**NACo Legislative Conference 2022** 

# American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Office Hours



### **Our Experts**







#### Carlos J. Castillo, CEM

#### Senior Vice President, Chief Development Officer

40 years of experience as emergency manager and disaster recovery expert. Held several senior roles and led an organization of 1,300.

- FEMA Acting Deputy Administrator, Resilience
- FEMA Assistant Administrator for Disaster Assistance

### Mark Misczak, CEM Chief Operating Officer

30-year career with over 23 years leading FEMA's most complex recovery operations. National expert in disaster recovery efforts.

Managed consulting activities to identify, claim, and close out more than \$8 billion in Public Assistance (PA) and FEMA Hazard Mitigation (HM) grant funding.

## **About Us**

- + Comprehensive emergency management, program and project management and construction management consulting firm
- + Over 37 years of professional services to Federal, state and local government agencies nationally
- + Our team:
  - + Former Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) personnel
  - + Certified emergency managers
  - + Construction managers
  - + Inspection managers
  - + Project and program managers
  - + Engineers
- + Personalized PMO oversight services
- + Comprehensive project/program management, construction management and inspection services





# **ARPA: Four Eligible Use Categories**





- + Offers a standard allowance of up to
  \$10 million for revenue loss
- County can opt to use the revenue loss calculation or allocate up to \$10 million (Note: if a county is receiving \$6 million in ARPA funding, only \$6 million potentially can be loss revenue)
- + Eligible use for government services:
  - Construction projects
  - Infrastructure projects
  - Health Services
  - Public Safety

Frequently Asked Questions



- Does revenue loss need to be used by the 2026 deadline?
- Can revenue loss be set aside for future loss?



# **2** Public Health and Economic Impacts

- Capital Expenditures What qualifies for use of funding
  - Most support an eligible COVID-19 public health or economic response
  - Examples: Affordable Housing, Childcare Facilities, Schools, Hospitals and other projects that meet final rule requirements
- + Focus on impacted and disproportionately impacted communities

Public Health Examples of Use

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Vaccination and testing operations – includes transportation to sites

Capital investments for public facilities

Mental Health

Support for impacted industries



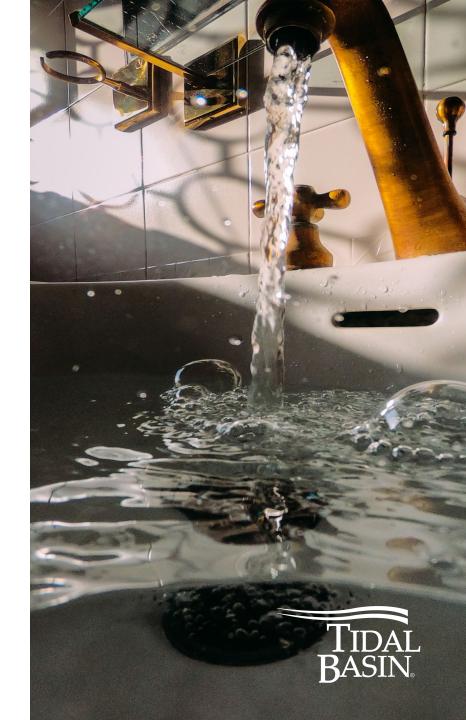


- + Broadens the share of eligible workers without written justification
- + Eligible for those that have performed essential work during the COVID-19 public health emergency



# 4 Water, Sewer and Broadband Infrastructure

- + Significant change for use of funds for eligible broadband investments
- + Provide service to households and businesses with identified need
- + Adds eligible water and sewer infrastructure investments such as:
  - Stormwater projects
  - Projects addressing lead in drinking water
  - Household water quality testing





# Other Sources of Funding for State and Local Governments



## **Coronavirus Capital Projects Fund**

- + \$10 billion to address challenges in rural America, tribes, and low- and moderateincome communities as a result of COVID-19
- + Available to states, territories, freely associated states and tribal governments
  - Counties aren't directly eligible recipients
  - Treasury encourages direct recipients to engage with communities





## **Homeowner Assistance Fund**

Up to **\$10 billion** to provide relief for our country's most vulnerable homeowners in:

- States
- The District of Columbia
- U.S. Territories
- Tribes or Tribal Entities
- The Department of Hawaiian Homelands





## **Emergency Rental Assistance Program**

- + Funds provided directly to:
  - States
  - U.S. Territories
  - Local Governments
  - Indian Tribes (In the case of ERA1)
- + ERA1 provided up to **\$25 billion** in funding
- + ERA2 provided up to **\$21.55 billion** in funding
- Treasury disburses ERA funds to states and other governmental entities (not directly to households or landlords)





## **State Small Business Credit Initiative**

- Provides \$10 billion to fund small business credit expansion initiatives to State and Tribal governments
- + Will fund State, Territory, and Tribal government small business credit support and investment programs





# **Questions?**

