

CHAPTER 2024-71

No. 480 **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 2023-37 NO. 466,
ADOPTING THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT GRANT BUDGET
FOR THE PERIOD OF APRIL 29, 2021 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2024,
APPROVED NOVEMBER 22, 2023**

Approved December 9, 2024

Be it ordained by the City of Providence:

Section 1 - The Budget for April 29, 2021 - December 31, 2024 American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding is adopted as follows:

<u>ARPA Summer Programming:</u>	
Summer Camp for Providence Residents	\$600,000
Summer Jobs for Providence Youth	\$996,472.35
TOTAL ELIGIBLE SUMMER PROGRAMMING	\$1,596,472.35
<u>ARPA Youth Investments:</u>	
Early Learning Infrastructure	\$1,000,000
Youth and Family Broadband Access	\$500,000
TOTAL YOUTH INVESTMENT FUNDS	\$1,500,000
<u>ARPA Anti-Violence Investments</u>	
Mentoring Program	\$1,100,000
Non-violence training	\$500,000
Year-round youth jobs	\$998,130.18
TOTAL ANTI-VIOLENCE INVESTMENTS	\$2,598,130.18
<u>ARPA Funding to Providence Redevelopment Agency (PRA)</u>	
Roger Williams Park Gateway	\$4,000,000
TOTAL FUNDING TO PRA	\$4,000,000
<u>ARPA Grants to Libraries:</u>	
Providence Community Library	\$500,000
Providence Public Library	\$100,000
TOTAL GRANTS TO LIBRARIES	\$600,000
<u>ARPA Grants to Non-profits:</u>	
Homelessness Intervention	\$499,290
Providence Center	\$152,559
Waterfire, Inc.	\$300,000
TOTAL GRANTS TO NON-PROFITS	\$951,849
<u>ARPA Sewer Water Investment</u>	
Street Sweeping and Sewer Repair	\$3,000,000
TOTAL FUNDING	\$3,000,000
<u>ARPA Funding to General Fund:</u>	
FY21 Revenue Recovery	\$19,457,352
TOTAL FUNDING TO GENERAL FUND	\$19,457,352
<u>ARPA Small business relief program:</u>	
Relief for small business in Providence	\$851,174
TOTAL FUNDING	\$851,174

Neighborhood Investment Program

Neighborhood Infrastructure Fund	\$4,830,674.84
Grants to Community-Based Non-Profits for Neighborhood Projects	
Groundwork Rhode Island	\$151,256.70
Nonviolence Institute	\$151,881.50
DaVinci Center	\$459,675.96
Woonasquatucket River Watershed Council	\$66,237.00
Reaching the Harvest	\$50,000.00
Trinity Square Together	\$424,100.00
Southside Community Land Trust	\$15,000.00
TOTAL FUNDING	\$6,148,826

ARPA Administration:

FY21 to FY26 Administrative Expenditures	\$1,220,000
TOTAL ADMINISTRATIVE FUNDING	\$1,220,000

GRAND TOTAL FUNDING 4/29/2021 - 12/31/2024 **\$41,923,803.53**

Section 2 - By December 15, 2024, any ARPA funds not under contract will be re-obligated to revenue recovery.

Section 3 - If by March 31, 2026, any ARPA funds not spent as outlined in Sections 1-5, the City will reserve the right to re-obligate those funds to revenue recovery. The Committee on Finance will receive a report on unspent funds if applicable.

Section 4 - All funding referenced is subject to American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) spending guidance. Failure to comply with these regulations will result in a forfeiture of funding allocation. This Ordinance shall take effect upon passage.

IN CITY COUNCIL
 DEC 02 2024
 FIRST READING
 READ AND PASSED

Tina L. Mastrosianni
 CLERK

IN CITY COUNCIL
 DEC 05 2024
 FINAL READING
 READ AND PASSED

Rachel M. Miller
 RACHEL M. MILLER, PRESIDENT

Tina L. Mastrosianni
 CLERK

I HEREBY APPROVE.

Brett P. Smith
 Mayor

Date: 12/9/24



MAYOR BRETT P. SMILEY
CITY OF PROVIDENCE

2024 ARPA Update and Proposal

11/26/24



Process Overview

- 1 Reviewed all ordinance lines (including ordinance lines from COVID-19 Equities Program ordinance) to determine status of funds and potential for additional allocations or areas of reinvestment.
- 2 Held meetings with all departmental leads and project leads to discuss EOY Treasury obligation deadline and discuss plans for contracting and spending funds.
- 3 Identified 11 ordinance lines with the potential for allocation and reinvestment, either in full or partial.
- 4 Identified 63 ordinance lines that are either fully spent or on track to be spent.
- 5 Proposed reinvestment of ARPA dollars to revenue recovery.



Proposal for Reinvestment Across All Funds

The below proposal recommends allocation for reinvestment:

Ordinance Line	New Allocation
Revenue Recovery	\$4,405,830.73
Total	\$4,405,830.73





Proposal for Reinvestment

- Total of 10 lines short-listed for reinvestment, sum of \$1,472,272.71.

Ordinance Line	Original Allocation	Notes	Potential for Reinvestment
Anti-Violence Investments	\$2,000,000	Remaining balance after successful Youth Mentorships and Summer Jobs. Created jobs for 418 students across 13 organizations across the city.	\$59,129.41
Cranston Street Armory	\$1,000,000	No path to program, recommended reinvestment given timeline.	\$1,000,000.00
Direct Relief to Providence Residents	\$500,000	Program successfully completed. Confirmed remaining balance.	\$3,721.00
Emergency Housing Solutions	\$3,774,410	Program successfully completed. Remaining balance from cost savings or funds forfeited by community partners.	\$80,224.52
Expand Rapid Rehousing	\$1,225,590	Program successfully completed. Remaining balance from cost savings or funds forfeited by community partners.	\$39,796.53
Hardest Hit Community Organization	\$300,000	Program successfully completed. Confirmed remaining balance.	\$5,130.00
Homelessness Intervention	\$500,000	Program successfully completed. Confirmed remaining balance.	\$710.00
Independent Auditor	\$300,000	Per conversation with CLA (auditor), they view their work as complete with the city given new revenue recovery designation.	\$278,163.78
Summer Jobs for Providence Youth	\$1,000,000	Program successfully completed. Confirmed remaining balance.	\$3,527.65
Year-round Youth Jobs	\$1,000,000	Program successfully completed. Confirmed remaining balance.	\$1,869.82
Total			\$1,472,272.71



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COVID-19 Equities Program

- Separately, after review, we are reinvesting \$2,933,558.02 within the COVID-19 Program Equities ordinance to revenue recovery to offset the increased allocation PPSD and K-12 education, a key priority from the Commission's [report](#).
- With respect to the rest of the program funds, \$6,123,540.08 is already under contract, with about 930K already BOCS awarded or soon to be awarded.

Ordinance Line	Original Allocation	Proposed New Allocation	Change	Notes
Homeownership & Financial Literacy	\$1,000,000.00	-	(\$1,000,000)	RFP released but city received only one bid, which was not sufficient.
Earn & Learn Workforce Training	\$1,000,000.00	\$997,294.70	(\$2,705.30)	Program successfully completed. Confirmed remaining balance.
Small Business Acceleration	\$1,500,000	\$699,136	(\$800,864)	Partially programmed and spent with remaining balance. Programs funded and planned to date: - Small Business Assn. in Smith Hill (\$60,000) - ESL certification for CNA and truck driving (\$100,000) - Contractor to help recruit and support expansion of minority certification (\$150,000) - Disparity study for women-owned and minority-owned enterprise (\$379,236)
Invest In Media Firms	\$250,000.00	-	(\$250,000)	RFP released twice. Only one bid received which was not sufficient.
Expand Operational Capacity	\$1,000,000.00	\$170,011.28	(\$829,988.72)	Two projects awarded with RIBBA and inspiring minds.
Funding To Establish History School	\$50,000.00	\$0	(\$50,000)	Challenging to program with level of funding.

On Track for Full Spend from ARPA

- 63 lines are fully spent down, fully obligated, or dept. lead has shared clear plan for funds and plan to obligate and contract. (28 fully spent down in green.)

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| ❖ Administrative Expenses | ❖ Permanent Supportive Housing (PRA Transfer) |
| ❖ Affordable and Alternate Housing Programming | ❖ Pre-K and Early Learning Infrastructure Fund |
| ❖ Affordable Housing Development (PRA transfer) | ❖ Providence Center |
| ❖ Arts, Culture and Special Events Support | ❖ Providence Community Libraries |
| ❖ Batastini Recreation Center | ❖ Providence Public Library |
| ❖ Capital City Community Center | ❖ Providence Talks Early Learning Intervention, Federal Hill House |
| ❖ Capital Investment – Recreation Centers | ❖ Providence-Warwick Convention & Visitors Bureau |
| ❖ Cultural Facilities | ❖ Public Art to Encourage Tourism |
| ❖ Cybersecurity and Information Technology Investments | ❖ PVDfest Producing Partner, FirstWorks |
| ❖ Davey Lopes Recreation Center | ❖ Revenue Recovery |
| ❖ DaVinci Center | ❖ Right to Counsel |
| ❖ Downtown Open Spaces | ❖ Roger Williams Park Gateway |
| ❖ Elderly Service Supports | ❖ Rogers Recreation Center |
| ❖ Elmwood Community Center | ❖ Sacket Recreation Center |
| ❖ Equipment/Parking Meter Replacement | ❖ Shared Use Infrastructure Grant Program |
| ❖ Facilities Development Program – PRA Transfer | ❖ Silver Lake Community Center Annex |
| ❖ Federal Hill House | ❖ Small Business Support |
| ❖ Food Security Grant Program | ❖ Stormwater and Sewer Repair |
| ❖ Food Security Infrastructure Planning | ❖ Street Sweeping & Sewer Repair |
| ❖ Home Repair Program | ❖ Summer Camp for Providence Residents |
| ❖ India Point Resiliency Investments | ❖ Tourism and Marketing |
| ❖ John Rollins Recreation Center | ❖ Vincent Brown Recreation Center |
| ❖ Joslin Recreation Center | ❖ Vincent Igliazzi Recreation Center |
| ❖ Kennedy Recreation Center | ❖ Washington Park Community Center |
| ❖ Mentoring Program | ❖ Waterfire, Inc. |
| ❖ Merino Park/WRWC Investments | ❖ West End Community Center |
| ❖ Mount Hope Neighborhood Association | ❖ West End Recreation Center |
| ❖ Nickerson Community Center | ❖ Youth and Family Broadband |
| ❖ Non-violence training | ❖ Zuccolo Recreation Center |
| ❖ Parks and Recreation Capital Investment | |

Catch-All Language in Ordinance



- “Funding not contracted by December 15, 2024, will be allocated to revenue recovery.”
- “The City reserves the right to obligate remaining funds to revenue recovery if unspent by March 15, 2026.”



