

Toledo Recovery Plan Citywide Public Meetings

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What is the American Rescue Plan?



The American Rescue Plan (ARPA) is funding for local and state governments to directly confront problems caused by or exacerbated by the COVID-19 pandemic.

ARPA puts an emphasis on equity – addressing the root causes of poverty and building wealth within communities of color.

ARPA must be spent on specific items that are approved by the US Department of Treasury. It cannot be used for everything that Toledo needs.



\$180,948,591 allocated to Toledo

Must be spent by December 31, 2026



Allowable Uses

Municipal Revenue Loss

Funding to help replace revenue the City lost due to the COVID-19 pandemic

Premium Pay

Funding to provide premium pay to essential workers

Water and Sewer and Broadband Infrastructure

Investments in infrastructure



Responding to the Public Health Emergency

Eligible Uses Include

- Vaccination Programs
- Testing
- Contact Tracing
- PPE
- Support for Schools
- Ventilation
- Enhanced Data Systems

- Capital Investments to Improve Public Health
- Behavioral Health Care
- Community Health Workers
- Public Benefit Navigators
- Housing services to support healthy neighborhoods
- Remediation of lead paint
- Evidence-based community violence interventions



Responding to the Negative Economic Impacts

Eligible Uses Include

Assistance to Households

- Food Assistance
- Rent, Mortgage, Utility Assistance
- Homelessness Prevention
- Emergency Home Repairs
- Weatherization
- Internet Access
- Job Training

Assistance to Business

- Loans or grants to offset losses
- Capital improvements
- Technical assistance
- Aid to hospitality / tourism
- Can presume eligible if a small business or business serving a disadvantaged area



Responding to the Negative Economic Impacts

Eligible Uses Include

Address Housing Disparities

- Services to address homelessness
- Affordable housing development to increase units
- Housing vouchers to help LMI individuals move to areas of greater opportunity

Address Educational Disparities

- New / expanded pre-K, Head Start, partnerships
- Equitable funding to high-poverty districts
- Evidence-based schooling programming
- High-quality child care



Grants to Third-Party Partners

The City may deliver all ARPA services itself as the recipient.

The City of Toledo may also choose to award some of this funding to third-party partners called sub-recipients. These include non-profits and other units of local government.

These decisions will be made by the Mayor and City Council after community input has been received and reviewed.





Toledo Recovery Plan Overview

Toledo Recovery Plan Priorities

- Youth, Recreation, and Parks
- Safe and Livable Neighborhoods
- Job Creation and Economic Development
- Green and Healthy Housing
- Avoiding Cuts to City Services



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 Dedicated web page for all Toledo Recovery Plan engagement

Feedback through August 31





Toledo Recovery Plan Your Thoughts and Ideas

Youth, Parks, and Recreation

- Replacing outdated playground equipment
- Making improvements to recreational facilities (basketball courts, ball diamonds, tennis courts)
- Improving the City's pools
- Providing pre-k services to Toledo's four-year-olds
- Providing high-quality day care services
- Creating summer job opportunities for youth
- Increasing recreational programming for youth



Safe and Livable Neighborhoods

- Increased programming to reduce gun violence
- Additional ShotSpotter equipment for Toledo Police
- New street lighting where it is missing
- Sidewalk improvements for accessibility
- Demolition of abandoned homes
- Removal of dumping and debris from right of way and alleys
- Planting additional trees to improve neighborhood air quality



Job Creation and Economic Development

- Environmental clean-up of abandoned properties
- Demolition of large unsafe buildings
- Job skills training
- Construction of affordable multi-family housing
- Construction of energy-efficient single-family housing
- Grants or loans to small businesses to recover from the pandemic
- Water and sewer improvements to keep and retain jobs



Green and Healthy Housing

- Replacement of lead water service lines
- Grants to landlords to make their properties lead-safe for tenants
- Grants to homeowners to eliminate lead hazards
- Roof replacement grants
- Code compliance grants or loans to improve homes
- Renovation of empty properties to create new homeowners
- Assistance to providers to reduce the number of unhoused people



Avoiding Cuts in City Services

- Keep capital improvements dollars for capital improvement projects
- Maintain city services by filling the budget shortfall caused by COVID-19
- Provide premium pay to City workers essential during the pandemic
- Rehire City staff who were temporarily laid off during the pandemic
- Replace old equipment and vehicles for first responders (police and fire)



Are there other ideas that were not mentioned that you believe would be a worthwhile investment?



Additional Comments

Questions





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