23-1-00779 as discussed in Executive Session on June 13, 2022 and January 23, 2023.

County Clerk

31. To approve minutes.

To **approve** the minutes from the following meetings:

- January 23, 2023 - Agenda Work Session
- January 24, 2023 - BOC Regular Meeting
- February 1-3, 2023 - BOC Board Retreat

CONSENT VOTE: **ADOPTED 5-0** *(Statements read by Commissioner Birrell and Commissioner Gambrill are attached and made a part of these minutes)*

REGULAR AGENDA

County Manager

32. To approve a resolution opposing legislation that would increase the authorized truck size or weight on Georgia's public roads.

Motion by Cupid, second by Sheffield, to **approve** a resolution opposing legislation that would increase the authorized truck size or weight on Georgia's public roads. A copy of said resolution is attached and made a part of these minutes.

VOTE: **ADOPTED 5-0** *(Statements read by Commissioner Birrell and Commissioner Gambrill are attached and made a part of these minutes)*

ARPA

33. To approve an appropriation of funds received pursuant to the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, in an amount not to exceed $19,346,000.00 for county infrastructure projects designed enhance the county's physical and/or structural capacity to meet operational responsibilities.

Jimmy Gisi, Deputy County Manager, introduced John Lisciandro, Deloitte Managing Director, who presented information regarding the multi-step process used to distribute funds from the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021.

Motion by Cupid, second by Richardson, to **approve** an appropriation of funds from funding received pursuant to the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, in an amount not to exceed $19,346,000.00 to support county infrastructure and to assist those negatively affected by COVID-19; **authorize** the corresponding budget transactions; and **further authorize** the Chairwoman to execute the agreement and any other necessary documents for said purpose. A copy of the funding statement and project summaries is attached and made a part of these minutes.

VOTE: **ADOPTED 5-0** *(Statements read by Commissioner Birrell and Commissioner Gambrill are attached and made a part of these minutes)*

34. **To approve an appropriation of funds received pursuant to the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, in an amount not to exceed $23,894,591.00 for community health projects designed to enhance mental, physical, and behavioral healthcare services.**

Motion by Cupid, second by Sheffield, to **approve** an appropriation of funds received pursuant to the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, in an amount not to exceed $23,894,591.00 to support community health with projects to assist those negatively affected by COVID-19; **authorize** the corresponding budget transactions; and **further authorize** the Chairwoman to execute the agreement and any other necessary documents for said purpose. A copy of the funding statement and project summaries is attached and made a part of these minutes.

VOTE: **ADOPTED 4-1,** Commissioner Gambrill opposed *(Statements read by Commissioner Birrell and Commissioner Gambrill are attached and made a part of these minutes)*

35. **To approve an appropriation of funds received pursuant to the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, in an amount not to exceed $21,513,980.02 for economic development projects designed to aid economic recovery through business sector support and workforce opportunities.**

Motion by Cupid, second by Richardson, to **approve** an appropriation of funds from funding received pursuant to the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, in an amount not to exceed $21,513,980.02 to support economic development and to assist those negatively affected by the economic impacts of COVID- 19; **authorize** the corresponding budget transactions; and **further authorize** the Chairwoman to execute the agreement and any other necessary documents for said purpose. A copy of the funding statement and project summaries is attached and made a part of these minutes.

VOTE: **ADOPTED 5-0** *(Statements read by Commissioner Birrell and Commissioner Gambrill are attached and made a part of these minutes)*

36. **To approve an appropriation of funds received pursuant to the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, in an amount not to exceed $10,037,829.00 for public safety projects designed to assist in keeping Cobb County residents safe.**

Motion by Cupid, second by Sheffield, to **approve** an appropriation of funds from funding received pursuant to the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, in an amount not to exceed $10,037,829.00 to support public safety and assist those negatively affected by COVID-19; **authorize** the corresponding budget transactions; and **further authorize** the Chairwoman to execute the agreement and any other necessary documents for said purpose. A copy of the funding statement and project summaries is attached and made a part of these minutes.

VOTE: **ADOPTED 5-0** *(Statements read by Commissioner Birrell and Commissioner Gambrill are attached and made a part of these minutes)*

37. **To approve an appropriation of funds received pursuant to the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, in an amount not to exceed $23,299,000.00 for support services projects designed to enhance mental, physical, and behavioral healthcare services.**

Motion by Cupid, second by Richardson, to **approve** an appropriation of funds from funding received pursuant to the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, in an amount not to exceed $23,298,999.99 for support services to County residents that were negatively affected by COVID-19; **authorize** the corresponding budget transactions; and **further authorize** the Chairwoman to execute the agreement and any other necessary documents for said purpose. A copy of the funding statement and project summaries is attached and made a part of these minutes.

VOTE: **ADOPTED 4-1,** Commissioner Gambrill opposed *(Statements read by Commissioner Birrell and Commissioner Gambrill are attached and made a part of these minutes)*

Sheriff's Office

38. **To approve a contract with Barfield Holt Construction, LLC, for expansion of the vestibule at the Adult Detention Center.**

Motion by Cupid, second by Richardson, to **approve** a contract under sealed bid #23-6712, with Barfield Holt Construction, LLC., for an amount not to exceed $712,527.00; **authorize** the corresponding budget transactions; and **further authorize** the Chairwoman to execute the necessary documents.

Funding is available from the 2016 SPLOST Sheriff's Office Equipment/Renovations Program Fund:

Decrease Expenditure:	347-210-X107-8005-X1070-C	Preliminary Estimates	$712,527.00
Increase Expenditure:	347-210-X107-8110-X1070-C	Renovation of Buildings	$712,527.00

The 2016 Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (SPLOST), adopted by the Board of Commissioners on July 22, 2014, provides for capital improvements and anticipated corresponding budget funding to address, inter alia, Countywide Improvements. Sheriff's Equipment/Renovations is an eligible project/program under the 2016 SPLOST and is an approved project of the Countywide Improvements Work Program (Cobb County 2016 SPLOST, p.6) which provides for capital improvements.

SPLOST Project Summary as of January 27,2023:

Current Budget:	$26,279,947.00
Current Expenditures:	$ 3,952,735.30

VOTE: **ADOPTED 5-0** *(Statements read by Commissioner Birrell and Commissioner Gambrill are attached and made a part of these minutes)*

Transportation

39. To ratify previous action by the County Manager authorizing emergency drainage repairs on Lake Colony Drive and Colony Drive, and approve Project No. B2229 to the 2021 Countywide Unit Price Contract with Advanced Sports Construction, LLC for said repairs, CCDOT Contract No. 001815.

Motion by Richardson, second by Gambrill, to **ratify** previous action by the County Manager authorizing emergency drainage repairs on Lake Colony Drive and Colony Drive, in response to voids; approve Project No. B2229 to the 2021 Countywide Unit Price Contract with Advanced Sports Construction, LLC, in an amount not to exceed $379,253.00, for said repairs, CCDOT Contract No. 001815; **authorize** the corresponding budget transaction; and **further authorize** the Chairwoman to execute the necessary documents.

Available in the 2022 SPLOST Transportation Improvements Program Fund, with the following budget transfer:

Transfer from:	348-050-B220-B220-8005-B2201-A	Preliminary Estimate	$379,253.00
Transfer to:	348-050-B220-B220-8762-B2229-C	Turnkey Construction	$379,253.00

The 2022 Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (SPLOST), adopted by the Board of Commissioners on July 14, 2020, provides for capital improvements and anticipated corresponding budget funding to address, inter alia, Drainage System.

Lake Colony Drive and Colony Drive is an eligible project/program under the Drainage System Component of the 2022 SPLOST Transportation Improvements (2022 Cobb SPLOST Renewal, pp. 1, 14). SPLOST funding for drainage system improvements will provide for the repair and replacement of existing drainage facilities within the county right-of-way.

SPLOST Component Summary as of February 1, 2023: Drainage System

Budget:	$10,086,879.47	Encumbered/Expended:	$4,380,644.37

VOTE: **ADOPTED 5-0** *(Statements read by Commissioner Birrell and Commissioner Gambrill are attached and made a part of these minutes)*

40. **To approve Change Order No. 1 (final) to the contract with Advanced Sports Construction, LLC for drainage system repairs on Rail Splitter Drive, Project No. B2202, CCDOT Contract No. 001837.**

Motion by Birrell, second by Sheffield, to **approve** Change Order No. 1 (final) to the contract with Advanced Sports Construction, LLC, a savings to the project in the amount of $96,486.00, for drainage system repairs on Rail Splitter Drive, Project No. B2202, CCDOT Contract No. 001837; **authorize** the corresponding budget transactions; and **further authorize** the Chairwoman to execute the necessary documents.

A savings to the 2022 SPLOST Transportation Improvements Program Fund, with the following budget transfer:

Decrease Encumbrance GAE 34806142260:	348-050-B220-B220-8762-B2202-C	Turnkey Construction	$42,896.00
Transfer from:	348-050-B220-B220-8762-B2202-C	Turnkey Construction	$42,896.00
Transfer to:	348-050-B220-B220-8005-B2201-A	Preliminary Estimate	$42,896.00

The 2022 Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (SPLOST), adopted by the Board of Commissioners on July 14, 2020, provides for capital improvements and anticipated corresponding budget funding to address, inter alia, Drainage System.

Rail Splitter Drive is an eligible project/program under the Drainage System Component of the 2022 SPLOST Transportation Improvements (2022 Cobb SPLOST Renewal, pp. 1, 14).

SPLOST Component Summary as of February 1, 2023: Drainage System

Budget:	$10,086,879.47	Encumbered/Expended:	$4,380,644.37

A savings to the Water System DOT Projects - Relocate Lines Adopted CIP Budget, with the following budget transfers:

Decrease Encumbrance GAE 51006142260:	510-500-5756-8260-W4459-C	Construction	$53,590.00
Transfer from:	Rail Splitter Drive Drainage		
	510-500-5756-8260-W4459-C	Construction	$53,590.00
	510-500-5756-8265-W4459-M	Material and Supplies	$ 800.00
	510-500-5756-8810-W4459-T	Contingency	$ 1,135.00
		Total:	$55,525.00
Transfer to:	DOT Projects - Relocate Lines		
	510-500-5756-8005-W4069-Z	Preliminary Estimate	$55,525.00

VOTE: **ADOPTED 5-0** *(Statements read by Commissioner Birrell and Commissioner Gambrill are attached and made a part of these minutes)*

41. **To approve Change Order No. 1 (final) to Project No. B2245 to the 2021 Countywide Unit Price Contract with Advanced Sports Construction, LLC for emergency drainage repairs on Hyatt Drive, CCDOT Contract No. 001979.**

Motion by Gambrill, second by Richardson, to **approve** Change Order No. 1 (final) to Project No. B2245 to the 2021 Countywide Unit Price Contract with Advanced Sports Construction, LLC, a savings to the project in the amount of $69,922.82, for emergency drainage repairs on Hyatt Drive, CCDOT Contract No. 001979; **authorize** the corresponding budget transactions; and **further authorize** the Chairwoman to execute the necessary documents.

A savings to the 2022 SPLOST Transportation Improvements Program Fund, with the following budget transfer:

Decrease Encumbrance			
GAE 34809272260:	348-050-B220-B220-8762-B2245-C	Turnkey Construction	$54,922.82
Transfer from:	348-050-B220-B220-8762-B2245-C	Turnkey Construction	$54,922.82
Transfer to:	348-050-B220-B220-8005-B2201-A	Preliminary Estimate	$54,922.82

The 2022 Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (SPLOST), adopted by the Board of Commissioners on July 14, 2020, provides for capital improvements and anticipated corresponding budget funding to address, inter alia, Drainage System.

Hyatt Drive is an eligible project/program under the Drainage System Component of the 2022 SPLOST Transportation Improvements (2022 Cobb SPLOST Renewal, pp. 1, 14).

SPLOST Component Summary as of February 1, 2023: Drainage System

Budget:	$10,086,879.47	Encumbered/Expended:	$4,380,644.37

A savings to the Water System DOT Projects – Relocate Lines Adopted CIP Budget, with the following budget transfers:

Decrease Encumbrance			
GAE 51009272260:	510-500-5756-6496-W5066-C	Drainage Contract R&M Svc.	$15,000.00
Transfer from:	Hyatt Drive - Utility Allowance		
	510-500-5756-6496-W5066-C	Drainage Contract R&M Svc.	$15,000.00
	510-500-5756-8265-W5066-M	Materials & Supplies	$ 1,500.00
	510-500-5756-8810-W5066-T	Contingency	$ 300.00
		Total:	$16,800.00
Transfer to:	DOT Projects - Relocate Lines		
	510-500-5756-8005-W4069-Z	Preliminary Estimate	$16,800.00

VOTE: **ADOPTED 5-0** *(Statements read by Commissioner Birrell and Commissioner Gambrill are attached and made a part of these minutes)*

42. **To approve Change Order No. 1 (final) to the contract with Excellere Construction, LLC for drainage system repairs on Caprice Drive, Project No. B2251, CCDOT Contract No. 001980.**

Motion by Gambrill, second by Richardson, to **approve** Change Order No. 1 (final) to the contract with Excellere Construction, LLC, a savings to the project in the amount of $62,465.92, for drainage system repairs on Caprice Drive, Project No. B2251, CCDOT Contract No. 001980; **authorize** the corresponding budget transactions; and **further authorize** the Chairwoman to execute the necessary documents.

A savings to the 2022 SPLOST Transportation Improvements Program Fund, with the following budget transfer:

Decrease Encumbrance GAE 34810112227:	348-050-B220-B220-8762-B2251-C	Turnkey Construction	$37,465.92
Transfer from:	348-050-B220-B220-8762-B2251-C	Turnkey Construction	$37,465.92
Transfer to:	348-050-B220-B220-8005-B2201-A	Preliminary Estimate	$37,465.92

The 2022 Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (SPLOST), adopted by the Board of Commissioners on July 14, 2020, provides for capital improvements and anticipated corresponding budget funding to address, inter alia, Drainage System.

Caprice Drive is an eligible project/program under the Drainage System Component of the 2022 SPLOST Transportation Improvements (2022 Cobb SPLOST Renewal, pp. 1, 14).

SPLOST Component Summary as of February 1, 2023: Drainage System

Budget:	$10,086,879.47	Encumbered/Expended:	$4,380,644.37

A savings to the Water System DOT Projects - Relocate Lines Adopted CIP Budget, with the following budget transfers:

Decrease Encumbrance GAE 51010112227:	510-500-5756-6496-W5067-C	Drainage Contract R&M Svc.	$25,000.00
Transfer from:	Caprice Drive - Utility Allowance		
	510-500-5756-6496-W5067-C	Drainage Contract R&M Svc.	$25,000.00
	510-500-5756-8265-W5067-M	Material and Supplies	$ 2,500.00
	510-500-5756-8810-W5067-T	Contingency	$ 500.00
		Total:	$28,000.00
Transfer to:	DOT Projects - Relocate Lines		
	510-500-5756-8005-W4069-Z	Preliminary Estimate	$28,000.00

VOTE: **ADOPTED 5-0** *(Statements read by Commissioner Birrell and Commissioner Gambrill are attached and made a part of these minutes)*

43. **To approve Change Order No. 2 (final) to the contract with Butch Thompson Enterprises, Inc., for drainage system repairs on Timber Creek Lane, Project No. X22108, CCDOT Contract No. 001708.**

Motion by Sheffield, second by Birrell, to **approve** Change Order No. 2 (final) to the contract with Butch Thompson Enterprises, Inc., a savings to the project in the amount of $74,855.89, for drainage system repairs on Timber Creek Lane, Project No. X22108, CCDOT Contract No. 001708; **authorize** the corresponding budget transactions; and **further authorize** the Chairwoman to execute the necessary documents.

A savings to the 2016 SPLOST Transportation Improvements Program Fund, with the following budget transfer:

Decrease Encumbrance			
GAE 34709282134:	347-050-X220-X220-8762-X22108-C	Turnkey Construction	$44,855.89
Transfer from:	347-050-X220-X220-8762-X22108-C	Turnkey Construction	$44,855.89
Transfer to:	347-050-X220-X220-8779-X2000-C	Construction Supervision	$44,855.89

The 2016 Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (SPLOST), adopted by the Board of Commissioners on July 22, 2014, provides for capital improvements and anticipated corresponding budget funding to address, inter alia, Drainage System Improvements.

Timber Creek Lane is an eligible project/program under the Infrastructure Preservation - Drainage System Improvements Component of the 2016 SPLOST Transportation Improvements (Cobb County 2016 SPLOST, pp. 7, 9).

SPLOST Component Summary as of February 1, 2023: Drainage System Improvements

Budget:	$17,610,628.96	Encumbered/Expended:	$16,383,385.12

A savings to the Water System DOT Projects - Relocate Lines Adopted CIP Budget, with the following budget transfers:

Decrease Encumbrance			
GAE 51009282134:	510-500-5756-6496-W5042-C	Drainage Contract R&M Svc.	$30,000.00
Transfer from:	Timber Creek Lane Drainage -	Utility Allow.	
	510-500-5756-6496-W5042-C	Drainage Contract R&M Svc.	$30,000.00
	510-500-5756-8265-W5042-M	Materials & Supplies	$ 1,000.00
	510-500-5756-8810-W5042-T	Contingency	$ 600.00
		Total:	$31,600.00
Transfer to:	DOT Projects - Relocate Lines		
	510-500-5756-8005-W4069-Z	Preliminary Estimate	$31,600.00

VOTE: **ADOPTED 5-0** *(Statements read by Commissioner Birrell and Commissioner Gambrill are attached and made a part of these minutes)*

44. To approve Change Order No. 1 (final) to the contract with D & H Construction Company, Inc., for drainage system repairs on Princeton Lakes Drive, Project No. X22116, CCDOT Contract No. 001802.

Motion by Richardson, second by Gambrill, to **approve** Change Order No. 1 (final) to the contract with D & H Construction Company, Inc., a savings to the project in the amount of $65,127.70, for drainage system repairs on Princeton Lakes Drive, Project No. X22116, CCDOT Contract No. 001802; **authorize** the corresponding budget transactions; and **further authorize** the Chairwoman to execute the necessary documents.

A savings to the 2016 SPLOST Transportation Improvements Program Fund, with the following budget transfer:

Decrease Encumbrance			
GAE 34704122257:	347-050-X220-X220-8762-X22116-C	Turnkey Construction	$48,352.70
Transfer from:	347-050-X220-X220-8762-X22116-C	Turnkey Construction	$48,352.70
Transfer to:	347-050-X220-X220-8005-X22116-C	Preliminary Estimate	$48,352.70

The 2016 Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (SPLOST), adopted by the Board of Commissioners on July 22, 2014, provides for capital improvements and anticipated corresponding budget funding to address, inter alia, Drainage System Improvements.

Princeton Lakes Drive is an eligible project/program under the Infrastructure Preservation - Drainage System Improvements Component of the 2016 SPLOST Transportation Improvements (Cobb County 2016 SPLOST, pp. 7, 9).

SPLOST Component Summary as of February 1, 2023: Drainage System Improvements

Budget:	$17,610,628.96	Encumbered/Expended:	$16,383,385.12

A savings to the Water System DOT Projects - Relocate Lines Adopted CIP Budget, with the following budget transfers:

Decrease Encumbrance			
GAE 51004122257:	510-500-5756-6496-W5057-C	Drainage Contract R&M Svc.	$16,775.00
Transfer from:	Princeton Lakes Dr. Drainage -	Utility Allow.	
	510-500-5756-6496-W5057-C	Drainage Contract R&M Svc.	$16,775.00
	510-500-5756-8265-W5057-M	Materials & Supplies	$ 800.00
	510-500-5756-8810-W5057-T	Contingency	$ 400.00
		Total:	$17,975.00
Transfer to:	DOT Projects - Relocate Lines		
	510-500-5756-8005-W4069-Z	Preliminary Estimate	$17,975.00

VOTE: **ADOPTED 5-0** *(Statements read by Commissioner Birrell and Commissioner Gambrill are attached and made a part of these minutes)*

45. **To approve Change Order No. 1 (final) to the contract with Glosson Enterprises, LLC for installation of a traffic signal at the intersection of Riverside Parkway at Premier Lane, Project No. TR521, CCDOT Contract No. 001766.**

Motion by Sheffield, second by Birrell, to **approve** Change Order No. 1 (final) to the contract with Glosson Enterprises, LLC, a savings to the project in the amount of $15,454.23, for installation of a traffic signal at the intersection of Riverside Parkway at Premier Lane, Project No. TR521, CCDOT Contract No. 001766; **authorize** the corresponding budget transaction; and **further authorize** the Chairwoman to execute the necessary documents.

A savings to the Department's approved Public Facility Projects Fund, as follows:

Decrease Encumbrance			
GAE 38002222234:	380-050-4612-8771-TR521-C	Construction - Signalization	$15,454.23
Transfer from:	380-050-4612-8771-TR521-C	Construction - Signalization	$15,454.23
Transfer to:	380-050-4612-8005-TR515-O	Preliminary Estimate	$15,454.23

VOTE: **ADOPTED 5-0** *(Statements read by Commissioner Birrell and Commissioner Gambrill are attached and made a part of these minutes)*

46. **To authorize procurement of closed-circuit television cameras and mounting hardware for Incident Management – CCTV Cameras, Project No. B2521, utilizing available State Contracts.**

Motion by Cupid, second by Birrell, to **authorize** procurement of closed-circuit television cameras and mounting hardware, at a total cost not to exceed $197,473.35, for Incident Management – CCTV Cameras, Project No. B2521, utilizing available State Contracts; and **further authorize** the corresponding budget transactions.

Available in the 2022 SPLOST Transportation Improvements Program Fund, with the following budget transfers:

Transfer from:	348-050-B250-B250-8005-B2520-A	Preliminary Estimate	$197,473.35
Transfer to:	348-050-B250-B250-6258-B2521-O	Accountable Equipment	$178,124.25
	348-050-B250-B250-6198-B2521-O	Traffic Control Supplies	$ 19,349.10

To authorize procurement of closed-circuit television cameras and mounting hardware for Incident Management – CCTV Cameras, Project No. B2521, utilizing available State Contracts. (Cont.)

The 2022 Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (SPLOST), adopted by the Board of Commissioners on July 14, 2020, provides for capital improvements and anticipated corresponding budget funding to address, inter alia, Traffic Management, Transportation Technology, and Planning.

Incident Management is an approved project/program under the Traffic Management, Transportation Technology, and Planning Component of the 2022 SPLOST Transportation Improvements (Cobb County 2022 Cobb SPLOST Renewal, pp. 1, 18). SPLOST funding for Traffic Management, Transportation Technology, and Planning will be used to replace and upgrade the county's traffic signal infrastructure, install traffic signals at locations that satisfy traffic signal warrant(s) as established in the current version of the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices, optimize the operation of the traffic system, improve the county's transportation technology systems, and develop long/short-term planning strategies.

SPLOST Project Summary as of February 1, 2023: Incident Management - CCTV Cameras (new project as of 2/14/23)

Budget:	$0.00	Expended:	$0.00

Adjusted SPLOST Project Summary, following requested budget transfer:

Adjusted Budget: $197,473.35

VOTE: **ADOPTED 5-0** *(Statements read by Commissioner Birrell and Commissioner Gambrill are attached and made a part of these minutes)*

47. **To approve Project No. B2561-TO#1 to the 2022 Master Task Order Contract with Metro Trafix for 2023 Traffic Signal Timing, CCDOT Contract No. 002066.**

Motion by Cupid, second by Birrell, to **approve** Project No. B2561-TO#1 to the 2022 Master Task Order Contract with Metro Trafix, in an amount not to exceed $98,640.00, for 2023 Traffic Signal Timing, CCDOT Contract No. 002066; **authorize** the corresponding budget transaction; and **further authorize** the Chairwoman to execute the necessary documents.

Available in the 2022 SPLOST Transportation Improvements Program Fund, with the following budget transfer:

Transfer from:	348-050-B250-B250-8005-B2560-A	Preliminary Estimate	$98,640.00
Transfer to:	348-050-B250-B250-8722-B2561-E	Engineering	$98,640.00

The 2022 Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (SPLOST), adopted by the Board of Commissioners on July 14, 2020, provides for capital improvements and anticipated corresponding budget funding to address, inter alia, Traffic Management, Transportation Technology, and Planning.

Traffic Signal Timing is an approved project/program under the Traffic Management, Transportation Technology, and Planning Component of the 2022 SPLOST Transportation Improvements (2022 Cobb SPLOST Renewal, pp. 1, 18). SPLOST funding for Traffic Management, Transportation Technology, and Planning will be used to replace and upgrade the county's traffic signal infrastructure, install traffic signals at locations that satisfy traffic signal warrant(s) as established in the current version of the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices, optimize the operation of the traffic system, improve the county's transportation technology systems, and develop long/short-term planning strategies.

SPLOST Project Summary as of February 1, 2023: 2023 Traffic Signal Timing (new project as of 02/14/23)

Budget:	$0.00	Expended:	$0.00

Adjusted SPLOST Project Summary, following requested budget transfer:

Adjusted Budget:	$98,640.00

VOTE: **ADOPTED 5-0** *(Statements read by Commissioner Birrell and Commissioner Gambrill are attached and made a part of these minutes)*

48. To approve a contract with Excellere Construction, LLC for construction of Chattahoochee River Trail Pedestrian Improvements, Phase 1, Project No. X2780, CCDOT Contract No. 001968.

Motion by Sheffield, second by Birrell, to **approve** a contract with Excellere Construction, LLC, in an amount not to exceed $3,432,539.00, for construction of Chattahoochee River Trail Pedestrian Improvements, Phase 1, Project No. X2780, CCDOT Contract No. 001968; **authorize** the corresponding budget transactions; and **further authorize** the Chairwoman to execute the necessary documents.

Available in the 2016 SPLOST Transportation Improvements Program Fund, with the following budget transfers:

Transfer from:	347-050-X270-X270-8005-X2780-C	RAP Allocation - Preliminary Estimate	$2,769,400.00
	347-050-X270-X270-8761-X2780-C	Preliminary Estimate	$ 643,139.00
Transfer to:	347-050-X270-X270-8762-X2780-C	Turnkey Construction	$3,412,539.00

The 2016 Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (SPLOST), adopted by the Board of Commissioners on July 22, 2014, provides for capital improvements and anticipated corresponding budget funding to address, inter alia, Pedestrian and Bicycle Improvements.

Chattahoochee River Trail Pedestrian Improvements, Phase 1 is an eligible project/program under the Pedestrian Improvements – Sidewalks. Component of the 2016 SPLOST Transportation Improvements (Cobb County 2016 SPLOST, pp. 7, 14). Pedestrian Improvements within Commission District 4 include construction of sidewalks and other pedestrian improvements along roadways in the vicinity of schools, activity centers, multi-modal facilities (transit stops/shelters, etc.), and other congested areas, to include pedestrian bridges where needed.

SPLOST Project Summary as of February 1, 2023: Chattahoochee River Trail Pedestrian Improvements, Phase 1

Budget:	$3,700,000.00	Expended:	$674,780.16

Available in the Water System DOT Projects – Relocate Lines Adopted CIP Budget, with the following budget transfers:

Transfer from:	DOT Projects-Relocate Lines		
	510-500-5756-8005-W4069-Z	Preliminary Estimate	$22,400.00
Transfer to:	Chattahoochee River Trail Ped. Imprv., Phase 1		
	510-500-5756-8260-W5065-C	Construction	$20,000.00
	510-500-5756-8265-W5065-M	Materials & Supplies	$ 2,000.00
	510-500-5756-8810-W5065-T	Contingency	$ 400.00
		Total:	$22,400.00

VOTE: **ADOPTED 4-1,** Commissioner Gambrill opposed *(Statements read by Commissioner Birrell and Commissioner Gambrill are attached and made a part of these minutes)*

49. **To approve Change Order No. 2 (final) to Resurfacing Contract 2021-1 Countywide Major Thoroughfares (Local Maintenance and Improvement Grant) with C.W. Matthews Contracting Company, Inc., for resurfacing of County-maintained streets, Project No. X2915, CCDOT Contract No. 001505.**

Motion by Cupid, second by Richardson, to **approve** Change Order No. 2 (final) to Resurfacing Contract 2021-1 Countywide Major Thoroughfares (Local Maintenance and Improvement Grant) with C.W. Matthews Contracting Company, Inc., a savings to the project in the amount of $1,433,035.48, for resurfacing of County-maintained streets, Project No. X2915, CCDOT Contract No. 001505; **authorize** the corresponding budget transaction; and **further authorize** the Chairwoman to execute the necessary documents.

A savings to the 2016 SPLOST Transportation Improvements Program Fund, with the following budget transfer:

Decrease Encumbrance

GAE 34704132144:	347-050-X290-X290-8762-X2915-C	Turnkey Construction	$1,433,035.48

Transfer from:	347-050-X290-X290-8762-X2915-C	Turnkey Construction	$1,433,035.48
Transfer to:	347-050-X290-X290-8761-X2900-C	Preliminary Estimate	$1,433,035.48

The 2016 Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (SPLOST), adopted by the Board of Commissioners on July 22, 2014, provides for capital improvements and anticipated corresponding budget funding to address, inter alia, Resurfacing.

Resurfacing 2021-1 Countywide Major Thoroughfares (LMIG) is an eligible project/program under the Infrastructure Preservation – Resurfacing Component of the 2016 SPLOST Transportation Improvements (Cobb County 2016 SPLOST, pp. 7, 8).

SPLOST Component Summary as of February 1, 2023: Resurfacing

Budget:	$98,004,568.00	Encumbered/Expended:	$96,444,969.37

VOTE: **ADOPTED 5-0** *(Statements read by Commissioner Birrell and Commissioner Gambrill are attached and made a part of these minutes)*

50. To approve Change Order No. 1 (final) to Resurfacing Contract 2021-2 Local Roads (South) with Bartow Paving Company, Inc., for resurfacing of County-maintained streets, Project No. X2916, CCDOT Contract No. 001506.

Motion by Gambrill, second by Richardson, to **approve** Change Order No. 1 (final) to Resurfacing Contract 2021-2 Local Roads (South) with Bartow Paving Company, Inc., a savings to the project in the amount of $389,062.41, for resurfacing of County-maintained streets, Project No. X2916, CCDOT Contract No. 001506; **authorize** the corresponding budget transaction; and **further authorize** the Chairwoman to execute the necessary documents.

A savings to the 2016 SPLOST Transportation Improvements Program Fund, with the following budget transfer:

Decrease Encumbrance			
GAE 34705112131:	347-050-X290-X290-8762-X2916-C	Turnkey Construction	$389,062.41
Transfer from:	347-050-X290-X290-8762-X2916-C	Turnkey Construction	$389,062.41
Transfer to:	347-050-X290-X290-8761-X2900-C	Preliminary Estimate	$389,062.41

The 2016 Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (SPLOST), adopted by the Board of Commissioners on July 22, 2014, provides for capital improvements and anticipated corresponding budget funding to address, inter alia, Resurfacing.

Resurfacing 2021-2 Local Roads (South) is an eligible project/program under the Infrastructure Preservation – Resurfacing Component of the 2016 SPLOST Transportation Improvements (Cobb County 2016 SPLOST, pp. 7, 8).

SPLOST Component Summary as of February 1, 2023: Resurfacing

Budget:	$98,004,568.00	Encumbered/Expended:	$96,444,969.37

VOTE: **ADOPTED 5-0** *(Statements read by Commissioner Birrell and Commissioner Gambrill are attached and made a part of these minutes)*

51. To amend a previously approved action determining that circumstances were such that it was necessary to proceed with condemnation proceedings by Declaration of Taking under O.C.G.A. §32-3-4, et. seq., on one parcel on Mableton Parkway Pedestrian Improvements, Phase 2, Project No. X2770.

Motion by Sheffield, second by Richardson, to **amend** a previously approved action determining that circumstances were such that it was necessary to proceed with condemnation proceedings by Declaration of Taking under O.C.G.A. §32-3-4, et. seq., on one parcel on Mableton Parkway Pedestrian Improvements, Phase 2, Project No. X2770; **authorize** the commencement of condemnation proceedings on Parcel No. 1, as amended, for this project; **adopt** the Resolution and Order for Parcel No. 1, as amended, in form substantially similar to that presented and as approved by the County Attorney's Office; and **further authorize** the Chairwoman to execute the necessary documents.

VOTE: **ADOPTED 5-0** *(Statements read by Commissioner Birrell and Commissioner Gambrill are attached and made a part of these minutes)*

52. **To approve Change Order No. 1 (final) to Resurfacing Contract 2021-3 Local Roads (North) with Baldwin Paving Company, Inc., for resurfacing of County-maintained streets, Project No. X2917, CCDOT Contract No. 001507.**

Motion by Richardson, second by Gambrill, to **approve** Change Order No. 1 (final) to Resurfacing Contract 2021-3 Local Roads (North) with Baldwin Paving Company, Inc., a savings to the project in the amount of $814,676.03, for resurfacing of County-maintained streets, Project No. X2917, CCDOT Contract No. 001507; **authorize** the corresponding budget transaction; and further authorize the Chairwoman to execute the necessary documents.

A savings to the 2016 SPLOST Transportation Improvements Program Fund, with the following budget transfer:

Decrease Encumbrance			
GAE 34704272137:	347-050-X290-X290-8762-X2917-C	Turnkey Construction	$814,676.03
Transfer from:	347-050-X290-X290-8762-X2917-C	Turnkey Construction	$814,676.03
Transfer to:	347-050-X290-X290-8762-X2900-C	Preliminary Estimate	$814,676.03

The 2016 Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (SPLOST), adopted by the Board of Commissioners on July 22, 2014, provides for capital improvements and anticipated corresponding budget funding to address, inter alia, Resurfacing.

Resurfacing 2021-3 Local Roads (North) is an eligible project/program under the Infrastructure Preservation – Resurfacing Component of the 2016 SPLOST Transportation Improvements (Cobb County 2016 SPLOST, pp. 7, 8).

SPLOST Component Summary as of February 1, 2023: Resurfacing

Budget:	$98,004,568.00	Encumbered/Expended:	$96,444,969.37

VOTE: **ADOPTED 5-0** *(Statements read by Commissioner Birrell and Commissioner Gambrill are attached and made a part of these minutes)*

53. **To approve Resurfacing Contract 2023-1 Local Roads (Northwest) with Bartow Paving Company, Inc., for resurfacing of County-maintained streets, and approve Change Order No. 1 to said contract, Project No. B2906, CCDOT Contract No. 001916.**

Motion by Birrell, second by Gambrill, to **approve** Resurfacing Contract 2023-1 Local Roads (Northwest) with Bartow Paving Company, Inc., in an amount not to exceed $11,690,327.10, for resurfacing of County-maintained streets, Project No. B2906, CCDOT Contract No. 001916**; approve** Change Order No. 1 to said contract, in the deductive amount of $13,040.00; **authorize** the corresponding budget transactions; and **further authorize** the Chairwoman to execute the necessary documents.

Available in the 2022 SPLOST Transportation Improvements Program Fund, with the following budget transfer:

Transfer from:	348-050-B290-B290-8005-B2950-A	Preliminary Estimate	$10,957,002.10
Transfer to:	348-050-B290-B290-8762-B2906-C	Turnkey Construction	$10,957,002.10

The 2022 Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (SPLOST), adopted by the Board of Commissioners on July 14, 2020, provides for capital improvements and anticipated corresponding budget funding to address, inter alia, Roadway Resurfacing.

Resurfacing 2023-1 Local Roads (Northwest) is an eligible project/program under the Transportation – Roadway Resurfacing Component of the 2022 SPLOST Transportation Improvements (2022 Cobb SPLOST Renewal, pp. 1, 12). SPLOST funds will be used for resurfacing activities, including milling, patching, leveling, and resurfacing of various roadways throughout the county.

SPLOST Component Summary as of February 1, 2023: Roadway Resurfacing

Budget:	$215,997,777.94	Encumbered/Expended:	$54,449,098.69

Available in the Water System's FY23 Adopted Operating Budget, as follows:

Available:	500-500-5400-5416-6516-W4466-C	Sewer Line R&M Service	$607,972.12

Available in the Water System's FY23 Adopted Operating Budget, with the following appropriation of additional funding required:

Increase Revenue:	500-500-5100-5101-4992	Retained Earnings - Designated	$112,312.88
Increase Expenditure:	500-500-5400-5416-6516-W4466-C	Sewer Line R&M Service	$112,312.88

VOTE: **ADOPTED 5-0** *(Statements read by Commissioner Birrell and Commissioner Gambrill are attached and made a part of these minutes)*

54. **To approve Resurfacing Contract 2023-2 Local Roads (Northeast) with Bartow Paving Company, Inc., for resurfacing of County-maintained streets, and approve Change Order No. 1 to said contract, Project No. B2907, CCDOT Contract No. 001918.**

Motion by Richardson, second by Birrell, to **approve** Resurfacing Contract 2023-2 Local Roads (Northeast) with Bartow Paving Company, Inc., in an amount not to exceed $11,920,650.00, for resurfacing of County-maintained streets, Project No. B2907, CCDOT Contract No. 001918; **approve** Change Order No. 1 to said contract, in the deductive amount of $9,900.00; **authorize** the corresponding budget transactions; and **further authorize** the Chairwoman to execute the necessary documents.

Available in the 2022 SPLOST Transportation Improvements Program Fund, with the following budget transfer:

Transfer from:	348-050-B290-B290-8005-B2950-A	Preliminary Estimate	$11,073,975.00
Transfer to:	348-050-B290-B290-8762-B2907-C	Turnkey Construction	$11,073,975.00

The 2022 Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (SPLOST), adopted by the Board of Commissioners on July 14, 2020, provides for capital improvements and anticipated corresponding budget funding to address, inter alia, Roadway Resurfacing.

Resurfacing 2023-2 Local Roads (Northeast) is an eligible project/program under the Transportation – Roadway Resurfacing Component of the 2022 SPLOST Transportation Improvements (2022 Cobb SPLOST Renewal, pp. 1, 12). SPLOST funds will be used for resurfacing activities, including milling, patching, leveling, and resurfacing of various roadways throughout the county.

SPLOST Component Summary as of February 1, 2023: Roadway Resurfacing

Budget:	$215,997,777.94	Encumbered/Expended:	$54,449,098.69

Available in the Water System's FY23 Adopted Operating Budget, as follows:

Available:	500-500-5400-5416-6516-W4467-C	Sewer Line R&M Service	$706,298.02

Available in the Water System's FY23 Adopted Operating Budget, with the following appropriation of additional funding required:

Increase Revenue:	500-500-5100-5101-4992	Retained Earnings - Designated	$130,476.98
Increase Expenditure:	500-500-5400-5416-6516-W4467-C	Sewer Line R&M Service	$130,476.98

VOTE: **ADOPTED 5-0** *(Statements read by Commissioner Birrell and Commissioner Gambrill are attached and made a part of these minutes)*

55. **To approve Resurfacing Contract 2023-3 Local Roads (South) with Blount Construction Company, Inc., for resurfacing of County-maintained streets, and approve Change Order No. 1 to said contract, Project No. B2908, CCDOT Contract No. 001920.**

Motion by Sheffield, second by Richardson, to **approve** Resurfacing Contract 2023-3 Local Roads (South) with Blount Construction Company, Inc., in an amount not to exceed $12,466,581.58, for resurfacing of County-maintained streets, Project No. B2908, CCDOT Contract No. 001920; **approve** Change Order No. 1 to said contract, in the deductive amount of $1,180,946.00; **authorize** the corresponding budget transactions; and **further authorize** the Chairwoman to execute the necessary documents.

Available in the 2022 SPLOST Transportation Improvements Program Fund, with the following budget transfer:

Transfer from:	348-050-B290-B290-8005-B2950-A	Preliminary Estimate	$11,285,635.58
Transfer to:	348-050-B290-B290-8762-B2908-C	Turnkey Construction	$11,285,635.58

The 2022 Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (SPLOST), adopted by the Board of Commissioners on July 14, 2020, provides for capital improvements and anticipated corresponding budget funding to address, inter alia, Roadway Resurfacing.

Resurfacing 2023-3 Local Roads (South) is an eligible project/program under the Transportation – Roadway Resurfacing Component of the 2022 SPLOST Transportation Improvements (2022 Cobb SPLOST Renewal, pp. 1, 12). SPLOST funds will be used for resurfacing activities, including milling, patching, leveling, and resurfacing of various roadways throughout the county.

SPLOST Component Summary as of February 1, 2023: Roadway Resurfacing

Budget:	$215,997,777.94	Encumbered/Expended:	$54,449,098.69

VOTE: **ADOPTED 5-0** *(Statements read by Commissioner Birrell and Commissioner Gambrill are attached and made a part of these minutes)*

56. To approve Resurfacing Contract 2023-4 Countywide Major Thoroughfares (Local Maintenance and Improvement Grant) with Baldwin Paving Company, Inc., for resurfacing of County-maintained streets, and approve Change Order No. 1 to said contract, Project No. B2909, CCDOT Contract No. 001922.

Motion by Cupid, second by Sheffield, to **approve** Resurfacing Contract 2023-4 Countywide Major Thoroughfares (Local Maintenance and Improvement Grant) with Baldwin Paving Company, Inc., in an amount not to exceed $20,440,455.93, for resurfacing of County-maintained streets, Project No. B2909, CCDOT Contract No. 001922; **approve** Change Order No. 1 to said contract, in the deductive amount of $318,252.00; **authorize** the corresponding budget transactions; and **further authorize** the Chairwoman to execute the necessary documents.

Available in the 2022 SPLOST Transportation Improvements Program Fund, with the following budget transfers:

Transfer from:	348-050-B290-B290-8761-B2909-C	Preliminary Estimate	$ 5,996,787.38
	348-050-B290-B290-8005-B2950-A	Preliminary Estimate	$13,858,697.65
Transfer to:	348-050-B290-B290-8762-B2909-C	Turnkey Construction	$19,855,485.03

The 2022 Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (SPLOST), adopted by the Board of Commissioners on July 14, 2020, provides for capital improvements and anticipated corresponding budget funding to address, inter alia, Roadway Resurfacing.

Resurfacing 2023-4 Countywide Major Thoroughfares (LMIG) is an eligible project/program under the Transportation – Roadway Resurfacing Component of the 2022 SPLOST Transportation Improvements (2022 Cobb SPLOST Renewal, pp. 1, 12). SPLOST funds will be used for resurfacing activities, including milling, patching, leveling, and resurfacing of various roadways throughout the county.

SPLOST Component Summary as of February 1, 2023: Roadway Resurfacing

Budget:	$215,997,777.94	Encumbered/Expended:	$54,449,098.69

Available in the Water System's FY23 Adopted Operating Budget, as follows:

Available:	500-500-5400-5416-6516-W4465-C	Sewer Line R&M Service	$225,129.85

Available in the Water System's FY23 Adopted Operating Budget, with the following appropriation of additional funding required:

Increase Revenue:	500-500-5100-5101-4992	Retained Earnings - Designated	$41,589.05
Increase Expenditure:	500-500-5400-5416-6516-W4465-C	Sewer Line R&M Service	$41,589.05

VOTE: **ADOPTED 5-0** *(Statements read by Commissioner Birrell and Commissioner Gambrill are attached and made a part of these minutes)*

57. **To approve a Project Framework Agreement with the Georgia Department of Transportation for preliminary engineering of Chattahoochee River Trail Pilot, Phase 2, Project No. B2432, GDOT P.I. No. 0019617.**

Motion by Sheffield, second by Birrell, to **approve** a Project Framework Agreement with the Georgia Department of Transportation for preliminary engineering design of Chattahoochee River Trail Pilot, Phase 2, Project No. B2432, GDOT P.I. No. 0019617; **authorize** payment of a preliminary engineering oversight fee to the Georgia Department of Transportation, in the amount of $2,000.00; **authorize** the corresponding budget transactions; and **further authorize** the Chairwoman to execute the necessary documents.

Available in the 2022 SPLOST Transportation Improvements Program Fund, with the following budget transfer:

Transfer from:	348-050-B240-B240-8005-B2430-A	Preliminary Estimate	$2,000.00
Transfer to:	348-050-B240-B240-8722-B2432-E	Engineering	$2,000.00

Appropriate receipt of revenue from the Georgia Department of Transportation to the 2022 SPLOST Transportation Improvements Program Fund, as follows:

Increase Revenue:	348-050-B240-B240-4466-B2432-E	GDOT Revenue	$2,500,000.00
Increase Expenditure:	348-050-B240-B240-8721-B2432-E	Preliminary Estimate	$2,500,000.00

Local match is available in the 2022 SPLOST Transportation Improvements Program Fund, with the following budget transfer:

Transfer from:	348-050-B240-B240-8005-B2430-A	Preliminary Estimate	$625,000.00
Transfer to:	348-050-B240-B240-8721-B2432-E	Preliminary Estimate	$625,000.00

The 2022 Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (SPLOST), adopted by the Board of Commissioners on July 14, 2022, provides for capital improvements and anticipated corresponding budget funding to address, inter alia, Federal/State/Local Match Improvements.

Chattahoochee River Trail Pilot, Phase 2 is an eligible project/program under the Federal/State/Local Match Improvements Component of the 2022 SPLOST Transportation Improvements, pending sufficient Federal, State, or other grant assistance becoming available (2022 Cobb Renewal, pp. 1, 21, 24). SPLOST funding for the Federal/State/Local Match Improvements will be used to leverage available matching funds to deliver key operational and safety improvements to the county's transportation system.

SPLOST Project Summary as of February 1, 2023: Chattahoochee River Trail Pilot, Phase 2 (new project as of 02/14/23)

Budget:	$0.00	Expended:	$0.00

Adjusted SPLOST Project Summary, following requested budget transactions:

Adjusted Budget:	$3,127,000.00

VOTE: **ADOPTED 5-0** *(Statements read by Commissioner Birrell and Commissioner Gambrill are attached and made a part of these minutes)*

58. To approve a Consultant Services Agreement with Southeastern Engineering, Inc., for engineering design of Holly Springs Road Corridor Improvements, Project No. B2303, CCDOT Contract No. 002049.

Motion by Richardson, second by Birrell, to **approve** a Consultant Services Agreement with Southeastern Engineering, Inc., in an amount not to exceed $116,100.00, for engineering design of Holly Springs Road Corridor Improvements, Project No. B2303, CCDOT Contract No. 002049; **authorize** the corresponding budget transaction; and **further authorize** the Chairwoman to execute the necessary documents.

Available in the 2022 SPLOST Transportation Improvements Program Fund, with the following budget transfer:

Transfer from:	348-050-B230-B230-8005-B2303-A	Preliminary Estimate	$116,100.00
Transfer to:	348-050-B230-B230-8722-B2303-E	Engineering	$116,100.00

The 2022 Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (SPLOST), adopted by the Board of Commissioners on July 14, 2020, provides for capital improvements and anticipated corresponding budget funding to address, inter alia, Operational & Safety Improvements.

Holly Springs Road Corridor Improvements is an eligible project/program under the Operational & Safety Improvements Component of the 2022 SPLOST Transportation Improvements (2022 Cobb SPLOST Renewal, pp. 1, 15). SPLOST funds will be used to make operational & safety improvements at intersections and corridors throughout the county.

SPLOST Project Summary as of February 1, 2023: Holly Springs Road Corridor Improvements

Budget:	$3,323,500.00	Expended:	$120.00

VOTE: **ADOPTED 5-0** *(Statements read by Commissioner Birrell and Commissioner Gambrill are attached and made a part of these minutes)*

59. **To approve a Memorandum of Agreement and a Construction Grant Agreement with The Trust for Public Land for construction of Chattahoochee River Trail Pedestrian Improvements, Phase 1, Project No. X2780.**

Motion by Sheffield, second by Birrell, to **approve** a Memorandum of Agreement and a Construction Grant Agreement with The Trust for Public Land for construction of Chattahoochee River Trail Pedestrian Improvements, Phase 1, Project No. X2780; **authorize** the corresponding budget transactions; and **further authorize** the Chairwoman to execute the necessary documents.

Appropriate receipt of revenue from The Trust for Public Land to the 2016 SPLOST Transportation Improvements Program Fund, as follows:

Increase Revenue:	347-050-X270-X270-4506-X2780-C	Other Local Revenue	$457,539.00
Increase Expenditure:	347-050-X270-X270-8761-X2780-C	Preliminary Estimate	$457,539.00

The 2016 Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (SPLOST), adopted by the Board of Commissioners on July 22, 2014, provides for capital improvements and anticipated corresponding budget funding to address, inter alia, Sidewalks.

Chattahoochee River Trail Pedestrian Improvements, Phase 1, is an eligible project/program under the Pedestrian Improvements – Sidewalks Component of the 2016 SPLOST Transportation Improvements (Cobb County 2016 SPLOST, pp. 7, 14). Pedestrian Improvements within Commission District 4 include construction of sidewalks and other pedestrian improvements along roadways in the vicinity of schools, activity centers, multi-modal facilities (transit stops/shelters, etc.), and other congested areas, to include pedestrian bridges, where needed.

SPLOST Project Summary as of February 1, 2023: Chattahoochee River Trail Pedestrian Improvements, Phase 1

Budget:	$3,700,000.00	Expended:	$612,737.44

VOTE: **ADOPTED 4-1,** Commissioner Gambrill opposed *(Statements read by Commissioner Birrell and Commissioner Gambrill are attached and made a part of these minutes)*

60. To ratify previous action by the County Manager authorizing emergency drainage repairs on East Piedmont Road, and approve Project No. B2275 to the 2021 Countywide Unit Price Contract with Chatfield Contracting, Inc., for said repairs, CCDOT Contract No. 002093.

Motion by Birrell, second by Cupid, to **ratify** previous action by the County Manager authorizing emergency drainage repairs on East Piedmont Road, in response to a sinkhole and voids; **approve** Project No. B2275 to the 2021 Countywide Unit Price Contract with Chatfield Contracting, Inc., in an amount not to exceed $214,994.00, for said repairs, CCDOT Contract No. 002093; **authorize** the corresponding budget transaction; and **further authorize** the Chairwoman to execute the necessary documents.

Available in the 2022 SPLOST Transportation Improvements Program Fund, with the following budget transfer:

Transfer from:	348-050-B220-B220-8005-B2201-A	Preliminary Estimate	$214,994.00
Transfer to:	348-050-B220-B220-8762-B2275-C	Turnkey Construction	$214,994.00

The 2022 Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (SPLOST), adopted by the Board of Commissioners on July 14, 2020, provides for capital improvements and anticipated corresponding budget funding to address, inter alia, Drainage System.

East Piedmont Road is an eligible project/program under the Drainage System Component of the 2022 SPLOST Transportation Improvements (2022 Cobb SPLOST Renewal, pp. 1, 14). SPLOST funding for drainage system improvements will provide for the repair and replacement of existing drainage facilities within the county right- of-way.

SPLOST Component Summary as of February 1, 2023: Drainage System

Budget:	$10,086,879.47	Encumbered/Expended:	$4,380,644.37

VOTE: **ADOPTED 5-0** *(Statements read by Commissioner Birrell and Commissioner Gambrill are attached and made a part of these minutes)*

61. **To ratify previous action by the County Manager authorizing emergency drainage repairs on Pilot Mountain Way and approve Project No. B2277 to the 2021 Countywide Unit Price Contract with Advanced Sports Construction, LLC for said repairs, CCDOT Contract No. 002094.**

Motion by Sheffield, second by Birrell, to **ratify** previous action by the County Manager authorizing emergency drainage repairs on Pilot Mountain Way, in response to a sinkhole and voids; **approve** Project No. B2277 to the 2021 Countywide Unit Price Contract with Advanced Sports Construction, LLC, in an amount not to exceed $152,759.00, for said repairs, CCDOT Contract No. 002094; **authorize** the corresponding budget transaction; and **further authorize** the Chairwoman to execute the necessary documents.

Available in the 2022 SPLOST Transportation Improvements Program Fund, with the following budget transfer:

Transfer from:	348-050-B220-B220-8005-B2201-A	Preliminary Estimate	$152,759.00
Transfer to:	348-050-B220-B220-8762-B2277-C	Turnkey Construction	$152,759.00

The 2022 Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (SPLOST), adopted by the Board of Commissioners on July 14, 2020, provides for capital improvements and anticipated corresponding budget funding to address, inter alia, Drainage System.

Pilot Mountain Way is an eligible project/program under the Drainage System Component of the 2022 SPLOST Transportation Improvements (2022 Cobb SPLOST Renewal, pp. 1, 14). SPLOST funding for drainage system improvements will provide for the repair and replacement of existing drainage facilities within the county right-of-way.

SPLOST Component Summary as of February 1, 2023: Drainage System

Budget:	$10,086,879.47	Encumbered/Expended:	$4,380,644.37

VOTE: **ADOPTED 5-0** *(Statements read by Commissioner Birrell and Commissioner Gambrill are attached and made a part of these minutes)*

PUBLIC COMMENT

1. Craig Harfoot addressed the Board regarding various matters
2. Mindy Seger addressed the Board regarding Black History Month.

APPOINTMENTS

62. To announce the reappointment of Fran Jackson to Animal Services Board.

Commissioner Gambrill announced the reappointment of Fran Jackson to the Animal Services Board for a concurrent term to expire on December 31, 2026.

63. To approve the reappointment of Craig Owens to the Board of Trustees for the Cobb County Employees Pension.

Motion by Cupid, second by Birrell, to **approve** the reappointment of Craig Owens to the Board of Trustees for the Cobb County Employees Pension for a three-year term to expire December 31, 2025.

VOTE: **ADOPTED 5-0** *(Statements read by Commissioner Birrell and Commissioner Gambrill are attached and made a part of these minutes)*

64. To announce the reappointment of Erin Mulgrew to Keep Cobb Beautiful.

Commissioner Birrell announced the reappointment of Erin Mulgrew to Keep Cobb Beautiful for a concurrent term to expire on December 31, 2026.

Chairwoman Cupid called for a brief recess at 11:20 a.m.; the meeting reconvened at 11:37 a.m.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT HEARINGS

65. To conduct an appeal hearing, pursuant to the appeal filed by the opposition, regarding OM Enterprises 9, LLC d/b/a Benson Food Mart, 2338 Benson Poole Rd., Smyrna, Georgia 30082, Arumkumar Mehta, licensee, regarding the License Review Board's decision recommending approval of the beer, wine and Sunday sale package licenses for Benson Food Mart.

Motion by Sheffield, second by Birrell, to **continue** the appeal hearing, pursuant to the appeal for OM Enterprises 9, LLC d/b/a Benson Food Mart, 2338 Benson Poole Rd., Smyrna, Georgia 30082, Arumkumar Mehta, licensee to April 11, 2023.

VOTE: ADOPTED 5-0 *(Statements read by Commissioner Birrell and Commissioner Gambrill are attached and made a part of these minutes)*

66. **To conduct a hearing regarding the application for alcoholic beverage licenses for Dekan, LLC doing business as, Emil's, 2520 Austell Rd., Marietta, Georgia, 30008, Rutvik Emil Dmello, licensee.**

Bill Rowling, County Attorney, and Sam Hensley, Jr., attorney for the License Review Board and the Business License Division, opened the Appeal Hearing for the Cobb County Beer, Wine and Sunday Sales Package License for Dekan, LLC doing business as, Emil's, 2520 Austell Rd., Marietta, Georgia, 30008.

Mr. Hensley, provided opening remarks, background information and introduced counsel Parks F. Huff, Attorney for Dekan, LLC doing business as, Emil's.

Parks Huff, provided opening remarks and tendered the April 20, 2021 Zoning Hearing Minutes in to the record.

Mr. Hensley swore in those expected to testify and called Ellisia Webb, Cobb County Business License Division Manager, for questioning. Mr. Huff and the Board questioned Ms. Webb.

Mr. Huff called the applicant, Kavita Purohit, for questioning. Mr. Hensley and the Board questioned Ms. Purohit.

Mr. Huff and Mr. Hensley provided closing remarks.

The Board asked additional questions and the following motion was made:

Motion by Sheffield, second by Richardson, to **uphold** the administrative denial of the application for the Cobb County Beer, Wine and Sunday Sales Package License for Dekan, LLC doing business as, Emil's, 2520 Austell Rd., Marietta, Georgia, 30008 as to the Official Code of Cobb County *Sec. 6-124. - Distance requirements - From residences*.

VOTE: **ADOPTED 4-1,** Commissioner Gambrill opposed *(Statements read by Commissioner Birrell and Commissioner Gambrill are attached and made a part of these minutes)*

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 12:44 p.m.

Angela Cunningham
Deputy County Clerk
Cobb County Board of Commissioners

For the record, please add to each vote taken:

I do not support the Home Rule Challenge of the majority of this board. It is unconstitutional and illegal. I voted against the amended map 3 times in 2022 (1/25/22, 10/11/22 and 10/25/22).

I have a duty to represent my constituents and will not have my vote suppressed as I was duly elected on November 8, 2022 under the map (HB 1154) voted on by the Georgia General Assembly in February 2022 and signed into law by Governor Kemp on March 2, 2022 and certified by the Board of Elections on November 15, 2022.

Reference No. Statements

From: Commissioner Keli Gambrill
To: Cobb County Clerk
Statement to be attached to all agenda items considered.

When the Board first entered Executive Session in March 2022 to discuss the "Home Rule" challenge, I challenged the County Attorney's Office on the premise and requested outside counsel to be sought.

While the County Attorney's Office claims the Association of County Commissioners of Georgia (ACCG) provided legal advice, I too am in receipt of the documents from the ACCG regarding Home Rule, to which it clearly defines the limit of this Boards Constitutional powers as to redistricting. I also contend that the Board of Commissioners did not follow the Home Rule challenge in its entirety.

In addition, the Georgia Supreme Court has ruled, that the GA Constitution Limits legislative action by the Board of Commissioners to matters for which no provision has been made by general law. Furthermore, the "Home Rule" powers granted to the Board of Commissioners do not extend to any matters which the Georgia General assembly by general law has preempted, like the redistricting map here in Cobb Co. Commissioners of Wayne Co. v. Smith 240 Ga. 540 (1978); Brophy v. McCranie 264 Ga. 187 (1994).

In fact, even in Federal Court in Georgia, the court has ruled the General Assembly is the only legislative body with the power to enact redistricting legislation for the counties; therefore, where the General Assembly failed to enact reapportionment legislation for a certain county, although it was entitled to consideration as an expression of county policy, a reapportionment plan proposed by a county was not a legislatively enacted plan requiring deferential treatment and the district court was required to fashion a reapportionment plan. Bodker v. Taylor, 2002 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 27447 (N.D. Ga. June 5, 2002).

In January, Georgia State Attorney General, Chris Carr stated that the Cobb County Commissions move to amend its electoral redistricting map is "inappropriate and not legally binding."

Per the letter dated December 22, 2022, from C. Ryan Germany, General Counsel for the Office of the Secretary of State, "You should not consider the ministerial function of filing the Amendment with our office or the publishing of the Amendment to be a comment on whether the Amendment is allowable under state law or a proper exercise of authority by the Cobb County Commission, nor should you rely on it to attempt to establish the validity of the Amendment." "In fact," he continues "it appears that the Amendment is very likely an unauthorized exercise of authority by the Cobb County Commissioner that does not comply with Georgia Law or the state Constitution.

With the majority of this Board actions on October 25, 2022 and the resulting filing and recording with the Office of the Secretary of State on October 26, 2022, the boundaries of the districts from which county commissioners were elected in Districts 1 and 3 were changed (14) days prior to the General Election, and eight (8) days after early voting had begun using district boundaries for Districts 1 and 3 as approved by the Governor.

Furthermore, the Board of Elections certified the election of Commissioners in District 1 and 3 using the map as approved by the Governor on March 2, 2022 on November 15, 2022 and not the maps that the Board of Commissioners made effective on October 26, 2022.

In a letter dated October 3, 2022 Deputy Legislative Counsel D. Stuart Morelli, "It is practically indisputable that a county home rule resolution or ordinance changing the boundaries of the districts from which county commissioners are elected would be an action affecting the procedure for the election of the county's governing authority. O.C.G.A. 36-35-4.1, no such statutory authority exists for Georgia counties.

Just last month, I was unjustifiably removed from this dais and prevented from representing my constituents and carrying out the duties I was elected to perform, based on an opinion that is not supported by law or policies of this Board.

Quotes by DaShanne Stokes, "Leadership by deception isn't leadership. It's fraud. Truth is hard, propaganda is cheap."

While I am here representing my constituents and fulfilling my duties as an elected official, I hereby request the clerk to attack this statement to each vote that is recorded herein.

COBB COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

RESOLUTION

ADOPTING ALL BUDGET AMENDMENTS SET FORTH IN AGENDA ITEMS ON THIS DATE

WHEREAS, Georgia Law, O.C.G.A. § 36-81-3 (b), requires each unit of government to operate under an annual balanced budget adopted by ordinance or resolution; and

WHEREAS, Cobb County Code 2-49 provides for revisions to the adopted budget during the year only by formal action of the commission in a regular meeting; and

WHEREAS, in official opinion date February 24, 1999, the Attorney General of the State of Georgia concluded that all amendments to the budgets of local government must be adopted by ordinance or resolution;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Cobb County Board of Commissioners does hereby adopt all such budget amendments as are set forth in agenda items which are adopted by the Board of Commissioners without change this date, as well as other such budget amendments as shall be specifically detailed in motions adopted by the Board of Commissioners this date.

This 14th of February 2023

Reference No. 28

Reference No. 20930

A RESOLUTION BY THE COBB COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OPPOSING LEGISLATION THAT WOULD INCREASE THE AUTHORIZED TRUCK SIZE OR WEIGHT ON GEORGIA'S PUBLIC ROADS

WHEREAS, the Constitution of the State of Georgia, approved by the voters of the State in November 1982, and effective July 1, 1983, provides in Article IX, Section 2, Paragraph 1 thereof, that the governing authority of the County may adopt clearly reasonable ordinances, resolutions, and regulations; and

WHEREAS, the Cobb County Board of Commissioners is concerned with the welfare of residents, pedestrians and motorists and the cost, quality, and reliability of our county's infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, for instance, during the 2021-2022 legislative session, Senate Bill 118 and House Bill 496 were introduced that, if passed, would have authorized trucks weighing as much as 100,000 pounds or with as many as six axles to be operated on Georgia roads;

WHEREAS, during the 2022-2023 legislative session, House Bill 189 has been introduced seeking to authorize heavier/larger trucks on Georgia roads;

WHEREAS, Cobb County opposed both previous proposed bills - and continues in its opposition to any legislation increasing the weight or size of trucks operating on Georgia roads;

WHEREAS, heavier truck loads would further endanger motorists;

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT) has concluded that trucks over the existing 80,000-pound standard had higher crash rates;

WHEREAS, in the States USDOT reviewed, such larger trucks had between a 44% and 300% increase in crash incidence; and

WHEREAS, allowing heavier or longer trucks on the National Highway System would threaten the safety of the traveling public because heavier and longer trucks would be more difficult to control, increase wear and tear on truck safety systems such as brakes, steering and tires, and increase crash severity; and

WHEREAS, of the 15,034 bridges in Georgia, there are 3,795 bridges that are in fair/poor condition - that is over 25 percent of bridges statewide, according to the Federal Highway

Reference No. 32

Administration (FHWA); and

WHEREAS, many local and municipal governments, like Cobb County, are experiencing difficulty maintaining public works budgets due to inflation; and

WHEREAS, the introduction of additional heavy trucks on State and county roads leads to accelerated degradation of the public roadway system, thereby resulting in unsafe driving conditions, greater costs for roadway repair and maintenance, greater traffic gridlock and ultimately a diminished qualify of life for the residents and citizens of Georgia.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Cobb County by and through its Board of Commissioners opposes any increases in truck size or weight at the federal or state levels and encourages our elected delegations to oppose related legislation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Cobb County staff are authorized to deliver this Resolution to the County's local delegation to the General Assembly as well as any other necessary parties - consistent with the objectives set forth herein.

So **RESOLVED** this 14 day of February, 2023.

COBB COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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Community Health Subcommittee - Recommended Projects		
Organization/Individual Name	**Project Name**	**Amount Recommended**
SafePath Children's Advocacy Center, Inc.	Mental Health Enhancement Project	$ 630,000.00
YouthCentric, Inc.	YouthCentric	$ 375,000.00
Girls Incorporated of Greater Atlanta	Girls Incorporated Mental Wellness Program	$ 552,579.00
County County Public Library	Books by Mail Homebound Outreach Program	$ 21,600.00
Kate's Club, Inc.	Mental Health Support for a Grieving Community	$ 303,006.00
Communities In Schools of Georgia (DBA:	Communities In Schools Site Coordinator Program	$ 1,560,000.00
Superior Court of Cobb County	Unified Court COVID Recovery Project C - Accountability Court	$ 405,000.00
Ser Familia, Inc.	North Cobb C.A.F.E. (Family Resource Center) Launch to	$ 799,160.00
Self-Discovery: Pain, Positioning & Purpose	SDp3 Cobb Youth Mental Health Initiative	$ 245,000.00
Positive Impact Health Centers, Inc.	Positive Impact Health Centers - Cobb County ARPA Project	$ 1,967,080.00
The Center for Children & Young Adults	Critical Gap-Filling Mental Health and Substance Abuse	$ 200,000.00
Mamlakah Community Development Corporation,	The CARES for Widow & Youth Project	$ 4,000.00
Artz for the Harp Corporation	AFTH Arts Enrichment After School & Childcare Programs	$ 52,285.00
Vision To Learn	Exams and Prescription Glasses to Help Cobb County Children	$ 264,000.00
Cobb County Board of Health (aka Cobb & Douglas	Cobb Public Health/Wellstar Health System - Babies Born	$ 3,672,674.00
Cobb Collaborative. Inc.	Connecting Cobb Veterans	$ 158,100.00
Cobb County Safety Village Foundation	Cobb County Safety Village Outdoor Restrooms, Community	$ 275,000.00
Marietta City Schools	Recovering Lost Learning Through Vision Screenings	$ 247,800.00
Reach Out and Read Georgia	Reach Out and Read Georgia - Increased Access to Pediatric	$ 136,342.00
Cobb County Board of Health (aka Cobb & Douglas	CDPH-CCFES-CCSO Opioid Use Reduction Health Project	$ 2,687,069.00
The Extension, Inc.	Residential Treatment Program for Homeless Addicted men	$ 997,821.00
Superior Court of Cobb County	Unified Court COVID Recovery Project C - Accountability Court	$ 905,000.00
Davis Direction Foundation, Inc.	Zoned 4 Co-Occurring Disorders	$ 413,104.00
Ridgeview Alumni Charitable Corporation	Ridgeview Alumni Charitable Corporation Grant	$ 195,720.00
Cobb & Douglas Public Health	CDPH Community Health Outreach Project	$ 2,736,291.00
Good Samaritan Health Center of Cobb, INC	Good Samaritan Health Center of Cobb	$ 3,128,459.00
Cobb County Medical Examiner's Office	Cobb County Medical Examiner's Recovery Plan	$ 732,501.00
Cobb Emergency Management Agency	Cobb County Stockpile	$ 230,000.00
		$ 23,894,591.00

Reference No. 33

FUNDING

Decrease Expenditure:	279	492	CH00	8005	Preliminary Estimates	$23,888,591.00
Decrease Expenditure:	279	055	ARCT	8820	Undesignated Contingency	$6,000.00
Increase Expenditure:	279	492	CH04	6574	Contributions	$630,000.00
Increase Expenditure:	279	492	CH05	6574	Contributions	$375,000.00
Increase Expenditure:	279	492	CH06	6574	Contributions	$552,579.00
Increase Expenditure:	279	492	CH07	6574	Contributions	$21,600.00
Increase Expenditure:	279	492	CH08	6574	Contributions	$303,006.00
Increase Expenditure:	279	492	CH09	6574	Contributions	$1,560,000.00
Increase Expenditure:	279	492	CH10	6574	Contributions	$405,000.00
Increase Expenditure:	279	492	CH11	6574	Contributions	$799,160.00
Increase Expenditure:	279	492	CH12	6574	Contributions	$245,000.00
Increase Expenditure:	279	492	CH13	6574	Contributions	$1,967,080.00
Increase Expenditure:	279	492	CH14	6574	Contributions	$200,000.00
Increase Expenditure:	279	492	CH15	6574	Contributions	$4,000.00
Increase Expenditure:	279	492	CH16	6574	Contributions	$52,285.00
Increase Expenditure:	279	492	CH17	6574	Contributions	$264,000.00
Increase Expenditure:	279	492	CH18	6574	Contributions	$3,672,674.00
Increase Expenditure:	279	492	CH19	6574	Contributions	$158,100.00
Increase Expenditure:	279	492	CH20	8005	Preliminary Estimates	$275,000.00
Increase Expenditure:	279	492	CH21	6574	Contributions	$247,800.00
Increase Expenditure:	279	492	CH22	6574	Contributions	$136,342.00
Increase Expenditure:	279	492	CH23	8005	Preliminary Estimates	$2,687,069.00
Increase Expenditure:	279	492	CH24	6574	Contributions	$997,821.00
Increase Expenditure:	279	492	CH25	6574	Contributions	$905,000.00
Increase Expenditure:	279	492	CH26	6574	Contributions	$413,104.00
Increase Expenditure:	279	492	CH27	6574	Contributions	$195,720.00
Increase Expenditure:	279	492	CH28	6574	Contributions	$2,736,291.00
Increase Expenditure:	279	492	CH29	6574	Contributions	$3,128,459.00
Increase Expenditure:	279	492	CH30	8005	Preliminary Estimates	$732,501.00
Increase Expenditure:	279	492	CH31	8005	Preliminary Estimates	$230,000.00

Recommended Project Summaries

Applications that passed initial review and were recommended by subcommittees as of December 2022

Considerations

When possible, language and information within this document has been pulled directly from application submissions or from the applicant. For consolidation purposes, language may have been summarized according to information provided in the original application submission or compiled from notes taken during the subcommittee evaluation process. Opinions stated within are not the personal opinions of the author or any member of the Cobb County ARPA team.

ARPA alignment categories indicate which expenditure categories align with the anticipated project costs. These alignments may be refined during the pre-award and reporting processes.

Any questions should be directed to the Cobb County ARPA team at cobbcountyARPA@deloitte.com.

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Outlined below are the designated priority areas and respective subtopics.

COMMUNITY HEALTH	SUPPORT SERVICES	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	COUNTY INFRASTRUCTURE	PUBLIC SAFETY
1.1 Mental Health	2.1 Rental & Mortgage Assistance	3.1 Workforce Development	4.1 County Facilities	5.1 Mental Health Response
1.2 Public Health Disparities	2.2 Homelessness	3.2 Small & Minority-Owned Business	4.2 Stormwater	5.2 Court Backlog
1.3 Substance Abuse	2.3 Food Security	3.3 Employee Retention	4.3 Broadband & Digital Equity	5.3 Public Safety Hiring, Retention & Staffing
1.4 Healthcare Capacity	2.4 Affordable Housing	3.4 Hospitality & Tourism	4.4 Transportation	5.4 First Response
1.5 COVID-19 Mitigation				

Template Overview

Outlined below are explanations of the information included in each summary.

Applicant Type	*County government department, non-profit organization, Business, etc.*
Applicant Name	*Name of applicant as written in the original application submission.*
County Priorities	*County priority and subtopic(s) that the application was determined to best fit within.*
Project Name	*Deloitte designated project number and name of project as written in the original application submission.*
Project Summary	*Summary of project using, when possible, language from the original application submission.*
Budget	*Amount of funding recommended by the subcommittee after evaluating the application.* This amount may be different from what the applicant requested on their original application. In parenthesis () is the estimated project duration according to the application submission. In cases where applications have been funded using money from multiple priority areas, multiple budgets may be listed indicating the amounts recommended for each subcommittee for the expenses and project activities applicable to that specific priority area.

Response: Does the proposed project align with one or more of the ARPA expenditure categories?	The American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLFRF) Final Rule legislation outlines parameters for expenditure eligibility. Projects that have been determined to be in alignment with the legislation will receive a yes for this question.
Summary of Project Scope:	Using the information provided in the Project Scope section of the original project application and additional information provided in the project submission, the activities in the application have been summarized. When possible, language has been directly quoted from the original application.
ARPA Alignment: Do intended project expenditures align with one or more of the SLFRF eligible expenditure categories per Treasury guidance?	In accordance with the Final Rule, potential expenditure categories (e.g.; 1. Public Health, COVID-19 Mitigation and Prevention – 1.1, 1.2, 1.3, 1.7) have been identified to determine a project's alignment with the legislation. In addition to the expenditure category, a direct quote from the Final Rule narrative that supports the projects alignment has been provided with a citation, e.g.; (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18, pg. 4353). As per the final rule, certain populations including households, individuals, or organizations located in a Qualified Census Tract (QCT) may be presumed eligible for ARPA.*
Evaluation Considerations:	*Subcommittees evaluated projects based on 8 criteria to determine their funding recommendations. Specific criteria definitions are as follows:* **Equity:** The extent to which a project demonstrates advancement of equity to cultivate the consistent and systematic fair, just, and impartial treatment of all individuals as defined in Executive Order 13985. **Program location:** If the project will take place in Cobb County as indicated in the original application submission and where the applicant organization is located. **Impact:** The extent to which a project has significant return on investment for the Cobb County community. **Financial continuity:** The extent to which a project's costs will be entirely carried by the program, at no continued cost to Cobb County.

*The Final Rule defines a QCT in alignment with 26 U.S.C. 42(d)(5)(B)(ii)(I): "The term "qualified census tract" means any census tract which is designated by the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development and, for the most recent year for which census data are available on household income in such tract, either in which 50 percent or more of the households have an income which is less than 60 percent of the area median gross income for such year or which has a poverty rate of at least 25 percent. If the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development determines that sufficient data for any period are not available to apply this clause on the basis of census tracts, such Secretary shall apply this clause for such period on the basis of enumeration districts."

Priority Area:

Community Health

Community Health Funding Plan

The funding plan as recommended by the Community Health Subcommittee

Project #	Project Name	Organization	Budget
1.122	Positive Impact Health Centers - Cobb County ARPA Project	Positive Impact Health Centers, Inc	$1,967,080
1.184	Communities In Schools Site Coordinator Program	Communities In Schools of Georgia	$1,560,000
1.185.1	North Cobb C.A.F.E. (Family Resource Center) Launch to Mitigate Pandemic Impacts	Ser Familia, Inc	$799,160
1.227	Mental Health Enhancement Project	SafePath Children's Advocacy Center, Inc.	$630,000
1.94	Girls Incorporated Mental Wellness Program	Girls Incorporated of Greater Atlanta	$552,579
1.194.2	Unified Court COVID Recovery Project C - Accountability Court Housing & Treatment	Superior Court of Cobb County	$405,000
1.49	YouthCentric	YouthCentric, Inc.	$375,000
1.84	Mental Health Support for a Grieving Community	Kate's Club, Inc.	$303,006
1.160	SDp3 Cobb Youth Mental Health Initiative	Self-Discovery: Pain, Positioning & Purpose	$245,000
1.220	Critical Gap-Filling Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services	The Center for Children & Young Adults	$200,000
1.81	AFTH Arts Enrichment After School & Childcare Programs	Artz for the Harp Corporation	$52,285
1.91	Books by Mail Homebound Outreach Program	Cobb County Public Library	$21,600
1.125.1	The CARES for Widow & Youth Project	Mamlakah Community Development Corporation, Inc	$4,000
		Mental Health Total Recommended Amount:	**$7,114,710**
1.161	Cobb Public Health/Wellstar Health System - Babies Born Healthy	Cobb County Board of Health (Cobb & Douglas Public Health)	$3,672,674
1.75	Cobb County Safety Village Outdoor Restrooms, Community Plaza, and Inclusive Playground Collaboration	Cobb County Safety Village Foundation	$275,000
1.151	Exams and Prescription Glasses to Help Cobb County Children Disproportionately Impacted...	Vision to Learn	$264,000
1.77	Recovering Lost Learning Through Vision Screenings	Marietta City Schools	$247,800
1.68	Connecting Cobb Veterans	Cobb Collaborative, Inc.	$158,100
1.238	Reach Out and Read Georgia - Increased Access to Pediatric Intervention for Social-emotional/Development...	Reach Out and Read Georgia	$136,342
		Public Health Disparities Total Recommended Amount:	**$4,753,916**
1.149	CDPH-CCFES-CCSO Opioid Use Reduction Health Project	Cobb County Board of Health (Cobb & Douglas Public Health)	$2,687,069
1.114	Residential Treatment Program for Homeless Addicted men	The Extension, Inc.	$997,821
1.194.1	Unified Court COVID Recovery Project C - Accountability Court Housing & Treatment	Superior Court of Cobb County	$905,000
1.223	Zoned 4 Co-Occurring Disorders	Davis Direction Foundation, Inc.	$413,104
1.191	Ridgeview Alumni Charitable Corporation Grant	Ridgeview Alumni Charitable Corporation	$195,720
		Substance Abuse Total Recommended Amount:	**$5,198,714**
1.262	Good Samaritan Health Center of Cobb	Good Samaritan Health Center of Cobb, Inc.	$3,128,459
1.65	CDPH Community Health Outreach Project	Cobb & Douglas Public Health	$2,736,291
		Healthcare Capacity Total Recommended Amount:	**$5,864,750**
1.1	Cobb County Medical Examiner's Recovery Plan	Cobb County Medical Examiner's Office	$732,501
1.56.1	Cobb County Stockpile	Cobb Emergency Management Agency	$230,000
		COVID-19 Mitigation Total Recommended Amount:	**$962,501**

Mental Health · Public Health Disparities · Substance Abuse · Healthcare Capacity · COVID-19 Mitigation

Applicant Type	Non-Profit Organization
Applicant Name	Positive Impact Health Centers, Inc.
County Priorities	Community Health 1.1 Mental Health – Offers mental health services to those with or at risk of HIV/AIDS
Project Name	1.122 Positive Impact Health Centers - Cobb County ARPA Project
Project Summary	The project will provide mental health and substance abuse services, medical supply kits, health insurance assistance, transportation, housing, and food assistance to 600 Cobb County residents with or who are at risk of HIV/AIDS based on individual needs.
Budget	Total Recommended Funding (51 Months): $1,967,080.00

Response: Does the proposed project align with one or more of the ARPA expenditure categories?	Yes; the project will provide mental health and substance abuse services, medical supply kits, health insurance assistance, transportation, housing, and food assistance to Cobb County residents with or who are at risk of HIV/AIDS, who were most significantly impacted by COVID-19.
Summary of Project Scope:	To address the impact of those affected by COVID-19 in the County, Positive Impact Health Centers (PIHC) will provide mental health and substance abuse services, medical supply kits, health insurance assistance, transportation, housing, and food assistance yearly to 600 Cobb County residents with or at risk of HIV/AIDS based on individual needs. COVID-19 impacted areas with the highest burden of HIV, with decreased HIV testing and fewer people with HIV starting prompt life-saving treatment. Older adults with HIV and those who are not in treatment are more likely to get very sick or die if they get COVID-19. Throughout the COVID-19 pandemic, patients continued to access care and treatment in Cobb County at PIHC. As some of the community's most vulnerable and disadvantaged members, this population is most in need of healthcare and support services.
ARPA Alignment: Do intended project expenditures align with one or more of the SLFRF eligible expenditure categories per Treasury guidance?	Yes; per the Final Rule 1. Public Health, Behavioral Health – 1.12, 1.13, 1.14: Treasury is maintaining this enumerated eligible use category and clarifying that it covers an expansive array of services for prevention, treatment, recovery, and harm reduction for mental health, substance use, and other behavioral health challenges caused or exacerbated by the public health emergency. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18 , pg. 4355) 2. Negative Economic Impacts, Assistance to Households – 2.1, 2.2, 2.6,: Enumerated eligible uses included: Food assistance; rent, mortgage, or utility assistance; counseling and legal aid to prevent eviction or homelessness; emergency assistance for burials, home repairs, weatherization, or other needs; internet access or digital literacy assistance; cash assistance; or job training to address negative economic or public health impacts experienced due to a worker's occupation or level of training. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18 , pg. 4359)
Evaluation Considerations:	**Equity**: The applicant's target population for services are minorities, LGBTQ+, and low-income members of Cobb County. **Program location**: The project will take place in Cobb County and the organization is located in District 1. **Impact**: The applicant anticipates 160 individuals to receive mental health services, 1000 individuals to receive medical supply kits, 120 individuals to receive substance abuse service, 1160 individuals to receive transportation services, 400 individuals to receive health insurance assistance, 120 individuals to receive rental/mortgage assistance. 2000 individuals to receive food assistance. **Financial Continuity**: Project will not impose ongoing costs on Cobb County beyond the requested amount of ARPA funding. Budget indicates that funding will be utilized for costs associated with personnel, contractual fees, transportation, supplies, and patient assistance.

Applicant Type	Non-Profit Organization
Applicant Name	Communities In Schools of Georgia (DBA: Communities In Schools (CIS))
County Priorities	Community Health 1.1 Mental Health – Provides resources to improve Cobb County students' learning
Project Name	1.184 Communities In Schools Site Coordinator Program
Project Summary	This project will provide schools in Cobb County with school-based site coordinators who will bring community resources to schools and help children succeed academically. The support provided by these site coordinators ranges from academic to non-academic support such as basic needs or food insecurity.
Budget	Total Recommended Funding (3 Years): $1,560,000.00

Response: Does the proposed project align with one or more of the ARPA expenditure categories?	Yes; the project addresses the impact that the COVID-19 pandemic has had on children's education and academic success.
Summary of Project Scope:	CIS works within Cobb County at the request of local school and district leaders in vulnerable school communities. Schools in the County are currently staffed with a ratio of 1 school counselor to 350-450 students and 1 social worker to 2,500-4,000 students. CIS Site Coordinators provide the additional staff and expanded access to resources and programs that would otherwise not occur. CIS works with school leadership and staff to connect students and families with community resources that help to address both academic and nonacademic needs, empowering students to come to school heathy, safe, and prepared to learn. The applicant requests funds to address challenges like food insecurity, housing, basic needs, and other risk factors so that Cobb County students from kindergarten to twelfth grade can achieve grade promotion and graduate.
ARPA Alignment: Do intended project expenditures align with one or more of the SLFRF eligible expenditure categories per Treasury guidance?	Yes; per the Final Rule 2. Negative Economic Impacts, Assistance to Households – 2.24, 2.25: Uses include early learning services, assistance to high-poverty school districts to advance equitable funding across districts and geographies, and educational and evidence-based services to address the academic, social, emotional, and mental health needs of students. Addressing the many dimensions of resource equity— including equitable and adequate school funding; access to a well-rounded education; well-prepared, effective, and diverse educators and staff; and integrated support services—can also begin to mitigate the impact of COVID– 19 on schools and students. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18 , pg. 4375)
Evaluation Considerations:	**Equity**: The applicant states that the project targets underserved communities, specifically children living in poverty. **Program location**: The project will take place in Cobb County and the organization is located in Districts 2 and 4. **Impact**: The applicant anticipates that by the end of the school year through CIS Site Coordinator interventions and support services that 65% of CIS managed students with poor attendance/chronic absenteeism will have improved attendance, 65% of CIS managed students will have improved academic performance and 65% of CIS managed students will have improved behavior. **Financial Continuity**: Project will not impose ongoing costs on Cobb County beyond the requested amount of ARPA funding. The budget indicates that requested funding will be utilized for personnel expenses, overhead, and the programming budget for the three-year timeline. The applicant has provided services to the County for 20 years however ARPA funding would allow CIS to build sustainability to continue serving beyond the funding timeline.

Applicant Type	Non-Profit Organization
Applicant Name	Ser Familia, Inc.
County Priorities	**Community Health**, Support Services **1.1 Mental Health**, 2.3 Rental and Mortgage – **Provides mental health services** as well as rental and mortgage assistance to the Latino population of Atlanta Metro
Project Name	1.185.1 North Cobb C.A.F.E. (Family Resource Center) Launch to Mitigate Pandemic Impacts
Project Summary	The project will provide wraparound family services to those still struggling from the pandemic's fallout. Services will include a full range of mental health services for children and adults. The project will also provide basic needs for housing and food.
Budget	Total Recommended Funding (3 Years): $2,854,150.45. **(Recommended Amount for Subtopic 1.1 – $799,160.00)** (Recommended Amount for Subtopic 2.3 – $2,054,990) Applicant Requested Funding Amount – $3,567,346.00

Response: Does the proposed project align with one or more of the ARPA expenditure categories?	Yes; the target population is disproportionately impacted (low-income) individuals that have been negatively affected by the economic impacts of COVID-19.
Summary of Project Scope:	The applicant originally requested total funding of $3,567,467.00 for subtopics 1.1 Mental Health and 2.3 Rental & Mortgage Assistance. After subcommittee review and taking into account the aggregate project score and available funding remaining, $799,160.00 for subtopic 1.1 and $1,651,467.00 for 2.3 was recommended for funding. The Hispanic population in metro Atlanta has increased significantly and is expected to increase by 153% by 2040. Ser Familia has seen a dramatic uptick in need for services, explained by the difficulty immigrants feel in new surroundings given the void of familiar people, places, traditions, cultural values and norms. The need for services for the expanding Latino population was exacerbated by the significant impact of COVID-19 on this target population. Ser Familia requests funding to increase protective factors in Latino families to build family resiliency and promote independence. The project will focus on mental health supports, food assistance, and mortgage/rent assistance. Ser Familia's wraparound family programming through C.A.F.E. provides for the mental health and wellbeing needs of Latino youth and their families through a comprehensive family plan model that address needs of all members through assessment, case management, and provisions of services.
ARPA Alignment: Do intended project expenditures align with one or more of the SLFRF eligible expenditure categories per Treasury guidance?	Yes; per the Final Rule 1. Public Health, Behavioral Health – 1.12: Treasury is maintaining this enumerated eligible use category and clarifying that it covers an expansive array of services for prevention, treatment, recovery, and harm reduction for mental health, substance use, and other behavioral health challenges caused or exacerbated by the public health emergency. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18, pg. 4355) 2. Negative Economic Impacts, Assistance to Households – 2.1, 2.2: Enumerated eligible uses included: food assistance; rent, mortgage, or utility assistance; counseling and legal aid to prevent eviction or homelessness;...or job training. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18, pg. 4359)
Evaluation Considerations:	**Equity:** The applicant states that the project will target individuals affected by persistent poverty and minorities. **Program location**: The project will take place in Cobb County and the organization is located in District 1. **Impact:** This project is recommended to be partially funded. For the full program, the applicant expects to serve 1,500 individuals with mental health services, 1,500 individuals with case management, 1,000 families with food assistance, 310 families with rental/ mortgage assistance, 150 victims of domestic violence with services to prevent homelessness, and 750 youth with programming that promotes overall mental health and wellbeing. We will work with the applicant to address KPIs based on partial funding. **Financial Continuity**: Project will not impose ongoing costs on Cobb County beyond the requested amount of ARPA funding. Budget indicates that requested funding will be used for salaries for program staff, along with components of the program like supplies, indirect costs, rent, utilities, and marketing.

Applicant Type	Non-Profit Organization
Applicant Name	SafePath Children's Advocacy Center, Inc.
County Priorities	Community Health 1.1 Mental Health – Provides free mental health services to children in Cobb County
Project Name	1.227 Mental Health Enhancement Project
Project Summary	This project will provide mental health services free of charge to Latino children who have experienced abuse and will expand services and quality of care for the Spanish-speaking population in Cobb County.
Budget	Total Recommended Funding (4 Years): $630,000.00

Response: Does the proposed project align with one or more of the ARPA expenditure categories?	Yes; this project will serve survivors of abuse by providing them with mental health services. Negative impacts to mental health is an enumerated public health impact of the pandemic.
Summary of Project Scope:	This project will provide mental health services free of charge to Latino children who have experienced abuse and will expand services and quality of care for the Spanish-speaking population in Cobb County. The organization will also provide sober living assistance, aid for drug costs, and assistance for those needing partial hospitalization or intensive outpatient services. The project has three objectives: • Hiring a full-time Spanish/English Intervention Support Associate in order to allow Spanish-speaking children the opportunity to clearly communicate with a professional • Supervising the services disproportionately impacted children receive through a licensed professional counselor • Employing a full-time bilingual Navigator who will conduct the initial intake and intervention of children and caregivers with language barriers
ARPA Alignment: Do intended project expenditures align with one or more of the SLFRF eligible expenditure categories per Treasury guidance?	Yes; per the Final Rule 1. Public Health, Behavioral Health – 1.12, 1.13: In the final rule, Treasury is maintaining this enumerated eligible use category and clarifying that it covers an expansive array of services for prevention, treatment, recovery, and harm reduction for mental health, substance use, and other behavioral health challenges caused or exacerbated by the public health emergency. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18 , pg. 4355)
Evaluation Considerations:	**Equity**: The applicant states that the project will target Latino victims of abuse and focus on expanding services for Spanish speaking beneficiaries. **Program location**: The project will take place in Cobb County and the organization is located in District 3. **Impact**: For the project duration, the applicant expects to provide mental health screening for 400 Hispanic or Latino Children and their legal caregivers, to refer 130 Hispanic or Latino Children and their legal caregivers for mental health services, and to provide or refer 60 Hispanic or Latino Children and their legal caregivers for medical care needs. Additionally, sober living assistance will be provided to 24 individuals for up to a month, aid for drug costs up to 24 patients at $200 per patient, and assistance for up to 12 patients needing partial hospitalization or up to 12 patients for intensive outpatient services. **Financial Continuity**: Project will not impose ongoing costs on Cobb County beyond the requested amount of ARPA funding. Budget indicates that funding will be used for the salaries of a Support Associate, Clinical Services Manager, CFO, Grants Assistant, and a language Navigator who will be hired in January 2023. The activities associated with ARPA Funding will conclude by the end of the ARPA grant timeframe, December 31, 2026.

Applicant Type	Non-Profit Organization
Applicant Name	Girls Incorporated of Greater Atlanta
County Priorities	Community Health 1.1 Mental Health – Providing wellness programs for girls focused on mental health
Project Name	1.94 Girls Incorporated ("Girls Inc.") Mental Wellness Program
Project Summary	This project will conduct a series of wellness programs for girls who undergo adverse childhood experiences (ACEs). These programs will support minority and low-income girls by providing them with coping strategies, counseling services, and familial support.
Budget	Total Recommended Funding (4 Years): $552,579.00

Response: Does the proposed project align with one or more of the ARPA expenditure categories?	Yes; the Wellness Program is intended to reduce the negative impacts of anxiety and stress, including those caused or exacerbated by issues related to COVID-19.
Summary of Project Scope:	Considering research raising concerns regarding childhood trauma and violence, the applicant expanded services to focus on resiliency and protective factors, along with reducing stress and anxiety, particularly for those with high numbers of adverse childhood experiences or ACEs. The Wellness Program is based on this increased knowledge regarding the effects of ACEs and the need to provide access to protective factors for participants to help improve their health and well-being. The Girls Inc. wellness education and programming activities are provided for K-8 grade and high school girls at multiple sites, including weekend programs for high school and summer camp for K-8 girls. The applicant is requesting funding for the expansion of wellness programming for girls, adding programming for parents, increasing the parent's ability to respond and intervene in small groups or families through a professional counselor, addition of staff training, and assisting families in finding resources and support.
ARPA Alignment: Do intended project expenditures align with one or more of the SLFRF eligible expenditure categories per Treasury guidance?	Yes; per the Final Rule 1. Public Health, Behavioral Health – 1.12: In the final rule, Treasury is maintaining this enumerated eligible use category and clarifying that it covers an expansive array of services for prevention, treatment, recovery, and harm reduction for mental health, substance use, and other behavioral health challenges caused or exacerbated by the public health emergency. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18 , pg. 4355) Recipients may also provide services for special populations, for example, enhanced services in schools to address increased rates of behavioral health challenges for youths. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18 , pg. 4356)
Evaluation Considerations:	**Equity**: The applicant states the project will occur within a Qualified Census Tract (QCT), that 85% of participants typically receive government assistance, and most participants served are African American or Hispanic/Latina. **Program location**: The project will take place in Cobb County and the organization is located in District 3. **Impact**: The program aims to help 200 youth and 50 parents per year for four years to deal with mental health-related issues. 90% of the youth targeted will be girls. In total, the program will support 800 youth and 200 parents. **Financial Continuity**: Project will not impose ongoing costs on Cobb County beyond the requested amount of ARPA funding. Budget indicates the project will use requested funding to expand services for girls of Cobb County. Applicant stated that they receive and will continue to receive additional federal funding through BOOST and DFCS.

Applicant Type	County Government Organization
Applicant Name	Superior Court of Cobb County
County Priorities	Community Health **1.1 Mental Health**, 1.3 Substance Abuse – Provides services to individuals struggling with mental health and/or substance abuse issues
Project Name	1.194.2 Unified Court COVID Recovery Project C - Accountability Court Housing & Treatment
Project Summary	This project provides sober living and temporary housing assistance, medication assisted treatment services, residential treatment for substance abuse disorders, and in-service mental health services for individuals who have been involved in the criminal justice system and struggle with mental health and/or substance abuse issues. These services are currently carried out by the Cobb County Superior Court Accountability Courts Programs, but additional funding is needed to keep them going.
Budget	Total Recommended Funding (2 years): $1,310,000.00 **(Recommended Amount for Subtopic 1.1 – $405,000.00)** (Recommended Amount for Subtopic 1.3 – $905,000.00)

Response: Does the proposed project align with one or more of the ARPA expenditure categories?	Yes; the project addresses mental health and substance abuse issues, both of which have been exacerbated by the COVID-19 pandemic.
Summary of Project Scope:	The Cobb County Superior Court Accountability Court Program is one of the most influential criminal justice reform initiatives in the country and aims at providing effective alternatives to sentencing for non-violent offenders. This program directly supports the Drug Treatment, Mental Health, and Veterans Accountability and Treatment Courts. Currently, there is very limited funding for the Cobb County Accountability Courts to continue functioning as it has, and for programs to remain operational and effective, additional funding is needed. Requested funding would be used for Sober Living Housing, Temporary Housing Assistance, Medication Assisted Treatment Services by Physician, Residential Treatment for Substance Abuse Disorders, and Mental Health Treatment Services. Given the existing presence of the applicant in Cobb County, upon receiving the requested funds, Cobb County residents would benefit relatively quickly from the applicant's assistance.
ARPA Alignment: Do intended project expenditures align with one or more of the SLFRF eligible expenditure categories per Treasury guidance?	Yes; per the Final Rule 1. Public Health, Behavioral Health – 1.12, 1.13: In the final rule, Treasury is maintaining this enumerated eligible use category and clarifying that it covers an expansive array of services for prevention, treatment, recovery, and harm reduction for mental health, substance use, and other behavioral health challenges caused or exacerbated by the public health emergency. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18 , pg. 4355)
Evaluation Considerations:	**Equity:** The target population is impacted Cobb County residents. **Program Location:** The project and organization are located in Cobb County. **Impact:** Applicant anticipates that 100 Accountability Court participants will receive Sober Living Hosing for two months to assist with substance abuse disorders; 50 Accountability Court participants will receive temporary housing assistance for up to two months to have the ability to gain employment and pay their own housing independently; 40 Drug Treatment Court participants will receive 18 months of medication assisted treatment services from a physician in order to gain sobriety from alcoholism or opioid addiction; 30 Accountability Court participants will receive Residential Treatment for Substance Use Disorders in order to gain sobriety and begin a better life moving forward; 30 Mental Health Court participants will receive in-service Mental Health Treatment in order to gain stability and begin a better life moving forward; 25 additional court participants in Accountability Court will improve recidivism rates and citizens lifestyles in Cobb County. **Financial Continuity:** Project will not impose ongoing costs on Cobb County beyond the requested amount of ARPA funding. Budget indicates that funds will directly serve court programs.

Applicant Type	Non-Profit Organization
Applicant Name	YouthCentric, Inc.
County Priorities	Community Health 1.1 Mental Health – Seeks to address the negative mental health impacts of COVID-19 on students.
Project Name	1.49 YouthCentric
Project Summary	A three-year after-school/summer mental health program that empowers community health workers to support youth as they navigate the challenges of the pandemic.
Budget	Total Recommended Funding (3 Years): $375,000.00

Response: Does the proposed project align with one or more of the ARPA expenditure categories?	Yes; this project responds to the mental health repercussions of the COVID-19 pandemic on youth in Cobb County.
Summary of Project Scope:	The project addresses the negative impacts the COVID-19 pandemic has had on the mental health of students. YouthCentric seeks to improve the mental and emotional health of teenagers in South Cobb County through the use of the project's "five-pod plan" and four delivery methods. The plan provides innovative approaches to produce more resilient, confident, and stable mindsets amongst teens. The five pods, or modules, include Individual Study, Expression, Group Study/Coffee, Relaxation, and Nature/Activities. YouthCentric's four delivery methods consist of a combination of in-person and online settings. In-person settings include community centers in Central and South Cobb, afterschool programs in South Cobb, and high school prep summer camps. Online settings include access to various social media outlets and applications to assist students at their convenience. The ultimate goal of the project is to address and provide solutions for the stressors that have impacted students' mental health for years.
ARPA Alignment: Do intended project expenditures align with one or more of the SLFRF eligible expenditure categories per Treasury guidance?	Yes; per the Final Rule 1. Public Health, Behavioral Health – 1.12: In the final rule, Treasury is maintaining this enumerated eligible use category and clarifying that it covers an expansive array of services for prevention, treatment, recovery, and harm reduction for mental health, substance use, and other behavioral health challenges caused or exacerbated by the public health emergency. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18, pg. 4355)
Evaluation Considerations:	**Equity**: The applicant states that the project will target underserved and marginalized teens. The organization has plans to aid residents of South Cobb, which the applicant states is the area with the highest minority enrollment, poverty, and high school dropout rates. **Program location**: The project will take place in Cobb County and the organization is located in District 3. **Impact**: The program will reach a total of 2,590 teens in three years and help them with mental health issues like depression, violence, and suicide, for example. **Financial Continuity**: Project will not impose ongoing costs on Cobb County beyond the requested amount of ARPA funding. However, the applicant stated that they might apply for federal grant funding to finance any new initiatives that may come up.

Applicant Type	Non-Profit Organization
Applicant Name	Kate's Club, Inc.
County Priorities	Community Health 1.1 Mental Health – Addresses mental health needs of children and young adults
Project Name	1.84 Mental Health Support for a Grieving Community
Project Summary	Kate's Club supports children who have experienced the death of a family member or parent to COVID-19 by providing them with mental health and grief support.
Budget	Total Recommended Funding (41 Months): $303,006.00

Response: Does the proposed project align with one or more of the ARPA expenditure categories?	Yes; Kate's Club will provide mental health support to children to have lost a family member or parent to COVID-19.
Summary of Project Scope:	To address the mental health needs of children and young adults disproportionately impacted by COVID-19, Kate's Club will expand existing bereavement services in Cobb County, including the opening of two new satellite Clubhouse locations. Childhood bereavement is a significant social and public health issue associated with disruptions of developmental competence, as well as increased risk of mental health problems, substance abuse, suicide, and early mortality. Services and resources that promote resilient adaptation and growth can help prevent negative outcomes, but bereaved youth are an often-overlooked group for whom services are under-resourced. COVID-19 has compounded the impact of childhood bereavement in Georgia, which has the nation's fifth highest number of children bereaved by the pandemic. One in four COVID-19 deaths results in a bereaved child. Cobb County has experienced 1,920 deaths (242.9 deaths per 100,000) due to COVID-19 and ranks third among all Georgia counties for COVID-19 deaths. These deaths are in excess of the County's more than 9,000 bereaved children prior to the pandemic. New-member applications soared 65 percent in 2021, and the number of professionals Kate's Club trained nearly tripled. The applicant expects to teach grieving children, teens and their families to accept the reality of their loss and how to process the pain of grief by engaging affected community members through various services. Kate's Club anticipates that a foundation for a healthy support system for impacted residents will improve their mental health, engage productively in their academic and/or work pursuits, and contribute positively to the County.
ARPA Alignment: Do intended project expenditures align with one or more of the SLFRF eligible expenditure categories per Treasury guidance?	Yes; per the Final Rule 1. Public Health, Behavioral Health – 1.12: In the final rule, Treasury is maintaining this enumerated eligible use category and clarifying that it covers an expansive array of services for prevention, treatment, recovery, and harm reduction for mental health, substance use, and other behavioral health challenges caused or exacerbated by the public health emergency. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18 , pg. 4355)
Evaluation Considerations:	**Equity**: The program will be open to all impacted Cobb County youth. **Program location**: The project will take place in Cobb County and the organization is located in District 1 and District 4. **Impact**: The applicant anticipates providing Clubhouse services to more than 1,400 children, teens, and their families and 42 school-based KC Connects groups, in addition to offering 16 professional trainings programs for 100 young adults and expanding outreach efforts through an additional seven or more community partners over the 41-month funding period. **Financial Continuity**: Project will not impose ongoing costs on Cobb County beyond the requested amount of ARPA funding. An expansion of core services are requested to manage the increased need created by COVID-19. The applicant plans to build on existing sustainability efforts to ensure program services will continue following completion of the requested funding timeline.

Applicant Type	Non-Profit Organization
Applicant Name	Self-Discovery: Pain, Positioning & Purpose
County Priorities	Community Health 1.1 Mental Health – Promotes awareness around mental wellbeing, suicide prevention, and mindfulness
Project Name	1.160 SDp3 Cobb Youth Mental Health Initiative
Project Summary	This program provides expansive mental health and well-being services to underserved youth including: 1) youth mental health programs, 2) peer/mentoring/internship programs that further engage youth in developing their own skills, and 3) a fellows leadership development program.
Budget	Total Recommended Funding (1 Year): $245,000.00

Response: Does the proposed project align with one or more of the ARPA expenditure categories?	Yes; the program will address negative impacts of COVID-19 with mental health programs for Cobb youth.
Summary of Project Scope:	SDp3 seeks to create awareness around mental wellness, suicide prevention, the Community Resilience Model (CRM), mindfulness, Whole Health Action Management (WHAM), Wellness Recovery Action Plans (WRAP), Trauma Informed Care (TIC), and mental health first aid among young people. The program supports Cobb County youth and aims to provide direct services assistance for Cobb youth, focusing on everyday needs like food and housing as well as mental health needs like therapy.
ARPA Alignment: Do intended project expenditures align with one or more of the SLFRF eligible expenditure categories per Treasury guidance?	Yes; per the Final Rule 1. Public Health, Behavioral Health – 1.12: In the final rule, Treasury is maintaining this enumerated eligible use category and clarifying that it covers an expansive array of services for prevention, treatment, recovery, and harm reduction for mental health, substance use, and other behavioral health challenges caused or exacerbated by the public health emergency. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18 , pg. 4355)
Evaluation Considerations:	**Equity**: The applicant states that the program is targeted toward racial/ethnic minorities, LGBTQIA+, disabled, and other young people otherwise at high risk compared to the broader population. **Program location**: The project will take place in Cobb County and the organization is in Gwinnett County. **Impact**: The applicant anticipates that through the project duration, 200+ unique individual youth participants will serve as teaching assistants to peer-age and/or younger youth during education sessions, 25+ unique individual LGBTQIA+ Cobb youth serve as peer volunteers/mentors/mentees, 5+ unique individual youth serve as paid SDp3 interns, 1-2 Cobb Youth participate in and complete their inaugural cohort of Fellows, and 3+ unique Cobb nonprofit or other organizations will develop new youth-serving partnerships due to SDp3's work. **Financial Continuity**: Project will not impose ongoing costs on Cobb County beyond the requested amount of ARPA funding. Budget indicates that funding will be utilized for administrative expenses, operational expenses, and direct service expenses, along with indirect costs associated with the project.

Applicant Type	Non-Profit Organization
Applicant Name	The Center for Children & Young Adults
County Priorities	Community Health 1.1 Mental Health – Provide mental health and substance abuse services to homeless youth
Project Name	1.220 Critical Gap-Filling Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services
Project Summary	This project will provide access to mental health and substance abuse clinicians for youth whose mental health was negatively impacted as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. Services such as mental health, medication management, and psychosocial assessments will be provided.
Budget	Total Recommended Funding (1 Year): $200,000.00

Response: Does the proposed project align with one or more of the ARPA expenditure categories?	Yes; the project responds to the mental health of youth. As stated in the application whose increasingly higher mental health care needs are correlated with the rise in abuse, abandonment, and neglect related to the pandemic.
Summary of Project Scope:	The Center for Children & Young Adults (CCYA) serves homeless youth who have been abused, abandoned, neglected, and/or sexually exploited. Many adolescent youth who have experienced severe and chronic abuse and homelessness have extensive histories of trauma and maltreatment. Since COVID-19, an increasing number of youth go to CCYA with higher levels of trauma and higher mental-health care needs. The proposed programs provides gap-filling mental health care clinicians on-site for CCYA youth. CCYA would build a list of approved and insured mental health clinicians, establish a service delivery schedule, conduct outcome assessments and adjust accordingly to the individual. The requested funding would allow CCYA to bridge the current mental health and substance abuse equity gap and better serve the youth population of Cobb County.
ARPA Alignment: Do intended project expenditures align with one or more of the SLFRF eligible expenditure categories per Treasury guidance?	Yes; per the Final Rule 1. Public Health, Behavioral Health – 1.12, 1.13: In the final rule, Treasury is maintaining this enumerated eligible use category and clarifying that it covers an expansive array of services for prevention, treatment, recovery, and harm reduction for mental health, substance use, and other behavioral health challenges caused or exacerbated by the public health emergency. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18 , pg. 4355)
Evaluation Considerations:	**Equity**: The project will serve youth in underserved and marginalized communities. The applicant states the majority of CCYA youth are African American with an increasing number of Hispanic youth and an increasing number of LGBQT+ youth. **Program location**: The project will take place in Cobb County and the organization is located in District 4. **Impact**: The applicant expects to deliver 2,400 hours of services and anticipates 50 youth will receive gap-bridging mental health and substance abuse services. **Financial Continuity**: Project will not impose ongoing costs on Cobb County beyond the requested amount of ARPA funding. Budget indicates that funding will be utilized for mental health care and substance abuse clinicians, a clinical services coordinator, and additional insurance coverage for Center for Children and Young Adults mental health clinicians.

Applicant Type	Non-Profit Organization
Applicant Name	Artz for the Harp (AFTH)
County Priorities	Community Health 1.1 Mental Health – Provides programming to address the pandemic's social and emotional impacts
Project Name	1.81 AFTH Arts Enrichment After School & Childcare Programs
Project Summary	AFTH will bring music-oriented programming to youths and seniors, as well as provide transportation to the AFTH Academy site.
Budget	Recommended Funding for Subtopic 1.1 (2 Years): $52,285.00 Applicant Requested Funding Amount – $75,000.00

Response: Does the proposed project align with one or more of the ARPA expenditure categories?	Yes; the project will address the negative social and emotional impacts of COVID-19 by providing mental health programming to underserved populations of youth and seniors. The program also addresses the pre-existing gap of adequate childcare that was further widened by COVID-19 by providing after school and childcare programs.
Summary of Project Scope:	The applicant originally requested total funding of $75,000.00 for subtopic 1.1 Mental Health. After subcommittee review and taking into account the aggregate project score and available funding remaining, the final $52,285.00 remaining in this subtopic was recommended to partially fund this project. Through the requested funding, Artz for the Harp (AFTH) will have the ability to bring programming to various youth and senior locations on site, as well as provide transportation to the AFTH Academy site for after school programming. AFTH will address the negative social, and emotional impacts of the pandemic on youth and seniors, while also addressing AFTH's low enrollment due to the pandemic, budget cuts, and unemployment rate of parents. Youth will participate in a 12-week afterschool program and/or a 1-week half-day summer program, seniors will meet twice a week to play instruments, a school bus will be retrofitted to eliminate the transportation barriers for economically disadvantaged youth and the mobility issues for seniors may face to accessing high-quality harp music enrichment programs, and additional staff will be hired and trained for accommodate the applicant's expansion of services.
ARPA Alignment: Do intended project expenditures align with one or more of the SLFRF eligible expenditure categories per Treasury guidance?	Yes; per the Final Rule 1. Public Health, Behavioral Health – 1.12: In the final rule, Treasury is maintaining this enumerated eligible use category and clarifying that it covers an expansive array of services for prevention, treatment, recovery, and harm reduction for mental health, substance use, and other behavioral health challenges caused or exacerbated by the public health emergency. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18 , pg. 4355)
Evaluation Considerations:	**Equity**: The applicant states the project will target underserved communities. **Program location**: The project will take place in Cobb County and the organization is located in District 4. **Impact**: This project is recommended to be partially funded. For the full program, the applicant anticipated 100 underserved youth receiving scholarship for tuition, 24 underserved seniors receiving scholarships for tuition free arts enrichment/therapy lessons, free transportation services for after school care, establishment of Youth and Senior Programs, hiring and retention increase of staff, and implementation of safety protocols and COVID-19 mitigation efforts. We will work with the applicant to address KPIs based on partial funding. **Financial Continuity**: Project will not impose ongoing costs on Cobb County beyond the requested amount of ARPA funding. Budget indicates that funding will be used for equipment, supplies, stipends for consultants, along with scholarships and the cost of purchasing and refurbishing a school bus.

Applicant Type	County Government Organization
Applicant Name	Cobb County Public Library
County Priorities	Community Health 1.1 Mental Health – Provides books to homebound citizens
Project Name	1.91 Books by Mail Homebound Outreach Program
Project Summary	This program addresses mental health by mailing books and other library resources to Cobb County residents who are unable to go to the library due to the pandemic.
Budget	Total Recommended Funding (4 Years): $21,600.00

Response: Does the proposed project align with one or more of the ARPA expenditure categories?	Yes; this program provides free entertainment and learning materials to those home-bound due to the pandemic; therefore, supporting both their mental health and reducing the risk of spreading COVID-19.
Summary of Project Scope:	The Cobb County Public Library is seeking funding to provide a Books by Mail service to Cobb County residents. The COVID-19 pandemic has impacted the ability for some individuals to access library services and materials. The Books by Mail program will ensure equitable access to library resources for all residents by expanding access to Cobb County Public Libraries' various materials to those who are homebound and unable to visit the library. With the use of USPS mail services, Cobb County residents can receive and return desired library materials upon request. The anticipated target number after outreach, promotion, and partnerships is 2,000+ residents.
ARPA Alignment: Do intended project expenditures align with one or more of the SLFRF eligible expenditure categories per Treasury guidance?	Yes; per the Final Rule 1. Public Health, Behavioral Health – 1.12: In the final rule, Treasury is maintaining this enumerated eligible use category and clarifying that it covers an expansive array of services for prevention, treatment, recovery, and harm reduction for mental health, substance use, and other behavioral health challenges caused or exacerbated by the public health emergency. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18 , pg. 4355)
Evaluation Considerations:	**Equity**: The applicant states that the project, while open to all Cobb residents, specifically caters to disabled (homebound) individuals who are unable to go to the library. **Program location**: The project will take place in Cobb County and the organization is located in Districts 1, 2, 3, and 4. **Impact**: It is anticipated that at least 175-200 homebound residents and/or in-need households will use Books by Mail service in the first year of the program and that there will be an improvement in citizens' mental health, positive impacts on a homebound person's personal well-being, and lasting relationships between CCPL and Books by Mail participants. **Financial Continuity**: Project will not impose ongoing costs on Cobb County beyond the requested amount of ARPA funding. The budget indicates that funding will cover upfront costs for necessary materials and ongoing postage costs. After the scope of the current project, the applicant plans on partnering with library funding partners and the library foundation to plan for the following years.

Applicant Type	Non-Profit Organization
Applicant Name	Mamlakah Community Development Corporation, Inc.
County Priorities	Community Health 1.1 Mental Health– Provides mental and behavioral health services to impacted populations
Project Name	1.125.1 The CARES for Widow & Youth Project
Project Summary	Mamlakah Community Development Corporation is seeking funding to serve low to moderate income households of historically underserved or adversely affected groups, including widows, seniors, and youth, through financial and housing counseling, workforce preparedness, women's health, COVID-19 testing, home rehabilitation, senior community engagement, and rental/mortgage assistance programs.
Budget	Recommended Funding for Subtopic 1.1 (1 Year): $4,000.00 Applicant Requested Funding Amount – $136,800.00

Response: Does the proposed project align with one or more of the ARPA expenditure categories?	Yes; the project aims to support those disproportionately impacted by the pandemic by helping to support the re-stabilization of homes, COVID-19 testing, education, and outreach, and mental and behavioral care services.
Summary of Project Scope:	The applicant originally requested total funding of $136,800.00 for subtopics 1.1 Mental Health, 2.3 Rental & Mortgage Assistance and 3.1 Workforce Development. After subcommittee review, Community Health subtopic 1.1 was recommended $4,000.00 for funding. The CARES for Widows & Youth Project seeks to positively impact the Cobb County community, specifically benefiting adversely affected populations such as widows, senior residents, low- to moderate-income, and homeless households and individuals. The project scope subtopic 1.1 will seek to reduce the number of low to very low-income individuals exposed to medical inequities. To achieve this, the project will offer various services such as mental and behavioral health counseling, access to COVID-19 testing, transportation services for residents seeking medical care or vaccinations, and the recruitment and training of senior residents to become community coache
ARPA Alignment: Do intended project expenditures align with one or more of the SLFRF eligible expenditure categories per Treasury guidance?	Yes; per the Final Rule 1. Public Health, Behavioral Health – 1.12: In the final rule, Treasury is maintaining this enumerated eligible use category and clarifying that it covers an expansive array of services for prevention, treatment, recovery, and harm reduction for mental health, substance use, and other behavioral health challenges caused or exacerbated by the public health emergency. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18, pg. 4355)
Evaluation Considerations:	**Equity**: The applicant states that the project will target low- to moderate-income households of historically underserved, marginalized, or adversely affected groups, widows, senior residents, homeless individuals, and residents of specific Qualified Census Tracts (QCTs). **Program location**: The project will take place in Cobb County and the organization is located in District 1. **Impact**: The project intends to provide 10 households with household counseling, winterization, small and rehabilitation; 150 adults and young adults are anticipated to receive resiliency-focused mental health, behavioral health educational resources and/or case management; 600 households will receive food boxes; 150 families will receive hygiene packages; 50 very low-income households will receive financial success coaching; 50 senior adults will complete five hour of civic engagement per year to create a cohort leaders for future programming; 75 Young Adults will receive job readiness and career development training and coaching; 100 low-income families will receive home mortgage or rental assistance to prevent housing insecurity. **Financial Continuity**: Project will not impose ongoing costs on Cobb County beyond the requested amount of ARPA funding. Budget indicates that funding will be used for home and rental assistar counselors, food and hygiene items, rehab and winterization of homes, COVID-19 recovery items, GED and job training, workforce readiness preparation for students, off-site training partner cost, and stipends for senior engagement workers.

Applicant Type	County Government Organization
Applicant Name	Cobb County Board of Health (aka Cobb & Douglas Public Health)
County Priorities	Community Health 1.2 Public Health Disparities – Provides access to prenatal healthcare for underserved pregnant women
Project Name	1.161 Cobb Public Health/Wellstar Health System - Babies Born Healthy (BBH)
Project Summary	The project will provide screening and assessment of high risk, underserved Cobb County pregnant women, link them to medical and social services, and provide education and supportive case management.
Budget	Total Recommended Funding (4 Years): $3,672,674.00

Response: Does the proposed project align with one or more of the ARPA expenditure categories?	Yes; the COVID-19 pandemic and economic downturn made it difficult for low-income pregnant women, especially African American women, to access care. This project seeks to address that gap.
Summary of Project Scope:	The program aims to reduce premature deliveries, reduce low birth weight babies, reduce infant and maternal mortality rates, and provide education and supportive services to pregnant women and their families to improve the health and safety of all. The populations that the applicant serves, including Black Women and uninsured persons, are more likely to be medically high-risk, requiring complex perinatology services to maintain their health and that of their baby. The Babies Born Healthy program is seeking funding for the addition of two nurses in order to serve more pregnant women per year, transportation costs to ensure women can get to their appointments, assist residents in securing Medicaid insurance, expand services to include postnatal family planning to reduce the number of unplanned pregnancies amongst this population of women, and other associated costs of the program.
ARPA Alignment: Do intended project expenditures align with one or more of the SLFRF eligible expenditure categories per Treasury guidance?	Yes; per the Final Rule 1. Public Health, Other – 1.14: Treasury is maintaining an expansive list of enumerated eligible uses to mitigate and prevent COVID–19, given the wide-ranging activities that governments may take to further these goals, including "other public health responses". (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18, pg. 4353)
Evaluation Considerations:	**Equity**: The applicant states that the project will target low-income African American women. **Program location**: The project will take place in Cobb County and the organization is located in Districts 1, 2, 3, and 4. **Impact**: 600 additional pregnant residents will be screened and assessed annually, 300 additional pregnant residents will be provided case management annually, 100 women will utilize BBH payor of last resort funds to cover prenatal care, special tests and/or perinatology services annually, 100 BBH/Healthy Start women each year will be provided Family Planning services postnatally, and Perinatal Case Management (PCM)/BBH and Healthy Start will be marketed via 10 outreach events/month to increase website views. **Financial Continuity**: Project will not impose ongoing costs on Cobb County beyond the requested amount of ARPA funding. Budget indicates that funding will be used for staff, marketing & communications, general and medical supplies and equipment, along with medical care fees, costs of tests, family planning services, and indirect costs associated with the project.

Applicant Type	Non-Profit Organization
Applicant Name	Cobb County Safety Village Foundation
County Priorities	Community Health 1.2 Public Health Disparities – Provides an inclusive outdoor area for physical activity
Project Name	1.75 Cobb County Safety Village Outdoor Restrooms, Community Plaza, and Inclusive Playground Collaboration
Project Summary	Construction project on an 8-acre site for building a community plaza, outdoor restrooms, and inclusive playground.
Budget	Total Recommended Funding (1-2 Years): $275,000.00

Response: Does the proposed project align with one or more of the ARPA expenditure categories?	Yes; the project is in response to COVID-19 and the applicant is serving children that reside in a Qualified Census Track, a population that was disproportionately impacted by the pandemic.
Summary of Project Scope:	The Safety Village educates kindergarteners, 2nd, and 4th, graders in Cobb County, along with numerous Family Fun Safety Days, Camp Puzzle Days (for autistic community members), and senior adult educational events. Visits for students to the Safety Village are free and up to 200 students/residents per day from all demographics experience the interactive education. The project request for funding for three projects: construction of outdoor plaza, restrooms, and playground. By having an outdoor plaza, students can eat lunch in the fresh air. The proposed outdoor restrooms would also fulfill the need for proper hygiene prior to eating on the plaza, save visitors/instructors time and stress, and allow Safety Village to host more outdoor-only events without having to open the entire building. In addition, an inclusive playground would encourage physical activity, better engage the special needs children, reduce stress, and teach children and their families about playground safety. If funding for these projects can be secured in 2022, the SV Foundation voted in May 2022 to set aside $275,000 of their reserve funds for a dollar-for-dollar match. Although the design and construction may only take 1-2 years, the commitment by the Foundation is to maintain these facilities and to recognize the sponsorship for the next 20 years.
ARPA Alignment: Do intended project expenditures align with one or more of the SLFRF eligible expenditure categories per Treasury guidance?	Yes; per the Final Rule 2. Negative Economic Impacts, Assistance to Households – 2.22: The final rule includes enumerated eligible uses in disproportionately impacted communities for developing neighborhood features that promote improved health and safety outcomes, such as parks, green spaces, recreational facilities, sidewalks, pedestrian safety features like crosswalks, projects that increase access to healthy foods, streetlights, neighborhood cleanup, and other projects to revitalize public spaces. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18 , pg. 4373)
Evaluation Considerations:	**Equity:** The applicant states that the project is located in a Qualified Census Tract (QCT) and will target children in Cobb County Schools. **Program Location:** The project will take place in Cobb County and the organization is located in District 1. **Impact:** The applicant expects to host more corporate and community events during non-traditional hours without as many staff to monitor interior areas, measure the number of student visiting on a monthly basis and serve at least 25,000 Kindergarten, 2nd, and 4th grade, students annually, serve at least 6,000 other visitors through their events, provide instruction on recycling and environmental sustainability, and track pre-post test knowledge of 4th graders. **Financial Continuity:** Project will not impose ongoing costs on Cobb County beyond the requested amount of ARPA funding. ARPA funding will be in conjuncture with a dollar-for-dollar match from the foundation to construct the outdoor plaza, restroom building, and inclusive playground.

Applicant Type	Non-Profit Organization
Applicant Name	Vision To Learn
County Priorities	Community Health 1.2 Public Health Disparities – Offers free eye exams to children of underserved communities
Project Name	1.151 Exams and Prescription Glasses to Help Cobb County Children Disproportionately Impacted by the COVID-19 Pandemic
Project Summary	The project will provide free eye exams and prescription glasses to children in underserved communities. Services will be provided using a mobile vision clinic.
Budget	Total Recommended Funding (4 Years): $264,000.00

Response: Does the proposed project align with one or more of the ARPA expenditure categories?	Yes; the project aims to support children's education and mitigate the impacts of learning loss due to the COVID-19 pandemic.
Summary of Project Scope:	The goal of the program is to improve academic performance in children by providing glasses to children whose families cannot afford them over the span of four summer programs (2023-2026). Services will be brought directly to schools and community organizations with the use of a mobile vision clinic. Each mobile clinic contains all the necessary equipment to conduct eye exams and to select desired frames. The program will provide services at the Cobb County Library as they have prior experience in doing so. Vision to Learn is seeking funding to continue to provide these services over the next four summers. Outreach for this program will be conducted by Cobb County Library and Vision To Learn will schedule all exams directly with parents and guardians.
ARPA Alignment: Do intended project expenditures align with one or more of the SLFRF eligible expenditure categories per Treasury guidance?	Yes; per the Final Rule 1. Public Health, Other – 1.14 2. Negative Economic Impacts, Assistance to Households – 2.25: The final rule also maintains a separate enumerated eligible use for addressing educational disparities in disproportionately impacted communities. This eligible use includes services to address disparities in educational outcomes that predate the pandemic and amplified its impact on underserved students; these include, for example, enhanced funding to high-poverty districts and providing evidence-based services to address the academic, social, emotional, and mental health needs of students. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18 , pg. 4365)
Evaluation Considerations:	**Equity**: The applicant states the project will target persons adversely affected by persistent poverty. The project also occurs within a Qualified Census Tract (QCT). **Program location**: The project will take place in Cobb County and the organization is Gwinnett County. **Impact**: The applicant expects to provide a total of 2,100 eye exams and a total of 1,280 prescription eyeglasses during the summer months of the project duration. **Financial Continuity**: Project will not impose ongoing costs on Cobb County beyond the requested amount of ARPA funding. Budget indicates that funding will be utilized for optician and optometrist fees, program salaries, eyeglasses, travel, clinic operation, maintenance, along with other associated costs. Funding will also cover indirect expenses associated with the project.

Applicant Type	Other – Local Education Agency (Marietta City School District)
Applicant Name	Marietta City Schools
County Priorities	Community Health 1.2 Public Health Disparities - Offers vision screenings, frames, and glasses to students who need them
Project Name	1.77 Recovering Lost Learning Through Vision Screenings
Project Summary	Vision to Learn will visit nine Marietta City Schools, provide follow-up services from preliminary exam results, prescribe glasses, and supply students with the glasses.
Budget	Total Recommended Funding (4 Years): $247,800.00

Response: Does the proposed project align with one or more of the ARPA expenditure categories?	Yes; students served by this project reside in Cobb County's Qualified Census Tract (QCT)s.
Summary of Project Scope:	Vision to Learn will visit nine Marietta City Schools and students identified as requiring an eye exam through a preliminary vision screening will be offered follow-up services through Vision to Learn. Those who consent will be provided eye exams by a Georgia-licensed optometrist onboard a mobile clinic. All students prescribed glasses will choose their own frames from a wide selection on the mobile clinic. All glasses are warrantied; if lost or broken, Vision to Learn will replace them free of charge for up to two years following the exam. All the screenings, frames and glasses are provided at no cost to the student and all activities take place without leaving each school. Each elementary school student will be eligible to receive vision screenings and exams every other year.
ARPA Alignment: Do intended project expenditures align with one or more of the SLFRF eligible expenditure categories per Treasury guidance?	Yes; per the Final Rule 1. Public Health, Other – 1.14 2. Negative Economic Impacts, Assistance to Households – 2.25: The final rule also maintains a separate enumerated eligible use for addressing educational disparities in disproportionately impacted communities. This eligible use includes services to address disparities in educational outcomes that predate the pandemic and amplified its impact on underserved students; these include, for example, enhanced funding to high-poverty districts and providing evidence-based services to address the academic, social, emotional, and mental health needs of students. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18 , pg. 4365)
Evaluation Considerations:	**Equity:** The applicant states that the project will target students in Qualified Census Tracts (QCTs). **Program Location:** The project will take place in Cobb County and the organization is located in Districts 1 and 3. **Impact:** Throughout the duration of the project, 7,600 students will receive vision screenings period, 2,280 students will receive full eye exams, and 1,650 students will receive eyeglasses. **Financial Continuity:** Project will not impose ongoing costs on Cobb County beyond the requested amount of ARPA funding. Budget indicates that funding will be used for vision screenings and eye exams throughout the 4-year project.

Applicant Type	Non-Profit Organization
Applicant Name	Cobb Collaborative. Inc.
County Priorities	Community Health 1.2 Public Health Disparities – Helping veterans find treatment and services
Project Name	1.68 Connecting Cobb Veterans
Project Summary	The purpose of this project is to quickly connect veterans in Cobb County with providers using an online database and to track outcomes to verify that the veterans received proper treatment.
Budget	Total Recommended Funding (4 Years): $158,100.00

esponse: Does the roposed project align with ne or more of the ARPA xpenditure categories?	Yes; the pandemic created additional stressors, an isolated environment, and triggered or affected PTSD symptoms for Veterans. This program addresses negative impacts of COVID-19 on Veterans and seeks to connec Veterans with treatment services.
ummary of Project Scope:	Connecting Cobb Veterans (CCV), a program of the Cobb Collaborative, was established to address a short-comi in the Veteran Service Provider community in Cobb County. Many service providers operate in a traditional service delivery model, providing a referral rather than connecting Veterans the necessary service. Veterans oft do not have the emotional capacity and psychological resilience to keep searching for resources when they do not qualify for a certain program. Cobb Collaborative focuses on connecting the estimated 40,000+ County Veterans with a provider that can best address their needs and deliver services surrounding mental health, substance abuse, homelessness or rent insecurity, food insecurity, poverty and unemployment. Through the project Connecting Cobb Veterans, Cobb Collaborative can identify service providers that can best address each veteran's needs while also tracking and verifying that each veteran is receiving proper treatment. This will be achieved using the Veteran's Service Provider (VSP) database, the use of the Unite Us platform, a partnership with Chattahoochee Tech/VECTR Center, the hiring of staff, the development of operational process guides, the development of an interactive website, and the facilitation of information-sharing and collaboration. Cobb Collaborative is seeking funding establish this project and be self-sustaining and fully operational.
RPA Alignment: Do ntended project xpenditures align with ne or more of the SLFRF ligible expenditure ategories per Treasury uidance?	Yes; per the Final Rule 1. Public Health, Behavioral Health – 1.12, 1.13: In the final rule, Treasury is maintaining this enumerated eligible use category and clarifying that it covers an expansive array of services for prevention, treatment, recovery, and harm reduction for mental health, substanc use, and other behavioral health challenges caused or exacerbated by the public health emergency. (See Federa Register Vol 87, No. 18 , pg. 4355) 2. Negative Economic Impacts, Assistance to Households – 2.1, 2.2, 2.18 2. Negative Economic Impacts, Other – 2.37: The interim final rule included several enumerated eligible uses to provide assistance to households or populations facing negative economic impacts due to COVID–19. Enumerated eligible uses included: Food assistance; rent, mortgage, or utility assistance; counseling and legal aid to prevent eviction or homelessness. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18 , pg. 4359)
valuation Considerations:	**Equity:** The applicant states that the project will target veterans. **Program Location:** The project will take place in Cobb County and the organization is located in District 2. **Impact:** The applicant expects to have the most comprehensive database of VSPs serving veterans in Cobb County and will train a team of 10 part-time volunteers to support veterans by answering questions and utilizing the Unite Us database for VSP searches and client tracking. 100 Veterans will receive direct support through CC in Year 1 while an additional 300 Veterans will receive information pertaining to available services, create a network for collaboration among VSPs, and increase the total knowledge base of the veterans' service environment. The applicant anticipates reducing the number of Veterans turned away from an VSP without a connection to someone else who can help them by half and overall improve the lives of a vulnerable County population. **Financial Continuity:** Project will not impose ongoing costs on Cobb County beyond the requested amount of ARPA funding. Budget indicates that funding will be used for program staff salaries, technical support, educatior and training, collateral materials, and business expenses.

Applicant Type	Non-Profit Organization
Applicant Name	Reach Out and Read Georgia
County Priorities	Community Health 1.2 Public Health Disparities – Helps young children develop literary skills
Project Name	1.238 Reach Out and Read Georgia - Increased Access to Pediatric Intervention for Social-emotional/Developmental Health and Literacy
Project Summary	Reach Out and Read (ROR)'s mission is giving all young children an equal foundation for success by promoting early literacy and incorporating developmentally, culturally, and linguistically-appropriate new books that children can bring home after routine pediatric care visits.
Budget	Total Recommended Funding (4 Years): $136,342.00

Response: Does the proposed project align with one or more of the ARPA expenditure categories?	Yes; COVID-19 negatively impacted well-child visit compliance. This program addresses the inequities exasperated by COVID-19 by supporting the pediatric care community to make the promotion of health parent-child relationships part of the standard of care by intervening early in children's lives.
Summary of Project Scope:	ROR's three-part model is delivered during routine pediatric checkups by educating and empowering parents to be their child's first and best teachers. When families bring their child for a well-child visit, a trained medical provider discusses the importance of reading aloud together, shares practical tips to promote early literacy, and offers each child a new book for their home library. ARPA funding will allow for program sustainability and growth increasing access for Cobb County's children and families.
ARPA Alignment: Do intended project expenditures align with one or more of the SLFRF eligible expenditure categories per Treasury guidance?	Yes; per the Final Rule 2. Negative Economic Impacts, Assistance to Households – 2.14: Uses include assistance applying for public benefits or services; programs or services that address or mitigate the impacts of the COVID–19 public health emergency on childhood health or welfare, including childcare, early learning services, programs to provide home visits, and services for families involved in the child welfare system and foster youth; programs to address the impacts of lost instructional time for students. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18 , pg. 4359)
Evaluation Considerations:	**Equity:** The applicant states that the project will provide books in different languages, prioritize uninsured patients, and aim to partner with clinics that serve underserved populations. **Program Location:** The project will take place in Cobb County and the organization is located in Districts 1, 2, 3, and 4. **Impact:** 2,500 additional children will have access to the applicant's early intervention program and 5 additional pediatric practice partners will be onboarded and receive training. **Financial Continuity:** Project will not impose ongoing costs on Cobb County beyond the requested amount of ARPA funding. Budget indicates that funding will be used to purchase, store, and distribute books, along with costs for program evaluation and assessment, training for medical and administrative staff, and literacy materials. Funds will also be used for program oversight, administrative costs, and fundraising.

Applicant Type	County Government Organization
Applicant Name	Cobb County Board of Health (aka Cobb & Douglas Public Health)
County Priorities	Community Health 1.3 Substance Abuse – Seeks to reduce opioid use
Project Name	1.149 CDPH-CCFES-CCSO Opioid Use Reduction Health Project
Project Summary	The project focuses on three strategies to reduce the opioid misuse, overdoses, and deaths in Cobb County.
Budget	Total Recommended Funding (4 Years): $2,687,069.00

Response: Does the proposed project align with one or more of the ARPA expenditure categories?	Yes; during the COVID-19 pandemic the rate of substance use increased drastically, and this project focuses on addressing the increased use and its impacts.
Summary of Project Scope:	Correlated with increased emotional distress during the COVID-19 pandemic, opioid overdoses are at the highest level ever in the United States, including Cobb County. The Cobb & Douglas Public Health, Cobb County Fire & Emergency Services, and the Cobb County Sheriff's Office (CDPH-CCFES-CCSO) Opioid Use Reduction Health Project focuses on three strategies to reduce opioid misuse, overdoses, and deaths in Cobb County. Strategies include harm reduction, prevention and education, and treatment access.
ARPA Alignment: Do intended project expenditures align with one or more of the SLFRF eligible expenditure categories per Treasury guidance?	Yes; per the Final Rule 1. Public Health, Behavioral Health – 1.13: Treasury highlights several ways that funds may be used to respond to opioid use disorder and prevent overdose mortality. Specifically, eligible uses of funds include programs to expand access to evidence-based treatment like medications to treat opioid use disorder naloxone distribution, syringe service programs, outreach to individuals in active use, post-overdose follow up. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18 , pg. 4356)
Evaluation Considerations:	**Equity:** The target population is impacted Cobb County residents. **Program Location:** The project will take place in Cobb County and the organization is located in Districts 1, 2, 3, and 4. **Impact:** The applicant expects to increase access to naloxone doses and other harm reduction supplies, provide more robust, credible, and consistent prevention communications, increase the number of medical providers by at least 50, and increase the number of medical providers offering opioid medication assisted therapy by at least 25 providers by December 2026. **Financial Continuity:** Project will not impose ongoing costs on Cobb County beyond the requested amount of ARPA funding. Budget indicates that funds will be used for harm reduction supplies, prevention and educational resources, and treatment and recovery costs. Funds also cover indirect costs of 14% of the total request.

Applicant Type	Non-Profit Organization
Applicant Name	The Extension, Inc.
County Priorities	Community Health 1.3 Substance Abuse – Provides residential substance use disorder (SUD) treatment
Project Name	1.114 Residential Treatment Program for Homeless Addicted men
Project Summary	This program will provide evidenced-based residential SUD treatment for homeless men and residential treatment facilities throughout Cobb County.
Budget	Total Recommended Funding (2 Years): $997,821.00

Response: Does the proposed project align with one or more of the ARPA expenditure categories?	Yes; this project addresses the public health impacts by working with addicted individuals, a population that grew during the pandemic.
Summary of Project Scope:	The Extension, Inc. provides comprehensive long-term residential treatment to homeless, addicted individuals. Since the COVID-19 pandemic, The Extension sees an exacerbated need for SUD treatment for homeless populations. This project provide residential treatment for individuals experiencing homelessness in two facilities in Marietta. Requested funding would allow The Extension to add an additional 56 beds and therapeutic services to the men's campus. Beneficiaries who enter the program are expected to complete the program's three phases within 9 to 12 months and then actively participate in the Alumni Association to maintain accountability for themselves and others. In the program, beneficiaries participate in group psychotherapy and psychoeducation, and individual counseling and case management tailored to the needs of the specific individual in each phase of the program. The Extension, Inc. outlines the main goal of the program as that those who enter the program never again depend on drugs to get them high or charity to get them by.
ARPA Alignment: Do intended project expenditures align with one or more of the SLFRF eligible expenditure categories per Treasury guidance?	Yes; per the Final Rule 1. Public Health, Behavioral Health – 1.13: In the final rule, Treasury is maintaining this enumerated eligible use category and clarifying that it covers an expansive array of services for prevention, treatment, recovery, and harm reduction for mental health, substance use, and other behavioral health challenges caused or exacerbated by the public health emergency. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18 , pg. 4355)
Evaluation Considerations:	**Equity:** The applicant states that the project will target the homeless population. **Program Location:** The project will take place in Cobb County and the organization is located in District 3. **Impact:** Applicant expects to admit and address the treatment needs of 412 homeless men and provide 78,736 hours of formal counseling. **Financial Continuity:** Project will not impose ongoing costs on Cobb County beyond the requested amount of ARPA funding. The budget indicates that funding will be utilized for program personnel, program components including food, drug screens, and health services, along with facility costs and operations.

Applicant Type	County Government Organization
Applicant Name	Superior Court of Cobb County
County Priorities	Community Health 1.1 Mental Health, **1.3 Substance Abuse** – Provides services to individuals struggling with mental health and/or substance abuse issues
Project Name	1.194.1 Unified Court COVID Recovery Project C - Accountability Court Housing & Treatment
Project Summary	This project provides sober living and temporary housing assistance, medication assisted treatment services, residential treatment for substance abuse disorders, and in-service mental health services for individuals who have been involved in the criminal justice system and struggle with mental health and/or substance abuse issues. These services are currently carried out by the Cobb County Superior Court Accountability Courts Programs, but additional funding is needed to keep them going.
Budget	Total Recommended Funding (2 years): $1,310,000.00 (Recommended Amount for Subtopic 1.1 - $405,000.00) **(Recommended Amount for Subtopic 1.3 - $905,000.00)**

Response: Does the proposed project align with one or more of the ARPA expenditure categories?	Yes; the project addresses mental health and substance abuse issues, both of which have been exacerbated by the COVID-19 pandemic.
Summary of Project Scope:	The Cobb County Superior Court Accountability Court Program is one of the most influential criminal justice reform initiatives in the country and aims at providing effective alternatives to sentencing for non-violent offenders. This program directly supports the Drug Treatment, Mental Health, and Veterans Accountability and Treatment Courts. Currently, there is very limited funding for the Cobb County Accountability Courts to continue functioning as it has, and for programs to remain operational and effective, additional funding is needed. Requested funding would be used for Sober Living Housing, Temporary Housing Assistance, Medication Assisted Treatment Services by Physician, Residential Treatment for Substance Abuse Disorders, and Mental Health Treatment Services. Given the existing presence of the applicant in Cobb County, upon receiving the requested funds, Cobb County residents would benefit relatively quickly from the applicant's assistance.
ARPA Alignment: Do intended project expenditures align with one or more of the SLFRF eligible expenditure categories per Treasury guidance?	Yes; per the Final Rule 1. Public Health, Behavioral Health – 1.12, 1.13: In the final rule, Treasury is maintaining this enumerated eligible use category and clarifying that it covers an expansive array of services for prevention, treatment, recovery, and harm reduction for mental health, substance use, and other behavioral health challenges caused or exacerbated by the public health emergency. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18 , pg. 4355)
Evaluation Considerations:	**Equity:** The target population is impacted Cobb County residents. **Program Location:** The project and organization are located in Cobb County. **Impact:** Applicant anticipates that 100 Accountability Court participants will receive Sober Living Hosing for two months to assist with substance abuse disorders; 50 Accountability Court participants will receive temporary housing assistance for up to two months to have the ability to gain employment and pay their own housing independently; 40 Drug Treatment Court participants will receive 18 months of medication assisted treatment services from a physician in order to gain sobriety from alcoholism or opioid addiction; 30 Accountability Court participants will receive Residential Treatment for Substance Use Disorders in order to gain sobriety and begin a better life moving forward; 30 Mental Health Court participants will receive in-service Mental Health Treatment in order to gain stability and begin a better life moving forward; 25 additional court participants in Accountability Court will improve recidivism rates and citizens lifestyles in Cobb County. **Financial Continuity:** Project will not impose ongoing costs on Cobb County beyond the requested amount of ARPA funding. Budget indicates that funds will directly serve court

Applicant Type	Non-Profit Organization
Applicant Name	Davis Direction Foundation, Inc.
County Priorities	Community Health 1.3 Substance Abuse - Providing services to individuals with substance abuse disorders
Project Name	1.223 Zoned 4 Co-Occurring Disorders
Project Summary	This program provides direct services to individuals recovering from substance use disorders (SUD), combined with mental illness, commonly referred to as co-occurring disorders (CD) disproportionately affected by COVID-19.
Budget	Total Recommended Funding (2 Years): $413,104.00

Response: Does the proposed project align with one or more of the ARPA expenditure categories?	Yes; this project will serve individuals suffering from substance abuse disorder which is an enumerated public health impact of the pandemic.
Summary of Project Scope:	The Zone is the only recovery support organization in Cobb County. This program addresses substance use disorder in Cobb County by carrying out three objectives: 1. Offering certified mental health training classes to stakeholders including Mental Health First Aid and Suicide Prevention classes. 2. Significantly expanding existing Recovery Coaching and Re-Entry Programs at The Zone to include co-occurring disorders support groups and mental health coaching with an emphasis on mental health strategies, resulting in higher Recovery Capital for beneficiaries. 3. Increasing the number of individuals in recovery from SUD and CD who have individualized recovery plans in Cobb County.
ARPA Alignment: Do intended project expenditures align with one or more of the SLFRF eligible expenditure categories per Treasury guidance?	Yes; per the Final Rule 1. Public Health, Behavioral Health – 1.12, 1.13: In the final rule, Treasury is maintaining this enumerated eligible use category and clarifying that it covers an expansive array of services for prevention, treatment, recovery, and harm reduction for mental health, substance use, and other behavioral health challenges caused or exacerbated by the public health emergency. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18 , pg. 4355)
Evaluation Considerations:	**Equity:** The target population is impacted Cobb County residents. **Program Location:** The project will take place in Cobb County and the organization is located in District 3. **Impact:** Within the constraints of the project duration, objectives include: a total of 50 individuals will be trained for Mental Health First Aid Training; a total of 50 individuals will receive Quarterly Suicide Prevention Training; The Zoned 4 Re-Entry Program will have a total of 40 participants; The Zoned 4 Youth in Recovery Program will have a total of 64 participants; 100% of participants will realize an increase in social connectedness and access to recovery support services as indicated by the Recovery Capital Scale; all Re-Entry Program graduates will have a 90% attendance rate; 100% of participants who completed The Recovery Coaching Program, The Zoned 4 Re-Entry Program, and The Zoned 4 Youth in Recovery Program will complete an Individualized Recovery Plan. **Financial Continuity:** Project will not impose ongoing costs on Cobb County beyond the requested amount of ARPA funding. The applicant states that requested funding will be utilized to expand services and increase staff based on increased community need. Budget indicates that funding will encompass program staff, including coaches, specialists and interns, along with necessary program supplies and indirect services costs.

Applicant Type	Non-Profit Organization
Applicant Name	Ridgeview Alumni Charitable Corporation
County Priorities	Community Health 1.3 Substance Abuse – Assists a part of the population to stay sober and purchase medications
Project Name	1.191 Ridgeview Alumni Charitable Corporation Grant
Project Summary	This project will provide support to individuals dealing with mental health and substance abuse challenges by providing access to sober living assistance, outpatient services, and assistance with paying for medications.
Budget	Total Recommended Funding (2 Years): $195,720.00

Response: Does the proposed project align with one or more of the ARPA expenditure categories?	Yes; the project addresses mental health and substance abuse issues which have been exacerbated by the COVID-19 pandemic.
Summary of Project Scope:	This project will provide support to individuals dealing with mental health and substance abuse challenges by providing access to sober living assistance, outpatient services, and assistance with paying for medications. This organization aims at helping individuals who have no insurance or are under-insured. The goal of this project is to help 12 patients with sober living housing for up to 30 days for year 1 and another 12 patients for year 2. Additionally, the project intends to assist 24 patients in covering medication drug costs. Lastly, the program will aid individuals who need to receive partial hospitalization or intensive outpatient services for substance abuse treatment if they are not able to afford these services. The organization aims at expanding its reach with time to offer additional support and services to patients of Cobb County.
ARPA Alignment: Do intended project expenditures align with one or more of the SLFRF eligible expenditure categories per Treasury guidance?	Yes; per the Final Rule 1. Public Health, Behavioral Health – 1.12, 1.13: In the final rule, Treasury is maintaining this enumerated eligible use category and clarifying that it covers an expansive array of services for prevention, treatment, recovery, and harm reduction for mental health, substance use, and other behavioral health challenges caused or exacerbated by the public health emergency. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18 , pg. 4355)
Evaluation Considerations:	**Equity:** The applicant states the project will target those who are uninsured or underinsured. **Program Location:** The project will take place in Cobb County and the organization is located in District 2. **Impact:** For the project duration, the applicant expects to provide sober living assistance to 24 individuals up to a month, aid with drug costs up to 24 patients at $200 per patient, assist patients needing partial hospitalization or intensive outpatient services up to 12 individuals for each service. **Financial Continuity:** Project will not impose ongoing costs on Cobb County beyond the requested amount of ARPA funding. Budget indicates that funds will be used for residential recovery, medication assistance, partial hospitalization program, and intensive outpatient program.

Applicant Type	Non-Profit Organization
Applicant Name	Good Samaritan Health Center of Cobb, INC.
County Priorities	Community Health 1.4 Healthcare Capacity – Funding to expand healthcare facility and services offered
Project Name	1.262 Good Samaritan Health Center of Cobb
Project Summary	This non-profit organization aims to increase healthcare capacity, patient outcomes, and access to quality care by physically expanding the space available for patient services and augmenting the staff available to serve patients. The primary population served by this expansion will be uninsured individuals from minority communities.
Budget	Total Recommended Funding (4 Years): $3,128,459.00

Response: Does the proposed project align with one or more of the ARPA expenditure categories?	Yes; this initiative will further reduce the undue strain currently being experienced by the emergency departments of local hospitals that was created during the pandemic.
Summary of Project Scope:	As a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, many uninsured residents are actively searching for affordable access to the healthcare system. Good Samaritan requests funds to address this increased need to expand their physical capacity to support between 5,000 and 6,000 patients annually through three initiatives. Capital expansion includes adding 5,000 square feet to existing facilities, and these new areas will include 11 exam rooms, a licensed pharmacy, expanded patient waiting areas, and additional patient support staff work areas. Capacity expansion includes increasing the paid staffing by hiring additional medical physicians, dentists, and their requisite support staff, while also further increasing the behavioral health staffing to include onsite psychiatric services. Organizational Expansion entails expanding the paid support staff to include the following new positions: 1) Chief Clinical Officer; 2) Human Resources Director; 3) Staff Accountant, and 4) part time Facilities Coordinator. The expectation of expansion is to reduce the undue strain currently being experienced by the emergency departments of local Cobb County hospitals and improve overall community health outcomes.
ARPA Alignment: Do intended project expenditures align with one or more of the SLFRF eligible expenditure categories per Treasury guidance?	Yes; per the Final Rule 1. Public Health, COVID-19 Mitigation and Prevention – 1.4: Improvements to or construction of emergency operations centers and acquisition of emergency response equipment. (See Federal Register Vol. 87, No. 18 pg. 4354) 3. Public Health-Negative Economic Impact: Public Sector Capacity, General Provisions– 3.1 : Public health and safety staff; rehiring state and local, government staff; expenses to improve the efficacy of public health or economic relief programs; and administrative expenses caused or exacerbated by the pandemic. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18, pg. 4383)
Evaluation Considerations:	**Equity:** The applicant states the project will target underserved communities, including minority populations and the uninsured. **Program Location:** The project will take place in Cobb County and the organization is located in District 1. **Impact:** The applicant expects to increase the number of unduplicated patient totals from 3,431 in 2021 to at least 5,000 by the end of 2025. The applicant also hopes to conduct approximately 10,000 patient visits annually by the end of 2025. **Financial Continuity:** Project will not impose ongoing costs on Cobb County beyond the requested amount of ARPA funding. The budget indicates that funding will be used for construction/alteration and renovation, along with other associated costs.

Applicant Type	County Government Department
Applicant Name	Cobb & Douglas Public Health (CPDH)
County Priorities	Community Health 1.4 Healthcare Capacity – Providing mobile healthcare services
Project Name	1.65 CDPH Community Health Outreach Project
Project Summary	Expansion of public health and COVID-19 community mobile outreach efforts currently done through the CDC Health Navigator program.
Budget	Total Recommended Funding (3 Years): $2,736,291.00

Response: Does the proposed project align with one or more of the ARPA expenditure categories?	Yes; the applicant proposes a mobile outreach program to provide drive-through, virtual, mobile, outdoor, and in-home approaches for COVID-19 services as the virus moves to an endemic phase.
Summary of Project Scope:	Outreach activities to provide critical health services in multiple formats to ensure that vulnerable residents have access to care. This includes establishing 5 virtual access points around the County, continuing to employ 1 Outreach Coordinator, 5 Part-Time Registered Nurses, 5 Health Navigators, 1 Part-Time Lead Navigator and 2 Clerical staff to continue the current model through December 2026. The project would train staff and expand services to include activities such as rapid syphilis testing, monkeypox vaccinations, more robust HIV testing/prevention/linkage, more varied childhood vaccinations, and chronic disease screening/prevention.
ARPA Alignment: Do intended project expenditures align with one or more of the SLFRF eligible expenditure categories per Treasury guidance?	Yes; per the Final Rule 1. Public Health, COVID-19 Mitigation and Prevention – 1.1, 1.2, 1.3, 1.7: 1. Public Health, Other – 1.14: Treasury is maintaining an expansive list of enumerated eligible uses to mitigate and prevent COVID–19, given the wide-ranging activities that governments may take to further these goals, including "other public health responses". (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18, pg. 4353)
Evaluation Considerations:	**Equity:** The applicant states that the project will provide basic, critical public health services and health linkages to residents who are uninsured, low-income, and who have limited access to quality health care. **Program location:** The project will take place in Cobb County and the organization is located in Districts 1, 2, 3, and 4. **Impact:** The applicant states they will provide at least 125 mobile events per year across all County commission districts with a focus on communities in need, reach 150-200 community member engagements per month, and complete follow up with 100% of community member contacts each month. **Financial continuity:** The applicant plans to seek other funding sources or institutionalize the program into their operational CDPH budgets after 2026. If state or federal public health funding is secured during the ARPA-funded years, applicant will reduce its request accordingly.

Applicant Type	County Government Organization
Applicant Name	Cobb County Medical Examiner's Office
County Priorities	Community Health 1.4 Healthcare Capacity – Addresses access and availability of healthcare
Project Name	1.1 Cobb County Medical Examiner's Recovery Plan
Project Summary	Funding requested to increase equipment, supplies, and personnel needed to respond to an increase in caseload due to the COVID-19 public health emergency.
Budget	Total Recommended Funding (2 Years): $732,501.00

Response: Does the proposed project align with one or more of the ARPA expenditure categories?	Yes; the project aims to obtain additional equipment to respond to the public health emergency and to gather data on COVID-related deaths.
Summary of Project Scope:	The surge capacity for the Cobb County Medical Examiner's Office (CCMEO) has been depleted due to an increased caseload. The use of quality personal protective equipment and supplies is necessary to ensure minimal exposure to staff when conducting their duties, which continually place them at risk of contamination. Additional equipment will also allow for further testing to provide predicative data related to health issues and the spread of infectious diseases, such as COVID-19. The use of accurate, real-time data to inform decision-making is essential for infectious disease control. Funding is requested for two additional vehicles to expand CCMEO's capacity to respond to the increased number of scene investigations. Funding is also sought to cover Locum Tenens physicians that may be required to assist during surge events or if medical staff has reached capacity on cases they can perform.
ARPA Alignment: Do intended project expenditures align with one or more of the SLFRF eligible expenditure categories per Treasury guidance?	Yes; per the Final Rule 1. Public Health, COVID-19 Mitigation and Prevention – 1.5, 1.7: Enumerated eligible uses of funds in this category included: public health surveillance (e.g., monitoring case trends, genomic sequencing for variants); enforcement of public health orders; public communication efforts; enhancement to health care capacity, including through alternative care facilities; purchases of personal protective equipment. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18, pg. 4352) 3. Public Health-Negative Economic Impact: Public Sector Capacity, General Provisions – 3.1: Public health and safety staff; rehiring state and local, government staff; expenses to improve the efficacy of public health or economic relief programs; and administrative expenses caused or exacerbated by the pandemic. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18, pg. 4383
Evaluation Considerations:	**Equity:** The applicant states that the project enables CCMEO to serve the residents of Cobb County by responding to an increased caseload and will provide predicative data relating to health issues which will allow residents, especially members of underserved communities, to be better prepared. **Program location:** The project will take place in Cobb County and the organization is located in District 1. **Impact:** The project will enable CCMEO to meet the increased caseload resulting from the pandemic and provide predicative data to aid in early identification of a potential threat to the citizens of Cobb County. **Financial Continuity**: The project will not impose ongoing costs on Cobb County beyond the requested amount of ARPA funding. Supplies and temporary positions are requested based on the increased caseload resulting from the pandemic.

Applicant Type	County Government Organization
Applicant Name	Cobb Emergency Management Agency
County Priorities	County Infrastructure, **Community Health** 4.1 County Facilities, **1.5 COVID-19 Mitigation** – Provides a shelter space for COVID-19 stockpile equipment
Project Name	1.56.1 Cobb County Stockpile
Project Summary	Continue supporting Cobb County Government Agencies by providing PPE and purchase necessary items to enhance the current stockpile. EMA will acquire the currently vacant Fire Station 30; the building will need some renovations to include a new roof and heating and air conditioning.
Budget	Total Recommended Funding (17 Months): $250,000.00 (Recommended Funding for Subtopic 4.1 – $20,000.00) **(Recommended Funding for Subtopic 1.5 – $230,000.00)**

Response: Does the proposed project align with one or more of the ARPA expenditure categories?	Yes; purchasing products that will be used to directly mitigate the spread of COVID-19.
Summary of Project Scope:	The project will continue supporting Cobb County Government Agencies by providing PPE and purchase necessary items to enhance the current stockpile. The applicant will determine the items most needed during surges of COVID-19 cases and the items most needed during surges that were difficult to obtain due to supply chain interruptions. Cobb Emergency Management Agency will purchase stockpile needs to maintain a supply that will support the COVID-19 response and improve upon the dissemination of PPE. Once funding is available, the EMA will follow County procurement processes and obtain competitive quotes from vendors with immediate supply instead of those that have a limited inventory or extended delivery times. The supply of disinfectant, hand sanitizer, wipes, 3-ply masks, and gloves will be purchased immediately to ensure there is a three-month supply on hand. Space is currently limited at the Fire Annex and an overflow location is necessary to properly maintain supplies. EMA will acquire the currently vacant Fire Station 30 off Austell Road and Windy Hill in Marietta, GA to expand the space for storage of current and acquired items. The initial acquisition will have no cost to this project; however, the building will need some renovations to include a new roof and heating and air conditioning. Control access and fencing will be added at the existing stockpile location to enhance security to stockpile supplies and equipment.
ARPA Alignment: Do intended project expenditures align with one or more of the SLFRF eligible expenditure categories per Treasury guidance?	Yes; per the Final Rule 1. Public Health, COVID-19 Mitigation & Prevention – 1.5, 1.7: Enumerated eligible uses of funds in this category included:...purchases of personal protective equipment. (Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18, pg. 4353) Capital expenditures, in certain cases, can be appropriate responses to the public health and economic impacts of the pandemic, in addition to programs and services. Capital expenditures should be a related and reasonably proportional response to a public health or negative economic impact of the pandemic. (Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18, pg. 4389)
Evaluation Considerations:	**Equity:** The target population is impacted Cobb County residents. **Program Location:** The project will take place in Cobb County and the organization is located in Districts 1, 2, 3, and 4. **Impact:** Applicant will provide approximately 5,000 employees and the general public entering all Cobb County Government agencies and court system with necessary PPE to respond to COVID-19 pandemic. By maintaining a 60-to-90-day stockpile of necessary PPE items, Cobb County Government agencies can continue serving all County citizens. **Financial Continuity:** Project will not impose ongoing costs on Cobb County beyond the requested amount of ARPA funding. The budget indicates that funding will be used for PPE stockpile needs to address an increased need created by the COVID-19 pandemic.

County Infrastructure Subcommittee - Recommended Projects		
Organization/Individual Name	Project Name	Amount Recommended
Cobb Senior Services	Project Senior S.A.F.E.T.Y. -Seniors to have Affordable housing & food, Facilities that are safe, Education & exercise, Transportation to medical appointments for a healthier YOU!	$799,303
Cobb County Support Services Agency, as well as Property Management and Parks Departments	Healthy County Building Initiative	$5,800,000
Cobb County, GA (Water System Agency)	Cobb County Water System Stormwater Management Unit Price Contract Work Orders	$3,000,000
Cobb County, GA (Water System Agency)	FY21 Multiple Water Pump Stations Projects	$1,565,065
Cobb County Government Information Services Department	Cobb County Broadband/Wi-Fi Enhancement and Expansion Program	$899,152
Cobb County Board of Health (aka Cobb & Douglas Public Health)	CDPH South Cobb Public Health Center – Primary Care, Mental Health and Community Linkages Space	$7,000,000
Cobb Emergency Management Agency	Cobb County Stockpile	$20,000
Office of the District Attorney, Cobb Judicial Circuit	Cobb District Attorney - Infrastructure / County Facility Request	$242,480
American Legion Paul E. Kelly Jr. Post 296 Inc.	Veterans Strengthening America	$20,000
		$19,346,000

Reference No. 34

Recommended Project Summaries

Applications that passed initial review and were recommended by subcommittees as of December 2022

Considerations

When possible, language and information within this document has been pulled directly from application submissions or from the applicant. For consolidation purposes, language may have been summarized according to information provided in the original application submission or compiled from notes taken during the subcommittee evaluation process. Opinions stated within are not the personal opinions of the author or any member of the Cobb County ARPA team.

ARPA alignment categories indicate which expenditure categories align with the anticipated project costs. These alignments may be refined during the pre-award and reporting processes.

Any questions should be directed to the Cobb County ARPA team at cobbcountyARPA@deloitte.com.

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1.2 Public Health Disparities	2.2 Homelessness	3.2 Small & Minority-Owned Business	4.2 Stormwater	5.2 Court Backlog
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Template Overview

Outlined below are explanations of the information included in each summary.

Applicant Type	*County government department, non-profit organization, Business, etc.*
Applicant Name	*Name of applicant as written in the original application submission.*
County Priorities	*County priority and subtopic(s) that the application was determined to best fit within.*
Project Name	*Deloitte designated project number and name of project as written in the original application submission.*
Project Summary	*Summary of project using, when possible, language from the original application submission.*
Budget	*Amount of funding recommended by the subcommittee after evaluating the application.* This amount may be different from what the applicant requested on their original application. In parenthesis () is the estimated project duration according to the application submission. In cases where applications have been funded using money from multiple priority areas, multiple budgets may be listed indicating the amounts recommended for each subcommittee for the expenses and project activities applicable to that specific priority area.

Response: Does the proposed project align with one or more of the ARPA expenditure categories?	The American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLFRF) Final Rule legislation outlines parameters for expenditure eligibility. Projects that have been determined to be in alignment with the legislation will receive a yes for this question.
Summary of Project Scope:	Using the information provided in the Project Scope section of the original project application and additional information provided in the project submission, the activities in the application have been summarized. When possible, language has been directly quoted from the original application.
ARPA Alignment: Do intended project expenditures align with one or more of the SLFRF eligible expenditure categories per Treasury guidance?	In accordance with the Final Rule, potential expenditure categories (e.g.; 1. Public Health, COVID-19 Mitigation and Prevention – 1.1, 1.2, 1.3, 1.7) have been identified to determine a project's alignment with the legislation. In addition to the expenditure category, a direct quote from the Final Rule narrative that supports the projects alignment has been provided with a citation, e.g.; (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18, pg. 4353). As per the final rule, certain populations including households, individuals, or organizations located in a Qualified Census Tract (QCT) may be presumed eligible for ARPA.*
Evaluation Considerations:	*Subcommittees evaluated projects based on 8 criteria to determine their funding recommendations. Specific criteria definitions are as follows:* **Equity:** The extent to which a project demonstrates advancement of equity to cultivate the consistent and systematic fair, just, and impartial treatment of all individuals as defined in Executive Order 13985. **Program location:** If the project will take place in Cobb County as indicated in the original application submission and where the applicant organization is located. **Impact:** The extent to which a project has significant return on investment for the Cobb County community. **Financial continuity:** The extent to which a project's costs will be entirely carried by the program, at no continued cost to Cobb County.

*The Final Rule defines a QCT in alignment with 26 U.S.C. 42(d)(5)(B)(ii)(I): "The term "qualified census tract" means any census tract which is designated by the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development and, for the most recent year for which census data are available on household income in such tract, either in which 50 percent or more of the households have an income which is less than 60 percent of the area median gross income for such year or which has a poverty rate of at least 25 percent. If the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development determines that sufficient data for any period are not available to apply this clause on the basis of census tracts, such Secretary shall apply this clause for such period on the basis of enumeration districts."

Priority Area:

County Infrastructure

County Infrastructure Funding Plan

The funding plan as recommended by the County Infrastructure Subcommittee

Project #	Project Name	Organization	Budget
1.249	CDPH South Cobb Public Health Center – Primary Care, Mental Health and Community Linkages Space	Cobb County Board of Health (aka Cobb & Douglas Public Health)	$7,000,000
1.115	Healthy County Building Initiative	Cobb County Support Services Agency, as well as Property Management and Parks Departments	$5,800,000
1.90	Project Senior S.A.F.E.T.Y.	Cobb Senior Services	$799,303
1.61	Cobb District Attorney - Infrastructure / County Facility Request	Office of the District Attorney, Cobb Judicial Circuit	$242,480
1.56.2	Cobb County Stockpile	Cobb Emergency Management Agency	$20,000
		County Facilities Total Recommended Amount:	**$13,861,783**
1.45	Cobb County Water System Stormwater Management Unit Price Contract Work Orders	Cobb County, GA (Water System Agency)	$3,000,000
1.50	FY21 Multiple Water Pump Stations Projects	Cobb County, GA (Water System Agency)	$1,565,065
		Storm Water Total Recommended Amount:	**$4,565,065**
1.131	Cobb County Broadband/Wi-Fi Enhancement and Expansion Program	Cobb County Government Information Services Department	$899,152
1.189.4	Veterans Strengthening America	American Legion Paul E. Kelly Jr. Post 296 Inc.	$20,000
		Broadband & Digital Equity Total Recommended Amount:	**$919,152**

County Facilities Storm Water Broadband & Digital Equity

Applicant Type	County Government Organization
Applicant Name	Cobb County Board of Health
County Priorities	County Infrastructure 4.1 County Facilities – Funding to provide better access and availability to healthcare services
Project Name	1.249 Cobb & Douglas Public Health (CDPH) South Cobb Public Health Center – Primary Care, Mental Health and Community Linkages Space
Project Summary	This project will renovate a new building for South Cobb County residents to access public health, adult and pediatric primary care, mental health services, HIV diagnosis and treatment, telehealth, and linkages to other community resources.
Budget	Total Recommended Funding (4 Years): $7,000,000.00 Applicant Requested Funding Amount – $7,425,000.00

Response: Does the proposed project align with one or more of the ARPA expenditure categories?	Yes; the new facility will focus on mental health services and telehealth which have increased due to the COVID-19 pandemic.
Summary of Project Scope:	The applicant originally requested total funding of $7,425,000.00. After subcommittee review and taking into account the aggregate project score and available funding remaining, $7,000,000 in funding was recommended. The applicant will use the funding to build a new healthcare facility near the I-20 interchange. The South Cobb Redevelopment Authority (SCRA) will be donating the property to the project and serving as master developer for the 50-acre site. SCRA is also planning for 400-450 senior and workforce housing units adjacent to the health center. CDPH believes that this project will address many of the public health gaps that exist due to the pandemic and other historical circumstances. They see this health center as a way of bringing a solution to the disparities that exist by allowing Cobb County residents to have an option for affordable and accessible physical and mental healthcare and access to community health and social services linkages. The proposed complex will be approximately 30,000 square feet, single story with dedicated entrances to key areas. CDPH will occupy approximately 12,000 square feet of space and has secured the funding for that portion of the complex through Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (SPLOST) and CDPH reserves. CDPH will also cover all operational/staffing costs through their regular budget.
ARPA Alignment: Do intended project expenditures align with one or more of the SLFRF eligible expenditure categories per Treasury guidance?	Yes; per the Final Rule 1. Public Health, Other – 1.14: Treasury received a few comments from recipients seeking to use SLFRF funds to build new medical facilities, such as hospitals or public health clinics, to serve disproportionately impacted communities. Given the central role of access to high-quality medical care in reducing health disparities and addressing the root causes that led to disproportionate impact COVID–19 health impacts in certain communities, the final rule recognizes that medical equipment and facilities designed to address disparities in public health outcomes are eligible capital expenditures. This includes primary care clinics, hospitals, or integrations of health services into other settings. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18, pg. 4372)
Evaluation Considerations:	**Equity:** The target population is impacted Cobb County residents. **Program location:** The project will take place in Cobb County and the organization is located in Districts 1, 2, 3, and 4. **Impact:** This project is recommended to be partially funded. For the full program, the applicant expects that by 2026, its primary care partner will be serving 2,000 unduplicated patients and CDPH will be serving 2,000 WIC clients and 350 Babies Born Healthy/Healthy Start clients. The applicant expects that increased access to healthcare will result in improved health outcomes for the community and decrease health disparities. We will work with the applicant to address KPIs based on partial funding. **Financial Continuity**: Project will not impose ongoing costs on Cobb County beyond the requested amount of ARPA funding. The budget indicates that requested funding will be utilized by 2026 to cover

Applicant Type	County Government Organization
Applicant Name	Cobb County Support Services Agency/Property Management and Parks Departments
County Priorities	County Infrastructure 4.1 County Facilities – Funding to upgrade HVAC system in select County facilities
Project Name	1.115 Healthy County Building Initiative
Project Summary	The project will select certain County facilities to receive HVAC upgrades focused on addressing science-based indoor air quality and COVID-19 mitigation measures
Budget	Total Recommended Funding (12-18 Months): $5,800,000.00

Response: Does the proposed project align with one or more of the ARPA expenditure categories?	Yes; the project focuses on COVID-19 mitigation measures in 1 or more of the following: increased ventilation for COVID-19 particulate dilution, increased filtration options, UV germicidal irradiation methods, HVAC duct cleanings, and temperature/humidity controls.
Summary of Project Scope:	Cobb County Support Services Agency/Property Management and Parks Department will partner with a HVAC company to evaluate, engineer, implement, and measure COVID-19 mitigation solutions within highly trafficked County buildings. Strategically selected facilities will receive HVAC upgrades focused on addressing science-based indoor air quality and COVID-19 mitigation. This project was built to provide equitable impact across the County. Selected highly trafficked buildings within identified underserved communities include South Cobb Rec Center, South Cobb Aquatic Center, and South Cobb Community Health Center. These buildings reside in Qualified Census Tract (QCT) 313.10 and include both impacted and disproportionately impacted communities. Additionally, the Superior Court, Cobb County Government, Juvenile Court, Public Safety/Sheriff, Magistrate/Probate Court, and West Park Government Center buildings have all been selected as they heavily service residents from every Qualified Census Tract (QCT), historically underserved, marginalized, adversely affected groups. Four Senior Centers have been included to serve the high-risk communities throughout the County. Through before and after test and balance exercises, this project will include proven KPIs that provide measurable COVID-19 mitigation results. The County will also work with the HVAC company to create and distribute project press releases to increase community awareness of this project.
ARPA Alignment: Do intended project expenditures align with one or more of the SLFRF eligible expenditure categories per Treasury guidance?	Yes; per the Final Rule 1: Public Health, COVID-19 Mitigation & Prevention – 1.4: State, local, and Tribal governments have also supported major efforts to prevent COVID–19 spread through safety measures at key settings like nursing homes, schools, congregate living settings, dense worksites, incarceration settings, and in other public facilities. This has included, for example, implementing infection prevention measures or making ventilation improvements. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18, pg. 4350)
Evaluation Considerations:	**Equity:** The target population is impacted Cobb County residents. **Program location:** The project and organization are located in Cobb County. **Impact:** The project aims to reduce the probability of infection of COVID-19 through the renovation of HVAC of strategically selected County facilities. **Financial Continuity**: Project will not impose ongoing costs on Cobb County beyond the requested amount of ARPA funding. The budget indicates that money will be used to finance necessary equipment and labor needed to renovate the HVAC systems of different buildings.

Applicant Type	Cobb County Government
Applicant Name	Cobb Senior Services
County Priorities	County Infrastructure 4.1 County Facilities – Funding to help provide new air purifiers and other items to Senior Centers
Project Name	1.90 Project Senior S.A.F.E.T.Y. – Seniors to have Affordable housing & food, Facilities that are safe, Education & exercise, Transportation to medical appointments for a healthier YOU!
Project Summary	The project will expand on their public services for older adults, including support services, health and wellness, food insecurity, financial assistance, and transportation services.
Budget	Total Recommended Funding (1-2 Years): $799,303.06

Response: Does the proposed project align with one or more of the ARPA expenditure categories?	Yes; the applicant explains the need for several services that are necessary due to the pandemic and its negative economic impacts.
Summary of Project Scope:	Cobb Senior Services will expand their wellness programming, increase transportation services, and install air purifying filters. To enhance services in the areas of homelessness/housing and food security, the applicant will provide emergency financial assistance and healthy food options. To increase their capacity for physical distancing in their facilities, Cobb Senior Services are asking for equipment that would provide a safer and healthier environment for a more vulnerable and potentially immune-compromised population. In an effort to address the digital divide for older adults, the applicant will also provide digital literacy training/classes.
ARPA Alignment: Do intended project expenditures align with one or more of the SLFRF eligible expenditure categories per Treasury guidance?	Yes; per the Final Rule 1. Public Health, COVID-19 Mitigation and Prevention – 1.4 1. Public Health, Other – 1.14: Treasury is maintaining an expansive list of enumerated eligible uses to mitigate and prevent COVID–19, given the wide-ranging activities that governments may take to further these goals, including other public health responses...As such, these eligible uses should help vulnerable or high-risk populations access services that mitigate COVID–19, for example, transportation assistance; Installation and improvements of ventilation systems. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18, pg. 4353-4354) 2: Negative Economic Impacts, Assistance to Households – 2.1, 2.2, 2.4: Enumerated eligible uses included: Food assistance; rent, mortgage, or utility assistance; ...; cash assistance; or job training to address negative economic or public health impacts experienced due to a worker's occupation or level of training. Assistance to households for internet access and digital literacy programs. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18, pg. 4359, 4361)
Evaluation Considerations:	**Equity:** The applicant states that the project will target underserved adults over 55 years old and those who are in the greatest economic and social need due to COVID-19. **Program location:** The project will take place in Cobb County and the organization is located in Districts 1, 2, 3, and 4. **Impact:** The projects aims at improving the emotional well-being of participants, increase accessibility to in-house vaccination clinics, increase access to healthcare, increase access to transportation for critical medical appointments, reduce homelessness, prevent evictions, reduce food insecurity, reduce transmission of germs, and aim to combat social isolation. **Financial Continuity**: Project will not impose ongoing costs on Cobb County beyond the requested amount of ARPA funding. The budget indicates that money will be used to finance necessary equipment needed to help the target population.

Applicant Type	Cobb County Government
Applicant Name	Office of the District Attorney, Cobb Judicial Circuit
County Priorities	County Infrastructure 4.1 County Facilities – Improves structure capacity for operational responsibilities and social distancing
Project Name	1.61 Cobb District Attorney - Infrastructure / County Facility Request
Project Summary	The District Attorney (DA) is requesting funds for two projects to enhance physical space and improve structural capacity to meet their operational responsibilities and allow for social distancing due to COVID-19.
Budget	Total Recommended Funding (30 Months): $242,480.00

Response: Does the proposed project align with one or more of the ARPA expenditure categories?	Yes; the project includes necessary expenditures to facilitate a safe environment that helps mitigate the spread of COVID-19.
Summary of Project Scope:	The project aims to renovate four existing areas in the DA's Office to meet health and safety needs. The first space will convert and outfit an existing office to a nursing room for new mothers. The second space will update and renovate an existing employee breakroom with new furniture and appliances to provide for social distancing needs for staff utilizing this room and will provide a safer and more comfortable environment. This existing space will be painted and equipped with new tables, seating options, and appliances. The third space will update and renovate the entry lobby for the DA's Office which will allow space for social distancing for visitors to the Office and will result in a more comfortable, safer entry and seating environment for visitors The fourth space will update and renovate a small conference room for the DA's Office staff. The DA also aims to renovate and outfit the Family Advocacy Center (FAC) with furnishings and equipment.
ARPA Alignment: Do intended project expenditures align with one or more of the SLFRF eligible expenditure categories per Treasury guidance?	Yes; per the Final Rule 1: Public Health, COVID-19 Mitigation & Prevention – 1.4 State, local, and Tribal governments have also supported major efforts to prevent COVID–19 spread through safety measures at key settings like nursing homes, schools, congregate living settings, dense worksites, incarceration settings, and in other public facilities. This has included, for example, implementing infection prevention measures or making ventilation improvements. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18, pg. 4350)
Evaluation Considerations:	**Equity:** The applicant states that they use several resources to deliver services to target populations, including advocates specializing in working with certain marginalized or underserved victim populations, bi-lingual victim advocates, and language line services and interpreters to communicate with non-English speaking victims, witnesses, and the public. **Program location:** The project will take place in Cobb County and the organization is located in Districts 1, 2, 3, and 4. **Impact:** The project will address safety, economic and health concerns with staff and visitors to the office that have been exacerbated by the COVID-19 health epidemic. Changes will allow space to lessen the fear of exposure to illness and address concerns about social distancing and privacy in public settings within both the Office and the FAC. **Financial Continuity**: The project may impose additional costs to the County. The applicant states that the DA's Office will work with Property Management for several renovations and refurbishment projects and will thus be dependent upon another County department's time and resources as well. Additionally, the applicant notes concerns with access to supplies due to supply chain issues caused by COVID-19, which could impact the current project timeline.

Applicant Type	County Government Organization
Applicant Name	Cobb Emergency Management Agency
County Priorities	**County Infrastructure**, Community Health **4.1 County Facilities**, 1.5 COVID-19 Mitigation – Provides a shelter space for COVID-19 stockpile equipment
Project Name	1.56.2 Cobb County Stockpile
Project Summary	Continue supporting Cobb County Government Agencies by providing PPE and purchase necessary items to enhance the current stockpile. EMA will acquire the currently vacant Fire Station 30; the building will need some renovations to include a new roof and heating and air conditioning.
Budget	Total Recommended Funding (17 Months): $250,000.00 **(Recommended Funding for Subtopic 4.1 – $20,000.00)** (Recommended Funding for Subtopic 1.5 – $230,000.00)

Response: Does the proposed project align with one or more of the ARPA expenditure categories?	Yes; purchasing products that will be used to directly mitigate the spread of COVID-19.
Summary of Project Scope:	The project will continue supporting Cobb County Government Agencies by providing PPE and purchase necessary items to enhance the current stockpile. The applicant will determine the items most needed during surges of COVID-19 cases and the items most needed during surges that were difficult to obtain due to supply chain interruptions. Cobb Emergency Management Agency will purchase stockpile needs to maintain a supply that will support the COVID-19 response and improve upon the dissemination of PPE. Once funding is available, the EMA will follow County procurement processes and obtain competitive quotes from vendors with immediate supply instead of those that have a limited inventory or extended delivery times. The supply of disinfectant, hand sanitizer, wipes, 3-ply masks, and gloves will be purchased immediately to ensure there is a three-month supply on hand. Space is currently limited at the Fire Annex and an overflow location is necessary to properly maintain supplies. EMA will acquire the currently vacant Fire Station 30 off Austell Road and Windy Hill in Marietta, GA to expand the space for storage of current and acquired items. The initial acquisition will have no cost to this project; however, the building will need some renovations to include a new roof and heating and air conditioning. Control access and fencing will be added at the existing stockpile location to enhance security to stockpile supplies and equipment.
ARPA Alignment: Do intended project expenditures align with one or more of the SLFRF eligible expenditure categories per Treasury guidance?	Yes; per the Final Rule 1. Public Health, COVID-19 Mitigation & Prevention – 1.5, 1.7: Enumerated eligible uses of funds in this category included:...purchases of personal protective equipment. (Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18, pg. 4353) Capital expenditures, in certain cases, can be appropriate responses to the public health and economic impacts of the pandemic, in addition to programs and services. Capital expenditures should be a related and reasonably proportional response to a public health or negative economic impact of the pandemic. (Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18, pg. 4389)
Evaluation Considerations:	**Equity:** The target population is impacted Cobb County residents. **Program Location:** The project will take place in Cobb County and the organization is located in Districts 1, 2, 3, and 4. **Impact:** Applicant will provide approximately 5,000 employees and the general public entering all Cobb County Government agencies and court system with necessary PPE to respond to COVID-19 pandemic. By maintaining a 60-to-90-day stockpile of necessary PPE items, Cobb County Government agencies can continue serving all County citizens. **Financial Continuity:** Project will not impose ongoing costs on Cobb County beyond the requested amount of ARPA funding. The budget indicates that funding will be used for PPE stockpile needs to address an increased need created by the COVID-19 pandemic.

Applicant Type	Cobb County Government
Applicant Name	Cobb County Water System
County Priorities	County Infrastructure 4.2 Stormwater- Addresses stormwater infrastructure maintenance and upgrades.
Project Name	1.45 Cobb County Water System Stormwater Management Unit Price Contract Work Orders
Project Summary	Stormwater pipe repairs and replacements; typically include supplying all labor, materials, and equipment to remove a failed stormwater pipe and replace it.
Budget	Total Recommended Funding (3.5 Years): $3,000,000.00

Response: Does the proposed project align with one or more of the ARPA expenditure categories?	Program aligns with water, sewer, and broadband infrastructure expense category.
Summary of Project Scope:	Stormwater Management Unit Price Contract Work Orders are repairs or replacement of Water System maintained stormwater pipes by contractors contracted for this work under the Stormwater Management Unit Price Contract. There are currently six contractors under contract for this program. Work orders are issued for a specific group of work tasks to the contractor with the lowest bid, determined by multiplying each contractor's unit prices by the estimated quantities for that specific group of work tasks. The contractor that has the lowest resultant cost and can perform the work within the required schedule is issued the work order for that specific group of work tasks. Board of Commissioners approval is required for work orders exceeding $50,000. Stormwater pipe repairs and replacements completed under this program typically include supplying all labor, materials, and equipment to remove a failed stormwater pipe and replace it. Depending on the location of the pipe, the work may also include replacing curb and gutter, sidewalk, and landscaping impacted by the construction work. Sometimes the repair is made by lining the pipe instead of replacing it. Work order costs typically range from $10,000 to $200,000.
ARPA Alignment: Do intended project expenditures align with one or more of the SLFRF eligible expenditure categories per Treasury guidance?	Yes; per the Final Rule 5: Infrastructure, Water and Sewer – 5.6: Treasury is expanding the eligible uses under the final rule to include stormwater system infrastructure projects regardless of whether there is an expected water quality benefit from the project. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18, pg. 4414)
Evaluation Considerations:	**Equity:** The target population is Cobb County residents. **Program location:** The project will take place in Cobb County and the organization is located in Districts 1, 2, 3, and 4. **Impact:** This project will impact nearly all Cobb County residents and will decrease future infrastructure expenditures that would be exacerbated by a failing stormwater system. **Financial Continuity**: The project will cover work orders for approximately three years and when all grant funding is expended, County funds will once again be used.

Applicant Type	County Government Organization
Applicant Name	Cobb County Water System
County Priorities	County Infrastructure 4.2 Stormwater– Funding to improve wastewater and drinking water
Project Name	1.50 FY21 Multiple Water Pump Stations Projects
Project Summary	This project consists of rehabilitation of seven wastewater pump stations and one drinking water pump station.
Budget	Total Recommended Funding (19 Months): $1,565,065.00

Response: Does the proposed project align with one or more of the ARPA expenditure categories?	Yes; the program aligns with water, sewer, and broadband infrastructure expense category.
Summary of Project Scope:	This project consists of rehabilitating seven wastewater pump stations and one drinking water pump station. The wastewater pump stations are Allatoona Beach, Brushy Mountain Pump House, Marina Trace, Plant Atkinson, West Hampton #1, West Hampton #2, and the Wood Valley pump stations. Brushy Mountain is the drinking water pump station included in the project. FY21 Multiple Pump Stations Projects includes rehabilitation work as follows: • Remove and replace pumps at the Marina Trace, Plant Atkinson, and Six Flags Pump Stations. • Install new electrical buildings at the Marina Trace and Plant Atkinson Pump Stations. • Remove and replace standby generators and automated transfer switches at the Allatoona Beach, Brushy Mountain, Marina Trace, Plant Atkinson, West Hampton #1 and #2, and Wood Valley Pump Stations. • Install new concrete pads at Allatoona Beach, Brushy Mountain, Marina Trace, Plant Atkinson, West Hampton #1 and #2, and Wood Valley Pump Stations. • Install new fences at the Brushy Mountain, Marina Trace, Plant Atkinson, West Hampton #1 and #2, and Wood Valley Pump Stations.
ARPA Alignment: Do intended project expenditures align with one or more of the SLFRF eligible expenditure categories per Treasury guidance?	Yes; per the Final Rule 5: Infrastructure, Water and Sewer – 5.5, 5.13: SLFRF funds are available for "necessary water, sewer, and broadband infrastructure."...Water and sewer services provided broadly to the public as essential services include the provision of drinking water and the removal, management, and treatment of wastewater and stormwater. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18, pg. 4410)
Evaluation Considerations:	**Equity:** The target population is impacted Cobb County residents (one of the water pumps is located in a Qualified Census Tract (QCT)). **Program location:** The project will take place in Cobb County and the organization is located in Districts 1, 2, 3, and 4. **Impact:** This project is part of the Water System's ongoing program to properly maintain its pump station facilities. Replacement of the standby power generators will increase reliability of the pump stations during inclement weather and other adverse conditions. Replacement of pumps reaching the end of their useful life will reduce repair costs and improve reliability at three pump stations. Target project outcomes include zero sewer overflows due to loss of primary power at any wastewater pump station included in this project for five years after project completion. **Financial Continuity**: The applicant aims to have zero non-scheduled repair costs for any of the components included in the rehabilitation of the pump stations for five years after project completion.

Applicant Type	County Government Organization
Applicant Name	Cobb County Information Services Department
County Priorities	County Infrastructure 4.3 Broadband and Digital Equity – Expand Wifi at Cobb County facilities
Project Name	1.131 Cobb County Broadband/Wi-Fi Enhancement and Expansion Program
Project Summary	This project will upgrade the existing bandwidth connectivity to Community and Recreation Centers and adds infrastructure in the County's data center to handle the new capacity. It will also expand outdoor wi-fi coverage.
Budget	Total Recommended Funding (2.5 years): $899,152.00 Applicant Requested Funding Amount – $4,669,875.00

Response: Does the proposed project align with one or more of the ARPA expenditure categories?	Yes; the project fits within the infrastructure exception.
Summary of Project Scope:	The applicant originally requested total funding of $4,669,875.00 for subtopic 4.3 Broadband and Digital Equity. After subcommittee review and taking into account the aggregate project score and available funding remaining, the final $899,152.00 remaining in this subtopic was recommended to partially fund this project. The purpose of the project will be to increase the overall bandwidth and expand the outdoor Wi-Fi coverage for nine Cobb County Community and Recreation Centers. Additionally, if there is a park located adjacent to these facilities, the outdoor Wi-Fi coverage will be expanded to cover areas where park users congregate or exercise, including ballfields, tennis courts, playground areas, event locations, and walking trails. These facilities will have the ability to provide connectivity for students who have little or no ability to access Internet study resources at home, offer a space for adults to retool their skillsets for the future workforce, and within the outdoor park space provide access to online physical training and healthy lifestyle resources while they recreate in the County's parks.
ARPA Alignment: Do intended project expenditures align with one or more of the SLFRF eligible expenditure categories per Treasury guidance?	Yes; per the Final Rule 5. Infrastructure, Broadband – 5.21: Under the ARPA, recipient governments may use SLFRF funds to make necessary investments in . . . broadband infrastructure. In the Supplementary Information to the interim final rule, Treasury interpreted necessary investments in infrastructure as investments designed to provide an adequate minimum level of service and [that] are unlikely to be made using private sources of funds. Treasury explained that, with respect to broadband specifically, such necessary investments include projects that establish [ ] or improve [broadband service to underserved populations to reach an adequate level to permit a household to work or attend school, and that are unlikely to be met with private sources of funds. (Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18, pg. 4417)
Evaluation Considerations:	**Equity:** The target population is impacted Cobb County residents, but the applicant states that usage could b more impactful for underserved communities. **Program location:** The project will take place in Cobb County and the organization is located in Districts 1, 2, 3, and 4. **Impact:** This project is recommended to be partially funded. For the full program, the applicant anticipates reducing the digital divide for Cobb County residents. It is expected that the total available circuit bandwidth for the nine locations would increase from 600 Mbps to 5000 Mbps, the number of total concurrent users fo all locations would double from 285 to 570 within the first two years and the number of total concurrent surge users for all locations would double from 430 to 860 within the first two years. We will work with the applicant to address KPIs based on partial funding. **Financial Continuity**: The program will impose ongoing costs to the County. This project has been programmed so all costs (hardware, implementation, and maintenance) are for 5 years after a location goes live. At that point, the County can choose to shut down broadband and Wi-Fi operations at that location or t continue operations. To continue operations for all locations, the total cost would be $716,000 per year.

Applicant Type	Non-Profit Organization
Applicant Name	American Legion Paul E. Kelly Jr. Post 296 Inc.
County Priorities	County Infrastructure 4.3 Broadband & Digital Equity –Incorporates programs in partnership with AT&T to address the digital divide
Project Name	1.189.4 Veterans Strengthening America
Project Summary	The Paul E. Kelly Jr. American Legion Post 296 is seeking funding to offer rent, mortgage, and utility assistance, eviction prevention, digital equity, and workforce development services to veterans. The organization also hopes to address disparities in access to Department of Veterans Affairs benefits and provide recommendations on assistance to repair inequities in distribution of benefits to members of the Armed Forces.
Budget	Recommended Funding for Subtopic 4.3 (3 Years): $20,000.00 Applicant Requested Funding Amount – $150,000.00

Response: Does the proposed project align with one or more of the ARPA expenditure categories?	Yes; the project aims to support veterans and their families in response to financial difficulties due to the COVID-19 pandemic.
Summary of Project Scope:	The applicant originally requested total funding of $150,000.00 for subtopics 1.2 Public Health Disparities, 2.3 Rental & Mortgage Assistance, 3.1 Workforce Development, and 4.3 Broadband & Digital Equity. After subcommittee review, County Infrastructure subtopic 4.3 was recommended $20,000.00 for funding. The American League was originally established to enhance the well-being of America's veterans, their families, the military, and communities by devotion to mutual helpfulness. The applicant, the American Legion Paul E. Kelly Jr. Post 296 Inc. continues this vision by serving the needs of Veterans and the needs of underserved demographics in the surrounding community. Recognizing the negative impact of COVID-19 in the community, the applicant seeks to expand their programs and requests funding to implement digital literacy assistance for the project scope of 4.3. The applicant wants to be a positive vessel for services desperately needed to improve the health and well-being, growth and economic development of Veterans and citizens in these communities.
ARPA Alignment: Do intended project expenditures align with one or more of the SLFRF eligible expenditure categories per Treasury guidance?	Yes; per the Final Rule 2. Negative Economic Impacts, Assistance to Households – 2.4: Assistance to households for internet access and digital literacy programs. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18, pg. 4361)
Evaluation Considerations:	**Equity:** The applicant states that the project will aim to address disparities in benefits and services provided to female and minority veterans and members of the Armed Forces. **Program location:** The project will take place in Cobb County and the organization is located in District 3. **Impact:** Providing help directly to people/communities in need can have a positive impact on economic growth, which is believed to be a vital force in poverty reduction. Social aid can significantly and directly benefit the poorest in society, while economic aid increases the income of the poor through growth. Social Aid and Aggregate Aid Benefit the Poor and Mitigate Inequality. Assist in improving communications between Veterans and the VA, specifically addressing the difficulty and disparity Black Veterans experience when communicating their health and wellness issues. **Financial Continuity**: Project will not impose ongoing costs on Cobb County beyond the requested amount of ARPA funding. Budget indicates that funding will be utilized to purchase laptops and upgrade Wi-Fi to accommodate wireless connectivity.

Applicant Type	Business
Applicant Name	Puckett Emergency Medical Services, LLC
County Priorities	Public Safety 5.4 First Response – Support first responders and reduce COVID-19 exposure of first responders
Project Name	1.59 Manual Chest Compression Devices for Licensed 911 Ambulances
Project Summary	Place mechanical chest compression devices on all 911 licensed Puckett EMS, LLC ambulances.
Budget	Total Recommended Funding (3 Months): $197,216.00

Response: Does the proposed project align with one or more of the ARPA expenditure categories?	Yes; purchasing products for first responders that are needed due to the pandemic significantly increasing out-of-hospital sudden cardiac arrest.
Summary of Project Scope:	The project will improve the survival rate of out-of-hospital cardiac arrest, reduce exposure of first responders, and mitigate the risk of on-the-job injury. The project will place an order for 12 LUCUS 3, Chest Compression Devices and develop medical protocol for use of the mechanical CPR device. Once the devices are received, in-house training will be provided to all field personnel and the devices will be placed on every Puckett EMS, LLC 911-licensed ambulance. After this, the applicant will collect and monitor data to support the efficacy of the mechanical CPR devices.
ARPA Alignment: Do intended project expenditures align with one or more of the SLFRF eligible expenditure categories per Treasury guidance?	Yes; per the Final Rule 1: Public Health, COVID-19 Mitigation and Prevention – 1.7: In recognition of the importance of capital expenditures in the COVID–19 public health response, Treasury enumerates that the following projects are examples of eligible capital expenditures: • Acquisition of equipment for COVID–19 prevention and treatment, including ventilators, ambulances, and other medical or emergency services equipment (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18, pg. 4353)
Evaluation Considerations:	**Equity:** The target population is impacted Cobb County residents but the applicant states that those in underserved populations may be more likely to need services that this equipment assists with. **Program location:** The project will take place in Cobb County and the organization is located in District 4. **Impact:** The intended outcome is to improve the County's survival rate to greater than 25% of its citizens that suffer an out-of-hospital cardiac arrest event. The project also intends to reduce the incidences of on-the-job injury to first responders caused by performing manual chest compressions in the back of a moving ambulances to 0 of 100 incidences. **Financial Continuity**: The project will not impose ongoing costs on Cobb County beyond the requested amount of ARPA funding. The budget indicates that funding will be used to purchase LUCUS devices, train personnel on using devices, along with costs for ongoing maintenance and repairs.

Economic Development Subcommittee - Recommended Projects

Organization/Individual Name	Project Name	Amount Recommended
Tommy Nobis Center	Workforce Development Services for Cobb County Residents with Disabilities	$1,800,000
CobbWorks, Inc.	Cobb Workforce Access Points, a CobbWorks and Cobb County library system collaboration	$3,773,358
CobbWorks, Inc.	BOSS YOUNG PROFESSIONAL CAREER EXPLORATION PROGRAM	$3,165,274
SelectCobb	Child Care Learning Center - Employee Grant Proposal	$4,950,000
Cobb Travel & Tourism, Inc.	Hospitality & Tourism - Workforce Employee Retention Grant Administration Proposal	$2,310,385
Cobb County Business Boot Camp	Cobb County Business Boot Camp	$3,965,700
Family Life Restoration Center, Inc.	South Cobb County Resilience and Stabilization for All	$64,800
Urban League of Greater Atlanta (ULGA)	Workforce Development, Basic Needs, and Small Business Assistance for Black Families in Cobb County Impacted by the Pandemic	$963,737
Urban League of Greater Atlanta (ULGA)	Workforce Development, Basic Needs, and Small Business Assistance for Black Families in Cobb County Impacted by the Pandemic	$421,176
Greater Wealth Works	Pathways to Economic Mobility - Entrepreneurship/Career/Financial Wellbeing Income Strategies	$99,550
		$21,513,980

Reference No. 35

FUNDING

Decrease Expenditure	279	030	ED00	8005	Preliminary Estimates	$21,513,980.01
Increase Expenditure:	279	030	ED02	6574	Contributions	$1,800,000.00
Increase Expenditure:	279	030	ED03	6574	Contributions	$3,773,358.00
Increase Expenditure:	279	030	ED04	6574	Contributions	$3,165,274.00
Increase Expenditure:	279	030	ED05	6574	Contributions	$4,950,000.00
Increase Expenditure:	279	030	ED06	6574	Contributions	$2,310,385.01
Increase Expenditure:	279	030	ED07	6574	Contributions	$3,965,700.00
Increase Expenditure:	279	030	ED08	6574	Contributions	$64,800.00
Increase Expenditure:	279	030	ED09	6574	Contributions	$963,737.00
Increase Expenditure:	279	030	ED10	6574	Contributions	$421,176.00
Increase Expenditure:	279	030	ED11	6574	Contributions	$99,550.00

Recommended Project Summaries

Applications that passed initial review and were recommended by subcommittees as of December 2022

Considerations

When possible, language and information within this document has been pulled directly from application submissions or from the applicant. For consolidation purposes, language may have been summarized according to information provided in the original application submission or compiled from notes taken during the subcommittee evaluation process. Opinions stated within are not the personal opinions of the author or any member of the Cobb County ARPA team.

ARPA alignment categories indicate which expenditure categories align with the anticipated project costs. These alignments may be refined during the pre-award and reporting processes.

Any questions should be directed to the Cobb County ARPA team at cobbcountyARPA@deloitte.com.

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1.1 Mental Health	2.1 Rental & Mortgage Assistance	3.1 Workforce Development	4.1 County Facilities	5.1 Mental Health Response
1.2 Public Health Disparities	2.2 Homelessness	3.2 Small & Minority-Owned Business	4.2 Stormwater	5.2 Court Backlog
1.3 Substance Abuse	2.3 Food Security	3.3 Employee Retention	4.3 Broadband & Digital Equity	5.3 Public Safety Hiring, Retention & Staffing
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1.5 COVID-19 Mitigation				

Template Overview

Outlined below are explanations of the information included in each summary.

Applicant Type	*County government department, non-profit organization, Business, etc.*
Applicant Name	*Name of applicant as written in the original application submission.*
County Priorities	*County priority and subtopic(s) that the application was determined to best fit within.*
Project Name	*Deloitte designated project number and name of project as written in the original application submission.*
Project Summary	*Summary of project using, when possible, language from the original application submission.*
Budget	*Amount of funding recommended by the subcommittee after evaluating the application.* This amount may be different from what the applicant requested on their original application. In parenthesis () is the estimated project duration according to the application submission. In cases where applications have been funded using money from multiple priority areas, multiple budgets may be listed indicating the amounts recommended for each subcommittee for the expenses and project activities applicable to that specific priority area.

Response: Does the proposed project align with one or more of the ARPA expenditure categories?	The American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLFRF) Final Rule legislation outlines parameters for expenditure eligibility. Projects that have been determined to be in alignment with the legislation will receive a yes for this question.
Summary of Project Scope:	Using the information provided in the Project Scope section of the original project application and additional information provided in the project submission, the activities in the application have been summarized. When possible, language has been directly quoted from the original application.
ARPA Alignment: Do intended project expenditures align with one or more of the SLFRF eligible expenditure categories per Treasury guidance?	In accordance with the Final Rule, potential expenditure categories (e.g.; 1. Public Health, COVID-19 Mitigation and Prevention – 1.1, 1.2, 1.3, 1.7) have been identified to determine a project's alignment with the legislation. In addition to the expenditure category, a direct quote from the Final Rule narrative that supports the projects alignment has been provided with a citation, e.g.; (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18, pg. 4353). As per the final rule, certain populations including households, individuals, or organizations located in a Qualified Census Tract (QCT) may be presumed eligible for ARPA.*
Evaluation Considerations:	*Subcommittees evaluated projects based on 8 criteria to determine their funding recommendations. Specific criteria definitions are as follows:* **Equity:** The extent to which a project demonstrates advancement of equity to cultivate the consistent and systematic fair, just, and impartial treatment of all individuals as defined in Executive Order 13985. **Program location:** If the project will take place in Cobb County as indicated in the original application submission and where the applicant organization is located. **Impact:** The extent to which a project has significant return on investment for the Cobb County community. **Financial continuity:** The extent to which a project's costs will be entirely carried by the program, at no continued cost to Cobb County.

*The Final Rule defines a QCT in alignment with 26 U.S.C. 42(d)(5)(B)(ii)(I): "The term "qualified census tract" means any census tract which is designated by the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development and, for the most recent year for which census data are available on household income in such tract, either in which 50 percent or more of the households have an income which is less than 60 percent of the area median gross income for such year or which has a poverty rate of at least 25 percent. If the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development determines that sufficient data for any period are not available to apply this clause on the basis of census tracts, such Secretary shall apply this clause for such period on the basis of enumeration districts."

Priority Area:

Economic Development

Economic Development Funding Plan

The funding plan as recommended by the Economic Development Subcommittee

Project #	Project Name	Organization	Budget
1.82	Cobb Workforce Access Points, a CobbWorks and Cobb County library system collaboration	CobbWorks, Inc.	$3,773,358
1.9	BOSS Young Professional Career Exploration Program	CobbWorks, Inc.	$3,165,274
1.44	Workforce Development Services for Cobb County Residents with Disabilities	Tommy Nobis Center	$1,800,000
1.208.1	Workforce Development, Basic Needs, and Small Business Assistance for Black Families in Cobb County Impacted by the Pandemic	Urban League of Greater Atlanta (ULGA)	$421,176
1.62.2	South Cobb County Resilience and Stabilization for All	Family Life Restoration Center, Inc.	$64,800
		Workforce Development Total Recommended Amount:	**$9,224,608**
1.176	Cobb County Business Boot Camp	Cobb County Business Boot Camp	$3,965,700
1.208.2	Workforce Development, Basic Needs, and Small Business Assistance for Black Families in Cobb County Impacted by the Pandemic	Urban League of Greater Atlanta (ULGA)	$963,737
1.52	Pathways to Economic Mobility - Entrepreneurship/Career/Financial Wellbeing Income Strategies	Greater Wealth Works	$99,550
		Small and Minority-Owned Business Total Recommended Amount:	**$5,028,987**
1.103	Child Care Learning Center - Employee Grant Proposal	SelectCobb	$4,950,000
		Employee Retention Total Recommended Amount:	**$4,950,000**
1.224	Hospitality & Tourism - Workforce Employee Retention Grant Administration Proposal	Cobb Travel & Tourism, Inc.	$2,310,385
		Hospitality and Tourism Total Recommended Amount:	**$2,310,385**

Workforce Development | Small & Minority-Owned Business | Employee Retention | Hospitality and Tourism

Cobb County ARPA SLFRF – Board Review Summary

Applicant Type	Non-Profit Organization
Applicant Name	CobbWorks, Inc.
County Priorities	Economic Development 3.1 Workforce Development – Providing workforce training to low- and moderate-income individuals
Project Name	1.82 Cobb Workforce Access Points, a CobbWorks and Cobb County library system collaboration
Project Summary	The project will create a Workforce Access Point in Northern Cobb County at the Gritters Branch Library and open a full-service workforce development center with support services in South Cobb.
Budget	Total Recommended Funding (2 Years): $3,773,358.00

Response: Does the proposed project align with one or more of the ARPA expenditure categories?	Yes; the project aims to provide workforce training to low- and moderate-income individuals who have had a negative economic impact due to COVID-19.
Summary of Project Scope:	CobbWorks, in collaboration with Cobb County Public Library (CCPL), is requesting support for expansion of access to workforce development resources and services to North and South Cobb residents and employers. CobbWorks will prioritize minorities and low-income persons to improve equity in education and employment. The goals and objectives are to strengthen and improve the County's talent pool by expanding job seekers' access to employment, education, training, and support services to help them succeed in the labor market.
ARPA Alignment: Do intended project expenditures align with one or more of the SLFRF eligible expenditure categories per Treasury guidance?	Yes; per the Final Rule 2. Negative Economic Impacts, Assistance to Households – 2.10: Assistance to impacted individuals who want and are available for work, including job training, public jobs programs and fairs, support for childcare and transportation to and from a jobsite or interview, incentives for newly-employed workers, subsidized employment, grants to hire underserved workers, assistance to unemployed individuals to start small businesses & development of job and workforce training centers. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18, pg. 4369)
Evaluation Considerations:	**Equity:** The applicant states that the project will target underserved communities and invest in low- and moderate-income individuals. **Program location:** The project will take place in Cobb County and the organization is located in Districts 3 and 4. **Impact:** The applicant intends on completing renovations and open Cobb Workforce and Economic Development Center (CWEDC) and an access point in the Gritters Library; host two grand openings to raise community awareness; increase center usage to 3,000 persons (in-person or virtual); enroll 100 youth in education/skills training programs with 80% credential attainment; place 100 youth in paid internship work; enroll 100 adults in education/skills training program with 75% completion; Enroll 75 Adults/Youth (drop-outs) in GED/Adult High School. **Financial Continuity**: The project will not impose ongoing costs on Cobb County beyond the requested amount of ARPA funding. Funding is being requested to complete building renovations, construction, resources and services at two new workforce development facilities and access points, targeting North and South Cobb residents and employers.

Applicant Type	Non-Profit Organization
Applicant Name	CobbWorks, Inc.
County Priorities	Economic Development 3.1 Workforce Development – Providing job opportunities to young adults
Project Name	1.9 BOSS YOUNG PROFESSIONAL CAREER EXPLORATION PROGRAM
Project Summary	CobbWorks is seeking funding to provide paid summer and year-round job opportunities to Cobb County youth, allowing participants to gain work experience while helping employers fill talent pipelines.
Budget	Total Recommended Funding (2 Years): $3,165,274.00

Response: Does the proposed project align with one or more of the ARPA expenditure categories?	Yes; the project will support and strengthen economic conditions for communities facing economic strains, including those with workforce development needs that continue to surge in response to the social and economic impacts of COVID-19.
Summary of Project Scope:	The project will implement a workforce development program to provide job opportunities to 500 young adults from ages 15-24 over the span of two years. The program will provide the opportunity for young adults to participate in summer and/or year-round paid positions. Working in partnership with area employers, program attendees will participate in planned, structured learning experiences that expand knowledge, awareness, and requirements for securing available careers. Participants will also engage in career readiness, work-skills training, mentorship, and education while earning weekly wages of $11-$15 an hour. Additionally, the program aims to support 100 individuals in completing their GED/Adult High School Diploma programs.
ARPA Alignment: Do intended project expenditures align with one or more of the SLFRF eligible expenditure categories per Treasury guidance?	Yes; per the Final Rule 2. Negative Economic Impacts, Assistance to Households – 2.10: Assistance for individuals who want and are available for work, including those who are unemployed, have looked for work sometime in the past 12 months, who are employed part time but who want and are available for full-time work, or who are employed but seeking a position with greater opportunities for economic advancement. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18, pg. 4449)
Evaluation Considerations:	**Equity:** The applicant states that the project will target low-income populations with barriers to employment. **Program location:** The project will take place in Cobb County and the organization is located in District 3. **Impact:** Over the course of the project, 500 County youth will be served. The applicant anticipates that 75% of youth enrolled in the program will receive fulltime permanent employment opportunities, 50% youth will enroll WIOA post-secondary education/training programs, and Cobbworks will receive an 30% increase in workforce development program participation from adults/youth. **Financial Continuity**: Project will not impose ongoing costs on Cobb County beyond the requested amount of ARPA funding. The budget indicates that funding is requested to address the economic and social impacts of COVID-19 over the course of the 2-year project duration. Funding will be utilized for program personnel, seasonal employment, along with rent, insurance, and other associated supplies.

Applicant Type	Non-profit Organization
Applicant Name	Nobis Works, Inc.
County Priorities	Economic Development 3.1 Workforce Development – Providing job training and professional development
Project Name	1.44 Workforce Development Services for Cobb County Residents with Disabilities
Project Summary	Adult and youth services, including work readiness training, skills development, job placement support, and an array of other workforce development activities to target individuals with disabilities.
Budget	Total Recommended Funding (2 Years): $1,800,000.00

Response: Does the proposed project align with one or more of the ARPA expenditure categories?	Yes; the project aims to provide workforce training to the disabled population. The applicant states that people with disabilities "face compounded inequities, rampant unemployment, and greater economic insecurity resulting from the repercussions of COVID-19."
Summary of Project Scope:	This project will deliver comprehensive and customized workforce development services to Cobb residents and families living with, and/or directly impacted by, disabilities. Adult and youth services include work readiness training, skills development, job placement support, and an array of other workforce development activities that will stimulate labor participation across Cobb County and aid in its recovery from the negative economic impacts generated by the COVID-19 pandemic. This project will also support an accelerated expansion of workforce development services into Cobb's most underserved and economically disadvantaged communities, helping their most vulnerable populations with disabilities gain increased accessibility to no-cost vocational training, community engagement and education, and job placement support.
ARPA Alignment: Do intended project expenditures align with one or more of the SLFRF eligible expenditure categories per Treasury guidance?	Yes; per the Final Rule 2. Negative Economic Impacts, Assistance to Households – 2.10: Assistance to impacted individuals who want and are available for work, including job training, public jobs programs and fairs, support for childcare and transportation to and from a jobsite or interview, incentives for newly-employed workers, subsidized employment, grants to hire underserved workers, assistance to unemployed individuals to start small businesses & development of job and workforce training centers. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18, pg. 4369)
Evaluation Considerations:	**Equity:** The applicant states that the project will target persons with disabilities. **Program location:** The project will take place in Cobb County and the organization is located in District 3. **Impact:** Through this project, the applicant aims to serve a minimum of 1,250 Cobb County residents and families living with disabilities, while employers across the Cobb business sector will be supported through the provision of an equipped, trained, and motivated talent pipeline deserving of equitable employment opportunities. **Financial Continuity**: The project will not impose ongoing costs on Cobb County beyond the requested amount of ARPA funding. The applicant states that they remain active in the diversification of revenue sources by developing and cultivating relationships with new funders, as well as revitalizing current funding strategies through innovative fundraising approaches to increase revenue streams.

Applicant Type	Non-Profit Organization
Applicant Name	Urban League of Greater Atlanta (ULGA)
County Priorities	Support Services, **Economic Development** 2.3 Rental and Mortgage, **3.1 Workforce Development**, and 3.2 Small and Minority Owned Businesses – Providing workforce training to underserved populations
Project Name	1.208.1 Workforce Development, Basic Needs, and Small Business Assistance for Black Families in Cobb County Impacted by the Pandemic.
Project Summary	The Urban League of Greater Atlanta will offer services through their integrated economic mobility model to individuals and families in meeting basic needs of housing and food, offering workforce development opportunities, and helping small businesses recover.
Budget	Total Recommended Funding (3 Years): $2,022,248.00 (Recommended Funding for Subtopic 2.3 – $637,371.00) **(Recommended Funding for Subtopic 3.1 – $421,176.00)** (Recommended Funding for Subtopic 3.2 – $963,371.00)

Response: Does the proposed project align with one or more of the ARPA expenditure categories?	Yes; the project aims to provide workforce training to an underserved population affected by COVID-19.
Summary of Project Scope:	Through the applicant's Financial Empowerment and Emergency Resource Center, ULGA will offer services through their integrated economic mobility model. These services are for individuals and families for meeting basic needs of housing and food, offering workforce development opportunities, and small businesses recover. Funding through this opportunity will allow ULGA to stabilize families with basic needs support, create a workforce pathway for Certified Nursing Assistants with partner Wellstar, and provide support to stabilize small businesses and help them grow. The target populations are those residing in federally Qualified Census Tract (QCT)s, the 25% or more of the families that are stuck in poverty, and the unemployed and underemployed.
ARPA Alignment: Do intended project expenditures align with one or more of the SLFRF eligible expenditure categories per Treasury guidance?	Yes; per the Final Rule 2: Negative Economic Impacts, Assistance to Households – 2.1, 2.2: Enumerated eligible uses included: Food assistance; rent, mortgage, or utility assistance; ...; cash assistance; or job training to address negative economic or public health impacts experienced due to a worker's occupation or level of training. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18, pg. 4359) 2. Negative Economic Impacts, Assistance to Households – 2.10, 2.30: The interim final rule included assistance to unemployed workers as an enumerated eligible use, including "services like job training to accelerate rehiring of unemployed workers." Technical assistance, counseling, or other services to assist with business planning needs. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18, pg.4377)
Evaluation Considerations:	**Equity:** The applicant states that the project will target minorities and low-income individuals. **Program location:** The project will take place in Cobb County and the organization is located in Fulton County. **Impact**: 60 families will be provided with housing assistance; 60 families will be provided Food Assistance; 30 candidates will receive CNA training, work experience, and certificates; 75 small businesses with receive technical assistance and coaching. **Financial Continuity**: Project will not impose ongoing costs on Cobb County beyond the requested amount of ARPA funding. However, the applicant is requesting funding for new positions so there will be additional costs to retain the staff after the project ends.

Applicant Type	Non-Profit Organization
Applicant Name	Family Life Restoration Center, Inc.
County Priorities	Support Services, **Economic Development** 2.2 Homelessness, 2.3 Rental & Mortgage Assistance, **3.1 Workforce Development** – Provides rental and mortgage assistance for low- to moderate-income households, assistance to the unsheltered population, and assistance with employment
Project Name	1.62.2 South Cobb County Resilience and Stabilization for All
Project Summary	The Family Life Restoration Center is seeking funding to provide services to homeless residents, mortgage and rental assistance to historically disadvantaged communities, and workforce placement training for recent graduates, as well as under- and unemployed.
Budget	Total Recommended Funding (18 Months): $156,800.00 (Recommended Funding for Subtopic 2.2 – $55,000.00) (Recommended Funding for Subtopic 2.3 – $37,000.00) **(Recommended Funding for Subtopic 3.1 – $64,800.00)**

Response: Does the proposed project align with one or more of the ARPA expenditure categories?	Yes; the project aims to help restabilize those adversely and disproportionately impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic, and the organization has increased the provision of services during the pandemic. The project will also reduce communicable diseases such as COVID-19 among homeless residents.
Summary of Project Scope:	The South Cobb County Resilience and Stabilization for All project is based on the real time needs of special populations. The project seeks to stabilize the homes of low-to-moderate income families as well as the health and wellness of the unsheltered. South Cobb County Resilience and Stabilization for All serves low-to-moderate income households of historically underserved, marginalized, or adversely affected groups. The project will also focus on neighborhoods disproportionately impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. Services provided to applicants include healthy boxed meals, critical hygiene items and affordable housing units to those in need. The organization also provides rental and mortgage assistance to allow families to remain in their homes and stay together. GED counselors and job readiness coaches will help to ensure that currently unemployed, under-employed, and low-income high school students will obtain and increase employment that provides sufficient gross income to maintain housing and livability in Cobb County.
ARPA Alignment: Do intended project expenditures align with one or more of the SLFRF eligible expenditure categories per Treasury guidance?	Yes; per the Final Rule 2. Negative Economic Impacts, Assistance to Households – 2.2: Housing stability services that enable eligible households to maintain or obtain housing, such as housing counseling, fair housing counseling, case management related to housing stability, outreach to households at risk of eviction or promotion of housing support programs. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18, pg. 4360) 2. Negative Economic Impacts, Assistance to Households – 2.1: Enumerated eligible uses included: food assistance; rent, mortgage, or utility assistance; counseling and legal aid to prevent eviction or homelessness; emergency assistance for burials, home repairs, weatherization, or other needs; internet access or digital literacy assistance; cash assistance; or job training to address negative economic or public health impacts experienced due to a worker's occupation or level of training. (See Federal Register Vol, No. 18, pg. 4359) 2. Assistance to Unemployed or Underemployed Workers – 2.10: Assistance to impacted individuals who want and are available for work, including job training, public jobs programs and fairs, support for childcare and transportation to and from a jobsite or interview, incentives for newly-employed workers, subsidized employment, grants to hire underserved workers, assistance to unemployed individuals to start small businesses & development of job and workforce training center. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18, pg. 4369)
Evaluation Considerations:	**Equity:** The applicant states that the project will target historically underserved, marginalized, and adversely affected communities, such as homeless individuals and those living in Qualified Census Tracts (QCTs). **Program location:** The project will take place in Cobb County and the organization is located in District 4. **Impact:** The applicant anticipates that 100 households will receive housing counseling and eviction prevention services, 200 adults and young adults will receive resiliency-focused mental and behavioral health educational resources and/or case management, 50 senior adults and teens will complete ten hours of entrepreneurial 101 training per program year, 500 households will receive healthy, safe food boxes and have access to two affordable housing units, 100 low income families will receive home mortgage or rental assistance to prevent housing insecurity, and 100 under-employed, unemployed and High School residents (Ages 15+) will receive Workforce (Job) Readiness and Preparedness counseling. **Financial Continuity**: Project will not impose ongoing costs on Cobb County beyond the requested amount of ARPA funding. The budget indicates that requested funding will be utilized to expand existing services to address the increased need stemming from COVID-19.

Applicant Type	Business
Applicant Name	Business Innovation Team
County Priorities	Economic Development 3.2 Small and Minority Owned Business – Provides training and assistance for minority-owned businesses
Project Name	1.176 Cobb County Business Boot Camp
Project Summary	Cobb County Business Boot Camp helps small business improve their processes and sustainability through refined business planning, marketing, sales, capital acquisition, processes, hiring and onboarding.
Budget	Total Recommended Funding (2 Years): $3,965,700.00

Response: Does the proposed project align with one or more of the ARPA expenditure categories?	Yes; the project aims to aid small businesses impacted by the negative economic impacts of COVID-19.
Summary of Project Scope:	Cobb County Business Boot Camp seeks to provide training and assistance to help minority business owners to plan and manage their businesses so they can attract funds, integrate networking throughout the solution components, provide extensive skill development using a variety of methods and languages, and broaden their ability to attract and retain the right people for their businesses. The curriculum for this training will consist of "do it yourself" (DIY) courses, live in-person workshops, mastermind groups, and one-to-one consulting sessions. The applicant expects that this program will increase these businesses' likelihood of growing their businesses and increasing their revenues.
ARPA Alignment: Do intended project expenditures align with one or more of the SLFRF eligible expenditure categories per Treasury guidance?	Yes; per the Final Rule 2. Negative Economic Impacts, Assistance to Small Businesses – 2.30: Treasury is maintaining enumerated eligible uses from the interim final rule for assistance to impacted small businesses. These include but are not limited to: Technical assistance, counseling, or other services to assist with business planning needs. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18, pg. 4377)
Evaluation Considerations:	**Equity:** The applicant states that the target population is underserved small businesses owners. **Program location:** The project will take place in Cobb County and the organization is located in District 2. **Impact:** The applicant hopes to engage about 600 small businesses in the first nine months and grow enrollments by 10% year-over-year; 30% of enrollees meet with Manager of Client Success to determine which programs will have the highest impact on their business. **Financial Continuity**: Project will not impose ongoing costs on Cobb County beyond the requested amount of ARPA funding. Funding is requested to help small businesses develop a recovery plan to rebound from the negative impacts of COVID-19. Funding will be utilized for sales and marketing, program development, program delivery, salaries for program staff, administrative costs, and program services.

Applicant Type	Non-Profit Organization
Applicant Name	Urban League of Greater Atlanta (ULGA)
County Priorities	Support Services, **Economic Development** 2.3 Rental and Mortgage, 3.1 Workforce Development, and **3.2 Small and Minority Owned Businesses** – Providing workforce training to underserved populations
Project Name	1.208.2 Workforce Development, Basic Needs, and Small Business Assistance for Black Families in Cobb County Impacted by the Pandemic.
Project Summary	The Urban League of Greater Atlanta will offer services through their integrated economic mobility model to individuals and families in meeting basic needs of housing and food, offering workforce development opportunities, and helping small businesses recover.
Budget	Total Recommended Funding (3 Years): $2,022,248.00 (Recommended Funding for Subtopic 2.3 – $637,371.00) (Recommended Funding for Subtopic 3.1 – $421,176.00) **(Recommended Funding for Subtopic 3.2 – $963,371.00)**

Response: Does the proposed project align with one or more of the ARPA expenditure categories?	Yes; the project aims to provide workforce training to an underserved population affected by COVID-19.
Summary of Project Scope:	Through the applicant's Financial Empowerment and Emergency Resource Center, ULGA will offer services through their integrated economic mobility model. These services are for individuals and families for meeting basic needs of housing and food, offering workforce development opportunities, and small businesses recover. Funding through this opportunity will allow ULGA to stabilize families with basic needs support, create a workforce pathway for Certified Nursing Assistants with partner Wellstar, and provide support to stabilize small businesses and help them grow. The target populations are those residing in federally Qualified Census Tract (QCT)s, the 25% or more of the families that are stuck in poverty, and the unemployed and underemployed.
ARPA Alignment: Do intended project expenditures align with one or more of the SLFRF eligible expenditure categories per Treasury guidance?	Yes; per the Final Rule 2: Negative Economic Impacts, Assistance to Households – 2.1, 2.2: Enumerated eligible uses included: Food assistance; rent, mortgage, or utility assistance; ...; cash assistance; or job training to address negative economic or public health impacts experienced due to a worker's occupation or level of training. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18, pg. 4359) 2. Negative Economic Impacts, Assistance to Households – 2.10, 2.30: The interim final rule included assistance to unemployed workers as an enumerated eligible use, including "services like job training to accelerate rehiring of unemployed workers." Technical assistance, counseling, or other services to assist with business planning needs. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18, pg.4377)
Evaluation Considerations:	**Equity:** The applicant states that the project will target minorities and low-income individuals. **Program location:** The project will take place in Cobb County and the organization is located in Fulton County. **Impact**: 60 families will be provided with housing assistance; 60 families will be provided Food Assistance; 30 candidates will receive CNA training, work experience, and certificates; 75 small businesses with receive technical assistance and coaching. **Financial Continuity**: Project will not impose ongoing costs on Cobb County beyond the requested amount of ARPA funding. However, the applicant is requesting funding for new positions so there will be additional costs to retain the staff after the project ends.

Applicant Type	Non-Profit Organization
Applicant Name	Greater Wealth Works (Formerly The Edge Connection)
County Priorities	Economic Development 3.2 Small and Minority Owned Businesses – Providing business and workforce to underserved individuals
Project Name	1.52 Pathways to Economic Mobility - Entrepreneurship/Career/Financial Wellbeing Income Strategies
Project Summary	The purpose of this project is to primarily assist the current population of micro/solo business owners who have had a reduction in business income, have closed their businesses, or are now needing to seek employment or job options.
Budget	Total Recommended Funding (9 Months): $99,550.00

Response: Does the proposed project align with one or more of the ARPA expenditure categories?	Yes; the project aims to provide business and workforce training. The applicant explains that the "project will assist in the continued recovery of the micro and small business community impacted by the economic downturn caused by COVID 19 shutdown in 2020 and 2021" and that the pandemic's "impact is still being felt by the small business community and those that may have lost jobs as a result of [COVID-19] and are looking for other options".
Summary of Project Scope:	Greater Wealth Works will provide services for self-employment and small business income strategy through one-on-one coaching and training. The applicant will provide access to workforce/job readiness skills training through the Google Technical Skills Certificate Program, AARP job skills program, and referrals to Worksource Cobb for job opportunities. Requested funding will support the staff, technology, and materials associated with the program. The project aims to address the disproportionate distribution of wealth for individuals that have been historically underserved or marginalized. Their target group includes low net worth populations with high debt and limited assets, systemically under-resourced small businesses, and individuals with limited career mobility. The goal of the project is to primarily assist the current population of micro/solo businesses who have experienced a reduction in business income, along with income strategy, financial wellbeing and health wellbeing for individuals. This project will build upon their current services and Greater Wealth Works plans to continue to offer these services once the program is complete.
ARPA Alignment: Do intended project expenditures align with one or more of the SLFRF eligible expenditure categories per Treasury guidance?	Yes; per the Final Rule 2: Negative Economic Impacts, Assistance to Households – 2.10: Assistance to impacted individuals who want and are available for work, including job training. Assistance to unemployed individuals to start small businesses & development of job and workforce training centers. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18, pg. 4369)
Evaluation Considerations:	**Equity:** The applicant states that the project will target small- and minority-owned businesses. **Program location:** The project will take place in Cobb County and the organization is located in District 1. **Impact:** 460 participants complete one or more workforce/job readiness skill training sessions that focus on income strategy, financial wellbeing, and health wellbeing. **Financial Continuity**: Project will not impose ongoing costs on Cobb County beyond the requested amount of ARPA funding. The budget indicates that funding will be utilized for the program staff, administrative costs, necessary coursework materials, technology, and equipment during the 9-month project duration.

Applicant Type	Non-Profit Organization
Applicant Name	SelectCobb
County Priorities	Economic Development 3.3 Employee Retention - Helping offset the cost of retaining and recruiting workers
Project Name	1.103 Child Care Learning Center - Employee Grant Proposal
Project Summary	This project will assist Child Care Learning Centers & Family Child Care Learning Homes with their current workforce challenges. The purpose of the grant program is to help offset the costs of retaining and recruiting workers.
Budget	Total Recommended Funding (8 Months): $4,950,000.00

Response: Does the proposed project align with one or more of the ARPA expenditure categories?	Yes; the project aims to aid businesses affected by COVID-19.
Summary of Project Scope:	The Cobb Chamber/SelectCobb would like to work with CobbWorks, the Cobb Collaborative, the Georgia Department of Early Care & Learning, and Cobb County Government to assist Child Care Learning Centers & Family Child Care Learning Homes with their current workforce challenges. The applicant is proposing to distribute $4,500,000 in reimbursement grants that will be directly provided to the early childhood education and day care industry, with an additional 10% of this amount to fund program management. The purpose of the grant program is to help offset the cost of retaining and recruiting workers in this difficult labor market for a specific segment of the economy that has a profound impact on families. The Child Care Grant Program is intended to help offset some of the impacts of higher wages, retention bonuses, and training to allow childcare centers to access or upskill the talent needed to care for the youngest children in Cobb County.
ARPA Alignment: Do intended project expenditures align with one or more of the SLFRF eligible expenditure categories per Treasury guidance?	Yes; per the Final Rule 2: Negative Economic Impacts, Assistance to Small Businesses – 2.29: Treasury is maintaining enumerated eligible uses from the interim final rule for assistance to impacted small businesses. These include but are not limited to: • Loans or grants to mitigate financial hardship such as declines in revenues or impacts of periods of business closure, for example by supporting payroll and benefits costs, costs to retain employees, mortgage, rent, or utilities costs, and other operating costs. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18, pg. 4378)
Evaluation Considerations:	**Equity:** The applicant states that the project will target childcare centers. **Program location:** The project will take place in Cobb County and the organization is located in District 2. **Impact:** Applicant expects that over 80% of the 216 Child Care Learning Centers in the County will participate in the program. Through the grant application process, the applying organization will be able to identify the number of employees that have experienced a rise in compensation, training, or other factors that will assist the company in retaining their workforce through the program. **Financial Continuity**: Project will not impose ongoing costs on Cobb County beyond the requested amount of ARPA funding. Funding will mainly be utilized for reimbursement grants, along with grant administration costs.

Applicant Type	Non-Profit Organization (501(c)(6))
Applicant Name	Cobb Travel & Tourism
County Priorities	Economic Development 3.4 Hospitality and Tourism – Administering grants to four hospitality and tourism organizations
Project Name	1.224 Hospitality & Tourism - Workforce Employee Retention Grant Administration Proposal
Project Summary	Project will work with Cobb County and the Cobb Chamber/SelectCobb to administer a grant program to assist four highly impacted areas of Cobb's hospitality and tourism industries with current workforce challenges: arts organizations, live entertainment venues, tourist attractions, and craft beverage makers.
Budget	Total Recommended Funding (2 Years): $2,310,385.01

Response: Does the proposed project align with one or more of the ARPA expenditure categories?	Yes; the project aims to support organizations whose industry was severely impacted by COVID-19.
Summary of Project Scope:	Cobb Travel & Tourism requests funds to administer grants to four Cobb County based hospitality and tourism organizations. The applicant will partner with Cobb County and the Cobb Chamber/SelectCobb to distribute grants to selected art organizations, live entertainment venues, tourist attractions, and craft beverage makers who are experiencing workforce challenges as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.
ARPA Alignment: Do intended project expenditures align with one or more of the SLFRF eligible expenditure categories per Treasury guidance?	Yes; per the Final Rule 2. Negative Economic Impacts, Aid to Impacted Industries– 2.35: Under the final rule, recipients may provide eligible aid (described in further detail herein) to the tourism, travel, and hospitality industries. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18, pg. 4381) Eligible responses to impacted industries: Aid to mitigate financial hardship due to declines in revenue or profits by supporting payroll costs and compensation of returning employees for lost pay and benefits during the COVID-19 pandemic, as well as support of operations and maintenance of existing equipment and facilities, such as rent, leases, and utilities. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18, pg. 4383)
Evaluation Considerations:	**Equity:** The applicant states that the project will target organizations impacted by COVID-19 and that fit into the four impacted categories, with targeted marketing to underserved communities to stimulate participation. **Program location:** The project will take place in Cobb County and the organization is located in Districts 1, 2, 3, and 4. **Impact:** Award 100, $20,000 grants to eligible Cobb County arts organizations, live entertainment venues, tourist attractions and craft beverage makers; administer a 90-day post-award survey and receive completed documentation compliance certifications and survey responses. **Financial Continuity**: Project will not impose ongoing costs on Cobb County beyond the requested amount of ARPA funding. Budget indications that funding will be used for grant awards, along with costs associated with the administration process of grant awards and the costs of program personnel.

Public Safety Subcommittee - Recommended Projects

Organization/Individual Name	Project Name	Amount Recommended
Highland Rivers Community Service Board D.B.A Highland Rivers Behavioral Health	Co-Responder Expansion Proposal	$1,887,984
Highland Rivers Community Service Board D.B.A Highland Rivers Behavioral Health	911 Clinician Proposal	$474,000
Cobb County Government	Findhelp.org	$100,000
Highland Rivers Community Service Board D.B.A Highland Rivers Behavioral Health	Recovery Navigators	$1,177,607
Cobb County Department of Public Safety	Cobb Co-Responder Program for Behavioral Health Emergencies (in conjunction with Highland Rivers Behavioral Health)	$2,741,174
Superior, Juvenile, and Magistrate Courts of Cobb County	Unified Court COVID Recovery Project A - Case Backlog	$1,959,848
Cobb County Fire & Emergency Services	Cardiac Monitors for First Response	$1,500,000
Puckett Emergency Medical Services, LLC.	Manual Chest Compression Devices for Licensed 911 Ambulances	$197,216
		$10,037,829

Reference No. 36

FUNDING

Decrease Expenditure	279	130	PS00	8005	Preliminary Estimates	$10,037,827.89
Decrease Expenditure	279	055	ARCT	8820	Undesignated Contingency	$1.29
Increase Expenditure:	279	130	PS02	6574	Contributions	$1,887,984.00
Increase Expenditure:	279	130	PS03	6574	Contributions	$474,000.00
Increase Expenditure:	279	130	PS04	8005	Preliminary Estimates	$100,000.00
Increase Expenditure:	279	130	PS05	6574	Contributions	$1,177,607.18
Increase Expenditure:	279	130	PS06	8005	Preliminary Estimates	$2,741,174.00
Increase Expenditure:	279	130	PS07	8005	Preliminary Estimates	$1,959,848.00
Increase Expenditure:	279	130	PS08	8005	Preliminary Estimates	$1,500,000.00
Increase Expenditure:	279	130	PS09	6574	Contributions	$197,216.00

Recommended Project Summaries

Applications that passed initial review and were recommended by subcommittees as of December 2022

Considerations

When possible, language and information within this document has been pulled directly from application submissions or from the applicant. For consolidation purposes, language may have been summarized according to information provided in the original application submission or compiled from notes taken during the subcommittee evaluation process. Opinions stated within are not the personal opinions of the author or any member of the Cobb County ARPA team.

ARPA alignment categories indicate which expenditure categories align with the anticipated project costs. These alignments may be refined during the pre-award and reporting processes.

Any questions should be directed to the Cobb County ARPA team at cobbcountyARPA@deloitte.com.

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Template Overview

Outlined below are explanations of the information included in each summary.

Applicant Type	*County government department, non-profit organization, Business, etc.*
Applicant Name	*Name of applicant as written in the original application submission.*
County Priorities	*County priority and subtopic(s) that the application was determined to best fit within.*
Project Name	*Deloitte designated project number and name of project as written in the original application submission.*
Project Summary	*Summary of project using, when possible, language from the original application submission.*
Budget	*Amount of funding recommended by the subcommittee after evaluating the application.* This amount may be different from what the applicant requested on their original application. In parenthesis () is the estimated project duration according to the application submission. In cases where applications have been funded using money from multiple priority areas, multiple budgets may be listed indicating the amounts recommended for each subcommittee for the expenses and project activities applicable to that specific priority area.

Response: Does the proposed project align with one or more of the ARPA expenditure categories?	The American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLFRF) Final Rule legislation outlines parameters for expenditure eligibility. Projects that have been determined to be in alignment with the legislation will receive a yes for this question.
Summary of Project Scope:	Using the information provided in the Project Scope section of the original project application and additional information provided in the project submission, the activities in the application have been summarized. When possible, language has been directly quoted from the original application.
ARPA Alignment: Do intended project expenditures align with one or more of the SLFRF eligible expenditure categories per Treasury guidance?	In accordance with the Final Rule, potential expenditure categories (e.g.; 1. Public Health, COVID-19 Mitigation and Prevention – 1.1, 1.2, 1.3, 1.7) have been identified to determine a project's alignment with the legislation. In addition to the expenditure category, a direct quote from the Final Rule narrative that supports the projects alignment has been provided with a citation, e.g.; (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18, pg. 4353). As per the final rule, certain populations including households, individuals, or organizations located in a Qualified Census Tract (QCT) may be presumed eligible for ARPA.*
Evaluation Considerations:	*Subcommittees evaluated projects based on 8 criteria to determine their funding recommendations. Specific criteria definitions are as follows:* **Equity:** The extent to which a project demonstrates advancement of equity to cultivate the consistent and systematic fair, just, and impartial treatment of all individuals as defined in Executive Order 13985. **Program location:** If the project will take place in Cobb County as indicated in the original application submission and where the applicant organization is located. **Impact:** The extent to which a project has significant return on investment for the Cobb County community. **Financial continuity:** The extent to which a project's costs will be entirely carried by the program, at no continued cost to Cobb County.

*The Final Rule defines a QCT in alignment with 26 U.S.C. 42(d)(5)(B)(ii)(I): "The term "qualified census tract" means any census tract which is designated by the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development and, for the most recent year for which census data are available on household income in such tract, either in which 50 percent or more of the households have an income which is less than 60 percent of the area median gross income for such year or which has a poverty rate of at least 25 percent. If the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development determines that sufficient data for any period are not available to apply this clause on the basis of census tracts, such Secretary shall apply this clause for such period on the basis of enumeration districts."

Priority Area:

Public Safety

Public Safety Funding Plan

The funding plan as recommended by the Public Safety Subcommittee

Project #	Project Name	Organization	Budget
1.218	Cobb Co-Responder Program for Behavioral Health Emergencies (in conjunction with Highland Rivers Behavioral Health)	Cobb County Department of Public Safety	$2,741,174
1.27	Co-Responder Expansion Proposal	Highland Rivers Community Service Board D.B.A Highland Rivers Behavioral Health	$1,887,984
1.111	Recovery Navigators	Highland Rivers Community Service Board D.B.A Highland Rivers Behavioral Health	$1,177,607
1.28	911 Clinician Proposal	Highland Rivers Community Service Board D.B.A Highland Rivers Behavioral Health	$474,000
1.108	Findhelp.org	Cobb County Government	$100,000
		Mental Health Response Total Recommended Funding:	**$6,380,765**
1.190	Unified Court COVID Recovery Project A - Case Backlog	Superior, Juvenile, and Magistrate Courts of Cobb County	$1,959,848
		Court Backlog Total Recommended Funding:	**$1,959,848**
1.20	Cardiac Monitors for First Response	Cobb County Fire & Emergency Services	$1,500,000
1.59	Manual Chest Compression Devices for Licensed 911 Ambulances	Puckett Emergency Medical Services, LLC	$197,216
		First Response Total Recommended Funding:	**$1,697,216**

Mental Health Response Court Backlog PS Retention First Response

Applicant Type	County Government Organization
Applicant Name	Cobb County Department of Public Safety
County Priorities	Public Safety 5.1 Mental Health Response – Promote access to mental and behavioral health treatment
Project Name	1.218 Cobb Co-Responder Program for Behavioral Health Emergencies (in conjunction with Highland Rivers Behavioral Health)
Project Summary	The project would embed co-responder units in hot spots for mental health crisis and provide case managers to support diversion services that promote alternatives to incarceration for individuals with Serious Mental Illness (SMI) and Co-Occurring Disorders (COD).
Budget	Total Recommended Funding (2 Years): $2,741,174.00

Response: Does the proposed project align with one or more of the ARPA expenditure categories?	Yes; the proposed project will expand co-responder units to address the mental health implications caused by COVID-19.
Summary of Project Scope:	In partnership with Highland Rivers Behavioral Health (HRBH), Cobb County Department of Public Safety (CCDPS) will increase its numbers of co-responder behavioral health units by one. This will be accomplished by purchasing necessary equipment/vehicles and hiring three new police officers, five paramedics, and 12 sheriff's deputies to support the six licensed clinicians and two case managers hired by HRBH to create and manage the co-responder teams. CCDPS will provide specialized training to the co-response teams and all first responders in de-escalation techniques and methods to respond to behavioral health emergencies. The co-responder teams will partner with substance use treatment partners to provide follow-up visits with patients who have experienced an overdose to offer opportunities to speak with a peer counselor and access naloxone. Lastly, CCDPS plans to partner with a local university to study the co-responder program's effectiveness.
ARPA Alignment: Do intended project expenditures align with one or more of the SLFRF eligible expenditure categories per Treasury guidance?	Yes; per the Final Rule 1. Public Health, Behavioral Health – 1.12: Recipients may also provide services for special populations, for example, enhanced services in schools to address increased rates of behavioral health challenges for youths, mental health first responder or law enforcement mental health co-responder programs to divert individuals experiencing mental illness from the criminal justice system (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18, pg. 4356)
Evaluation Considerations:	**Equity:** The target population is impacted Cobb County residents. **Program location:** The project will take place in Cobb County and the organization is in Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4. **Impact:** This project is recommended to be partially funded. For the full program, the applicant expects an overall reduction in arrest and incarceration of individuals experiencing a behavioral health crisis, a reduction in the use of force by law enforcement in incidents involving individuals in a behavioral health crisis, and a reduction of emergency room admissions and 911 utilization in incidents involving individuals in a behavioral health crisis. We will work with the applicant to address KPIs based on partial funding. **Financial Continuity**: The program will leverage information gathered during the program to identify other streams of funding once ARPA funding expires. The applicant notes that positions created for the program and the vehicles purchased can be re-absorbed by the partner agencies and assigned to traditional response roles.

Applicant Type	Non-Profit Organization
Applicant Name	Highland Rivers Behavioral Health
County Priorities	Public Safety 5.1 Mental Health Response – Expands capacity to respond to mental health crises
Project Name	1.27 Co-Responder Expansion Proposal
Project Summary	The organization plans to expand the co-response team by embedding co-responder units in hot spots for mental health crisis and calls, in addition to providing case managers to its Cobb CARES program.
Budget	Total Recommended Funding (1 Year): $1,887,984.00

Response: Does the proposed project align with one or more of the ARPA expenditure categories?	Yes; The COVID-19 pandemic has mental health implications and researchers are calling for services to mitigate its mental health aftereffects.
Summary of Project Scope:	Highland Rivers Behavioral Health (HRBH) seeks to provide services that: promote alternatives to incarceration for individuals with serious mental illnesses (SMI) and co-occurring disorders (COD), expand the number of co-responder behavioral health teams, and increase its capacity to expand their area of operation. These services will allow HRBH to engage hundreds of individuals in evidenced-based care and provide follow-up to thousands of citizens within the County who would fall back into the cycle of incarceration or hospitalization. A co-responder team uses a specially trained officer and a mental health clinician who respond jointly to situations in which a behavioral health crisis is likely to be involved. This model allows communities and local leaders to develop a crisis continuum of care that results in the reduction of harm, arrests, and emergency departments' resources. The program also promotes the development of and access to quality mental and substance use disorder treatment and services.
ARPA Alignment: Do intended project expenditures align with one or more of the SLFRF eligible expenditure categories per Treasury guidance?	Yes; per the Final Rule 1. Public Health, Behavioral Health – 1.12: Services that respond to these impacts of the public health emergency may include services across the continuum of care, including both acute and chronic care, such as prevention, outpatient treatment, inpatient treatment, crisis care, diversion programs (e.g., from emergency departments or criminal justice system involvement), outreach to individuals not yet engaged in treatment, harm reduction, and supports for long-term recovery. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18, pg. 4356)
Evaluation Considerations:	**Equity:** The applicant states that the project will target vulnerable and uninsured/underinsured populations. **Program location:** The project will take place in Cobb County and the organization in located in Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4. **Impact:** Two expanded agreements will be created to operate two new co-response units across Cobb County which will impact 300 unique individuals over a three-year period. **Financial Continuity**: The project will not impose ongoing costs on Cobb County beyond the requested amount of ARPA funding.

Applicant Type	Non-Profit Organization
Applicant Name	Highland Rivers Community Service Board DBA Highland Rivers Behavioral Health
County Priorities	Public Safety 5.1 Mental Health Response – Supports assistance to those with mental health and substance abuse challenges in judicial systems and emergency rooms
Project Name	1.111 Recovery Navigators
Project Summary	The project will create positions for four case managers and one licensed clinician who will provide assistance with mental health and substance abuse challenges for individuals in the judicial and emergency room systems.
Budget	Total Recommended Funding (3 Years): $1,177,607.00

Response: Does the proposed project align with one or more of the ARPA expenditure categories?	Yes; the project addresses the increased need for mental health services due to the COVID-19 pandemic.
Summary of Project Scope:	The Recovery Navigators Project will address the current and growing need for mental health services in Cobb County. This is achieved by ensuring linkage, connection, and engagement for persons with mental health and substance abuse disorders who may become involved in emergency care or the court system. The project will create positions for four case managers and one licensed clinician that will work to provide the necessary assessment, evaluation, and linkage to care that individuals may require.
ARPA Alignment: Do intended project expenditures align with one or more of the SLFRF eligible expenditure categories per Treasury guidance?	Yes; per Final Rule: 1: Public Health, Behavioral Health – 1.12: In the final rule, Treasury is maintaining this enumerated eligible use category and clarifying that it covers an expansive array of services for prevention, treatment, recovery, and harm reduction for mental health, substance use, and other behavioral health challenges caused or exacerbated by the public health emergency. (See Federal Register, Vol. 87, No. 18, pg. 4355)
Evaluation Considerations:	**Equity:** The target population is impacted Cobb County residents with mental health and substance abuse disorders. **Program location:** The project will take place in Cobb County and the organization is located in Districts 1, 2, 3, and 4. **Impact:** By increasing navigation of services among court and emergency rooms, the project expects to increase the number of individuals attaining access to behavioral health care and diversion from potentially unnecessary levels of care. This translates into saving money within the court and emergency systems via reduced recidivism, community engagement among individuals, and decreased rates of incarceration among the target population. **Financial Continuity**: The project will not impose ongoing costs to the County beyond the three years of requested funding unless the service provided by the project is extended.

Applicant Type	Non-Profit Organization
Applicant Name	Highland Rivers Community Service Board DBA Highland Rivers Behavioral Health
County Priorities	Public Safety 5.1 Mental Health Response – Provides care for individuals with mental health issues who are in crisis
Project Name	1.28 911 Clinician Proposal
Project Summary	The program aims to provide a mental health clinician in the 911 center to operate 12 hours per day to better respond to citizens presenting emotional/behavioral issues who need mental health intervention to assist in appropriate dispatch and promote alternatives to incarceration.
Budget	Total Recommended Funding (3 Years): $474,000.00

Response: Does the proposed project align with one or more of the ARPA expenditure categories?	Yes; the COVID-19 pandemic had mental health implications and researchers are calling for services to mitigate its mental health aftereffects. This project provides services in the 911 center to address these mental health implications.
Summary of Project Scope:	The goal of the project is to provide rapid care for individuals with mental health issues who are in crisis or trying to access care. In partnership with Cobb County Department of Public Safety, a licensed mental health clinician will be placed in 911 centers to respond to calls that need mental health intervention as designated by EMS policy. Clinicians placed in 911 centers are better able to field mental health calls and potentially disengage a caller prior to arrival on the scene. The mental health clinician hired for the Cobb County 911 center will allow dispatch to send over a call concerning mental health to that staff member. The clinician will then work with the individual to get more history, see if there are any prior MH/SUD engagements with Highland Rivers Behavioral Health and work with the co-responder team/ or patrol officer to be better able to handle the complexity of the call.
ARPA Alignment: Do intended project expenditures align with one or more of the SLFRF eligible expenditure categories per Treasury guidance?	Yes; per the Final Rule 1. Public Health, Behavioral Health – 1.12: Services that respond to these impacts of the public health emergency may include services across the continuum of care, including both acute and chronic care, such as prevention, outpatient treatment, inpatient treatment, crisis care, diversion programs (e.g., from emergency departments or criminal justice system involvement), outreach to individuals not yet engaged in treatment, harm reduction, and supports for long-term recovery. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18, pg. 4356)
Evaluation Considerations:	**Equity:** The applicant states that the project will target vulnerable and uninsured/underinsured populations. **Program location:** The project will take place in Cobb County and the organization is in Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4. **Impact:** The applicant expects that 300 individuals will be served over the 3-year project duration, calls will be de-escalated prior to on-scene response, and officers will have access to critical information prior to arriving on the scene of the call. **Financial Continuity**: The project will not impose ongoing costs to the County beyond the three years of requested funding unless the service provided by the project is extended.

Applicant Type	County Government Organization
Applicant Name	Cobb County Government
County Priorities	Public Safety 5.1 Mental Health Response – Offers resources to those in need of social services
Project Name	1.108 Findhelp.org
Project Summary	This project will purchase a service to create findhelp.org. This website would integrate mental health and other support services resources into the Cobb County website providing more equitable access to these resources and allowing the County to monitor usage of these resources to determine how to better serve Cobb residents.
Budget	Total Recommended Funding (4 Years): $100,000.00

Response: Does the proposed project align with one or more of the ARPA expenditure categories?	Yes; this project addresses the mental health and general economic impacts of the pandemic by connecting individuals with resources to support their specific needs.
Summary of Project Scope:	The project, developed by leaders from the Public Safety, Communications, and Information Services departments, will provide an online resource to citizens in need of navigating various social service organizations and find resources to help them meet their critical need. The scope of work includes implementing a County branded findhelp.org community site on cobbcounty.org and including a future interface to the 311/Customer Relationship Management System. The applicant is requesting an initial purchase of this service to go through December 31, 2026.
ARPA Alignment: Do intended project expenditures align with one or more of the SLFRF eligible expenditure categories per Treasury guidance?	Yes; per the Final Rule 1. Public Health, Behavioral Health – 1.12: In the final rule, Treasury is maintaining this enumerated eligible use category and clarifying that it covers an expansive array of services for prevention, treatment, recovery, and harm reduction for mental health, substance use, and other behavioral health challenges caused or exacerbated by the public health emergency. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18 , pg. 4355) 1. Public Health, Other – 1.14: Technology infrastructure resources to improve access to and the user-experience of government information technology systems, including upgrades to hardware and software as well as improvements to public-facing websites or to data management systems, to increase public access and improve public delivery of government programs and services. (See Federal Register, Vol. 87, No. 18, pg. 4388)
Evaluation Considerations:	**Equity:** The target population is impacted Cobb County residents. **Program location:** The project will take place in Cobb County and the organization is located in Districts 1, 2, 3, and 4. **Impact:** This project will provide a list of qualified social service providers which will benefit all Cobb County residents in need of social services assistance. **Financial Continuity**: The project could impose ongoing costs on Cobb County beyond the requested amount of ARPA funding. Assuming there are no price increases, if program is successful, this organization would incur an annual cost of $5,400 after 2026. There can also be additional costs during the period of performance for optional services to increase website capabilities.

Applicant Type	County Government Organization
Applicant Name	Superior, Juvenile, and Magistrate Courts of Cobb County
County Priorities	Public Safety 5.2 Court Backlog – Will purchase supplies and hire support staff to address court backlog
Project Name	1.190 Unified Court COVID Recovery Project A - Case Backlog
Project Summary	The project will provide additional assistance to Cobb County Courts case backlogs through increasing court personnel, consolidating lost revenue, and purchasing equipment to assist with court meetings.
Budget	Total Recommended Funding (27 Months): $1,959,848.00 Applicant Requested Funding Amount – $3,426,616.00

Response: Does the proposed project align with one or more of the ARPA expenditure categories?	Yes; the project addresses the administrative needs exacerbated by the COVID-19 pandemic, specifically case backlogs in Cobb County courts.
Summary of Project Scope:	The applicant originally requested total funding of $3,426,616.00. After subcommittee review and taking into account the aggregate project score and available funding remaining, $1,959,848.00 in funding was recommended. The project seeks to increase court personnel and consolidate lost revenue in order to better serve Cobb County residents. The COVID-19 pandemic impeded court functioning, resulting in court backlog and an increased workload on all court employees. The Cobb County Court System requests funds to hire temporary personnel in 3 of their 5 courts: Superior, Magistrate, and Juvenile Courts. This includes half of all juror fees over two years, senior judge pay for two years, one additional temporary full-time case manager at the Superior Court, two intake officers for the Juvenile Court, and one full-time and one part-time Judge for the Magistrate Court. The objective is to either decrease or eliminate the court backlog over the course of the project. Additionally, the funds will be used to purchase equipment and supplies to keep up with an influx of warrant requests and civil matters by having in-person, hybrid, and virtual meetings when needed.
ARPA Alignment: Do intended project expenditures align with one or more of the SLFRF eligible expenditure categories per Treasury guidance?	Yes; per the Final Rule 3: Public Health-Negative Economic Impact: Public Sector Capacity, General Provisions – 3.5: SLFRF funds may be used to address administrative needs of recipient governments that were caused or exacerbated by the pandemic; for example, uses of funds to address backlogs resulting from pandemic related shutdowns. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18, pg. 4388)
Evaluation Considerations:	**Equity:** The target population is impacted Cobb County residents. **Program Location:** The program and organization are located in Cobb County. **Impact:** This project is recommended to be partially funded. The full program will address the court backlog and aims to reduce or eliminate untried cases, including disposing of 1,000 backlogged civil cases and 120 criminal cases, and potentially calling in an additional 26,400 jurors to address the increase in court proceedings. We will work with the applicant to address KPIs based on partial funding. **Financial Continuity:** The project will not impose ongoing costs to the County beyond the projected 27-month timeframe unless the service provided by the project is extended.

Applicant Type	Cobb County Government
Applicant Name	Cobb County Fire and Emergency Services
County Priorities	Public Safety 5.4 First Response – Addresses increased demand of first responders
Project Name	1.20 Cardiac Monitors for First Response
Project Summary	Cobb County government project to purchase cardiac monitors for first responders to provide better emergency care along with virtual monitoring.
Budget	Total Recommended Funding (4 Years): $1,500,000.00

Response: Does the proposed project align with one or more of the ARPA expenditure categories?	Yes; the project aims to obtain additional medical equipment to assist first responders in providing better treatment options for Cobb County Residents.
Summary of Project Scope:	Cobb County Fire & Emergency Services (CCFES) will purchase and deploy 30 cardiac monitors/defibrillators with advanced clinical capabilities. These devices will replace existing automatic external defibrillators (AED) on the department's 29 fire engines. All CCFES employees will receive training on this equipment and the expected lifespan of the equipment is 10 years.
ARPA Alignment: Do intended project expenditures align with one or more of the SLFRF eligible expenditure categories per Treasury guidance?	Yes; per the Final Rule 1: Public Health, COVID-19 Mitigation and Prevention – 1.7: In recognition of the importance of capital expenditures in the COVID–19 public health response, Treasury enumerates that the following projects are examples of eligible capital expenditures: • Acquisition of equipment for COVID–19 prevention and treatment, including ventilators, ambulances, and other medical or emergency services equipment (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18, pg. 4353)
Evaluation Considerations:	**Equity:** The target population is impacted Cobb County residents but the applicant states that those in underserved populations may be more likely to need services that this equipment assists with. **Program location:** The project will take place in Cobb County and the organization is located in Districts 1, 2, 3, and 4. **Impact:** With the purchase of this equipment, first responders will be able to provide better care in emergency situations and allows for patients who are reluctant to go to hospitals to have virtual monitoring. **Financial Continuity**: The project will not impose ongoing costs on Cobb County beyond the requested amount of ARPA funding. This is a one-time capital expenditure with the training provided at no-cost.

Support Services Subcommittee - Recommended Projects			
Organization/Individual Name	Project Name	Amount Recommended	
The Center for Family Resources	CFR Short-term Housing Program	$219,880	
Reflections of Trinity, Inc.	Team 58 Food Pantry	$400,000	
The Center for Family Resources	CFR Choice Pantry Program	$359,500	
The Center for Family Resources	CFR Rental Assistance Program	$86,950	
MUST Ministries, Inc.	Food Distribution by MUST Ministries, Inc., Cobb Food Fleet	$250,000	
The Center for Family Resources	Housing Navigation Project	$502,539	
Habitat for Humanity of Northwest Metro Atlanta, Inc.	Building Affordable Housing for Cobb Residents: An Innovative Partnership Between Trusted Providers (Habitat for Humanity of Northwest Metro Atlanta & Atlanta Neighborhood Development Partnership)	$4,000,000	
Noonday Baptist Association, Inc.	Food Distribution by NBA Storehouse Ministries, Cobb County Food Fleet	$284,000	
Cobb County Board of Health (aka Cobb & Douglas Public Health)	CDPH EH Septic System Repair/Maintenance and Public Sewer Connection Assistance Project	$855,000	
Zion Keepers, Inc	Zion Keepers-COBB ARPA	$475,000	
Zion Keepers, Inc	Zion Keepers-COBB ARPA	$725,000	
The Salvation Army, A Georgia Corporation	The Salvation Army | Financial Emergency Assistance & Homeless Service Center	$330,000	
Atlanta Legal Aid Society, Inc.	Cobb County Lawyer in the Law Library	$330,000	
LiveSafe Resources, Inc.	Equitable Access to COVID Mitigation for ALL Cobb County Victims of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault	$1,822,814	
The Giving Kitchen Initiative / Amy Crowell	Giving Kitchen Assists Food Service Workers in Crisis in Cobb County	$420,000	
H O P E Family Resource Center Inc	H O P E Family Resource Center Inc, Cobb Food Fleet	$36,250	
Ser Familia, Inc.	North Cobb C.A.F.E. (Family Resource Center) Launch to Mitigate Pandemic Impacts	$2,054,990	
HomeAid Atlanta, Inc.	Cobb County Shelter Development Project	$25,000	
Young Men's Christian Association of Metropolitan Atlanta, Inc.	Food Distribution by YMCA of Metro Atlanta, Cobb Food Fleet	$543,900	
Sweetwater Mission, Inc.	Food Distribution by Sweetwater Mission	$750,000	
Family Life Restoration Center, Inc.	South Cobb County Resilience and Stabilization for All	$55,000	
Meals on Wheels Atlanta, Inc.	Home Repairs and Modifications for Seniors, Veterans and Low-Income Homeowners of Cobb County	$2,704,012	
Family Life Restoration Center, Inc.	South Cobb County Resilience and Stabilization for All	$37,000	
Youth Empowerment through Learning, Leading, and Serving, Inc.	Workforce Development Services and Supports for the Adults and Youth of the Franklin Gateway Area	$35,000	
Turner Chapel New Horizons CDC (DBA New Horizons CDC)	Meals of Compassion Ministry	$10,670	
First Presbyterian Church of Marietta	First Presbyterian Church Food Outreach Ministry	$282,000	
Sweetwater Mission, Inc.	Sweetwater Mission's ARPA Housing Program 2023	$1,000,000	
Latin American Association	Latino Homeless Prevention Program	$30,000	
Georgia Micro Enterprise Network	Grow Cobb Initiative (GCI)	$2,700,000	
Urban League of Greater Atlanta (ULGA)	Workforce Development, Basic Needs, and Small Business Assistance for Black Families in Cobb County Impacted by the Pandemic	$637,371	
Loving Arms Cancer Outreach, Inc.	Housing and Grocery Assistance for Cobb County Cancer Patients Affected by COVID19	$630,000	
Latin American Association	Latino Homeless Prevention Program	$30,000	
Turner Chapel New Horizons CDC (DBA New Horizons CDC)	Marcus Mission Center	$32,786	
Loving Arms Cancer Outreach, Inc.	Housing and Grocery Assistance for Cobb County Cancer Patients Affected by COVID19	$481,388	
Turner Chapel New Horizons CDC (DBA New Horizons CDC)	Restore House	$162,949	
		$23,299,000	

Reference No. 37

FUNDING

Decrease Expenditure	279	120	SS00	8005	Preliminary Estimates	$23,298,999.99
Increase Expenditure:	279	120	SS01	6574	Contributions	$219,880.00
Increase Expenditure:	279	120	SS02	6574	Contributions	$400,000.00
Increase Expenditure:	279	120	SS03	6574	Contributions	$359,500.00
Increase Expenditure:	279	120	SS04	6574	Contributions	$86,950.00
Increase Expenditure:	279	120	SS05	6574	Contributions	$250,000.00
Increase Expenditure:	279	120	SS06	6574	Contributions	$502,539.00
Increase Expenditure:	279	120	SS07	6574	Contributions	$4,000,000.00
Increase Expenditure:	279	120	SS08	6574	Contributions	$284,000.00
Increase Expenditure:	279	120	SS09	6574	Contributions	$855,000.00
Increase Expenditure:	279	120	SS10	6574	Contributions	$475,000.00
Increase Expenditure:	279	120	SS11	6574	Contributions	$725,000.00
Increase Expenditure:	279	120	SS12	6574	Contributions	$330,000.00
Increase Expenditure:	279	120	SS13	6574	Contributions	$330,000.00
Increase Expenditure:	279	120	SS14	6574	Contributions	$1,822,814.00
Increase Expenditure:	279	120	SS15	6574	Contributions	$420,000.00
Increase Expenditure:	279	120	SS16	6574	Contributions	$36,250.00
Increase Expenditure:	279	120	SS17	6574	Contributions	$2,054,990.45
Increase Expenditure:	279	120	SS18	6574	Contributions	$25,000.00
Increase Expenditure:	279	120	SS19	6574	Contributions	$543,900.00
Increase Expenditure:	279	120	SS20	6574	Contributions	$750,000.00
Increase Expenditure:	279	120	SS21	6574	Contributions	$55,000.00
Increase Expenditure:	279	120	SS22	6574	Contributions	$2,704,012.34
Increase Expenditure:	279	120	SS23	6574	Contributions	$37,000.00
Increase Expenditure:	279	120	SS24	6574	Contributions	$35,000.00
Increase Expenditure:	279	120	SS25	6574	Contributions	$10,670.00
Increase Expenditure:	279	120	SS26	6574	Contributions	$282,000.00
Increase Expenditure:	279	120	SS27	6574	Contributions	$1,000,000.00
Increase Expenditure:	279	120	SS28	6574	Contributions	$30,000.00
Increase Expenditure:	279	120	SS29	6574	Contributions	$2,700,000.00
Increase Expenditure:	279	120	SS30	6574	Contributions	$637,371.00
Increase Expenditure:	279	120	SS31	6574	Contributions	$630,000.00
Increase Expenditure:	279	120	SS32	6574	Contributions	$30,000.00
Increase Expenditure:	279	120	SS33	6574	Contributions	$32,786.00
Increase Expenditure:	279	120	SS34	6574	Contributions	$481,388.20
Increase Expenditure:	279	120	SS35	6574	Contributions	$162,949.00

Recommended Project Summaries

Applications that passed initial review and were recommended by subcommittees as of December 2022

Considerations

When possible, language and information within this document has been pulled directly from application submissions or from the applicant. For consolidation purposes, language may have been summarized according to information provided in the original application submission or compiled from notes taken during the subcommittee evaluation process. Opinions stated within are not the personal opinions of the author or any member of the Cobb County ARPA team.

ARPA alignment categories indicate which expenditure categories align with the anticipated project costs. These alignments may be refined during the pre-award and reporting processes.

Any questions should be directed to the Cobb County ARPA team at cobbcountyARPA@deloitte.com.

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Template Overview

Outlined below are explanations of the information included in each summary.

Applicant Type	*County government department, non-profit organization, Business, etc.*
Applicant Name	*Name of applicant as written in the original application submission.*
County Priorities	*County priority and subtopic(s) that the application was determined to best fit within.*
Project Name	*Deloitte designated project number and name of project as written in the original application submission.*
Project Summary	*Summary of project using, when possible, language from the original application submission.*
Budget	*Amount of funding recommended by the subcommittee after evaluating the application.* This amount may be different from what the applicant requested on their original application. In parenthesis () is the estimated project duration according to the application submission. In cases where applications have been funded using money from multiple priority areas, multiple budgets may be listed indicating the amounts recommended for each subcommittee for the expenses and project activities applicable to that specific priority area.

Response: Does the proposed project align with one or more of the ARPA expenditure categories?	The American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLFRF) Final Rule legislation outlines parameters for expenditure eligibility. Projects that have been determined to be in alignment with the legislation will receive a yes for this question.
Summary of Project Scope:	Using the information provided in the Project Scope section of the original project application and additional information provided in the project submission, the activities in the application have been summarized. When possible, language has been directly quoted from the original application.
ARPA Alignment: Do intended project expenditures align with one or more of the SLFRF eligible expenditure categories per Treasury guidance?	In accordance with the Final Rule, potential expenditure categories (e.g.; 1. Public Health, COVID-19 Mitigation and Prevention – 1.1, 1.2, 1.3, 1.7) have been identified to determine a project's alignment with the legislation. In addition to the expenditure category, a direct quote from the Final Rule narrative that supports the projects alignment has been provided with a citation, e.g.; (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18, pg. 4353). As per the final rule, certain populations including households, individuals, or organizations located in a Qualified Census Tract (QCT) may be presumed eligible for ARPA.*
Evaluation Considerations:	*Subcommittees evaluated projects based on 8 criteria to determine their funding recommendations. Specific criteria definitions are as follows:* **Equity:** The extent to which a project demonstrates advancement of equity to cultivate the consistent and systematic fair, just, and impartial treatment of all individuals as defined in Executive Order 13985. **Program location:** If the project will take place in Cobb County as indicated in the original application submission and where the applicant organization is located. **Impact:** The extent to which a project has significant return on investment for the Cobb County community. **Financial continuity:** The extent to which a project's costs will be entirely carried by the program, at no continued cost to Cobb County.

*The Final Rule defines a QCT in alignment with 26 U.S.C. 42(d)(5)(B)(ii)(I): "The term "qualified census tract" means any census tract which is designated by the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development and, for the most recent year for which census data are available on household income in such tract, either in which 50 percent or more of the households have an income which is less than 60 percent of the area median gross income for such year or which has a poverty rate of at least 25 percent. If the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development determines that sufficient data for any period are not available to apply this clause on the basis of census tracts, such Secretary shall apply this clause for such period on the basis of enumeration districts."

Priority Area:

Support Services

Support Services Funding Plan

The funding plan as recommended by the Support Services Subcommittee

Project #	Project Name	Organization	Budget
1.233	Building Affordable Housing for Cobb Residents: An Innovative Partnership Between Trusted Providers	Habitat for Humanity of Northwest Metro Atlanta, Inc.	$4,000,000
1.102	Home Repairs and Modifications for Seniors, Veterans and Low-Income Homeowners of Cobb County	Meals on Wheels Atlanta, Inc.	$2,704,012
1.196	CDPH EH Septic System Repair/Maintenance and Public Sewer Connection Assistance Project	Cobb County Board of Health (aka Cobb & Douglas Public Health)	$855,000
		Affordable Housing Total Recommended Amount:	**$7,559,012**
1.154	Equitable Access to COVID Mitigation for ALL Cobb County Victims of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault	LiveSafe Resources, Inc.	$1,822,814
1.116	Housing Navigation Project	The Center for Family Resources	$502,539
1.109	The Salvation Army | Financial Emergency Assistance & Homeless Service Center	The Salvation Army, A Georgia Corporation	$330,000
1.226	Cobb County Lawyer in the Law Library	Atlanta Legal Aid Society, Inc.	$330,000
1.34	CFR Short-term Housing Program	The Center for Family Resources	$219,880
1.79	Restore House	Turner Chapel New Horizons CDC	$162,949
1.62.1	South Cobb County Resilience and Stabilization for All	Family Life Restoration Center, Inc.	$55,000
1.246	Cobb County Shelter Development Project	HomeAid Atlanta, Inc.	$25,000
		Homelessness Total Recommended Amount:	**$3,448,182**
1.171.1	Grow Cobb Initiative (GCI)	Georgia Micro Enterprise Network	$2,700,000
1.185.2	North Cobb C.A.F.E. (Family Resource Center) Launch to Mitigate Pandemic Impacts	Ser Familia, Inc.	$2,054,990
1.136	Sweetwater Mission's ARPA Housing Program 2023	Sweetwater Mission, Inc.	$1,000,000
1.26.2	Zion Keepers-COBB ARPA	Zion Keepers, Inc	$725,000
1.208.3	Workforce Development, Basic Needs, and Small Business Assistance for Black Families in Cobb County Impacted by the Pandemic	Urban League of Greater Atlanta (ULGA)	$637,371
1.78.1	Housing and Grocery Assistance for Cobb County Cancer Patients Affected by COVID19	Loving Arms Cancer Outreach, Inc.	$481,388
1.112	Giving Kitchen Assists Food Service Workers in Crisis in Cobb County	The Giving Kitchen Initiative	$420,000
1.36	CFR Rental Assistance Program	The Center for Family Resources	$86,950
1.62.3	South Cobb County Resilience and Stabilization for All	Family Life Restoration Center, Inc.	$37,000
1.203.2	Workforce Development Services and Supports for the Adults and Youth of the Franklin Gateway Area	Youth Empowerment through Learning, Leading, and Serving, Inc.	$35,000
1.230.1	Latino Homeless Prevention Program	Latin American Association	$30,000
		Rental and Mortgage Assistance Total Recommended Amount:	**$8,207,700**

Affordable Housing Homelessness Rental & Mortgage Food Security

Support Services Funding Plan

The funding plan as recommended by the Support Services Subcommittee

Project #	Project Name	Organization	Budget
1.134	Food Distribution by Sweetwater Mission	Sweetwater Mission, Inc.	$750,000
1.78.2	Housing and Grocery Assistance for Cobb County Cancer Patients Affected by COVID19	Loving Arms Cancer Outreach, Inc.	$630,000
1.80	Food Distribution by YMCA of Metro Atlanta, Cobb Food Fleet	Young Men's Christian Association of Metropolitan Atlanta, Inc.	$543,900
1.26.1	Zion Keepers-COBB ARPA	Zion Keepers, Inc	$475,000
1.30	Team 58 Food Pantry	Reflections of Trinity, Inc.	$400,000
1.35	CFR Choice Pantry Program	The Center for Family Resources	$359,500
1.51	Food Distribution by NBA Storehouse Ministries, Cobb County Food Fleet	Noonday Baptist Association, Inc.	$284,000
1.123	First Presbyterian Church Food Outreach Ministry	First Presbyterian Church of Marietta	$282,000
1.85	Food Distribution by MUST Ministries, Inc., Cobb Food Fleet	MUST Ministries, Inc.	$250,000
1.67	H O P E Family Resource Center Inc, Cobb Food Fleet	H O P E Family Resource Center Inc	$36,250
1.71	Marcus Mission Center	Turner Chapel New Horizons CDC	$32,786
1.230.2	Latino Homeless Prevention Program	Latin American Association	$30,000
1.55	Meals of Compassion Ministry	Turner Chapel New Horizons CDC	$10,670
		Food Security Total Recommended Amount:	**$4,084,106**

Affordable Housing Homelessness Rental & Mortgage Food Security

Applicant Type	Non-Profit Organization
Applicant Name	Habitat for Humanity of Northwest Metro Atlanta, Inc.
County Priorities	Support Services 2.1 Affordable Housing – Aims to provide affordable housing to residents of the Cobb County.
Project Name	Building Affordable Housing for Cobb Residents: An Innovative Partnership Between Trusted Providers (Habitat for Humanity of Northwest Metro Atlanta & Atlanta Neighborhood Development Partnership)
Project Summary	1.233 Habitat for Humanity is seeking funding to develop 14 single-family affordable homes for homeownership for Cobb families with incomes at or below 65% of the area median income (AMI).
Budget	Total Recommended Funding (4 Years): $4,000,000.00

Response: Does the proposed project align with one or more of the ARPA expenditure categories?	Yes; the construction market is facing unprecedented challenges in supply chain and labor as a result of the pandemic.
Summary of Project Scope:	Habitat for Humanity seeks funding to develop 14 single-family affordable homes for homeownership for Cobb families with incomes at or below 65% of the area median income (AMI). Habitat for Humanity plans on delivering the homes, which will be a mixture of acquisition, rehab, and new construction, at $362,725.00 each, helping to close the racial wealth gap by creating equity for homeowners. Additional funding will be provided by Habitat for Humanity of Northwest Metro Atlanta and Atlanta Neighborhood Development Partnership to ensure full project funding. Habitat already owns a parcel of developable land, zoned for 12 units, on Hillcrest Drive at Ridgefield Road. Additionally, Habitat has access to a list of parcels in unincorporated Cobb County that are tax blighted, delinquent, or condemned. First-look opportunities will be given to County employees, veterans, teachers, and other essential workers. Moreover, Habitat already has plans when the Pre-construction, Post-construction, and Buy Out steps are reached.
ARPA Alignment: Do intended project expenditures align with one or more of the SLFRF eligible expenditure categories per Treasury guidance?	Yes; per the Final Rule 2: Negative Economic Impacts, Assistance to Households – 2.15: Housing stability services that enable eligible households to maintain or obtain housing, such as housing counseling, fair housing counseling, case management related to housing stability, outreach to households at risk of eviction or promotion of housing support programs. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18, pg. 4360) Development, repair, and operation of affordable housing and services or programs to increase long-term housing security. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18, pg. 4449)
Evaluation Considerations:	**Equity:** The applicant states that the project aims to help close the racial wealth gap by creating equity for homeowners and will bring investment to Cobb County minority businesses. **Program location:** The project will take place in Cobb County and the organization is located in Districts 4. **Impact:** Create household wealth and housing stability through homeownership by constructing 14 single family homes for families earning 65% of Area Median Income. **Financial Continuity**: Project will not impose ongoing costs on Cobb County beyond the requested amount of ARPA funding. Budget indicates that funding will be used for land acquisition, closing costs, predevelopment, construction, and indirect costs. The applicant notes that efforts will be made to see if there are other grant opportunities available to sustain the program past the initial 4-year ARPA funding period.

Applicant Type	Non-Profit Organization
Applicant Name	Meals on Wheels
County Priorities	Support Services 2.1 Affordable Housing – Provides free home repair services to members of Cobb County
Project Name	Home Repairs and Modifications for Seniors, Veterans and Low-Income Homeowners of Cobb County
Project Summary	1.102 Meals On Wheels Atlanta seeks to continue providing minor to major home repair services for older adults, veterans, and low-income homeowners at no cost.
Budget	Total Recommended Funding (3 Years): $2,704,012 Applicant Requested Funding Amount: $3,131,884.00

Response: Does the proposed project align with one or more of the ARPA expenditure categories?	Yes; the applicant aids in the form of home repairs for low-income households and seniors, who are presumed to have been impacted by the pandemic.
Summary of Project Scope:	The applicant originally requested total funding of $3,131,884.00. After subcommittee review and taking into account the aggregate project score and available funding remaining, $2,461,924.00 in funding was recommended. Meals On Wheels Atlanta (MOWA) requests funds to provide gap services that support residents' independence and healthier living environments. MOWA will offer repairs at no cost to the beneficiary, supporting residents' economic stability and enabling them to focus their limited resources on other living expenses rather than on critical home repairs. The resident can apply for repair services and after a home inspection, MOWA will determine which repair project will be most beneficial for the resident. The project will be carried out by one of 14 contractors and within a tentative timeline of 15 workdays.
ARPA Alignment: Do intended project expenditures align with one or more of the SLFRF eligible expenditure categories per Treasury guidance?	Yes; per the Final Rule 2. Negative Economic Impacts, Assistance to Households – 2.23: Emergency assistance for burials, home repairs, weatherization, and other needs. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18, pg. 4360)
Evaluation Considerations:	**Equity:** The applicant states that the project will target communities of color, veterans, seniors, and low-income homeowners. **Program location:** The project will take place in Cobb County and the organization is located in Fulton County. **Impact:** This project is recommended to be partially funded. For the full program, the applicant seeks to serve 180 low-income households over 4 years, with the total cost per home averaging $17,255. The organization aims to leave at least 90% of the low-income households served satisfied with rehabilitation work. The work enables seniors to age with the comfort and continuity of being in their own homes and communities. We will work with the applicant to address KPIs based on partial funding. **Financial Continuity**: The project will not impose additional costs to the County. The budget indicates that the funding will be used for outreach/intake, construction, inspection, and management costs.

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Applicant Type	County Government Organization
Applicant Name	Cobb County Board of Health (aka Cobb & Douglas Public Health, CDPH)
County Priorities	Support Services 2.1 Affordable Housing – Aims to provide affordable septic system repairs
Project Name	1.196 CDPH EH Septic System Repair/Maintenance and Public Sewer Connection Assistance Project
Project Summary	The Cobb & Douglas Public Health (CDPH) Environmental Health (EH) Septic System Repair/Maintenance and Public Sewer Connection Assistance Project will assist low-income Cobb homeowners by funding the cost of repairing failing septic tanks, pumping septic tanks on a proper septic system, or encouraging owner-occupied properties to have their septic tank pumped by offering a credit on their water bill.
Budget	Total Recommended Funding (4 Years): $855,000.00

Response: Does the proposed project align with one or more of the ARPA expenditure categories?	Yes; the applicant states that the low-income population has been forced to neglect household maintenance due to increased financial burden brought on by the COVID-19 pandemic.
Summary of Project Scope:	The applicant requests funds to assist low-income Cobb homeowners by covering 100% of the one-time cost for a septic system repair or connecting to the public sewer system up to $15,000/resident, along with pumping of septic tanks for certain individuals. There are two primary components of this project. The first is to completely fund the cost for low-income homeowners in Cobb County to repair their failing septic system or have their septic tank pumped on a properly functioning septic system. The second is to encourage all other owner-occupied properties in Cobb County that utilize on-site sewage management systems to get their septic tank pumped according to a recommended schedule by offering a $250 credit (approximately half the cost of a routine septic pumping service) on their water bill once proof of this service is provided to Cobb Environmental Health and/or the Cobb County Water System. Requested funding for the 4-year period would cover the cost of 52 septic system repairs or sewer connections and 200 tank pump services for low-income home-owners. Requested funds for the septic tank pumping incentive would cover 1,200 home-owners over the same time period.
ARPA Alignment: Do intended project expenditures align with one or more of the SLFRF eligible expenditure categories per Treasury guidance?	Yes; per the Final Rule 5: Infrastructure, Water and Sewer – 5.5: Consistent with the CWSRF, the installation, repair, or replacement of private septic units continues to be an eligible use of SLFRF funds under the final rule. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18, pg. 4414)
Evaluation Considerations:	**Equity:** The applicant states that the project will target low-income homeowners and individuals affected by persistent poverty. **Program location:** The project will take place in Cobb County and the organization is located in District 1, 2, 3, and 4. **Impact:** 52 low-income homeowners will have their failing septic system repaired, 200 low-income homeowners will have their septic tank pumped in this same time period, and 1,200 residents of any income bracket will have their septic tanks pumped and receive the $250 water bill credit. **Financial Continuity**: Project will not impose ongoing costs on Cobb County beyond the requested amount of ARPA funding. Budget indicates that funding will be used for septic system service, repair, or for pumping service credit. Funding will also be used for administrative costs associated with the project.

Applicant Type	Non-Profit Organization
Applicant Name	LiveSafe Resources, Inc.
County Priorities	Support Services 2.2 Homelessness - Helps underserved populations experiencing abuse to move and set up a new household
Project Name	1.154 Equitable Access to COVID Mitigation for ALL Cobb County Victims of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault
Project Summary	This project will help domestic violence victims escape violence and heal by offering services that will support their ability to move out, find new housing, and access mental health services. This project will provide 350 victims access to free mental health counseling, 23 families access to shelter, and 34 families income-based rental assistance.
Budget	Total Recommended Funding (4 Years): $1,822,814.00

Response: Does the proposed project align with one or more of the ARPA expenditure categories?	Yes; the project responds to the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on the increase in violence and the inaccessibility for victims of domestic violence to access services.
Summary of Project Scope:	LiveSafe Resources (LSR) is currently unable to retain in-house counseling staff due to salary levels that are far below market rate for qualified individuals. Funds will be used to increase counseling salaries to ensure that LSR can hire two full-time counselors. Funds will be used for medical physician appointments and medications for individuals needing more intensive care. Finally, funding will be used for an additional Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner Program Support Specialist to help process the additional caseload and assist in the provision of more sexual assault examinations. This assistance will help meet excess demand and serve those who are ineligible for LSR's Tenant-Based Rental Assistance and Rapid Rehousing programs, which must follow strict U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development guidelines.
ARPA Alignment: Do intended project expenditures align with one or more of the SLFRF eligible expenditure categories per Treasury guidance?	Yes; per the Final Rule 1. Public Health, Behavioral Health – 1.12: Treasury is maintaining this enumerated eligible use category and clarifying that it covers an expansive array of services for prevention, treatment, recovery, and harm reduction for mental health, substance use, and other behavioral health challenges caused or exacerbated by the public health emergency. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18 , pg. 4355) 2: Negative Economic Impacts, Assistance to Households – 2.2, 2.8, 2.16: The pandemic exacerbated the impact of domestic violence, sexual assault, and human trafficking; enumerated eligible uses like emergency housing assistance, cash assistance, or assistance with food, childcare, and other needs could be used to support survivors of domestic violence, sexual assault, or human trafficking who experienced public health or economic impacts. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18, pg. 4356)
Evaluation Considerations:	**Equity:** The project will target victims of domestic abuse and sexual assault from low-income communities and help low-income individuals (and their children) access education, job opportunities, and high-quality programs to rebuild their lives away from violence. **Program location:** The project will take place in Cobb County and the organization is located in District 3. **Impact:** The applicant states that 350 domestic violence and sexual assault victims receive free, unlimited counseling from licensed social workers, 23 families receive up to 90 days of shelter in a hotel when LSR's shelter is full, and 34 families receive up to 6 months of income-based rental assistance. **Financial Continuity**: The project will not impose ongoing costs on Cobb County. The applicant budget indicates that funding will expand existing services, supplement current budget gaps due to increased demand from COVID-19 and help create new programs that will operate independently after the 4-year timeframe. The applicant identifies sustainability as a potential risk for increased salaries costs to continue past the ARPA timeline but has campaign goals to stabilize the organization and continue beyond the ARPA stop point.

Cobb County ARPA SLFRF – Board Review Summary

Applicant Type	Non-Profit Organization
Applicant Name	The Center for Family Resources (CFR), collaborative applicant for the Marietta/Cobb Continuum of Care
County Priorities	Support Services 2.2 Homelessness – Helping homeless community members secure lease agreements and find permanent housing
Project Name	1.116 Housing Navigation Project
Project Summary	Funding to support the CFR's existing shelter program for homeless families and expansion to serve the increasing number of homeless families in Cobb County.
Budget	Total Recommended Funding (1 Year): $502,539.00

Response: Does the proposed project align with one or more of the ARPA expenditure categories?	Yes; this project will provide assistance to homeless families, a population presumed to be disproportionality impacted by the COVID-19 public health emergency and/or its negative economic impacts per the Final Rule.
Summary of Project Scope:	There is a lack of available, affordable, and accessible housing in Cobb County, creating a challenging environment for homeless service providers. The Marietta/Cobb Continuum of Care (CoC) requests funds to contract Open Doors to provide unit location and secure lease agreements for homeless residents participating in housing initiatives sponsored by the CoC agencies and stakeholders. The Open Doors Property Navigation program has a network of public and private partners to help place individuals into permanent, stable housing. Requested funds will be used to contract Open Doors, including unit hold fees, a property navigator, team leader, and portfolio director. Open Doors will utilize the relationship and endorsement by the Atlanta Apartment Association to access over 370 companies managing 400,000+ apartment homes to expand the number of participating rental communities.
ARPA Alignment: Do intended project expenditures align with one or more of the SLFRF eligible expenditure categories per Treasury guidance?	Yes; per the Final Rule 2: Negative Economic Impacts, Assistance to Households – 2.16: Emergency assistance for individuals experiencing homelessness, either individual-level assistance (e.g., rapid rehousing services) or assistance for groups of individuals (e.g., master leases of hotels, motels, or similar facilities to expand available shelter). Further, Treasury is clarifying that transitional shelters (e.g., temporary residences for people experiencing homelessness) are eligible capital expenditures. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18, pg. 4360)
Evaluation Considerations:	**Equity:** The applicant states that the project will target homeless families. **Program location:** The project will take place in Cobb County and the organization is located in District 3. **Impact:** This project will positively impact the Cobb Community by temporarily sheltering families living in unsheltered situations. The applicant expects 200 housing units to be secured for placement of individuals and families experiencing homelessness, 450 individuals will be placed in permanent housing and families and individuals will be placed in housing within 60 days of referral. **Financial Continuity:** Project will not impose ongoing costs on Cobb County beyond the requested amount of ARPA funding. Budget indicates that funding will be used for unit hold fees, staff salaries, fringe costs (including insurance costs), technology fees, and administrative costs associated with the program.

Applicant Type	Non-Profit Organization
Applicant Name	The Salvation Army, A Georgia Corporation
County Priorities	Support Services 2.2 Homelessness – Provides services to mitigate and prevent homelessness
Project Name	1.109 The Salvation Army | Financial Emergency Assistance & Homeless Service Center
Project Summary	The Salvation Army is requesting funding to support its Financial Emergency Services program for short-term rental assistance, as well as for its Homeless Service Center in providing food and supplies to homeless clients
Budget	Total Recommended Funding (1 Year): $330,000.00

esponse: Does the roposed project align ith one or more of the RPA expenditure ategories?	Yes; this project will provide assistance to homeless families and individuals, a population presumed to be disproportionality impacted by the COVID-19 public health emergency and/or its negative economic impacts per th Final Rule.
ummary of Project cope:	The applicant has seen an increased need for homeless prevention and homeless services due to the negative economic impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic, including increased rent prices and home sale prices. The Homeless Service Center (HSC) helps the Cobb County community by offering day shelter services to the homeless in and around the Marietta Corps location in the heart of Marietta. The HSC works to support the local homeless population, of which 90% of the clients served are African-American men. In addition to serving individuals and families who are currently homeless through the HSC, the applicant provides a robust Homelessness Prevention program, Financial Emergency Services (FES) that seeks to keep individuals and families in their current homes by providing rental assistance. The FES program offers immediate financial assistance to individuals and families living Cobb County with the mission of preventing homelessness and stabilizing families in crisis and can provide up to three months of rent for individuals needing assistance due to pandemic related hardships like financial strains, unemployment, health issues, and escalation/inflation of rent costs.
RPA Alignment: Do ntended project xpenditures align with ne or more of the LFRF eligible xpenditure categories er Treasury guidance?	Yes; per the Final Rule 2: Negative Economic Impacts, Assistance to Households – 2.1, 2.2, 2.16: Food assistance (e.g., child nutrition programs, including school meals) & food banks for low- or moderate-income households or communities, households that experienced unemployment, and households that experienced increased food or housing insecurity. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18, pg. 4359) Housing stability services that enable eligible households to maintain or obtain housing, such as housing counseling fair housing counseling, case management related to housing stability, outreach to households at risk of eviction or promotion of housing support programs. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18, pg. 4360) Emergency assistance for individuals experiencing homelessness, either individual-level assistance (e.g., rapid rehousing services) or assistance for groups of individuals (e.g., master leases of hotels, motels, or similar facilities t expand available shelter). (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18, pg. 4360)
valuation onsiderations:	**Equity:** The applicant states that the project will target the homeless population or those at risk of homelessness. **Program location:** The project will take place in Cobb County and the organization is located in District 3. **Impact:** The applicant expects for that 100 households will receive eviction prevention services, 150 homeless clien will receive services, up to 100 households will receive case management services as part of homeless prevention services, and 100% of homeless prevention clients will be monitored at 30, 90 and 180 days of services to ensure th outcome of 'maintain housing' and this data will be monitored in the HMIS ClientTrack system. **Financial Continuity**: Project will not impose ongoing costs on Cobb County beyond the requested amount of AR funding. The applicant has previously received funding for this project however the previously received funding wi be expended before the end of 2023. The applicant anticipates that rental assistance need in Cobb County will not met by prior funding and is thus requested additional ARPA funding.

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Applicant Type	Non-Profit Organization
Applicant Name	Atlanta Legal Aid Society, Inc.
County Priorities	Support Services 2.2 Homelessness – Provide services to Cobb County residents to help them understand their legal rights in civil legal matters
Project Name	1.226 Cobb County Lawyer in the Law Library
Project Summary	Atlanta Legal Aid Society is seeking funding to conduct legal clinics in the law library at the courthouse providing legal advice and consultations in addition to legal information sessions on family law, income maintenance, health, probate, housing and consumer matters.
Budget	Total Recommended Funding (3 Years): $330,000.00

Response: Does the proposed project align with one or more of the ARPA expenditure categories?	Yes; the legal advice the project will provide will help stabilize households after COVID-19-related disruptions.
Summary of Project Scope:	In partnership with the Law Library, this project will provide legal consultations each year to conduct monthly legal information sessions and to provide law library visitors with appropriate local resources and referrals including referrals to private attorneys via the Cobb County Bar Association. The applicant will maintain a physical presence at the Cobb County Law Library, coordinate with the Law Library staff to conduct consultations with individual litigants, coordinate with the Law Library staff to conduct regular legal information sessions on family law (areas not covered by the Family Law Workshop), income maintenance, health, probate, housing and consumer matters, provide litigants with referrals to appropriate sources of additional assistance or representation as needed, and coordinate with the law library staff to register Cobb County residents for legal consultations and collect grant eligibility documents.
ARPA Alignment: Do intended project expenditures align with one or more of the SLFRF eligible expenditure categories per Treasury guidance?	Yes; per the Final Rule 2: Negative Economic Impacts, Assistance to Households – 2.18 2: Negative Economic Impacts, Other – 2.37: Recipients may use funds for programs or services to support equitable access to services and reduce racial, ethnic, or socioeconomic disparities in access to high-quality treatment. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18, pg. 4356) Legal aid such as legal services or attorney's fees related to eviction proceedings and maintaining housing stability, court-based eviction prevention or eviction diversion programs, and other legal services that help households maintain or obtain housing. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18, pg. 4360)
Evaluation Considerations:	**Equity:** The applicant states that the project will target low-income residents, and that they will partner with organizations who serve low-income and minority communities. **Program location:** The project will take place in Cobb County and the organization is located in District 3. **Impact:** The applicant states that they will provide 750 half-hour free legal consultations each year for low-income Cobb County resident and 12 free legal information sessions each year, in addition to establishing 1 list of referrals. **Financial Continuity**: Project will not impose ongoing costs on Cobb County beyond the requested amount of ARPA funding. Budget indicates that funding will be used to compensate for private attorneys' time.

Applicant Type	Non-Profit Organization
Applicant Name	The Center for Family Resources (CFR)
County Priorities	Support Services 2.2 Homelessness – Provides shelter services for homeless families
Project Name	1.34 CFR Short-term Housing Program
Project Summary	Funding to support the CFR's existing shelter program for homeless families and expansion to serve the increasing number of homeless families in Cobb County.
Budget	Total Recommended Funding (1 Year): $219,880.00

Response: Does the proposed project align with one or more of the ARPA expenditure categories?	Yes; this project will provide assistance to homeless families, a population presumed to be disproportionality impacted by the COVID-19 public health emergency and/or its negative economic impacts per the Final Rule.
Summary of Project Scope:	The Center for Family Resources is requesting funding to support the Center for Family Resources existing shelter program for homeless families and to expand the program to serve the increasing number of homeless families in Cobb County. In 2021, CFR received 2,113 requests for shelter, demonstrating the County population's need for safe, secure housing. This project will expand the shelter from 5 apartment units with 20 beds to 12 apartment units with 48 beds. The goal of the program is to temporarily house unsheltered families, assist them with addressing their issues that caused their housing instability, and to provide them with the skills and resources needed to obtain stable housing. Each family is provided a housing case manager to assist with their needs. Case managers make sure that the families are making progress towards stability, and they also assist with food, transportation, childcare expenses, and referrals to additional outside resources such as mental health treatment. The case manager meets with participants a minimum of once per week to discuss progress in accomplishing goals or to adjust the goal plan as accomplishments are made or whenever an issue occurs. As the housing units are off-site and staff are not present at the housing facility 24/7, the Housing case manager inspects the housing units weekly in order to ensure the property is being maintained appropriately and that only approved persons are living in the units. Additionally, CFR employment case managers assist in finding employment and accessing educational courses. Families may participate in the shelter program for up to 60 days and the applicant expects families will stay for an average of 45 days.
ARPA Alignment: Do intended project expenditures align with one or more of the SLFRF eligible expenditure categories per Treasury guidance?	Yes; per the Final Rule 2: Negative Economic Impacts, Assistance to Households – 2.16: Emergency assistance for individuals experiencing homelessness, either individual-level assistance (e.g., rapid rehousing services) or assistance for groups of individuals (e.g., master leases of hotels, motels, or similar facilities to expand available shelter). Further, Treasury is clarifying that transitional shelters (e.g., temporary residences for people experiencing homelessness) are eligible capital expenditures. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18, pg. 4360)
Evaluation Considerations:	**Equity:** The applicant states that the project will target homeless families. **Program location:** The project will take place in Cobb County and the organization is located in District 3. **Impact:** The applicant expects that 78 households or 234 persons will be sheltered over a 12-month period. Additionally, approximately 70 head of households will have the opportunity to participate in employment and educational opportunities. **Financial Continuity:** Project will not impose ongoing costs on Cobb County beyond the requested amount of ARPA funding. The budget indicates that funding will be utilized for program case managers, rental apartments, childcare, furniture and other essentials, along with supplies.

Applicant Type	Non-Profit Organization
Applicant Name	Turner Chapel New Horizons CDC (DBA New Horizons CDC)
County Priorities	Support Services 2.2 Homelessness – Provides temporary housing to those suffering from the impact of domestic violence
Project Name	1.79 Restore House
Project Summary	This funding would reinstate a previously existing program for a transitional house for homeless women leaving a battered women's shelter.
Budget	Total Recommended Funding (1 Year): $162,949.00

Response: Does the proposed project align with one or more of the ARPA expenditure categories?	Yes; the project responds to the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on the increase in violence and the inaccessibility for victims of domestic violence to access services.
Summary of Project Scope:	Restore House's mission is to provide a haven and resources necessary to facilitate the transformation and transition of women and their children who have been victimized by domestic violence. Restore House will provide a fully furnished transitional home to many families, facilitating the care and support needed to assist them with successfully navigating a new productive beginning. The temporary home will allow those suffering the effects of domestic violence to reclaim their stability, live free from abuse, and begin anew to pursue their family and career dreams. Women are referred to Restore House after completing a 90-day stay in a local or surrounding area shelter. The Restore House Program allows women to remain in the program and the residence for up to 6 months. This program has allowed many women to obtain college degrees (both undergrad and secondary), to obtain certifications (such as a Certified Nursing Assistant certification), to secure higher-paying employment, or to start a business to provide financial stability for their families. Of the more than 250 women served by this program, 98% met their goals.
ARPA Alignment: Do intended project expenditures align with one or more of the SLFRF eligible expenditure categories per Treasury guidance?	Yes; per the Final Rule 2: Negative Economic Impacts, Assistance to Households – 2.8: Elaboration on the types of eligible services for eviction prevention, Treasury has provided further guidance that these services include "housing stability services,...housing related services for survivors of domestic abuse or human trafficking. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18 pg. 4360)
Evaluation Considerations:	**Equity:** The applicant states that the project will target women in underserved communities. **Program location:** The project will take place in Cobb County and the organization is located in District 3. **Impact:** The applicant expects to have 25 women attend all required classes, remain drug-free and alcohol-free and complete the goals they chose to complete when entering the program. Their stay at Restore House can last up to 6 months, providing the women refuge and safety. **Financial Continuity**: Project will not impose ongoing cost on Cobb County beyond the requested amount of ARPA funding. The budget indicates that funding will be used to cover staff, consultant, financial literacy training, rental assistance, food, grocery, household items, and other operating expenses.

Applicant Type	Non-Profit Organization
Applicant Name	Family Life Restoration Center, Inc.
County Priorities	**Support Services**, Economic Development **2.2 Homelessness**, 2.3 Rental & Mortgage Assistance, 3.1 Workforce Development – Provides rental and mortgage assistance for low- to moderate-income households, assistance to the unsheltered population, and assistance with employment
Project Name	1.62.1 South Cobb County Resilience and Stabilization for All
Project Summary	The Family Life Restoration Center is seeking funding to provide services to homeless residents, mortgage and rental assistance to historically disadvantaged communities, and workforce placement training for recent graduates, as well as the under- and unemployed.
Budget	Total Recommended Funding (18 Months): $156,800.00 **(Recommended Funding for Subtopic 2.2 – $55,000.00)** (Recommended Funding for Subtopic 2.3 – $37,000.00) (Recommended Funding for Subtopic 3.1 – $64,800.00)

Response: Does the proposed project align with one or more of the ARPA expenditure categories?	Yes; the project aims to help restabilize those adversely and disproportionately impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic, and the organization has increased the provision of services during the pandemic. The project will also reduce communicable diseases such as COVID-19 among homeless residents.
Summary of Project Scope:	The South Cobb County Resilience and Stabilization for All project is based on the real time needs of special populations. The project seeks to stabilize the homes of low-to-moderate income families as well as the health and wellness of the unsheltered. South Cobb County Resilience and Stabilization for All serves low-to-moderate income households of historically underserved, marginalized, or adversely affected groups. The project will also focus on neighborhoods disproportionately impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. Services provided to applicants include healthy boxed meals, critical hygiene items and affordable housing units to those in need. The organization also provides rental and mortgage assistance to allow families to remain in their homes and stay together. GED counselors and job readiness coaches will help to ensure that currently unemployed, under-employed, and low-income high school students will obtain and increase employment that provides sufficient gross income to maintain housing and livability in Cobb County.
ARPA Alignment: Do intended project expenditures align with one or more of the SLFRF eligible expenditure categories per Treasury guidance?	Yes; per the Final Rule 2. Negative Economic Impacts, Assistance to Households – 2.2: Housing stability services that enable eligible households to maintain or obtain housing, such as housing counseling, fair housing counseling, case management related to housing stability, outreach to households at risk of eviction or promotion of housing support programs. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18, pg. 4360) 2. Negative Economic Impacts, Assistance to Households – 2.1: Enumerated eligible uses included: food assistance; rent, mortgage, or utility assistance; counseling and legal aid to prevent eviction or homelessness; emergency assistance for burials, home repairs, weatherization, or other needs; internet access or digital literacy assistance; cash assistance; or job training to address negative economic or public health impacts experienced due to a worker's occupation or level of training. (See Federal Register Vol, No. 18, pg. 4359) 2. Assistance to Unemployed or Underemployed Workers – 2.10: Assistance to impacted individuals who want and are available for work, including job training, public jobs programs and fairs, support for childcare and transportation to and from a jobsite or interview, incentives for newly-employed workers, subsidized employment, grants to hire underserved workers, assistance to unemployed individuals to start small businesses & development of job and workforce training center. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18, pg. 4369)
Evaluation Considerations:	**Equity:** The applicant states that the project will target historically underserved, marginalized, and adversely affected communities, such as homeless individuals and those living in Qualified Census Tracts (QCTs). **Program location:** The project will take place in Cobb County and the organization is located in District 4. **Impact:** The applicant anticipates that 100 households will receive housing counseling and eviction prevention services, 200 adults and young adults will receive resiliency-focused mental and behavioral health educational resources and/or case management, 50 senior adults and teens will complete ten hours of entrepreneurial 101 training per program year, 500 households will receive healthy, safe food boxes and have access to two affordable housing units, 100 low income families will receive home mortgage or rental assistance to prevent housing insecurity, and 100 under-employed, unemployed and High School residents (Ages 15+) will receive Workforce (Job) Readiness and Preparedness counseling. **Financial Continuity**: Project will not impose ongoing costs on Cobb County beyond the requested amount of ARPA funding. The budget indicates that requested funding will be utilized to expand existing services to address the increased need stemming from COVID-19.

Applicant Type	Non-Profit Organization
Applicant Name	HomeAid Atlanta, Inc.
County Priorities	Support Services 2.2 Homelessness – Constructing addition space to manage Atlanta's homeless population
Project Name	1.246 Cobb County Shelter Development Project
Project Summary	In partnering with MUST Ministries, HomeAid Atlanta seeks to provide project guidance and reduce costs for the improvement and expansion of the Must Hope House, a center for shelter and support services for Cobb County residents experiencing homelessness.
Budget	Total Recommended Funding (12-14 Months): $25,000.00

Response: Does the proposed project align with one or more of the ARPA expenditure categories?	Yes; this project will provide assistance to homeless individuals and families, a population presumed to be disproportionality impacted by the COVID-19 public health emergency and/or its negative economic impacts per the Final Rule.
Summary of Project Scope:	HomeAid Atlanta services nine metro Atlanta counties, home to almost 53 percent of Georgia's overall homeless population. On any given night, 5,500 individuals are considered homeless in Metro Atlanta. HomeAid Atlanta, Inc. is partnering with MUST Ministries to improve and expand upon the shelter and support services offered to Cobb County residents experiencing homelessness. The applicant requests funds for the renovation and outfitting of an existing 30,000 square foot building on MUST Ministries' new Marietta campus named Must Hope House that will serve as the administrative services building for residents, where intake, support services, and training sessions will be offered. Requested funding would be utilized to purchase materials that HomeAid is unable to have donated and due to rising construction costs, HomeAid's donors are less able to donate materials fully.
ARPA Alignment: Do intended project expenditures align with one or more of the SLFRF eligible expenditure categories per Treasury guidance?	Yes; per the Final Rule 2. Negative Economic Impacts, Assistance to Households – 2.16: Emergency assistance for individuals experiencing homelessness. Transitional shelters (e.g., temporary residences for people experiencing homelessness) are eligible capital expenditures. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18, pg. 4360)
Evaluation Considerations:	**Equity:** The applicant states that the project will target residents who are experiencing homelessness. **Program location:** The project will take place in Cobb County and the organization is in Fulton County. **Impact:** A 33,000 square foot facility will be renovated to house MUST Ministries' MUST Hope House' administrative facility for residents to utilize resources. **Financial Continuity**: Project will not impose ongoing costs on Cobb County beyond the requested amount of ARPA funding. Budget indicates that the requested funds will be used to purchase paint, flooring, and cabinetry for the facility to offset the applicant's capital campaign gap to finish the project.

Applicant Type	Non-Profit Organization
Applicant Name	Georgia Micro Enterprise Network (GMEN)
County Priorities	Support Services 2.3 Rental and Mortgage Assistance- Develop streamlined application process for rental assistance
Project Name	1.171.1 Grow Cobb Initiative (GCI)
Project Summary	Project to provide housing and mortgage assistance, small and minority-owned business assistance, and workforce development.
Budget	Recommended Funding for Subtopic 2.3 (36 Months): $2,700,000.00 Total Applicant Requested Funding Amount – $20,800,000.00

Response: Does the proposed project align with one or more of the ARPA expenditure categories?	Yes; the project aims to provide workforce training to an underserved population affected by COVID-19.
Summary of Project Scope:	The applicant originally requested total funding of $20,800,000.00 for subtopics 2.3 Rental & Mortgage Assistance, 3.1 Workforce Development and 3.2 Small and Minority Businesses. After subcommittee review, Support Services subtopic 2.3 was recommended $2,700,000.00 for funding. The project scope for subtopic 2.3 will develop a virtual platform for a streamlined, efficient, and compliant application process, both for the applicant and those reviewing the applications.
ARPA Alignment: Do intended project expenditures align with one or more of the SLFRF eligible expenditure categories per Treasury guidance?	Yes; per the Final Rule 2: Negative Economic Impacts, Assistance to Households – 2.1, 2.2: Enumerated eligible uses included: food assistance; rent, mortgage, or utility assistance. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18, pg. 4359)
Evaluation Considerations:	**Equity:** The applicant states that the project will target minorities and the underemployed/unemployed. **Program location:** The project will take place in Cobb County and the organization is in Fulton County. **Impact:** The applicant expects that the project will reduce the number of individuals and families experiencing unsheltered homelessness and increase the number of individuals and families that will have moved into permanent housing. **Financial Continuity**: Project will not impose ongoing costs on Cobb County beyond the requested amount of ARPA funding. The budget indicates that funding will be used for technical assistance, on-line training, grants for business expansion, loans to small businesses, administrative fees, and miscellaneous costs.

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Applicant Type	Non-Profit Organization
Applicant Name	Ser Familia, Inc.
County Priorities	Community Health, **Support Services** 1.1 Mental Health, **2.3 Rental and Mortgage** – Provides mental health services as well as rental and **mortgage assistance to the Latino population of Atlanta Metro**
Project Name	1.185.2 North Cobb C.A.F.E. (Family Resource Center) Launch to Mitigate Pandemic Impacts
Project Summary	The project will provide wraparound family services to those still struggling from the pandemic's fallout. Services will include a full range of mental health services for children and adults. The project will also provide basic needs for housing and food.
Budget	Total Recommended Funding (36 Months): $2,854,150.45 (Recommended Amount 1.1 – $799,160.00) **(Recommended Amount 2.3 – $2,054,990.45)** Applicant Requested Funding Amount – $3,567,346.00

esponse: Does the roposed project align with ne or more of the ARPA xpenditure categories?	Yes; the target population is disproportionately impacted (low-income) individuals that have been negatively affected by the economic impacts of COVID-19.
ry of Project Scope:	The applicant originally requested total funding of $3,567,467.00 for subtopics 1.1 Mental Health and 2.3 Renta & Mortgage Assistance. After subcommittee review and taking into account the aggregate project score and available funding remaining, $799,160.00 for subtopic 1.1 and $1,651,467.00 for 2.3 was recommended for funding. The Hispanic population in metro Atlanta has increased significantly and is expected to increase by 153% by 204 Ser Familia has seen a dramatic uptick in need for services, explained by the difficulty immigrants feel in new surroundings given the void of familiar people, places, traditions, cultural values and norms. The need for servic for the expanding Latino population was exacerbated by the significant impact of COVID-19 on this target population. Ser Familia requests funding to increase protective factors in Latino families to build family resilienc and promote independence. The project will focus on mental health supports, food assistance, and mortgage/rent assistance. Ser Familia's wraparound family programming through C.A.F.E. provides for the ment health and wellbeing needs of Latino youth and their families through a comprehensive family plan model that address needs of all members through assessment, case management, and provisions of services.
RPA Alignment: Do ntended project xpenditures align with ne or more of the SLFRF ligible expenditure ategories per Treasury uidance?	Yes; per the Final Rule 1. Public Health, Behavioral Health – 1.12: Treasury is maintaining this enumerated eligible use category and clarifying that it covers an expansive array of services for prevention, treatment, recovery, and harm reduction for mental health, substance use, and othe behavioral health challenges caused or exacerbated by the public health emergency. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18, pg. 4355) 2. Negative Economic Impacts, Assistance to Households – 2.1, 2.2: Enumerated eligible uses included: food assistance; rent, mortgage, or utility assistance; counseling and legal aid to prevent eviction or homelessness;...or job training. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18, pg. 4359)
ation Considerations:	**Equity:** The applicant states that the project will target individuals affected by persistent poverty and minorities **Program location**: The project will take place in Cobb County and the organization is located in District 1. **Impact:** This project is recommended to be partially funded. For the full program, the applicant expects to serve 1,500 individuals with mental health services, 1,500 individuals with case management, 1,000 families with fooc assistance, 310 families with rental/ mortgage assistance, 150 victims of domestic violence with services to prevent homelessness, and 750 youth with programming that promotes overall mental health and wellbeing. W will work with the applicant to address KPIs based on partial funding. **Financial Continuity**: Project will not impose ongoing costs on Cobb County beyond the requested amount of ARPA funding. Budget indicates that requested funding will be used for salaries for program staff, along with components of the program like supplies, indirect costs, rent, utilities, and marketing.

Applicant Type	Non-Profit Organization
Applicant Name	Sweetwater Mission, Inc.
County Priorities	Support Services 2.3 Rental and Mortgage Assistance – Provides rent relief for qualified Cobb residents
Project Name	1.136 Sweetwater Mission's ARPA Housing Program 2023
Project Summary	Sweetwater Mission will provide rent relief, rental deposits, hotel vouchers, and utility assistance for qualified Cobb residents who have been adversely affected by unemployment and under-employment due to the COVID-19 pandemic.
Budget	Total Recommended Funding (1 Year): $1,000,000.00

Response: Does the proposed project align with one or more of the ARPA expenditure categories?	Yes; many of the organization's clients have experienced unemployment or reductions in work hours, leading to increased housing insecurity and reliance on community-based support services.
Summary of Project Scope:	Funds for this program will be used to support families with children under 18 by providing rental assistance to include rental relief for those that do not meet the requirements for the rental assistance grant, disburse hotel vouchers to families that need temporary housing until permanent solutions are found, and support families that are able to pay their monthly rental fees but lack adequate funding for the rental deposits. The program will also assist individuals who have gotten behind on utilities bills or who need assistance covering monthly costs. The program will begin in January of 2023 and conclude in December of 2023. Applicants of this program will go through an evaluation process to determine eligibility and recipients of this program will be required to participate in monthly case monitoring to track their progress and use of funds.
ARPA Alignment: Do intended project expenditures align with one or more of the SLFRF eligible expenditure categories per Treasury guidance?	Yes; per the Final Rule 2. Negative Economic Impacts, Assistance to Households – 2.2, 2.17: Rent, rental arrears, utility costs or arrears (e.g., electricity, gas, water and sewer, trash removal, and energy costs, such as fuel oil), reasonable accrued late fees (if not included in rental or utility arrears), ...relocation expenses following eviction or foreclosure (e.g., rental security deposits, application or screening fees (Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18 pg.4360).
Evaluation Considerations:	**Equity:** The applicant states that the project will target low-income residents, the majority of which are living at or below 125% of the Federal Poverty Level. **Program location:** The project will take place in Cobb County and the organization is located in District 4. **Impact:** The proposed program will offer the following: a maximum allowance of $2,100 per participant for up to 150 participants for rental assistance, a maximum allowance of $1,300 per participant for up to 150 participants for rental deposits, a maximum allowance of $200 per participant for up to 600 participants for utilities assistance, and a maximum allowance of $700 per participant for up to 385 participants for hotel vouchers. **Financial Continuity**: Project will not impose ongoing cost on Cobb County beyond the requested amount of ARPA funding. The budget indicates that funding will be utilized for rental assistance, rental deposits, utilities assistance, hotel vouchers, and administrative expenses. Requested funding will expand the applicant's services to address the increased community need created by the negative impacts of COVID-19.

Applicant Type	Non-profit Organization
Applicant Name	Zion Keepers, Inc.
County Priorities	Support Services **2.3 Rental and Mortgage Assistance**, 2.4 Food Security - Providing rental and mortgage assistance to prevent eviction and food security to the community.
Project Name	1.26.2 Zion Keepers-COBB ARPA
Project Summary	Supportive Services to provide homeless assistance, rental and mortgage assistance, and food security to low-income families and individuals to help them achieve needed residential stability.
Budget	Total Recommended Funding (1 Year): $1,200,000.00 **(Recommended Amount 2.3 – $725,000.00)** (Recommended Amount 2.4 – $475,000.00)

Response: Does the proposed project align with one or more of the ARPA expenditure categories?	Yes; the program will provide homeless assistance, rental and mortgage assistance and food security to low-income families and individuals struggling with job loss due to the COVID-19 pandemic.
Summary of Project Scope:	Zion Keepers will provide rental and utility assistance for families and individuals, including veterans, to help them achieve residential stability and food security. Homelessness prevention assistance is provided to eligible individuals who are below 30% of the Area Median Income (AMI) and homeless or at-risk of becoming homeless. The case manager will initiate contact with potential participants, set appointments, and provide application information needed to complete the application process. Potential recipients will participate in an initial consultation to assess needs and case managers will determine program eligibility. Case managers will document applicant's eligibility and process each applicant through the program to include required background information, potential duplication of benefits, meetings, creation of action plans, coordination, and connecting participants with support services, maintain records, facilitate follow-up discussions, and conduct client exit interviews. Program participants will meet with case managers to develop a plan on how to retain permanent housing after assistance ends.
ARPA Alignment: Do intended project expenditures align with one or more of the SLFRF eligible expenditure categories per Treasury guidance?	Yes; per the Final Rule 2: Negative Economic Impacts, Assistance to Households – 2.1, 2.2, 2.16: Food assistance (e.g., child nutrition programs, including school meals) & food banks for low- or moderate-income households or communities, households that experienced unemployment, and households that experienced increased food or housing insecurity. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18, pg. 4359) Rental assistance approaches to support low-income households in securing stable, long-term housing, including 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. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18, pg. 4372) Emergency assistance for individuals experiencing homelessness, either individual-level assistance (e.g., rapid rehousing services) or assistance for groups of individuals (e.g., master leases of hotels, motels, or similar facilities to expand available shelter). (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18, pg. 4360)
luation Considerations:	**Equity:** The applicant states that the project will take place in a Qualified Census Tract (QCT) and target the homeless, as well as those at risk of eviction and homelessness. **Program location:** The project will take place in Cobb County and the organization is in District 3. **Impact:** Throughout the duration of the program, Zion Keepers aims to assist 200 household in eviction prevention and provide 40,000 meals/food boxes to families and individuals in need. **Financial Continuity:** The project will not impose ongoing costs on Cobb County. The organization receives funding from multiple sources and partners with local organizations for continued outreach. The budget indicates that funding will be used for housing search services, life skills training, intake coordinators, case management, mortgage assistance, and rental assistance. The applicant notes that required staff are already in place for applicant's proposed activities.

Applicant Type	Non-Profit Organization
Applicant Name	Urban League of Greater Atlanta (ULGA)
County Priorities	Support Services, Economic Development **2.3 Rental and Mortgage,** 3.1 Workforce Development, and 3.2 Small and Minority Owned Businesses – Providing workforce training to underserved populations
Project Name	1.208.3 Workforce Development, Basic Needs, and Small Business Assistance for Black Families in Cobb County Impacted by the Pandemic.
Project Summary	The Urban League of Greater Atlanta will offer services through their integrated economic mobility model to individuals and families in meeting basic needs of housing and food, offering workforce development opportunities, and helping small businesses recover.
Budget	Total Recommended Funding (3 Years): $2,022,248.00 **(Recommended Funding for Subtopic 2.3 – $637,371.00)** (Recommended Funding for Subtopic 3.1 – $421,176.00) (Recommended Funding for Subtopic 3.2 – $963,371.00)

Response: Does the proposed project align with one or more of the ARPA expenditure categories?	Yes; the project aims to provide workforce training to an underserved population affected by COVID-19.
Summary of Project Scope:	Through the applicant's Financial Empowerment and Emergency Resource Center, ULGA will offer services through their integrated economic mobility model. These services are for individuals and families for meeting basic needs of housing and food, offering workforce development opportunities, and small businesses recover. Funding through this opportunity will allow ULGA to stabilize families with basic needs support, create a workforce pathway for Certified Nursing Assistants with partner Wellstar, and provide support to stabilize small businesses and help them grow. The target populations are those residing in federally Qualified Census Tract (QCT)s, the 25% or more of the families that are stuck in poverty, and the unemployed and underemployed.
ARPA Alignment: Do intended project expenditures align with one or more of the SLFRF eligible expenditure categories per Treasury guidance?	Yes; per the Final Rule 2: Negative Economic Impacts, Assistance to Households – 2.1, 2.2: Enumerated eligible uses included: Food assistance; rent, mortgage, or utility assistance; ...; cash assistance; or job training to address negative economic or public health impacts experienced due to a worker's occupation or level of training. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18, pg. 4359) 2. Negative Economic Impacts, Assistance to Households – 2.10, 2.30: The interim final rule included assistance to unemployed workers as an enumerated eligible use, including "services like job training to accelerate rehiring of unemployed workers." Technical assistance, counseling, or other services to assist with business planning needs. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18, pg.4377)
Evaluation Considerations:	**Equity:** The applicant states that the project will target minorities and low-income individuals. **Program location:** The project will take place in Cobb County and the organization is located in Fulton County. **Impact**: 60 families will be provided with housing assistance; 60 families will be provided Food Assistance; 30 candidates will receive CNA training, work experience, and certificates; 75 small businesses with receive technical assistance and coaching. **Financial Continuity**: Project will not impose ongoing costs on Cobb County beyond the requested amount of ARPA funding. However, the applicant is requesting funding for new positions so there will be additional costs to retain the staff after the project ends.

Applicant Type	Non-Profit Organization
Applicant Name	Loving Arms Cancer Outreach, Inc.
County Priorities	Support Services **2.3 Rental and Mortgage Assistance,** 2.4 Food Security - Providing rental and mortgage assistance to prevent eviction and food options to vulnerable residents.
Project Name	1.78.1 Housing and Grocery Assistance for Cobb County Cancer Patients Affected by COVID-19
Project Summary	This funding would expand upon an existing program by adding aid to families living with cancer to remain housed through housing assistance and fed through grocery assistance.
Budget	Total Recommended Funding (3 Years): $900,000.00 **(Funding Recommended 2.3 – $481,388)** (Funding Recommended 2.4 – $630,000.00) Applicant Requested Funding Amount – $1,485,500.00

Response: Does the proposed project align with one or more of the ARPA expenditure categories?	Yes; the project aims to provide housing and food stipends to low-income, immunocompromised residents which were financially impacted by the pandemic.
Summary of Project Scope:	The applicant originally requested total funding of $1,485,500.00 for subtopics 2.3 Rental & Mortgage Assistance and 2.4 Food Security. After subcommittee review and taking into account the aggregate project score and available funding remaining, $270,000.00 for subtopic 2.3 and $630,000.00 for 2.4 was recommended for funding. Loving Arms Cancer Outreach (LACO) supports individuals throughout their cancer journey. The COVID-19 pandemic and its continued impact has dramatically impacted families who rely on an overburdened healthcare systems and must isolate due to weakened immune systems. Cancer patients have been negatively economically impacted by COVID-19 and the evolving variants since some cancer patients and their families were unable to work throughout the early stages of the pandemic due to their compromised immune systems and continued need to maintain heightened safety protocols or self-isolation. With the requested funding, up to 50 families would receive housing assistance and 100 families would receive food vouchers.
ARPA Alignment: Do intended project expenditures align with one or more of the SLFRF eligible expenditure categories per Treasury guidance?	Yes; per the Final Rule 2: Negative Economic Impacts, Assistance to Households – 2.1, 2.2: The interim final rule included several enumerated eligible uses to provide assistance to households or populations facing negative economic impacts due to COVID–19. Enumerated eligible uses included: Food assistance; rent, mortgage, or utility assistance; […]Treasury is maintaining this enumerated eligible use without change. Recipients may, as was the case under the interim final rule, administer programs through a wide range of entities, including nonprofit and for-profit entities, to carry out eligible uses on behalf of the recipient government. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18, pg. 4369)
Evaluation Considerations:	**Equity:** The applicant states that the project will promote fair treatment for low-income, immunocompromised residents who were impacted by the pandemic. **Program location:** The project will take place in Cobb County and the organization is located in District 3. **Impact:** This project is recommended to be partially funded. For the full program, the applicant anticipated at least 50 families will remain housed due to rental and mortgage assistance and at least 100 families to receive food vouchers to fight food insecurity. We will work with the applicant to address KPIs based on partial funding. **Financial Continuity**: This project will not impose ongoing cost on Cobb County beyond the requested amount of ARPA funding. The budget indicates that funding will be used for rental

Applicant Type	Non-Profit Organization
Applicant Name	The Giving Kitchen Initiative
County Priorities	Support Services 2.3 Rental and Mortgage Assistance – Offers rental and mortgage assistance to low-income food workers
Project Name	1.112 Giving Kitchen Assists Food Service Workers in Crisis in Cobb County
Project Summary	Project provides low-income food service workers with financial and emergency assistance for various services including utilities and rental and mortgage assistance. Project also provides mental health training and programming for food service workers and their employers.
Budget	Total Recommended Funding (3 Years): $420,000.00

Response: Does the proposed project align with one or more of the ARPA expenditure categories?	Yes; the project addresses the economic impacts of COVID-19 by financially supporting low-income employees, an enumerated population. It also addresses the public heath impacts by serving food service workers diagnosed with COVID-19 or who need financial assistance with COVID-related expenses.
Summary of Project Scope:	The project provides low-income food service workers with emergency financial assistance for various services including utilities and rental and mortgage assistance. Financial assistance is awarded to applicants based on financial needs due to injury, illness, or natural disasters such as a fire or flood. Along with providing financial assistance, the organization also has a Stability Network referral services program that connects food service workers with resources such as housing, employment, wellness, mental health, substance misuse, and social services resources. The project will also provide mental health training and programming for food service workers and their employers. The applicant is seeking funding to continue to provide food service workers in Cobb County with necessary financial assistance.
ARPA Alignment: Do intended project expenditures align with one or more of the SLFRF eligible expenditure categories per Treasury guidance?	Yes; per the Final Rule 1. Public Health, Behavioral Health – 1.12: In the final rule, Treasury is maintaining this enumerated eligible use category and clarifying that it covers an expansive array of services for prevention, treatment, recovery, and harm reduction for mental health, substance use, and other behavioral health challenges caused or exacerbated by the public health emergency. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18, pg. 4355) 2. Negative Economic Impacts, Assistance to Households – 2.2: Rent, rental arrears, utility costs or arrears ...reasonable accrued late fees (if not included in rental or utility arrears), mortgage payment assistance,...counseling to prevent foreclosure or displacement. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18, pg. 4360)
Evaluation Considerations:	**Equity:** The applicant states that the project will target low-income individuals who work in food service and expects to primarily serve African Americans. **Program location:** The project takes place in Cobb County and the organization is located in Fulton County. **Impact:** Funds provided by Cobb County ARPA would help 246 food service workers and 302 additional household members (including 162 children) in Cobb County. Over the course of the project, the applicant expects annual outcomes of: • 2023: 270 Ask for Help forms received, 75 clients provided financial assistance & 89 clients provided with Stability Network referrals • 2024: 290 Ask for Help forms received, 80 clients provided financial assistance & 95 clients provided with Stability Network referrals • 2025: 310 Ask for Help forms received, 85 clients provided financial assistance & 102 clients provided with Stability Network referrals **Financial Continuity**: This project will not impose ongoing costs on Cobb County beyond the requested amount of ARPA funding. The budget indicates that funding will be utilized for financial assistance to help food service workers and their family facing unanticipated crisis in Cobb County.

Applicant Type	Non-Profit Organization
Applicant Name	The Center for Family Resources (CFR)
County Priorities	Support Services 2.3 Rental & Mortgage Assistance – Helps low-income families avoid homelessness due to eviction
Project Name	1.36 CFR Rental Assistance Program
Project Summary	This project will provide rental assistance to low-income households with dependent children residing in Cobb County and help households identify goals to address the causes of their housing insecurity.
Budget	Total Recommended Funding (1 Year): $86,950.00

Response: Does the proposed project align with one or more of the ARPA expenditure categories?	Yes; this project will provide assistance to homeless individuals and families, a population presumed to be disproportionality impacted by the COVID-19 public health emergency and/or its negative economic impacts per the Final Rule.
Summary of Project Scope:	This project will provide rental assistance to low-income households with dependent children residing in Cobb. Assistance of up to 3 months may be provided to prevent eviction and allow the household to remain in permanent housing with the average amount of assistance anticipated to be approximately $2,500 per household. The case manager works with the household to identify the issues that caused their housing instability and develop a plan to address the issues. Supportive services such as food support, employment services, and educational classes on financial empowerment, budgeting, credit, landlord and tenant relationships, unhealthy relationships, goal setting, and consumer issues may also be provided. Beneficiaries are required to live in Cobb, have a lease in their name, and meet income and other requirements as determined by the funding source. The case manager processes the appropriate documents and submits them to the Center for Family Resources' Finance Department to generate a check, which is sent to the landlord. Ninety days after the landlord has received payment and approved applicants have been assisted, the case manager will follow up with the individual to determine if they have been able to retain their housing and to make additional referrals for services as needed.
ARPA Alignment: Do intended project expenditures align with one or more of the SLFRF eligible expenditure categories per Treasury guidance?	Yes; per the Final Rule 2: Negative Economic Impacts, Assistance to Households – 2.1, 2.2, 2.10: Enumerated eligible uses included: food assistance; rent, mortgage, or utility assistance. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18, pg. 4359) Assistance to impacted individuals who want and are available for work, including job training, public jobs programs and fairs, support for childcare and transportation to and from a jobsite or interview, incentives for newly-employed workers, subsidized employment, grants to hire underserved workers, assistance to unemployed individuals to start small businesses & development of job and workforce training centers. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18, pg. 4369)
Evaluation Considerations:	**Equity:** The applicant states that the project will target low-income households, a majority of which the applicant expects to be minority households. **Program location:** The project will take place in Cobb County and the organization is located in District 3. **Impact:** 24 households are expected to receive eviction prevention services, 75% of which will participate in employment services and/or life skills classes. 80% of those who receive services will have maintained permanent housing at 90 days following assistance and 85% of adult individuals will be employed. **Financial Continuity**: The project will not impose ongoing costs on Cobb County beyond the requested amount of ARPA funding. The budget indicates that funds will be used for case managers, rental assistance, and indirect overhead associated with the program.

Applicant Type	Non-Profit Organization
Applicant Name	Family Life Restoration Center, Inc.
County Priorities	**Support Services**, Economic Development 2.2 Homelessness, **2.3 Rental & Mortgage Assistance**, 3.1 Workforce Development – Provides rental and mortgage assistance for low- to moderate-income households, assistance to the unsheltered population, and assistance with employment
Project Name	1.62.3 South Cobb County Resilience and Stabilization for All
Project Summary	The Family Life Restoration Center is seeking funding to provide services to homeless residents, mortgage and rental assistance to historically disadvantaged communities, and workforce placement training for recent graduates, as well as under- and unemployed.
Budget	Total Recommended Funding (18 Months): $156,800.00 (Recommended Funding for Subtopic 2.2 – $55,000.00) **(Recommended Funding for Subtopic 2.3 – $37,000.00)** (Recommended Funding for Subtopic 3.1 – $64,800.00)

Response: Does the proposed project align with one or more of the ARPA expenditure categories?	Yes; the project aims to help restabilize those adversely and disproportionately impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic, and the organization has increased the provision of services during the pandemic. The project will also reduce communicable diseases such as COVID-19 among homeless residents.
Summary of Project Scope:	The South Cobb County Resilience and Stabilization for All project is based on the real time needs of special populations. The project seeks to stabilize the homes of low-to-moderate income families as well as the health and wellness of the unsheltered. South Cobb County Resilience and Stabilization for All serves low-to-moderate income households of historically underserved, marginalized, or adversely affected groups. The project will also focus on neighborhoods disproportionately impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. Services provided to applicants include healthy boxed meals, critical hygiene items and affordable housing units to those in need. The organization also provides rental and mortgage assistance to allow families to remain in their homes and stay together. GED counselors and job readiness coaches will help to ensure that currently unemployed, under-employed, and low-income high school students will obtain and increase employment that provides sufficient gross income to maintain housing and livability in Cobb County.
ARPA Alignment: Do intended project expenditures align with one or more of the SLFRF eligible expenditure categories per Treasury guidance?	Yes; per the Final Rule 2. Negative Economic Impacts, Assistance to Households – 2.2: Housing stability services that enable eligible households to maintain or obtain housing, such as housing counseling, fair housing counseling, case management related to housing stability, outreach to households at risk of eviction or promotion of housing support programs. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18, pg. 4360) 2. Negative Economic Impacts, Assistance to Households – 2.1: Enumerated eligible uses included: food assistance; rent, mortgage, or utility assistance; counseling and legal aid to prevent eviction or homelessness; emergency assistance for burials, home repairs, weatherization, or other needs; internet access or digital literacy assistance; cash assistance; or job training to address negative economic or public health impacts experienced due to a worker's occupation or level of training. (See Federal Register Vol, No. 18, pg. 4359) 2. Assistance to Unemployed or Underemployed Workers – 2.10: Assistance to impacted individuals who want and are available for work, including job training, public jobs programs and fairs, support for childcare and transportation to and from a jobsite or interview, incentives for newly-employed workers, subsidized employment, grants to hire underserved workers, assistance to unemployed individuals to start small businesses & development of job and workforce training center. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18, pg. 4369)
Evaluation Considerations:	**Equity:** The applicant states that the project will target historically underserved, marginalized, and adversely affected communities, such as homeless individuals and those living in Qualified Census Tracts (QCTs). **Program location:** The project will take place in Cobb County and the organization is located in District 4. **Impact:** The applicant anticipates that 100 households will receive housing counseling and eviction prevention services, 200 adults and young adults will receive resiliency-focused mental and behavioral health educational resources and/or case management, 50 senior adults and teens will complete ten hours of entrepreneurial 101 training per program year, 500 households will receive healthy, safe food boxes and have access to two affordable housing units, 100 low income families will receive home mortgage or rental assistance to prevent housing insecurity, and 100 under-employed, unemployed and High School residents (Ages 15+) will receive Workforce (Job) Readiness and Preparedness counseling. **Financial Continuity**: Project will not impose ongoing costs on Cobb County beyond the requested amount of ARPA funding. The budget indicates that requested funding will be utilized to expand existing services to address the increased need stemming from COVID-19.

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Applicant Type	Non-Profit Organization
Applicant Name	Youth Empowerment through Learning, Leading, and Serving, Inc. (YELLS)
County Priorities	Support Services, 2.3 Rental and Mortgage Assistance– Supports families with housing insecurity
Project Name	1.203.2 Workforce Development Services and Supports for the Adults and Youth of the Franklin Gateway Area
Project Summary	YELLS plans to offer year-round career readiness activities for high school youth and workforce development activities for adults/parents; year-round childcare will be offered along with limited rental assistance.
Budget	Recommended Funding for Subtopic 2.3 (42 Months): $35,000.00 Total Applicant Requested Funding Amount – $1,088,644.00

Response: Does the proposed project align with one or more of the ARPA expenditure categories?	Yes; the project aims to provide workforce training to an underserved population affected by COVID-19.
Summary of Project Scope:	The applicant originally requested total funding of $1,088,644.00 for subtopics 2.3 Rental & Mortgage Assistance and 3.1 Workforce Development. After subcommittee review, Support Services subtopic 2.3 was recommended $35,000.00 for funding. Through long-term efforts in Franklin Gateway, Youth Empowerment through Learning, Leading, and Serving, Inc., (YELLS) seeks to provide youth development and family programming centered on empowerment to mitigate the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic. For subtopic 2.3, YELLS will offer rental and mortgage assistance (serving at least 5 families with up to $2,000/family) and childcare with enrichment activities for elementary and middle school.
ARPA Alignment: Do intended project expenditures align with one or more of the SLFRF eligible expenditure categories per Treasury guidance?	Yes; per the Final Rule 2. Negative Economic Impacts, Assistance to Households – 2.2: Enumerated eligible uses included: food assistance; rent, mortgage, or utility assistance. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18, pg. 4359)
Evaluation Considerations:	**Equity:** The applicant states that Franklin Gateway is within one of only two of Cobb County's Qualified Census Tracts designated as a Racially and Ethnically Concentrated Area of Poverty. **Program location:** The project will take place in Cobb County and the organization is located in District 3. **Impact:** This project will provide at least 5 families with up to $2,000/family in rental or mortgage assistance. **Financial Continuity**: Project will not impose ongoing costs on Cobb County. The budget indicates that funding will be utilized for additional personnel and direct program expenses to address the additional needs caused by the COVID-19 pandemic.

Applicant Type	Non-Profit Organization
Applicant Name	Latin American Association (LAA)
County Priorities	Support Services **2.3 Rental and Mortgage Assistance**, 2.4 Food Security – Assists Latino families to achieve housing security and avoid food insecurity
Project Name	1.230.1 Latino Homeless Prevention Program
Project Summary	The Latin American Association is seeking funding to stabilize families who are at-risk of homelessness by addressing urgent needs such as housing and food assistance.
Budget	Total Recommended Funding (1 Year): $60,000.00 **(Recommended Funding for Subtopic 2.3 - $30,000.00)** (Recommended Funding for Subtopic 2.4 - $30,000.00)

Response: Does the proposed project align with one or more of the ARPA expenditure categories?	Yes; this project will provide assistance to homeless and housing insecure families and individuals, a population presumed to be disproportionality impacted by the COVID-19 public health emergency and/or its negative economic impacts per the Final Rule.
Summary of Project Scope:	In Georgia, 68% of Latino families live under the 200% federal poverty level and are much more likely to experience food insecurity than white non-Hispanic households. The Latino Homelessness Prevention Program (LHPP) requests funds to stabilize families who are at-risk of homelessness by addressing urgent needs through the provision of emergency financial assistance (rent, mortgage, utility, & security deposit), shelter placement, housing referrals, food and clothing assistance, and domestic violence assistance. The overarching goal of the program is to empower Latino individuals and families to achieve self-sufficiency.
ARPA Alignment: Do intended project expenditures align with one or more of the SLFRF eligible expenditure categories per Treasury guidance?	Yes; per the Final Rule 2: Negative Economic Impacts, Household Assistance – 2.1, 2.2, 2.8, 2.16: Emergency assistance for individuals experiencing homelessness. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18, pg. 4360) Rent, rental arrears, utility costs or arrears (e.g., electricity, gas, water and sewer, trash removal, and energy costs, such as fuel oil),...mortgage payment assistance. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18 pg. 4360) Responding to the negative economic impacts of the public health emergency for purposes including...assistance for food. (Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18 pg. 4449)
Evaluation Considerations:	**Equity:** The applicant states that the project will target Latino individuals and families who are at risk of homelessness. The LAA primarily serves first or second-generation Latino immigrants. **Program location:** The project will take place in Cobb County and the organization is located in Fulton County. **Impact:** The LAA works to help Latinos who are homeless or at-risk of becoming homeless by providing unparalleled services and support through the LHPP. The organization expects to serve 45 individuals with rental support and 30 individuals with utility assistance. **Financial Continuity**: Project will not impose ongoing cost on Cobb County beyond the requested amount of ARPA funding. The budget indicates that funding will be used for rental assistance and food pantry support.

Applicant Type	Non- Profit Organization
Applicant Name	Sweetwater Mission, Inc.
County Priorities	Support Services 2.4 Food Security – Supports the demand for food for families and children
Project Name	1.134 Food Distribution by Sweetwater Mission
Project Summary	Sweetwater Mission seeks funding to support the increased demand for food by families and children continuing to experience food insecurity in underserved Cobb communities due to the lasting financial impact of the pandemic.
Budget	Total Recommended Funding (4 Years): $750,000.00

Response: Does the proposed project align with one or more of the ARPA expenditure categories?	Yes; the organization serves families and children who are experiencing food insecurity due to COVID-19's lasting financial impact and has experienced an increased demand for fresh and non-perishable food since the beginning of the pandemic.
Summary of Project Scope:	Sweetwater Mission seeks funding to support the increased demand for food for families and children continuing to experience food insecurity in underserved Cobb communities due to the lasting financial impact of the COVID-19 pandemic. The applicant's food program includes an onsite food pantry with drive-through services, a mobile food delivery program and a summer food distribution program for children on free or reduced lunch. ARPA funding would allow the applicant to increase the number of individuals served through their current food distribution model with minimal additional administrative support as their processes are in place. This program anticipates to serve approximately 15,000 Cobb County residents, including 6,300 children and more than 8,000 families, during the first 12 months of the grant period.
ARPA Alignment: Do intended project expenditures align with one or more of the SLFRF eligible expenditure categories per Treasury guidance?	Yes; per the Final Rule 2. Negative Economic Impacts, Assistance to Households – 2.1: Responding to the negative economic impacts of the public health emergency for purposes including...assistance for food. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18, pg. 4449)
Evaluation Considerations:	**Equity:** The applicant states that the project will target marginalized and underserved individuals that have been impacted by COVID-19. **Program location:** The project will take place in Cobb County and the organization is located in District 4. **Impact:** 2 million pounds of food will be delivered to reduce food insecurity and increase household stability. 800 households of at least 4 persons each will receive food through both the Meals on a Mission Program and the Express Line Program. Additionally, 6,300 children will receive food through the Summer Food Program and 6,500 children will receive food through the Holiday Food Program. **Financial Continuity**: Project will not impose ongoing costs on Cobb County beyond the requested amount of ARPA funding. Budget indicates that funding is requested for additional personnel, supplies, and transportation services to support the increased demand for food by families and children continuing to experience food insecurity in underserved Cobb communities due to the lasting financial impact of COVID-19.

Applicant Type	Non-Profit Organization
Applicant Name	Loving Arms Cancer Outreach, Inc.
County Priorities	Support Services 2.3 Rental and Mortgage Assistance, **2.4 Food Security** - Providing rental and mortgage assistance to prevent eviction and food options to vulnerable residents.
Project Name	1.78.2 Housing and Grocery Assistance for Cobb County Cancer Patients Affected by COVID-19
Project Summary	This funding would expand upon an existing program by adding aid to families living with cancer to remain housed through housing assistance and fed through grocery assistance.
Budget	Total Recommended Funding (3 Years): $900,000.00 (Recommended Funding for Subtopic 2.3 – $270,000.00) **(Recommended Funding for Subtopic 2.4 – $630,000.00)** Applicant Requested Funding Amount – $1,485,500.00

Response: Does the proposed project align with one or more of the ARPA expenditure categories?	Yes; the project aims to provide housing and food stipends to low-income, immunocompromised residents which were financially impacted by the pandemic.
Summary of Project Scope:	The applicant originally requested total funding of $1,485,500.00 for subtopics 2.3 Rental & Mortgage Assistance and 2.4 Food Security. After subcommittee review and taking into account the aggregate project score and available funding remaining, $270,000.00 for subtopic 2.3 and $630,000.00 for 2.4 was recommended for funding. Loving Arms Cancer Outreach (LACO) supports individuals throughout their cancer journey. The COVID-19 pandemic and its continued impact has dramatically impacted families who rely on an overburdened healthcare systems and must isolate due to weakened immune systems. Cancer patients have been negatively economically impacted by COVID-19 and the evolving variants since some cancer patients and their families were unable to work throughout the early stages of the pandemic due to their compromised immune systems and continued need to maintain heightened safety protocols or self-isolation. With the requested funding, up to 50 families would receive housing assistance and 100 families would receive food vouchers.
ARPA Alignment: Do intended project expenditures align with one or more of the SLFRF eligible expenditure categories per Treasury guidance?	Yes; per the Final Rule 2: Negative Economic Impacts, Assistance to Households – 2.1, 2.2: The interim final rule included several enumerated eligible uses to provide assistance to households or populations facing negative economic impacts due to COVID–19. Enumerated eligible uses included: Food assistance; rent, mortgage, or utility assistance; [...]Treasury is maintaining this enumerated eligible use without change. Recipients may, as was the case under the interim final rule, administer programs through a wide range of entities, including nonprofit and for-profit entities, to carry out eligible uses on behalf of the recipient government. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18, pg. 4369)
Evaluation Considerations:	**Equity:** The applicant states that the project will promote fair treatment for low-income, immunocompromised residents who were impacted by the pandemic. **Program location:** The project will take place in Cobb County and the organization is located in District 3. **Impact:** This project is recommended to be partially funded. For the full program, the applicant anticipated at least 50 families will remain housed due to rental and mortgage assistance and at least 100 families to receive food vouchers to fight food insecurity. We will work with the applicant to address KPIs based on partial funding. **Financial Continuity**: This project will not impose ongoing cost on Cobb County beyond the requested amount of ARPA funding. The budget indicates that funding will be used for rental

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Applicant Type	Non-Profit Organization
Applicant Name	Young Men's Christian Association (YMCA) of Metropolitan Atlanta, Inc.
County Priorities	Support Services 2.4 Food Security – Provides hunger relief services to families and individuals
Project Name	1.80 Food Distribution by YMCA of Metro Atlanta, Cobb Food Fleet
Project Summary	The proposed program will improve food security for over 2,400 low-income individuals across Cobb County; funding is primarily for operational costs, not food.
Budget	Total Recommended Funding (2 Years): $543,900.00 Applicant Requested Funding Amount – $618,402.00

Response: Does the proposed project align with one or more of the ARPA expenditure categories?	Yes; the program will address food insecurity that was significantly increased by the COVID-19 pandemic.
Summary of Project Scope:	This applicant originally requested $618,402.00 in funding. After subcommittee review, $543,900.00 was recommended for funding, as subcommittee members decided to recommend not funding a second van. Hunger relief services provided by the Northwest Cobb Family YCMA focuses on ensuring the children who receive free and reduced-price lunch at school have adequate nutrition when school is not in session. The Northwest Cobb YCMA's food security program operates approximately 15 weeks out of the year based on the schedule of the local schools. Food is donated by YMCA members as part of the applicant's "Y It Matters" annual campaign, and the YMCA purchases extra food as needed to supplement donations. Food is distributed where high concentration of qualifying students live, including a mobile home park and extended stay motels. This program operated by the Northwest Cobb Y ensures 120 children per year of ages 3-18 are food secure during out-of-school time. As demand for hunger relief services has continued to surge due to the rising cost of food, inflation and the continuing impact of the pandemic, the McCleskey-East Cobb Family YMCA in Marietta has expanded their year-round program to ensure food security to those who need it most across the County. The McCleskey YMCA's hunger relief program serves 600 families every week, representing roughly 2,400 individuals of all ages per year. This program will improve families and individuals' economic stability by allowing them to focus their limited resources on other necessities such as housing, utilities, transportation, and healthcare.
ARPA Alignment: Do intended project expenditures align with one or more of the SLFRF eligible expenditure categories per Treasury guidance?	Yes; per the Final Rule 2. Negative Economic Impacts, Assistance to Households – 2.1: "The interim final rule included several enumerated eligible uses to provide assistance to households or populations facing negative economic impacts due to COVID–19. Enumerated eligible uses included: Food assistance; rent, mortgage, or utility assistance;...Treasury is maintaining this enumerated eligible use without change. Recipients may, as was the case under the interim final rule, administer programs through a wide range of entities, including nonprofit and for-profit entities, to carry out eligible uses on behalf of the recipient government. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18, pg. 4369)
Evaluation Considerations:	**Equity:** The applicant states that the project will target underserved communities, focusing on low-income families and students who receive free and reduced-price lunches at school. **Program location:** The project will take place in Cobb County and the organization is located in Districts 1, 2, 3, and 4. **Impact:** This project is recommended to be partially funded. For the full program, the applicant anticipates that 120 children per year will have access to healthy food during the 15-week summer break and 600 families or 2,400 individuals of all ages per year will have access to healthy food on a weekly basis. We will work with the applicant to address KPIs based on partial funding. **Financial Continuity**: Project will not impose ongoing costs on Cobb County beyond the requested amount of ARPA funding. Expansion of services, personnel, and resources are requested to address the increased need created by COVID-19.

Applicant Type	Non-profit Organization
Applicant Name	Zion Keepers, Inc.
County Priorities	Support Services 2.3 Rental and Mortgage Assistance, **2.4 Food Security** - Providing rental and mortgage assistance to prevent eviction and food security to the community.
Project Name	1.26.1 Zion Keepers-COBB ARPA
Project Summary	Supportive Services to provide homeless assistance, rental and mortgage assistance, and food security to low-income families and individuals to help them achieve needed residential stability.
Budget	Total Recommended Funding (1 Year): $1,200,000.00 (Recommended Funding for Subtopic 2.3 – $725,000.00) **(Recommended Funding for Subtopic 2.4 – $475,000.00)**

Response: Does the proposed project align with one or more of the ARPA expenditure categories?	Yes; the program will provide homeless assistance, rental and mortgage assistance and food security to low-income families and individuals struggling with job loss due to the COVID-19 pandemic.
Summary of Project Scope:	Zion Keepers will provide rental and utility assistance for families and individuals, including veterans, to help them achieve residential stability and food security. Homelessness prevention assistance is provided to eligible individuals who are below 30% of the Area Median Income (AMI) and homeless or at-risk of becoming homeless. The case manager will initiate contact with potential participants, set appointments, and provide application information needed to complete the application process. Potential recipients will participate in an initial consultation to assess needs and case managers will determine program eligibility. Case managers will document applicant's eligibility and process each applicant through the program to include required background information, potential duplication of benefits, meetings, creation of action plans, coordination, and connecting participants with support services, maintain records, facilitate follow-up discussions, and conduct client exit interviews. Program participants will meet with case managers to develop a plan on how to retain permanent housing after assistance ends.
ARPA Alignment: Do intended project expenditures align with one or more of the SLFRF eligible expenditure categories per Treasury guidance?	Yes; per the Final Rule 2: Negative Economic Impacts, Assistance to Households – 2.1, 2.2, 2.16: Food assistance (e.g., child nutrition programs, including school meals) & food banks for low- or moderate-income households or communities, households that experienced unemployment, and households that experienced increased food or housing insecurity. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18, pg. 4359) Rental assistance approaches to support low-income households in securing stable, long-term housing, including 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. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18, pg. 4372) Emergency assistance for individuals experiencing homelessness, either individual-level assistance (e.g., rapid rehousing services) or assistance for groups of individuals (e.g., master leases of hotels, motels, or similar facilities to expand available shelter). (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18, pg. 4360)
Evaluation Considerations:	**Equity:** The applicant states that the project will take place in a Qualified Census Tract (QCT) and target the homeless, as well as those at risk of eviction and homelessness. **Program location:** The project will take place in Cobb County and the organization is in District 3. **Impact:** Throughout the duration of the program, Zion Keepers aims to assist 200 household in eviction prevention and provide 40,000 meals/food boxes to families and individuals in need. **Financial Continuity:** The project will not impose ongoing costs on Cobb County. The organization receives funding from multiple sources and partners with local organizations for continued outreach. The budget indicates that funding will be used for housing search services, life skills training, intake coordinators, case management, mortgage assistance, and rental assistance. The applicant notes that required staff are already in place for applicant's proposed activities.

Applicant Type	Non-Profit Organization
Applicant Name	Reflections of Trinity
County Priorities	Support Services: 2.4 Food Security - Provide food options for vulnerable residents
Project Name	1.30 Team 58 Food Pantry
Project Summary	Funding for food, fuel and transportation, and related payroll expenses to increase capacity for the Reflections of Trinity food pantry, which supports marginalized and vulnerable populations.
Budget	Total Recommended Funding (4 Years): $400,000.00

Response: Does the proposed project align with one or more of the ARPA expenditure categories?	Yes; the project will assist those disproportionately impacted by the pandemic by providing nutritious food. The populations serviced by the program include communities hardest hit by COVID-19 to include the homeless, seniors, veterans and children living below the poverty line.
Summary of Project Scope:	The Team 58 Food Pantry's goal is to serve all those suffering from food insecurity. The Food Pantry will be open every Saturday morning to those in need and supplies a nutritious box of food containing between 85-100 lbs. of fruits, vegetables, bread, meat, snacks and canned goods. Every week a delivery to 1 of 8 local Senior HUD Communities will occur which will provide a box of food to seniors who otherwise might not have access. Additionally, during school months, the applicant will deliver food to 4 local Schools, 3 of which are in Cobb County and supply students with weekend food supplements. The applicant expects that most recipients need a window of 3-6 months of consistent weekly support before they wean themselves from food assistance, thus Team 58 Food Pantry aims to help community members establish food security.
ARPA Alignment: Do intended project expenditures align with one or more of the SLFRF eligible expenditure categories per Treasury guidance?	Yes; per the Final Rule 2: Negative Economic Impacts, Assistance to Households – 2.1: Food assistance (e.g., child nutrition programs, including school meals) & food banks for low- or moderate-income households or communities, households that experienced unemployment, and households that experienced increased food or housing insecurity. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18, pg. 4359)
Evaluation Considerations:	**Equity:** The applicant states the project will target underserved populations including households residing in Qualified Census Tracts (QCTs), seniors, and students from low-income families that experience food insecurity. **Program location:** The project will take place in Cobb County and the organization is located in District 4. **Impact:** From this project, 3,000 households are anticipated to receive food boxes per month and 1,200 students are anticipated to received weekend food supplements per week. **Financial Continuity**: Project will not impose ongoing costs on Cobb County beyond the requested amount of ARPA funding. Applicant budget indicates that requested funding will supplement ongoing sources of purchased and donated food to allow for expanded distribution of food over four years.

Applicant Type	Non-Profit Organization
Applicant Name	The Center for Family Resources (CFR)
County Priorities	Support Services 2.4 Food Security – Expands an existing food pantry to improve services for families in need
Project Name	1.35 CFR Choice Pantry Program
Project Summary	Funding to convert the CFR's traditional food pantry into a Choice Food Pantry, support operations, and provide budget and nutrition education.
Budget	Total Recommended Funding (1 Year): $359,500.00 Applicant Requested Funding Amount– $383,000.00

Response: Does the proposed project align with one or more of the ARPA expenditure categories?	Yes; the project addresses issues around food security that were heightened during the pandemic and serves those impacted by the public health emergency.
Summary of Project Scope:	This applicant originally requested $383,000.00 in funding. After subcommittee review and taking into account the aggregate project score and available funding remaining, $359,000.00 was recommended for funding. This project will provide funding to convert CFR's traditional food pantry to a Choice Food Pantry and support operations for 12 months. The Choice Pantry will provide a personal shopping experience while educating beneficiaries on the importance of nutrition and smart shopping to stretch their food budget. The program will teach families how to shop and prepare healthy and economic meals. Shoppers will have the opportunity to select their own food as if they were shopping in the local supermarket. Food items will be assigned points and families accessing the pantry will receive a points budget used to make their food selections. Volunteers will accompany the shopper, providing nutritional information and shopping techniques to help guide choices and educate beneficiaries on the importance of healthy habits. In addition to the weekly shopping activities, each quarter a group activity for participants of the food program will be held. These events will provide cooking demonstrations and other educational activities addressing food insecurity.
ARPA Alignment: Do intended project expenditures align with one or more of the SLFRF eligible expenditure categories per Treasury guidance?	Yes; per the Final Rule 2: Negative Economic Impacts, Assistance to Households – 2.1: Responding to the negative economic impacts of the public health emergency for purposes including... assistance for food. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18, pg. 4359) Recipients may, as was the case under the interim final rule, administer programs through a wide range of entities, including nonprofit and for-profit entities. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18, pg. 4359)
Evaluation Considerations:	**Equity:** The project will target Black, Latino, and LGBTQ+ individuals, as well as low-income households, and unemployed and underemployed individuals. The applicant states that the project cultivates equity and the consistent and systematic fair, just, and impartial treatment of all individuals. **Program location:** The project will take place in Cobb County and the organization is located in District 3. **Impact:** This project will positively impact low-income households experiencing food insecurity. The project is recommended to be partially funded. For the full program, 100 families (300 individuals) will be enrolled in the Choice Pantry Program annually and 100 head of households will attend monthly case management sessions for six months. We will work with the applicant to address KPIs based on partial funding. **Financial Continuity**: Project will not impose ongoing costs on Cobb County beyond the requested amount of ARPA funding. The organization will use this funding to convert CFR's traditional food pantry to a Choice Food Pantry while providing ongoing support operations for 12 months. The budget indicates that funding will be used for a case manager,

Applicant Type	Non-Profit Organization
Applicant Name	Noonday Baptist Association, Inc. (NBA)
County Priorities	Support Services 2.4 Food Security – Supports the demand of flood by those experiencing food insecurity
Project Name	1.51 Food Distribution by NBA Storehouse Ministries, Cobb County Food Fleet
Project Summary	Supports the increased demand for food by families and children continuing to experience food insecurity in underserved Cobb communities due to the lasting financial impact of the pandemic.
Budget	Total Recommended Funding (4 Years): $284,000.00

Response: Does the proposed project align with one or more of the ARPA expenditure categories?	Yes; the project aims to provide food to vulnerable populations which were financially impacted by the pandemic.
Summary of Project Scope:	The project seeks funding to support the increased demand for food for families and children continuing to experience food insecurity in underserved Cobb communities due to the impacts of the pandemic. This organization procures food at minimal to no cost, produces little waste, and counts with no overhead costs as well. Storehouse Ministries leverages its network of 27 food pantries and 25 volunteers to distribute food and resources to 650 families/2,133 individuals every month. Funding will be used to purchase the staple food items included in the food boxes distributed.
ARPA Alignment: Do intended project expenditures align with one or more of the SLFRF eligible expenditure categories per Treasury guidance?	Yes; per the Final Rule 2: Negative Economic Impacts, Assistance to Households – 2.1: The interim final rule included several enumerated eligible uses to provide assistance to households or populations facing negative economic impacts due to COVID–19. Enumerated eligible uses included: Food assistance; rent, mortgage, or utility assistance;...Treasury is maintaining this enumerated eligible use without change. Recipients may, as was the case under the interim final rule, administer programs through a wide range of entities, including nonprofit and for-profit entities, to carry out eligible uses on behalf of the recipient government. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18, pg. 4369)
Evaluation Considerations:	**Equity:** The project will target low to moderate-income residents and the applicant applicants expects 25% or more of recipients to reside in culturally diverse and Qualified Census Tracks **Program location:** The project will take place in Cobb County and the organization is located in District 3. **Impact:** One food pantry will be established at long term stay hotels/motels; four additional food pantries will be created in Qualified Census tracks; donate food for boxes to one culturally diverse food store. Additionally, 35% of all families and individuals will start receiving social services handout and food box production will increase by 23% within 18 months of receiving funds. **Financial Continuity**: Project will not impose ongoing costs on Cobb County beyond the requested amount of ARPA funding. The budget indicates that funds will be used to purchase the components of 650 food boxes per month for the duration of the project.

Applicant Type	Non-Profit Organization
Applicant Name	First Presbyterian Church of Marietta
County Priorities	Support Services 2.4 Food Security – Provides grocery items to families in need
Project Name	1.123 First Presbyterian Church Food Outreach Ministry
Project Summary	First Presbyterian Church is requesting funding to support the technology, food distribution, transportation, and personnel needs to operate its Food Outreach Ministry.
Budget	Total Recommended Funding (4 Years): $282,000.00

Response: Does the proposed project align with one or more of the ARPA expenditure categories?	Yes; the applicant states that the services provided help to lessen the disparity caused by the pandemic.
Summary of Project Scope:	The First Presbyterian Church of Marietta is seeking funding to conduct their Food Outreach Ministry project to provide weekly grocery items and consumables to families in need. It is expected that each week up to 150 families will experience reduced financial hardship due to the provision of fresh produce, nutritious food, diapers, and feminine hygiene products. The target population for this project is residents living in poverty and those facing food insecurity due to extraneous circumstances. The project also provides food kits and essential items to homeless individuals that frequently come by the Church.
ARPA Alignment: Do intended project expenditures align with one or more of the SLFRF eligible expenditure categories per Treasury guidance?	Yes; per the Final Rule 2. Negative Economic Impacts, Assistance to Households – 2.1: Responding to the negative economic impacts of the public health emergency for purposes including... assistance for food. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18, pg. 4449)
Evaluation Considerations:	**Equity:** The applicant states that the project will target the chronically marginalized and underserved. **Program location:** The project will take place in Cobb County and the organization is located in District 3. **Impact:** 150 households will receive the retail equivalent of $60 - $100 of food and products per family per week. **Financial Continuity**: The project will not impose additional costs to the County. The organization works in partnership with Sweetwater Mission, and the budget indicates that funds will go towards technology, storage, food distribution, transportation, and personnel expenses.

Applicant Type	Non-Profit Organization
Applicant Name	MUST Ministries, Inc.
County Priorities	Support Services 2.4 Food Security – Offers community access to fresh produce
Project Name	1.85 Food Distribution by MUST Ministries, Inc., Cobb Food Fleet
Project Summary	MUST Ministries seeks funding to support the high demand for food from individuals and families continuing to experience food insecurity in underserved Cobb communities due in large part to the ongoing health and economic impacts of the pandemic.
Budget	Total Recommended Funding (4 Years): $250,000.00

Response: Does the proposed project align with one or more of the ARPA expenditure categories?	Yes; the applicant seeks to address community food insecurity that increased during the pandemic and remains above pre-pandemic levels.
Summary of Project Scope:	MUST Ministries seeks funding to support the high demand for food from individuals and families continuing to experience food insecurity in underserved Cobb communities due in large part to the ongoing health and economic impacts of the pandemic. MUST is seeking to provide not only shelf stable foods but produce to ensure adequate healthy alternatives for individuals and families needing pantry assistance. Requested funds would be utilized to purchase produce at deeply discounted prices from the Atlanta Community Food Bank (ACFB) or from Athena Farms in the event ACFB cannot meet the needed quantity of produce. MUST, in partnership with the Cobb Food Fleet, will procure food at minimal cost and distribute that food to people in the community with the greatest need. The food MUST receives for distribution to the community is organized within a 26,000 square foot donation center. Numerous volunteers assist the small staff of 7 with sorting, packing and loading the food for distribution to various food programs.
ARPA Alignment: Do intended project expenditures align with one or more of the SLFRF eligible expenditure categories per Treasury guidance?	Yes; per the Final Rule 2: Negative Economic Impacts, Assistance to Households – 2.1: The interim final rule included several enumerated eligible uses to provide assistance to households or populations facing negative economic impacts due to COVID–19. Enumerated eligible uses included: Food assistance; rent, mortgage, or utility assistance. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18, pg. 4369)
Evaluation Considerations:	**Equity:** The applicant states that the project will target those who are affected by poverty in underserved communities, homeless individuals, and families in need. **Program location:** The project will take place in Cobb County and the organization is located in District 3. **Impact:** An average of 3,835 individuals will receive healthy food and access to other resources for housing, clothing, jobs, and healthcare for the fiscal years of 2023, 2024, and 2025. An average of 910 children will receive food during the summer months and activity kits for the fiscal years of 2023, 2024, and 2025. **Financial Continuity**: This project will not impose ongoing costs on Cobb County beyond the requested amount of ARPA funding. The applicant has served the County since 1975 and notes that there are other federal funding sources for food programs. The budget indicates that requested ARPA funding will be used to purchase produce boxes and 10% of the funds will be used to capture the general overhead and administrative expenses.

Applicant Type	Non-Profit Organization
Applicant Name	H.O.P.E. Family Resource Center Inc.
County Priorities	Support Services 2.4 Food Security – Providing food for children and families in need
Project Name	1.67 H.O.P.E. Family Resource Center Inc, Cobb Food Fleet
Project Summary	Funding to support the expanding need for food by children and families demonstrating food instability in Cobb County from the ongoing financial impact of the pandemic.
Budget	Total Recommended Funding (2 Years): $36,250.00

Response: Does the proposed project align with one or more of the ARPA expenditure categories?	Yes; the project addresses issues around food security that were heightened during the pandemic and serves those impacted by the public health emergency.
Summary of Project Scope:	H.O.P.E. Family Resource Center seeks funding to support the expanding need for food for children and families demonstrating food instability in Cobb County from the ongoing financial impact of the pandemic. The program is seeking funding to participate in partnership with the Cobb Food Fleet, which will allow them to obtain food at minimal to no cost and maximize the use of every dollar of funding allocated. The distribution plan for food is based on weekly and monthly distribution with one location and the support of volunteers in receiving and organizing donated non-perishable food, which is critical in the day-to-day operations to provide food boxes to the community.
ARPA Alignment: Do intended project expenditures align with one or more of the SLFRF eligible expenditure categories per Treasury guidance?	Yes; per the Final Rule 2. Negative Economic Impacts, Assistance to Households – 2.1: Responding to the negative economic impacts of the public health emergency for purposes including... assistance for food. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18, pg. 4449)
Evaluation Considerations:	**Equity:** The applicant states that the project will target households affected by persistent poverty. **Program location:** The project will take place in Cobb County and the organization is located in District 4. **Impact:** 300 low-income families will receive food, 300 families will experience increased equitable access to fresh produce and other healthy foods, and over 100 adults accessing the project's food distribution will also receive resources for additional support services. **Financial Continuity**: Project will not impose ongoing costs on Cobb County beyond the requested amount of ARPA funding. Budget indicates that funding will be used for food purchase and pickup, along with general overhead and administrative costs associated with the program.

Applicant Type	Non-Profit Organization
Applicant Name	Turner Chapel New Horizons CDC (DBA New Horizons CDC)
County Priorities	Support Services 2.4 Food Security – Expanding food program operations to meet heightened community demand
Project Name	1.71 Marcus Mission Center
Project Summary	Expand upon an existing food pantry program. Request is for an additional staff member, equipment to help facilitate the food program operations, and gas cards for volunteers.
Budget	Total Recommended Funding (1 Year): $32,786.00

Response: Does the proposed project align with one or more of the ARPA expenditure categories?	Yes; the project addresses issues around food security that were heightened during the pandemic and serves those impacted by the public health emergency.
Summary of Project Scope:	The Marcus Mission Center is a food and clothing pantry located in Marietta, Georgia. In partnership with Turner Chapel AME Church, The Marcus Mission Center (under its former name) has been serving the community for more than 25 years. From January 2022 through June 2022 alone, 324 families have been served (922 women, men, and children) with a distribution of 22,961 lbs. of food. The organization intends to use the funding to pay the Pantry Coordinator a part-time salary, provide volunteers $10 per week to offset gas costs, purchase needed equipment, and increase the food budget.
ARPA Alignment: Do intended project expenditures align with one or more of the SLFRF eligible expenditure categories per Treasury guidance?	Yes; per the Final Rule 2: Negative Economic Impacts, Household Assistance – 2.1: Treasury is maintaining these eligible uses in the final rule, in line with commenters' recommendations: Food assistance. The interim final rule included an enumerated eligible use for food assistance. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18, pg. 4359)
Evaluation Considerations:	**Equity:** The applicant states that the program will target low-income households, unemployed, underemployed, homeless individuals, and households at risk for homelessness. **Program location:** The project will take place in Cobb County and the organization is located in District 3. **Impact:** The project will distribute 60,000 pounds of food over 12 months, helping 700-800 families per month. Furthermore, it will help 250 individuals with clothing. **Financial Continuity**: Project will not impose ongoing cost on Cobb County beyond the requested amount of ARPA funding. The budget states that they will use the funding to finance products and personnel needed to fulfill program activities.

Applicant Type	Non-Profit Organization
Applicant Name	Latin American Association (LAA)
County Priorities	Support Services 2.3 Rental and Mortgage Assistance, **2.4 Food Security** – Assists Latino families to achieve housing security and avoid food insecurity
Project Name	1.230.2 Latino Homeless Prevention Program
Project Summary	The Latin American Association is seeking funding to stabilize families who are at-risk of homelessness by addressing urgent needs such as housing and food assistance.
Budget	Total Recommended Funding (1 Year): $60,000.00 (Recommended Amount 2.3 - $30,000.00) **(Recommended Amount 2.4 - $30,000.00)**

Response: Does the proposed project align with one or more of the ARPA expenditure categories?	Yes; this project will provide assistance to homeless and housing insecure families and individuals, a population presumed to be disproportionality impacted by the COVID-19 public health emergency and/or its negative economic impacts per the Final Rule.
Summary of Proj3ect Scope:	In Georgia, 68% of Latino families live under the 200% federal poverty level and are much more likely to experience food insecurity than white non-Hispanic households. The Latino Homelessness Prevention Program (LHPP) requests funds to stabilize families who are at-risk of homelessness by addressing urgent needs through the provision of emergency financial assistance (rent, mortgage, utility, & security deposit), shelter placement, housing referrals, food and clothing assistance, and domestic violence assistance. The overarching goal of the program is to empower Latino individuals and families to achieve self-sufficiency.
ARPA Alignment: Do intended project expenditures align with one or more of the SLFRF eligible expenditure categories per Treasury guidance?	Yes; per the Final Rule 2: Negative Economic Impacts, Household Assistance – 2.1, 2.2, 2.8, 2.16: Emergency assistance for individuals experiencing homelessness. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18, pg. 4360) Rent, rental arrears, utility costs or arrears (e.g., electricity, gas, water and sewer, trash removal, and energy costs, such as fuel oil),...mortgage payment assistance. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18 pg. 4360) Responding to the negative economic impacts of the public health emergency for purposes including...assistance for food. (Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18 pg. 4449)
Evaluation Considerations:	**Equity:** The applicant states that the project will target Latino individuals and families who are at risk of homelessness. The LAA primarily serves first or second-generation Latino immigrants. **Program location:** The project will take place in Cobb County and the organization is located in Fulton County. **Impact:** The LAA works to help Latinos who are homeless or at-risk of becoming homeless by providing unparalleled services and support through the LHPP. The organization expects to serve 45 individuals with rental support and 30 individuals with utility assistance. **Financial Continuity**: Project will not impose ongoing cost on Cobb County beyond the requested amount of ARPA funding. The budget indicates that funding will be used for rental assistance and food pantry support.

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Applicant Type	Non-Profit Organization
Applicant Name	Turner Chapel New Horizons CDC (DBA New Horizons CDC)
County Priorities	Support Services 2.4 Food Security – Offers breakfast and groceries to those in need
Project Name	1.55 Meals of Compassion Ministry
Project Summary	Provide breakfast to MUST Hope House homeless shelter and participate in the MUST Summer Lunch Program.
Budget	Total Recommended Funding (1 Year): $10,670.00

Response: Does the proposed project align with one or more of the ARPA expenditure categories?	Yes; the project addresses issues around food security that were heightened during the pandemic and serves those impacted by the public health emergency.
Summary of Project Scope:	The Meals of Compassion Ministry Program will provide a hot breakfast to 50-55 guests of MUST Hope House homeless shelter twice a month for 12 months. In addition, the organization will participate in the MUST Summer Lunch Program by providing 500 children with bagged groceries that will provide breakfast and lunch for 5 days during the summer months of June and July.
ARPA Alignment: Do intended project expenditures align with one or more of the SLFRF eligible expenditure categories per Treasury guidance?	Yes; per the Final Rule 2. Negative Economic Impacts, Assistance to Households – 2.1: Responding to the negative economic impacts of the public health emergency for purposes including... assistance for food. (See Federal Register Vol 87, No. 18, pg. 4449)
Evaluation Considerations:	**Equity:** The applicant states that the project will target low-income households, as well as unemployed, underemployed, homeless, and households at-risk for homelessness. **Program location:** The project will take place in Cobb County and the organization in located in District 3. **Impact:** This project will positively impact Cobb County's homeless, unemployed, and low-income men, women, and children experiencing hunger. The applicant will provide 1200-1320 hot breakfasts to guests of the homeless shelter and groceries for 500 children for breakfast and lunch. **Financial Continuity**: The project will not impose additional costs to the County. The program is run on a volunteer basis, and the budget indicates that funds will go towards food items to be provided and aprons for servers.