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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



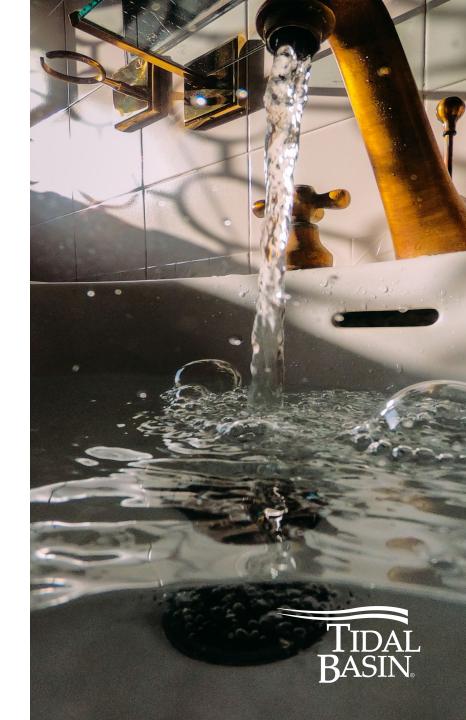


- + Broadens the share of eligible workers without written justification
- + Eligible for those that have performed essential work during the COVID-19 public health emergency



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?

