

# Lafayette ARPA Funding Impact Report

September 16, 2025



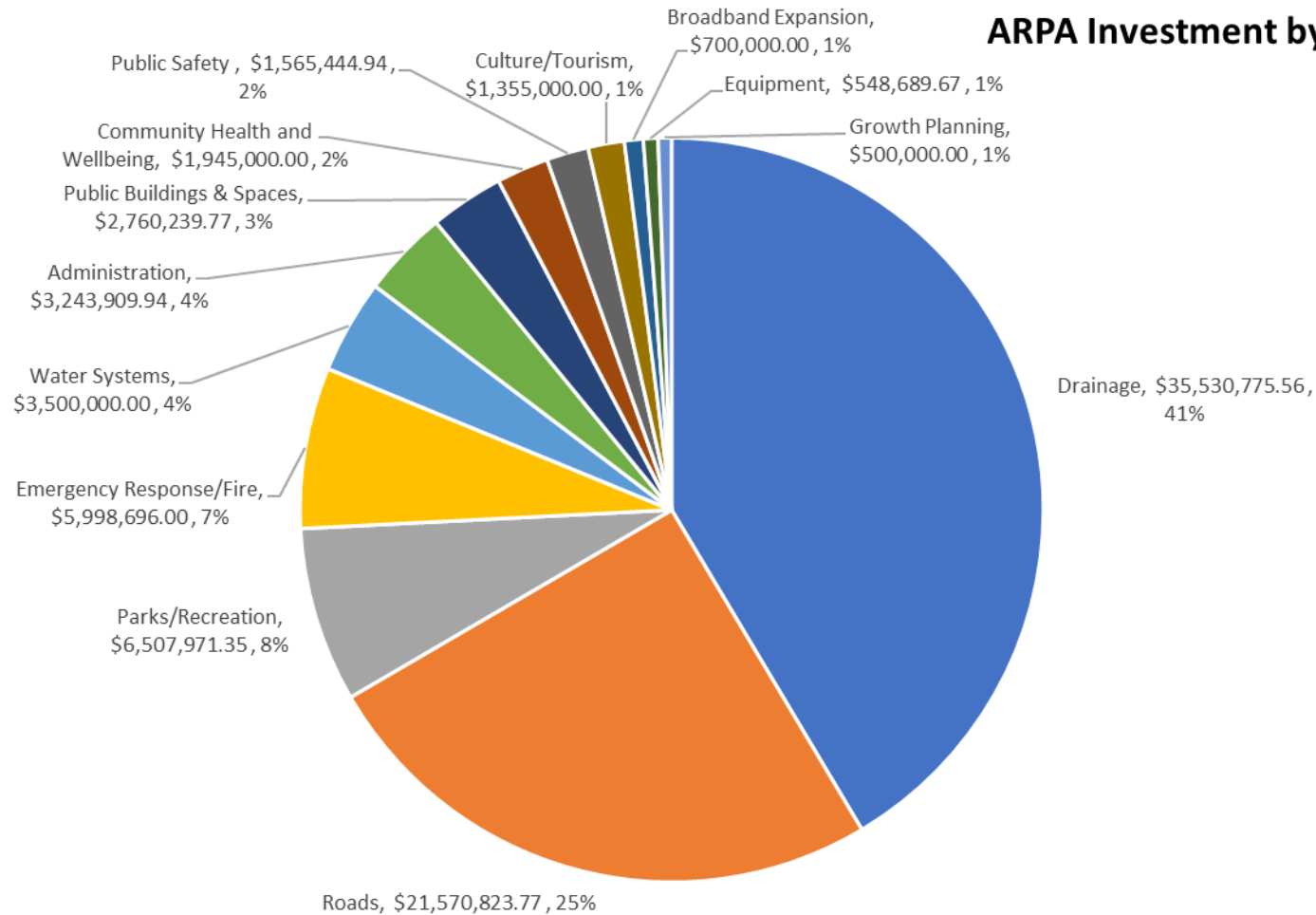
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Lafayette Consolidated Government (LCG) received a total allocation of **\$85,726,551** in American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds, with **\$47,469,893 designated for Lafayette Parish** and **\$38,256,658 for the City of Lafayette.**

This funding was allocated to support 100 projects or unique funding line items. Projects are grouped in this impact report into the following Focus Areas:

- Public Services and Future Planning
- Community Health and Wellbeing
- Public Safety, Fire, Emergency Response
- Infrastructure Investments
- Parks and Public Spaces
- Public Utilities and Broadband

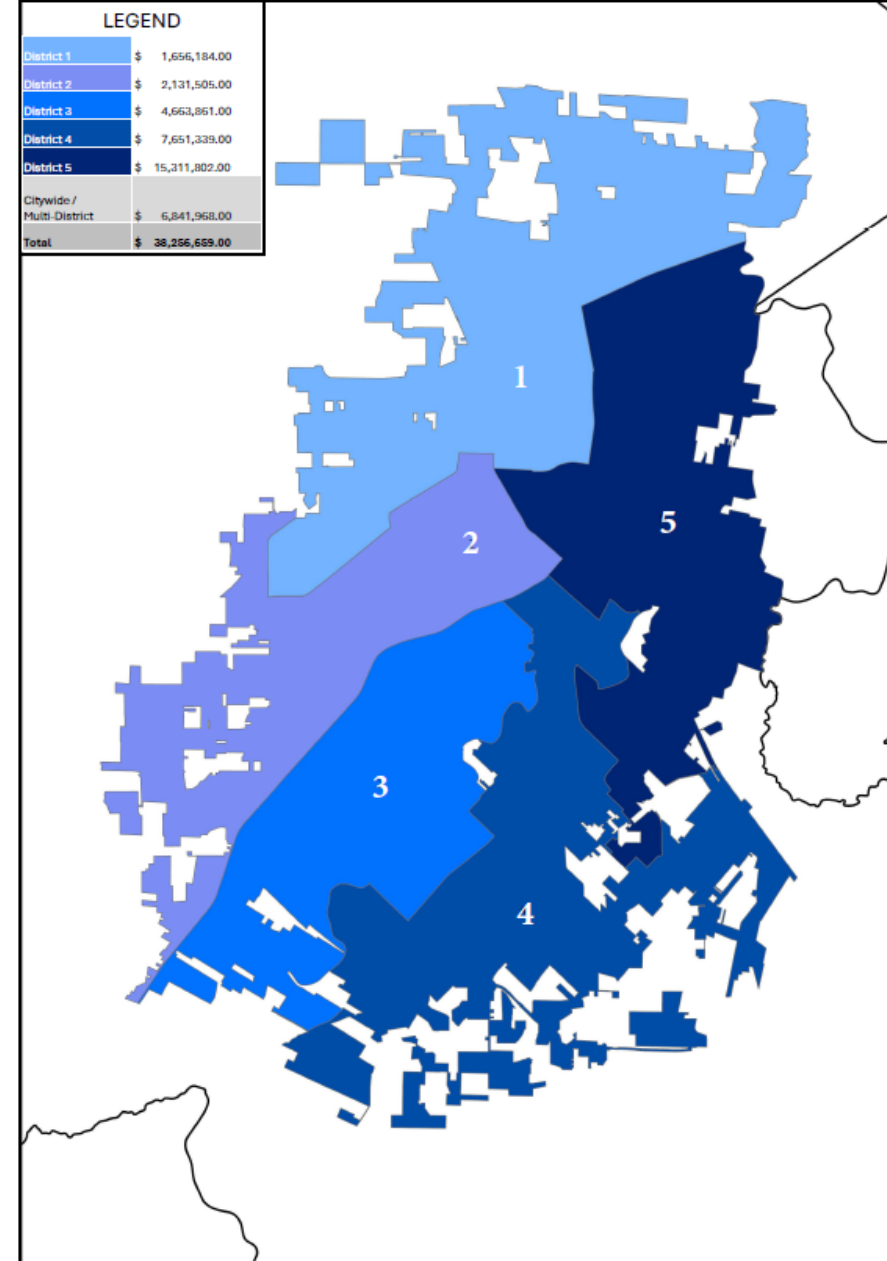
ARPA Investment by Type



As previously presented at our July 15, 2025 update, ARPA funds are being invested across a broad range of priorities across the City and Parish. **Over 80% of combined funding is being invested in hard infrastructure improvements.**

# City ARPA District Breakdown

City ARPA	
District 1	\$ 1,656,184.00
District 2	\$ 2,131,505.00
District 3	\$ 4,663,861.00
District 4	\$ 7,651,339.00
District 5	\$ 15,311,802.00
Citywide or Multi-District	\$ 6,841,968.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$38,256,659.00</b>



## Numerous investments were made to strengthen LCG's operations and future planning efforts to better serve all citizens

- **2 New Dump Trucks** to assist with Drainage maintenance activities
- New **Parks Maintenance Equipment** purchased
- Enhanced **Wayfinding Signage** throughout the future I-49 Connector corridor neighborhoods
- Promoted the **Lafayette Parish Bicentennial** to enhance our local tourism economy
- **Launch of an Unincorporated Growth Plan** to prioritize policy and infrastructure needs to ensure Lafayette's continued economic growth
- **Historic Council Books & Documents Digitized** to strengthen recordkeeping and future public access

**Hub Ministries** – Educating and Providing Resources to citizens experiencing poverty and/or homelessness

- **1,477 individuals served** through workshops and affordable necessities via the Lovewell Center (2023 performance period)

**Hearts of Hope** – Caring and Providing Services for victims of sexual assault

- **730 individuals served** through therapy, abuse interviews, and administration of forensic medical exam evidence kit (Mar 2023 – Feb 2024 performance period)

**Faith House** – Sheltering and Protecting survivors of domestic violence

- **3,880 individuals served** through core crisis center services
- **100 individuals sheltered** on average per month
- **4,515 crisis calls taken** (all June 2022 – Jan 2025 performance period)

## **Focus Clubhouse** – Supporting citizens with chronic mental illness

- Entering final steps for **accreditation by Clubhouse International**
- Averaged up to 12 individuals served per week

## **Sun CHDO** – Providing Education and Awareness of healthy choices, habits, and lifestyles for those with underlying health conditions

- More than **200 citizens served** through fitness workshops, autism and mental health awareness workshops, while engaging with more than **20 community partners**

## **United Way** – Alleviating Food Deserts in Lafayette; Non-Profits

- Entered partnerships with **5 community groups** to help minimize food insecurity through a series of outreach activities, including food markets and gardens.
- Of recent note is the launching of the “**Makin’ Groceries Store,**” a non-profit grocery store in partnership with Second Harvest

## **UpLFT Capital Access** – Alleviating Food Deserts in Lafayette; For-Profits

- Through the **Healthy Foods Program**, providing loans to healthy food retailers operating or expanding in underserved communities in Lafayette



## 10 Public Safety Departments Benefited that serve every resident in Lafayette Parish

- **7 Fire Trucks** Purchased
- More than **\$400,000 invested in equipment upgrades parish wide** including radios, pagers, firefighting gear, and other equipment
- **\$1,500,000 invested in a 800MHz radio system** for the Fire Department to strengthen emergency communications, elevate public safety, and improve responder effectiveness
- Infrastructure Improvements for **Unincorporated Fire Protection**
- \$315,000 invested in one-time capital costs to enhance the **safety of Lafayette's parks and recreation centers**



*New fire trucks were purchased for the volunteer departments throughout the parish*

## Lafayette Park Police Reinstated in Partnership with Lafayette City Marshal's Office

October 21, 2024: Lafayette Consolidated Government announces the reinstatement of the Lafayette Park Police in partnership with the Lafayette City Marshal's Office. This initiative aims to enhance public safety, increase police visibility, and foster stronger community relations throughout Lafayette's parks and recreational facilities.





Louisiana Avenue Extension March 2025



82 Drainage Inlets Upgraded/Modernized Downtown

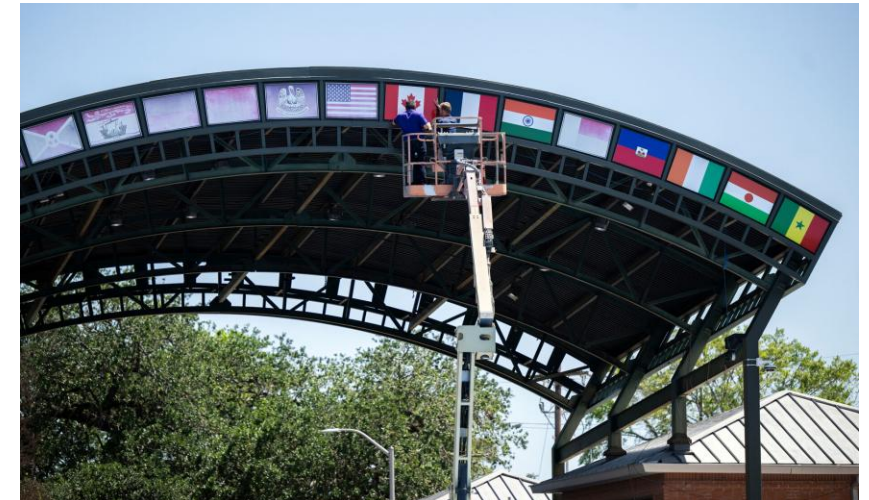
- More than **18 miles of roadways** reconstructed or built to connect major corridors, reduce traffic congestion, and incentivize development
- More than **30 miles of drainage** channels cleaned and returned to functional design
- **12 neighborhoods** benefited from localized drainage improvements or sidewalk connectivity
- Completed and future drainage investments that will benefit nearly **7,000 residents and hundreds of businesses in the Downtown/UL/Freetown area**

## 10 Parks, Rec Centers, and Public Spaces benefit from improvements

- These spaces serve on average **240,000 visitors/users per year**
- ARPA funds supported the complete renovation of **Brown Park**, enhancing baseball fields, the dog park, walking paths, and many other amenities
- Significant renovations for **Parc International**, hosting roughly **43,000 visitors** within the last year, and supporting approximately **15 events** per year



*Brown Park Ribbon Cutting February 27, 2025*



*Parc International Improvements Start Spring 2025*



- With ARPA, LUS performed roughly **200 water leak repairs** to ensure safe water pressure for more than 65,000 customers, with a majority of the repairs being in the oldest parts of our city
- Strengthened Parish water districts that serve more than **13,000 customers**
- LFT Fiber is building infrastructure to connect nearly **500 homes in the Parish**, and designing future connections to more than **200 additional homes**
  - Additionally, since ARPA funding was allocated in October 2024, LFT Fiber has **connected more than 360 new customers** in the Parish

# Questions?



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