

# **American Rescue Plan Summary**

**OVERVIEW:** Phase one of Los Angeles County's American Rescue Plan will invest an unprecedented **\$975 million** in federal recovery funds to reshape and rebuild Los Angeles County as it emerges from a devastating pandemic.

The plan invests heavily—and directly—in hard-hit disadvantaged communities and advances innovative, equity-focused programs to address entrenched challenges ranging from homelessness and poverty to the unique needs of immigrants, small businesses, justice-involved individuals, and survivors of trauma, including domestic violence and hate crimes.

The funding in this plan represents the first phase of a **\$1.9 billion** allocation under the American Rescue Plan (ARP), with the remaining funding to be provided to the County in 2022.

This first phase is focused on programs to benefit our residents, businesses, and communities—and does not include any allocations to backfill the County's revenue losses, which will be addressed in the next phase.

The plan is based on three strategic pillars, which create the foundation for a "Better Than Before" recovery in Los Angeles County.

### STRATEGIC PILLAR 1

**Equity-Focused Investments** 

Allocation: \$567.90 Million

Addressing longstanding inequities in hard-hit and historically disadvantaged communities through urgent, transformative, and innovative investments.

## **STRATEGIC PILLAR 2**

Building A Bridge to an Equitable Recovery

Allocation: \$239.68 Million

Deploying supportive services through an equity lens to jumpstart recovery in communities that have experienced the most severe impacts of COVID-19.

### **STRATEGIC PILLAR 3**

Fiscal Stability and Social Safety Net

Allocation: \$167.42 Million

Sustaining and expanding key programs to ensure a strong safety net as we emerge from the pandemic.

# **Highlights include:**

More than **\$468 million** for housing and related services for people experiencing homelessness, for services to prevent people falling into homelessness, and for development of affordable housing.

More than **\$290 million** in direct community investments and partnerships with community-based organizations.

More than **\$89 million** to expand the system of care and reduce reliance on incarceration; support justice-focused community organizations; create jobs for justice-involved individuals; and address trauma and violence in communities. This ARP funding includes **\$47.1 million** for Care First, Jails Last programs, which will augment \$100 million in additional County funding for Care First and Community Investments (formerly Measure J.)

**\$12.5 million** to support immigrants and immigrant-focused community-based organizations that provide a broad range of services, including legal representation, wealth-building assistance and organizational capacity building—in addition to a broad range of other ARP-funded assistance, from nutrition to childcare to health outreach, intended to benefit immigrant and other high-need communities.

**\$70 million** for small businesses, entrepreneurs, and nonprofits hit hard by the pandemic.