

American Rescue Plan

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CEO. I. Navigating ARP Funding Opportunities

On August 16, 2022, CEO, Department of Economic Opportunity, and Internal Services Department co-hosted a session on navigating ARP funding opportunities in partnership with the Center for Non-Profit Management and BDO FMA.

- The session was offered in English with Spanish interpretation.

114 participants
attended

61% represented small to
very small organizations

More than one-third
of those who responded
to a poll, had no prior
experience with County
funding.

II. URISA Exemplary Systems in Government (ESIG) Award

- The URISA ESIG award competition recognizes outstanding achievement by government agencies for their use of geospatial information technology (GIS).
- Projects are scored based on the effective application of GIS to improve service delivery and benefit communities.
- The Equity Explorer Mapping Tool received recognition as a Distinguished System by URISA's ESIG Review Committee.
- The project was one of two entries chosen for this honor in its award category.





III. ARP Global Program Overview

(last updated 8/24/2022)

Progress	<i>Equity-Focused Investments</i> (Pillar 1 Projects)	<i>Building Bridge to Equitable Recovery</i> (Pillar 2 Projects)	<i>Fiscal Stability and Social Safety Net</i> (Pillar 3 Projects)	Project Totals	Project Amounts
<i>Design/ Development</i>	0	0	1	1	\$7,500,000
<i>ARDI/CoCo Review</i>	0	0	0	0	\$0
<i>Approved for Launch/ Implementation*</i>	36	38	8	82	\$967,500,000
TOTAL	36	38	9	83	\$975,000,000

Approximately 99% of ARP Tranche 1 funds have been approved for launch/implementation.

**Includes \$89,220,000 in funding allocated for critical pandemic response services, DSWs and other County costs.*

IV. Department Spotlight: **LA County Chief Sustainability Office**

Food Distribution Program



Overview

- Partnership with LA Regional Food Bank and Board Offices to hold events in each district where we distribute free food
- Originally launched in April 2020 to address spike in food need and community food pantry closures
- Re-launched in May 2022, with 14 events held as of Aug 30, 2022
- Held in high-need census tracts / targeting high-need populations

Food Distribution Program

New Components

- Infant Formula Procurement:
approximately 500 cans per district
- Option of Walk-Up Format
 - Accommodates people who don't own cars
 - Fewer people per event, but households receive more food on average
 - Participants have more dignity of choice
 - Summer heat as a challenge

Outcomes

- Per drive-thru event:
 - Average 950 households served
 - Average 46K pounds of food distributed (equivalent to 9 meals per household)
- Per walk up event:
 - Average of 486 households served
 - Average 31K pounds of food distributed (equivalent to 12 meals per household)

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Community Food Resource Grants

Overview

Grant program run by a Third Party Administrator to address food access and dietary issues

Goals

1. Build capacity of at least 5 organizations that are strengthening food system infrastructure
2. Build capacity of at least 10 organizations that are expanding nutrition awareness
3. Build capacity of at least 10 organizations that are supporting outreach and enrollment in food safety net programs such as CalFresh, WIC, school meals

Populations to be served

Highly food-insecure groups including: very low-income households, single-parent households, children and youth, unhoused, people with disabilities, people of color, LGBTQ+, immigrants, unemployed, older adults, people with dietary restrictions

Timeline

Goal to launch grant solicitation by Jan 2023, start releasing funds by July 2023, with all grant activities completed by Dec 2025



Thank you.