



## **American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)**

### Program Performance Update

October 10, 2022







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# Agenda

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## Support Needed For Grant Administration

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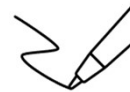
### RECOGNITION OF A NEED

Significant amount of Federal ARPA grant funding awarded to LCG (\$84.5M)

Recognized a need for comprehensive support from a qualified firm for ARPA grant services

Began process prior to many other local entities

Support would enable our City and Parish to thoroughly vet projects and administer them through closeout of the grant in 2026



### SUCCESSFUL PROCUREMENT

LCG released RFP in August 2021

A committee comprised of civil service employees evaluated the proposals

We invited several vendors to make oral presentations and answer comprehensive questions in November 2021



### BID SCORING + AWARD

LCG council approved the budget for ARPA program oversight

The contractor was notified of the award and immediately engaged to start the planning process

Contract runs from January 2022 through December 2026

**Selected vendor has a long history of supporting state and local government clients in Louisiana as well as administering ARPA grant programs in other states.**



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## Scope of Services Needed To Administer ARPA Funds

*Vendor is providing the following services to support LCG's administration of the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) grant programs*



### FROM LCG REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL SCOPE

Project Management Office (PMO) for ARPA funding

Eligibility assessments projects

Procurement support

Quarterly Reporting compliance

Calculation of lost revenue figures

Grant governance and oversight

Grants management policies and procedures

Construction management and oversight

Prevailing wage compliance

### Task Orders Executed By LCG

*1 – Procurement & Procedure Support*

*2 – Project Management Services*

*3 – Cost Tracking, Accounting, & Reporting*

*4 – Construction Oversight*

*5 – Audit Support Services*



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*Investing in Lafayette while demonstrating good stewardship of our Federal grant funding*

**\$12,000,000**

### Reclassified For Parish

Resulting from decrease in projected tax revenues due to COVID-19 impacts on economy. Identified during recalculation of LCG's total COVID-19 revenue loss.

### Ahead Of Schedule

#### Project Selection

\$84.5 million dollars have been allocated to projects ahead of 2024 deadline. Budget set aside to cover cost overruns due to inflation and supply chain challenges.

### Timely Reporting

#### As Required By Treasury

Established processes to report to U.S. Treasury the scope, progress, and allowability of investments being made throughout the Lafayette community.

### Projects Verified

#### After Detailed Review

30+ project scopes reviewed and aligned to U.S. Treasury Expenditure Categories. Impacts to disproportionately underserved communities also identified.

### Grant Handbook

#### Modernized For Future

New handbook for managing Federal Grants and protecting Federal dollars spent in Lafayette from potential clawbacks are being developed.



### Construction

#### Kickoff Completed

Public Works project managers briefed on ARPA grants, project delay logs, reporting requirements, timelines for completion, contractor debarment checks.

### Procurement Check

#### Federally Compliant

14 goods and services transactions have been reviewed and modified to comply with Federal grant requirements for procurement.

### Davis Bacon

#### Compliance Processes

Additional resources made available to enable LCG to demonstrate compliance with prevailing wage rules.

### Collaborating

#### Daily Progress Updates

Touchpoints occur with Public Works, Finance, Purchasing, Community Development, Budget, and others including monthly status review.

### Focus on 2026

#### Project Completion

Process established to quickly identify delays and cost escalations that could risk LCG's ability to complete grant projects within grant "period of performance".



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## Upcoming Program Milestones

*Where we are headed*

### KEY DATES

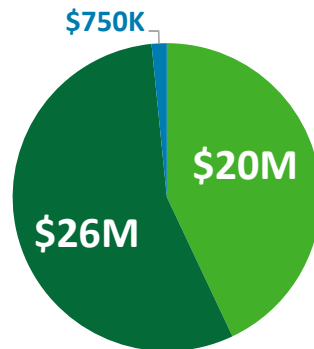


**December 31, 2024** – Funds must be obligated

**December 31, 2026** – Funds must be expended

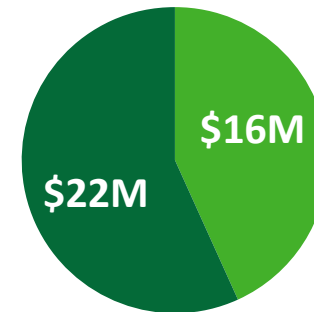


Parish ARPA Funding: \$46.5M



■ Lost Revenue ■ Future Projects ■ Unallocated

City ARPA Funding: \$38M



■ Lost Revenue ■ Future Projects

**Note: "Lost Revenue" indicates funding for projects using ARPA grants due to loss of tax revenue in the City and Parish as a result of COVID-19. This money will fund the normal functions of LCG government typically funded by tax dollars.**

*\*Graphs include projects approved by Council and established in LCG systems per latest budget report of 7/19/22*



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### *LCG American Rescue Plan Grant Funding*

- ✓ LCG **needed support** administering this once-in-a-generation program
- ✓ **LCG competitively procured** contract in accordance with Federal grant rules
- ✓ **LCG kept contract value significantly below the 10% administrative budget** allowed by the US Treasury for administration of ARPA grant programs\*
- ✓ LCG has selected and budgeted projects **well ahead of 2024 obligation deadline**
- ✓ **\$84 million will be invested in Lafayette** communities and neighborhoods
- ✓ Team is providing **quality end-to-end project management** and reporting services
- ✓ New handbook being developed to **enhance grant management** efforts

\*<https://home.treasury.gov/system/files/136/SLFRF-Compliance-and-Reporting-Guidance.pdf>