

# American Rescue Plan

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**Greensboro's estimated allocation:  
\$56.3 million**

- First disbursement of one-half allocation expected in May, 2021
  - Department of Treasury Guidelines expected concurrently
  - Second half allocation expected no earlier than one year after first payment
- Funds must be spent by the end of calendar year 2024
- Local governments are required to provide “Periodic reports” to the Secretary of the Treasury

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## Eligible Uses Include:

- Provide government services affected by a revenue reduction resulting from COVID 19
- Responding to the negative economic impacts from COVID-19, including aid to small business and impacted industries
- Premium pay to eligible essential workers
- Investments in infrastructure, including water, sewer and broadband

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## Ineligible Uses Include:

- Cannot be used to offset a tax rate reduction
- Cannot be deposited into any pension fund

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## Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) Guiding Principles

- Replenishing reserves used to offset revenue declines should be given high priority
- Use of ARP funds to cover operating deficits should be considered a temporary solution
- Consider regional initiatives, including partnering with other ARP recipients
- Use other dedicated grants first when possible and save ARP funds for priorities not eligible for other federal or state assistance
- When possible, spread the use of ARP funds over the qualified period (through 12/31/24) to enhance financial stability

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## Council Priorities

- Affordable Housing
- Fiscal Sustainability
- Economic Development

## One-Time – Restorative – Transformative

- Restoration of Reduced Revenues
  - General Fund, Hotel/Motel, Coliseum, Parking, Transit
- Recovery Assistance
  - Community Non-profits, Small Business Assistance
- Transformative
  - Housing, Transit, Broadband Investment