



MEMORANDUM

TO: Clackamas County Board of County Commissioners (BCC)
FROM: Nancy Bush, County Operating Officer
RE: ARPA Funding – Reallocation of Dollars
DATE: December 17, 2024

REQUEST: Staff is seeking approval to move American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) dollars that are unspent to the Recovery Center property purchase.

BACKGROUND: Clackamas County received just over \$81 million from the U.S Treasury starting in May 2021. The dollars are managed by the U.S. Treasury. Over the past years the BCC has obligated all the dollars to eligible projects. In 2023, the U.S. Treasury announced that all the ARPA dollars must be obligated, in contract or spent, by December 31, 2024.

The BCC has obligated all the ARPA dollars, however, there are some dollars that the programs are not able to spend due to projects coming in under budget or are simply out of time. The number is not final, but it is estimated that it will be about \$300,000. The number could go up or down as we work with programs.

To ensure that we do not lose funding the remaining dollars must be obligated for a project that can be spent by December 31, 2024. Therefore, staff is recommending that any remaining dollars that are unspent can be used toward the purchase of the former Clackamas School property to be used for the Recovery Center.

The Recovery Center project is the best choice since it is a project where immediate obligation can be made.

RECOMMENDATION: Staff respectfully recommends the Board approves moving any unspent ARPA dollars to the purchase of the former Clackamas School property for the use of the Recovery Center.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nancy Bush
County Operating Officer, County Administration