

American Rescue Plan Act

Local Recovery Funds

2022

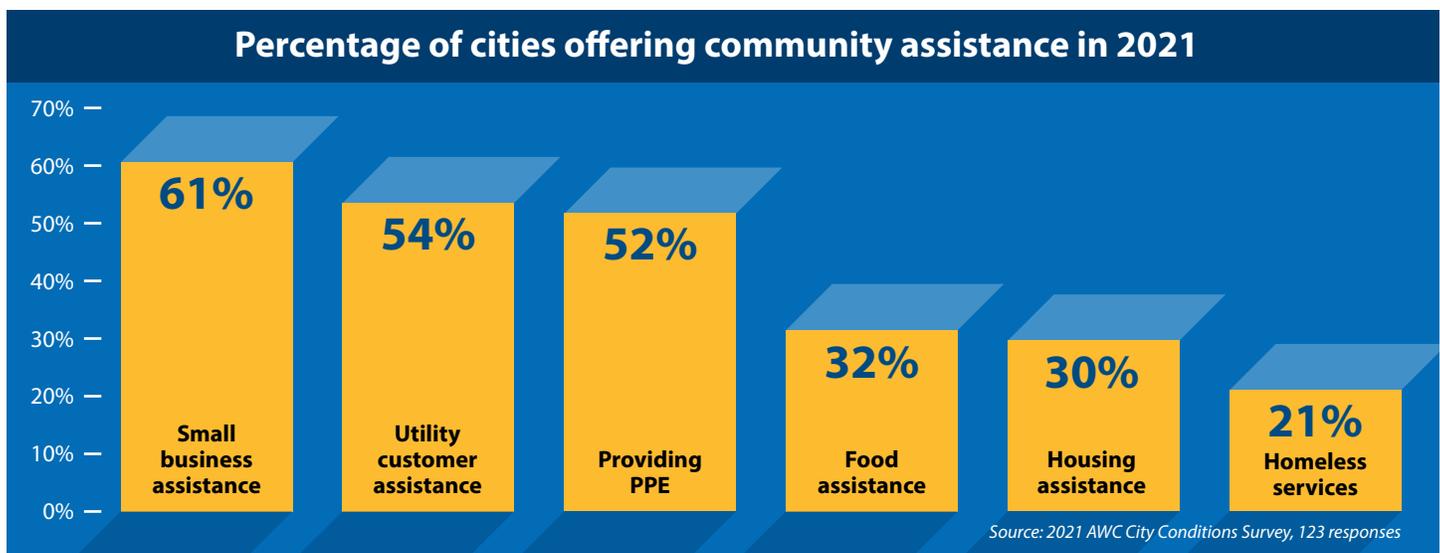


Celebrating one year of ARPA – How Washington cities are putting federal funds to work for our communities

Washington's cities are using American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds to help their residents and their communities recover from the COVID-19 pandemic and invest in a more resilient future.

Impacts of COVID-19 on Washington cities

In a 2021 survey, 78% of cities indicated they lost revenue in 2020, and 62% of cities expected to lose revenue in 2021 due to the impacts of the pandemic.



How Washington cities plan to invest ARPA funds

Cities plan to invest ARPA funds in a variety of projects and programs to ensure a strong recovery for all members of their communities.

63% plan to support **local nonprofits** in providing essential **community services**

49% plan to support **utility assistance** for residents

47% plan to support **local businesses**

46% plan to use funds to **replace lost revenue**

24% plan to support **rent/mortgage assistance** for residents

22% plan to fund **public health** programs

Source: 2021 AWC City Conditions Survey

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Washington state's ARPA-funded city projects and programs

Completed and underway

City of Edmonds:

Provided \$1.1 million in support to local businesses, including \$625,000 in small business grants.

Allocated \$4.1 million to fund general household support programs, including \$3 million for direct cash assistance to impacted residents.

City of Kenmore:

Provided \$1 million in direct cash assistance to low-income households. Eligible households will receive \$2,000 plus \$250 per additional person in the household.

Investing \$3.2 million in new affordable housing.

Dedicated \$75,000 for urgent business assistance.

City of Lakewood:

Invested \$1 million in a joint regional project to purchase a hotel and convert it into a 120-bed emergency shelter for unhoused residents.

Dedicated 1% of ARPA funds to support local initiatives including youth mental health services and workforce training.

Focused millions of dollars toward workforce training for BIPOC city businesses and residents, eviction prevention legal services, implementing a police body camera program, and funding infrastructure for new affordable housing unit construction.

City of Tacoma:

Invested \$3.25 million to fund recovery grants for local small businesses and nonprofits.

Dedicated \$1.5 million to infrastructure improvements to support affordable housing development.

City of Port Angeles:

Invested \$337,500 in a joint project to purchase and convert a hotel into a 27-unit affordable housing complex.

Infused \$500,000 into a local business to ensure continuity of regional ferry operations.

Supported local childcare providers with over \$200,000 to respond to local workforce needs and COVID-19 impacts.

Provided \$100,000 to Habitat for Humanity to maintain local housing stock including aging in place and low/median income needs.

City of Seattle:

Investing \$28.5 million in permanent housing capital.

Allocated \$3 million to connect small businesses to operating capital.

City of Walla Walla:

Investing \$3.2 million to improve local public outdoor areas to provide community gathering places that support recreation, local events, and downtown businesses.

Providing \$350,000 for improvements to a local senior center that serves as a hub for residents to access critical services.

Dedicated \$600,000 to fund a three-year community paramedic program targeting underserved populations.

Distributed \$650,000 in utility bill assistance and nonprofit organization support.

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