

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE COMMUNITY PRIORITY FUND'S DIRECT ASSISTANCE TO HOUSEHOLDS CATEGORY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,000,000 AND ADDRESSING EDUCATIONAL DISPARITIES CATEGORY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,000,000

WASHTENAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

December 7, 2022

WHEREAS, Washtenaw County government has received \$71,402,185 from the American Rescue Plan. The first half of the funding, \$35,701,109, was received in May 2021. The second half was received in June 2022; and

WHEREAS, In July 2021, per Resolution #21-115, the Board of Commissioners unanimously passed a resolution committing that all American Rescue Plan dollars shall be obligated by resolution to ensure transparency; and

WHEREAS, in September of 2021, the Board of Commissioners passed the first allocation of ARPA- related investments in the amount of \$24M to address access to childcare, develop and launch childhood savings accounts, fund broadband access and affordability throughout the county and expand capacity for the county's weatherization program; and

WHEREAS, since the passage of ARPA 1.0, the Board of Commissioners and Washtenaw County held a series of listening sessions in the 48197 and 48198 zip codes to better understand the needs of residents, who overwhelmingly supported targeted investment in youth, seniors, violence intervention, and agencies addressing those individuals and priority areas; and

WHEREAS, in March 2022 via unanimous vote, the Board of Commissioners passed ARPA 2.0, Resolution #22-030, to encourage generational success and invest in our community's health and wellbeing through a series of targeted investments in under-resourced communities as part of the Washtenaw County Rescue Plan and allocated up to \$11,299,007 in ARPA funds; and

WHEREAS, based on feedback from listening sessions, the Community Priority Fund (CPF), an investment totaling \$8M, was approved in the ARPA 2.0 package and launched in March of 2022 with the strategic goals of increasing equitable, community-informed allocations of ARPA funding and supporting full, ecosystem development for organizations who have not been previously eligible to contract with Washtenaw County; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners allocated \$7.2M for disbursement to programs and initiatives submitted through the CPF process and \$800,000 to establish the data collection and evaluation processes necessary to conform to federal ARPA reporting requirements; and

WHEREAS, the CPF was designed to center community-informed decision making by establishing a commissioner appointed Community Review Body; and

WHEREAS, the process for application submission, review, and funding of CPF proposals is

as follows: application, staff vetting, community review body scoring and recommendation, administrator review and preparation of recommendation, Board of Commissioners vote to accept the recommendation, and operationalization;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners hereby approves the funding recommendations coming from the County Administrator in the Direct Assistance to Households and Addressing Educational Disparities categories of the Community Priority Fund.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the County Administrator to sign delegate contracts with the entities and in the amounts identified below, in conformity with the applications to the Community Priority Fund process and with American Rescue Plan Act guidelines, upon review of Corporation Counsel, to be filed with the County Clerk.

Direct Assistance to Households		
Proposal Name	Recommendation	Amount
Women Working for Change (DBA Women and Men Working for Change)	Recommended: Full Funding	\$185,000
Northfield's Human Services (Food Pantry)	Recommended: Full Funding	\$111,000
Washtenaw Intermediate School District – Trusted Advisors	Recommended: Full Funding	\$110,945
Ypsilanti Community Schools- Resiliency Center	Recommended: Full Funding	\$50,000

Bethesda Bible Church	Recommended: Full Funding	\$34,375
Berea City of Hope	Recommended: Full Funding	\$13,500
Greater Faith Mission	Recommended: Full Funding	\$12,000
Emmanuel Lutheran Church-Clothes Closet	Recommended: Full Funding	\$9000
Beautiful Gate Food Pantry	Recommended: Full Funding	\$5730
Jewish Family Services, on behalf of Buenos Vecinos	Recommended: Partial funding	\$418,450
Eastern Michigan University – Swoop’s Food Pantry	Recommended: Partial Funding	\$50,000

Addressing Educational Disparities		
Proposal Name	Recommendation	Amount
Washtenaw Community College Foundation	Recommended: Full Funding	\$231,680
Family Learning Institute	Recommended: Full Funding	\$184,424.33
Willow Run Acres	Recommended: Full Funding	\$90,500
Hutan for World Health	Recommended: Full Funding	\$70,950
Children's Literacy Network	Recommended: Full Funding	\$44,000
Christian Love Fellowship	Recommended: Full Funding	\$39,655
Books for Kids	Recommended: Full Funding	\$6,000
Growing Hope	Recommended: Partial Funding	\$166,790.67

Hope Network Michigan Education Corps	Recommended: Partial Funding	\$122,000
Our Community Reads	Recommended: Partial Funding	\$44,000

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that those related contracts reflect the non-structural nature of resources and be funded from the \$7,200,000 Community Priority Fund allocation of the County’s second American Rescue Plan Act funding obligation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that with the approval of funding in these categories, \$350,000 remains in the total Community Priority Fund allocation, to be programmed upon recommendation by the County Administrator.

COMMISSIONER	Y	N	A	COMMISSIONER	Y	N	A	COMMISSIONER	Y	N	A
Beeman	X			Maciejewski	X			Shink	X		
Hodge	X			Morgan	X						
Jefferson	X			Sanders			Abstain				
LaBarre	X			Scott	X						

CLERK/REGISTER’S CERTIFICATE - CERTIFIED COPY ROLL CALL VOTE: 8 0 0 1 (Abstain)

STATE OF MICHIGAN)

COUNTY OF WASHTENAW)SS.

I, Lawrence Kestenbaum, Clerk/Register of said County of Washtenaw and Clerk of Circuit Court for said County, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and accurate copy of a resolution adopted by the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners at a session held at the County Administration Building in the City of Ann Arbor, Michigan, on December 7th, 2022, as it appears of record in my office.
In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said Court at Ann Arbor, this 8th day of December 2022.

LAWRENCE KESTENBAUM, Clerk/Register
BY: _____ Deputy Clerk



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