City of Pittsburgh Recovery Plan

State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds

2024 Report

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GENERAL OVERVIEW

Executive Summary

The City of Pittsburgh has created and adopted a four-year plan for the deployment of its allocated State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds ("SLFRF"). The plan infuses funds to restore and maintain core services through the eligible spending period, upgrade existing public facilities and pieces of key infrastructure, make improvements to the City's fleet, support housing and economic development initiatives, and remediate lead from drinking water.

Projects in the plan can be categorized into three categories: support for the Operating Budget and Special Revenue funds, internal capital projects, and external projects with affiliated governmental authorities. As of June 30, 2024, the City has spent all funds allocated to Operating Budget support. Special Revenue projects are still active. Internal capital projects are moving forward, with obligations complete for many. Most agreements with affiliated governmental authorities have been executed, with services well under way.

In August 2024, the Mayor is expected to sign a resolution passed by City Council that will further reallocate funding. This will remove projects from the plan that the City no longer believes will meet federal obligation requirements by the end of the year.

Uses of Funds

Mayor Ed Gainey set a very clear goal when he started his first term in January 2022: build a Pittsburgh composed of safe neighborhoods, welcoming communities, and thriving people. These three priorities encompass numerous subjects, including housing, environment, resident empowerment, economic mobility, and equity. Federal funding from the SLFRF program have allowed the City to take significant steps towards realizing the Mayor's vision.

An effective government is one that has the necessary funding to fulfill resident needs. The four-year SLFRF allocation plan places a major emphasis on stabilizing and supporting the City's Operating Budget and its day-to-day provision of core government services. Over 53% of the total allocation is directly targeted to assist departments achieve their goals on behalf of constituents and visitors to the municipality. The original 2021 Operating Budget encompassed drastic cuts across personnel and non-personnel budget lines. Program funds were used to reopen the 2021 Operating Budget to restore these budget lines and to ensure that the 2022, 2023, and 2024 budgets would not be subject to similar reductions in staffing and supplies. The City's Operating Budget and Five Year Plan always anticipated the natural end of SLFRF support beginning in 2025.

The current plan allocates 3% towards Special Revenue initiatives. This includes support for bridge maintenance, lead safety initiatives, the arts, medical debt relief, composting, food justice initiatives, and federal SLFRF compliance.

Slightly more than 17% of the total allocation is targeted towards capital projects, with an emphasis on fleet, facility, and infrastructure improvements. Fleet improvements allow the City to replace existing vehicles with newer, more efficient vehicles, including those with alternative fuel options. This will allow for progress to achieve ambitious climate action goals. Funding is

approved to purchase 80 vehicles and the necessary infrastructure for support them. This includes electric bucket trucks, electric pickup trucks, and electric recycling packers.

Numerous SLFRF-funded construction projects are making great strides toward improving resident and employee experiences. The current allocation targets capital improvements at recreation and senior centers across all nine Council districts. Other projects will improve mobility for all users, including motorists, transit riders, cyclists, pedestrians, and the mobility-impaired. These mobility investments include public stair repairs, traffic signal improvements, and pedestrian amenities such as the construction of a new pedestrian bridge.

Nearly 12% of the total allocation will support affordable housing options through a partnership with the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh ("URA"). By increasing affordable housing options within the City, residents are able to live and thrive in all neighborhoods without fear of displacement. There are housing investments across a broad spectrum of permanently affordable housing options, including rental and ownership strategies for new construction and preservation projects. For low- and moderate-income homeowners, there are grant opportunities that promote homeownership. There is also funding to expand the ability of local community land trusts to operate effectively. The need for secure and high-quality housing is at an all-time high and this funding will help address this critical demand. An additional 10% will support other initiatives with the URA, including support for small businesses and the Land Bank, and land acquisition costs for a new park.

Approximately 5% of the allocation is routed to the Pittsburgh Water and Sewer Authority ("PWSA") for remediation of lead in drinking water. This \$17 million water infrastructure allocation is improving health and safety conditions for residents.

The final, smaller allocations will support an electric vehicle charging project with the Pittsburgh Parking Authority ("PPA"), as well as internal compliance assistance with accounting and legal experts.

The allocation plan may be revisited at the discretion of the Mayor and Council. This is accomplished by amending the most recent resolution that enacts the plan and then obligating funds by following federal or local procurement guidelines.

In addition to State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds, the City of Pittsburgh also received two Emergency Rental Assistance allocations totaling \$16,027,418.00 as part of the American Rescue Plan Act. The City partnered with the Allegheny County Department of Human Services to jointly administer the program, which provided rent and utility assistance as well as housing stability services. The collaboration allowed the two government units to develop cohesive policies and procedures, build the technology platform needed for the program, and monitor performance and payments more robustly. New applications were accepted until March 31, 2022 and the program officially ended on July 31, 2022. More information is available online at the program's website.

Promoting equitable outcomes

Increasing equity is critical in developing programs, policies and practices for the municipality. The City of Pittsburgh strives to create and implement change to positively impact those who have

been most historically affected by inequitable practices and systems. SLFRF programming will allow the City to make significant strides towards long-term goals of increased equity.

The primary intent of the City's SLFRF programming for residents is to target and assist those most impacted adversely by the COVID-19 pandemic and its subsequent health and economic impacts. The City is committed to monitoring and refining said programs to ensure that there are no unintended barriers to access. As programs continue, the City and its partners are working with communities and relevant community groups to make sure that all assistance programs are advertised and accessible to all.

For most indicators of success and well-being, Black residents in Pittsburgh fall behind their White counterparts with respect to educational attainment, health outcomes, and wealth accumulation. Historic disinvestment in public infrastructure has adversely affected Black and low-income neighborhoods. The City aims to invest significantly in community and economic development projects in these communities. By investing in lead remediation, neighborhood recreation and senior centers, access to food, and quality-of-life infrastructure investments, the City is directly funding work to diminish racial and wealth disparities between residents.

Land maintenance and homeownership are also important to building equity in Pittsburgh. The funding plan directs funding to community land trusts, safeguards already existing affordable housing, creates grant opportunities for residents to purchase land and renovate homes, and expands land maintenance on publicly owned parcels. These initiatives all work to combat the lack of affordable housing as well as extreme blight.

Many Pittsburgh households have lead water service lines. Many structures contain lead paint as the housing stock is older. This disproportionately affects Black residents given historic disinvestment, and especially affects Black youth, who are more susceptible to lead poisoning as children than adults are. Lead safety initiatives, including inspections and training led by the City's Department of Permits, Licenses, and Inspections, as well as work to be completed by the Pittsburgh Water and Sewer Authority, will expedite efforts to assist with remediation.

Community Engagement

Engagement efforts allow different residents and communities to have their voices heard. The process also ensures that elected officials are able to hear recommendations and concerns and take these comments into consideration as the plan moves forward.

Changes to the City's allocation plan are accomplished via resolution. As part of the regular legislative process, citizens always have the ability to comment on proposed legislation at three different public Council meetings.

At the request of Councilmembers, there may also be "post agenda" meetings and public meetings about specific topics. There have been several SLFRF-focused meetings:

 On July 6, 2021, the Office of Management and Budget ("OMB") attended a post agenda meeting, at which members of Council had the opportunity to ask questions about the initial proposed allocation plan

- On July 10 and July 12, 2021, City Council held public meetings to listen to citizens discuss the initial allocation
- On November 1, 2022, OMB attended a post agenda meeting to give status updates on SLFRF projects

Recordings of all meetings should be available publicly on the City's legislative platform.

Labor Practices

All capital and infrastructure work utilizing program funds complies with federal procurement and wage guidelines. Capital project work completed by City staff are also subject to wages and requirements as set in applicable collective bargaining agreements.

The City of Pittsburgh has project labor agreement and prevailing wage ordinances set in its Code of Ordinances. Section <u>161.34</u> states that departments planning to enter into a contract for a public works project with an estimated construction cost of more than \$500,000.00 shall make efforts to determine if a project labor agreement is necessary. Code sets out what is to happen following said review. Section <u>161.38</u> sets a local prevailing wage requirement for projects across specific sectors that are subsidized by public monies.

The Mayor's Office of Equal Protection manages the ordinance provisions; more information is available on the Office's <u>website</u>.

Use of Evidence

For the majority of the approved SLFRF allocation lines, the fact that regular government services have continued uninterrupted is the evidence that funding already made a meaningful impact. Similarly, in passing legal budgets, the City is clearly demonstrating that federal funding is meeting the goals of the American Rescue Plan Act.

Performance Report

The Office of Management and Budget is responsible for implementing and maintaining the SLFRF program on behalf of the Mayor. In addition to completing and filing the requisite Treasury reports, OMB provides quarterly contracting updates to City Council.

The City Controller will perform an annual fiscal audit of State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds. The audits for <u>2021 spend</u> and <u>2022 spend</u> are available online. As of June 30, 2024, the 2023 audit is still in development

Legislation

The following City of Pittsburgh resolutions relate to the direct appropriation of SLFRF funds:

2021

- Resolution 315 of 2021 established a special revenue account to house program funds and created the Pittsburgh Recovery Task Force to provide recommendations to City Council for usage
- Resolution 444 of 2021 authorized an agreement for third-party compliance services directly related to the American Rescue Plan

- Resolution 453 of 2021 appropriated funds as recommended by the Mayor and the Pittsburgh Recovery Task Force
 - Version 1 (as originally submitted) and Version 2 (as finally passed)
- Resolution 454 of 2021 reopened and amended the 2021 Operating Budget
- Resolution 455 of 2021 reopened and amended the 2021 Operating Budget
- Resolution 456 of 2021 reopened and amended the 2021 Capital Budget
- Resolution 577 of 2021 authorized an agreement for a project with OnePGH
- Resolution 578 of 2021 authorized an agreement for a project with the Pittsburgh Parking Authority
- <u>Resolution 579 of 2021</u> authorized an agreement for a projects with the Pittsburgh Water and Sewer Authority
- Resolution 580 of 2021 authorized agreements for projects with the Urban Redevelopment Authority

2022

- Resolution 265 of 2022 established a special revenue account called the "Lead Safety Trust Fund" to house some program funds
- Resolution 409 of 2022 amended the list of authorized Pittsburgh Water and Sewer authority projects
- <u>Resolution 410 of 2022</u> reappropriated the funds as recommended by the Mayor and the Pittsburgh Recovery Task Force
 - o Version 3
- Resolution 411 of 2022 amended the list of authorized Urban Redevelopment Authority projects
- Resolution 414 of 2022 established a special revenue account called the "Bridge Asset Management Program Trust Fund" to house some program funds
- Resolution 726 of 2022 further reappropriated the funds as recommended by the Mayor and the Pittsburgh Recovery Task Force
 - Version 4

2023

- Resolution 23 of 2023 authorized OMB to begin procurement for the "Medical Debt Relief" allocation
- Resolution 216 of 2023 authorized an agreement related to the "Funding for the arts" allocation
- Resolution 466 of 2023 approved a use plan for the "Food justice initiatives" allocation
- Resolution 500 of 2023 further reappropriated the funds as recommended by the Mayor and the Pittsburgh Recovery Task Force
 - Version 5
- Resolution 501 of 2023 amended the list of authorized Urban Redevelopment Authority projects
- Resolution 523 of 2023 authorized an agreement related to the "Medical Debt Relief" allocation
- Resolution 811 of 2023 amended the authorization related to the procurement of the "Medical Debt Relief" allocation
- Resolution 897 of 2023 amended the "Medical Debt Relief" agreement authorization

- Resolution 911 of 2023 further reappropriated the funds as recommended by the Mayor and the Pittsburgh Recovery Task Force
 - Version 6

2024

- Resolution 361 of 2024 authorized an agreement related to the "Funding for the arts" allocation
- Resolution 375 of 2024 authorized an agreement related to the "Funding for the arts" allocation
- <u>Resolution 407 of 2024</u> further reappropriated the funds as recommended by the Mayor and the Pittsburgh Recovery Task Force
 - Version 7
- Resolution 408 of 2024 authorized an agreement related to the "Funding for the arts" allocation

There are several bills moving through the legislation process related to a new reappropriation. As of June 30, 2024, the bills have not been signed by the Mayor yet and do not have enactment numbers. Future reports will incorporate related changes.

Resources

- The public portal for American Rescue Plan Reporting is available on OMB's website
 - The OMB website also includes sections for <u>Capital Budgets</u>, <u>Operating Budgets</u>, and <u>Quarterly Financial Reports</u>
- The City Controller has also established a robust <u>Monitoring Page</u> for the American Rescue Plan Trust Fund

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PROJECT INVENTORY

As of June 30, 2024, 72 unique line items have been legislatively approved by City Council via Resolution 407 of 2024. They are organized into the following 23 projects:

Avoid layoffs

Project ID: Op1

Funding amount: \$112,938,391.00

Project Expenditure Category: 6.1 Provision of Government Services

Project Overview

- In response to the impact of COVID-19 on revenue, the original 2021 Operating Budget and Five Year Plan included an anticipated workforce reduction line across all departments totaling \$113.0 million over four years. This project allocates funds in each eligible fiscal year to avoid layoffs that would otherwise have been necessary.
- Funds were obligated and expensed each year through 2024

Use of Evidence

- Goal: to maintain a robust workforce to provide effective government services
- Program funds will not be spent on evidence-based interventions or program evaluations

Performance Report

- Following the passage of the amended 2021 Operating Budget, \$25.6 million was moved into the general fund for salaries
- At the beginning of the 2022 fiscal year, \$27.3 million was moved into the general fund
- At the beginning of the 2023 fiscal year, \$29.1 million was moved into the general fund
- At the beginning of the 2024 fiscal year, \$31.0 million was moved into the general fund
- No employees were laid off as a direct consequence of COVID-19
- This project is complete

Restoration of the Operating Budget

Project ID: Op2

Funding amount: \$38,324,206.00

Project Expenditure Category: 6.1 Provision of Government Services

Project Overview

- Funding will be used to restore lines that were decreased or cut in 2020 in order to pass a balanced 2021 Operating Budget and Five Year Plan
- Impacted budget lines include commodities, professional services, and vacant positions
- Funds were obligated and expensed each year through 2024

Use of Evidence

- Goal: to ensure that departments have the resources needed to provide effective government services
- Program funds will not be spent on evidence-based interventions or program evaluations

Performance Report

• The amended 2021 Operating Budget included \$4.7 million for these budget lines

- Vacant positions were restored for the final 4 months of the fiscal year
- The 2022 Operating Budget included \$11.0 million for these budget lines
- The 2023 Operating Budget included \$11.2 million for these budget lines
- The 2024 Operating Budget included \$11.4 million for these budget lines
- The amended 2021 Operating Budget, the 2022 Operating Budget, the 2023 Operating Budget, and the 2024 Operating Budget met all legal requirements imposed by the Home Rule Charter and the Code of Ordinances
- This project is complete

Supplements to the Operating Budget

Project ID: Op3

Funding amount: \$26,600,858.00

<u>Project Expenditure Category</u>: 6.1 Provision of Government Services

Project Overview

- Funding will be used to add requested budget lines and positions that were not originally added into the 2021 Operating Budget and Five Year Plan due to the impact that COVID-19 had on the revenue forecast
- Funds were obligated and expensed each year through 2024

Use of Evidence

- Goal: to ensure that departments have the resources needed to provide effective government services
- Program funds will not be spent on evidence-based interventions or program evaluations

Performance Report

- The amended 2021 Operating Budget included \$3.4 million for these budget lines
 - New positions in 2021 were allocated for the final 4 months of the fiscal year
- The 2022 Operating Budget included \$9.8 million for these budget lines
- The 2023 Operating Budget included \$9.3 million for these budget lines
- The 2024 Operating Budget included \$4.1 million for these budget lines
- This project is complete

Lead safety projects

Project ID: SR1

Funding amount: \$2,000,000.00

Project Expenditure Category: 6.1 Provision of Government Services

Project Overview

 Funding will be used to supplement budget for initiatives relating to the inspection and remediation of lead paint in buildings

Use of Evidence

- Goal: to reduce, and thereby mitigate the health risks of, exposure of City residents to lead hazards
- Program funds will not be spent on evidence-based interventions or program evaluations

Performance Report

- The City has created a special revenue account for the project
- The City has partnered with Zach Academy and Professional Training Associates, Inc. to provide Renovation, Repair, and Painting trainings for general contractor license holders in connection with the city's Lead Safe Ordinance
- \$92,373.00 has been spent

Bridge maintenance

Project ID: SR2

Funding amount: \$2,500,100.00

Project Expenditure Category: 6.1 Provision of Government Services

Project Overview

 Funding will be used to develop a more comprehensive bridge asset inventory and to pay for non-capital work related to bridges

Use of Evidence

- Goal: to ensure that all City-owned bridges are adequately maintained and safe to cross
- Program funds will not be spent on evidence-based interventions or program evaluations

Performance Report

- The City has created a special revenue account for the project
- The Department of Mobility and Infrastructure and WSP Global, Inc. executed a Professional Services Agreement on August 31, 2022 for management services for the Comprehensive Bridge Asset Management Program
- \$1,835,792.10 has been spent

Support for the arts

Project ID: SR3

Funding amount: \$2,125,000.00

Project Expenditure Category: 6.1 Provision of Government Services

Project Overview

Funding will be used by the City to support art and artists

Use of Evidence

- Goal: to promote a City in which artists across all medium thrive
- Program funds will not be spent on evidence-based interventions or program evaluations

Performance Report

- The Office of Management and Budget and the POISE Foundation executed a Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund Recipient Agreement on September 8, 2023 for artist sponsorships at the 2023 Western Pennsylvania Juneteenth Homecoming Celebration
- The Office of Management and Budget and ZDOT, LLC executed a Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund Recipient Agreement on June 21, 2024 for artist sponsorships at the 2024 Juneteenth FusionFest event

- The Office of Management and Budget is actively procuring a firm to administer funds to artists who were negatively impacted by COVID-19
- The Office of Management and Budget is also actively procuring one or more organizations to program arts events within the City
- \$637,119.89 has been spent

Support for residents

Project ID: SR4

Funding amount: \$4,000,000.00

Project Expenditure Category: 6.1 Provision of Government Services

Project Overview

- Funding will be used by the City to support residents with:
 - Medical debt relief
 - o Compost and recycling roadmap to zero waste
 - Food justice initiatives

Use of Evidence

- Goal: to promote a City in which residents have access to life's necessities
- Program funds will not be spent on evidence-based interventions or program evaluations

Performance Report

- The Office of Management and Budget and Medical Debt Resolution, Inc. executed a Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund Recipient Agreement on May 9, 2024 for debt relief
- The Department of Parks and Recreation is actively procuring a firm to administer investments for the Food Justice Fund
- There has been no spend towards these initiatives

Fleet improvements

Project ID: Cap1

Funding amount: \$15,445,975.91

Project Expenditure Category: 6.1 Provision of Government Services

Project Overview

• Funding will be used to purchase vehicles to improve the status of the City's fleet

Use of Evidence

- Goal: to improve the overall quality of the fleet and to acquire more environmentally friendly vehicles to make City operations more sustainable
- Program funds will not be spent on evidence-based interventions or program evaluations

Performance Report

• \$14,300,989.92 has been spent

Facility improvements

Project ID: Cap2

Funding amount: \$11,638,637.51

<u>Project Expenditure Category</u>: 6.1 Provision of Government Services

Project Overview

- Funding will be used for building improvements at the following City facilities:
 - Cowley Recreation Center
 - Thaddeus Stevens School
 - McKinley Recreation Center
 - Phillips Recreation Center
 - Hazelwood Healthy Active Living Senior Center
 - o Robert E. Williams Recreation Center
 - West Penn Recreation Center
 - Marshall Mansion
 - Fowler Recreation Center
 - o Paulson Recreation Center
 - Public Works Fourth Division

Use of Evidence

- Goal: to improve building conditions for City employees and residents who use public spaces
- Program funds will not be spent on evidence-based interventions or program evaluations

Performance Report

- Work is complete at Paulson
- Work is in progress at Cowley, McKinley, Phillips, Hazelwood, and Marshall Mansion
- Funds are obligated at West Penn, Fowler, and the Fourth Division
- Funds have not been obligated or spent at Thaddeus Stevens or Robert E. Williams
- Allocations are expected to be drawn down as planning and bandwidth within the Department of Public Works allows
- \$1,553,374.12 has been spent

Infrastructure improvements

Project ID: Cap3

Funding amount: \$23,418,298.46

Project Expenditure Category: 6.1 Provision of Government Services

Project Overview

- Funding will be used for the following capital infrastructure projects across the City:
 - New LED streetlights
 - Davis Avenue pedestrian bridge
 - North Avenue improvements
 - Irvine Street improvements
 - Public step projects, including Frazier Street and Downing Street
 - Paving
 - o Slope failure remediation

Use of Evidence

- Goal: to improve infrastructure in a way that prioritizes safety in the City right-of-way
- Program funds will not be spent on evidence-based interventions or program evaluations

Performance Report

- Work is in progress across all deliverables
- Allocations are expected to be drawn down as planning and bandwidth within the Department of Mobility and Infrastructure allows
- \$10,649,506.73 has been spent

Demolition of structures

Project ID: Cap4

Funding amount: \$6,000,000.00

Project Expenditure Category: 6.1 Provision of Government Services

Project Overview

Funding will be used to demolish or deconstruct buildings

Use of Evidence

- Goal: to eliminate threats to public safety that come in the form of unsafe building conditions
- Program funds will not be spent on evidence-based interventions or program evaluations

Performance Report

• \$5,765,322.33 has been spent

Communication system improvements

Project ID: Cap5

Funding amount: \$651,876.00

Project Expenditure Category: 6.1 Provision of Government Services

Project Overview

Funding will used to replace and upgrade radios for first responders

Use of Evidence

- Goal: to ensure that City employees responding to emergency calls have appropriate methods of communication
- Program funds will not be spent on evidence-based interventions or program evaluations

Performance Report

Funding for this project has been fully obligated

Support for non-profits

Project ID: URA1

Funding amount: \$100,000.00

Project Expenditure Category: 2.34 Assistance to Impacted Non-Profit Organizations

Project Overview

 The City partnered with the URA to support local non-profits that were negatively impacted by COVID-19

Use of Evidence

- Goal: to assist local non-profits in their recovery from adversely impacted financial situations as a result of the pandemic
- Program funds were not spent on evidence-based interventions or program evaluations

Performance Report

- 1 non-profit was served
- The City of Pittsburgh and the URA executed a Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund Recipient Agreement on June 27, 2022 so that the URA could support Casa San José, an organization that is able to demonstrate negative economic impact
- Casa San José responded to the exacerbated needs of the City's Latino community by providing pandemic support that went outside of the organization's normal scope of services
- Casa San José primarily serves disproportionately impacted communities based on the low-income threshold set by the Department of Treasury
- \$100,000.00 has been spent
- This project is complete

Support for community development

Project ID: URA2

Funding amount: \$9,800,000.00

Project Expenditure Category: 6.1 Provision of Government Services

Project Overview

- The City will partner with the Urban Redevelopment Authority for the following community development opportunities:
 - Penn Circle two-way conversion
 - Development of Broadway Avenue
 - Development in Homewood
 - Support for the Jasmine Nyree Campus
 - Support for the New Granada Theater

Use of Evidence

- Goal: to foster thriving communities via targeted support to specific URA projects
- Program funds will not be spent on evidence-based interventions or program evaluations

Performance Report

- The City of Pittsburgh and the URA executed a Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund Recipient Agreement on June 8, 2022 for \$2,800,000.00 for work relating to the restoration of two-way traffic on Penn Circle
 - o \$2,800,000.00 has been spent
 - This project is complete

- The City of Pittsburgh and the URA executed a Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund Recipient Agreement on November 11, 2022 for \$1,000,000.00 for support to the Jasmine Nyree campus
 - o \$1,000,000.00 has been spent
 - This project is complete
- The City of Pittsburgh and the URA executed a Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund Recipient Agreement on May 11, 2023 for \$2,000,000.00 for work relating to development on Broadway Avenue
 - \$233,265.68 has been spent
- The City of Pittsburgh and the URA executed a Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund Recipient Agreement on November 7, 2023 for \$2,000,000.00 for work relating to development in Homewood
 - \$300,000.00 has been spent
- As of June 30, 2024, an agreement with the URA for New Granada support was moving through the execution process

Support for small businesses

Project ID: URA3

Funding amount: \$7,999,900.00

<u>Project Expenditure Category</u>: 2.31 Rehabilitation of Commercial Properties or Other Improvements

Project Overview

- The City will partner with the Urban Redevelopment Authority to offer assistance to small businesses:
 - Support for the designated "Avenues of Hope" business districts
 - o Support to restaurants for permanent outdoor seating

Use of Evidence

- Goal: to offer assistance to small businesses that were negatively impacted as a result of the pandemic
- Program funds will not be spent on evidence-based interventions or program evaluations

Performance Report

- The City of Pittsburgh and the URA executed a Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund Recipient Agreement on August 12, 2022 for \$999,900.00 to support permanent outdoor street seating amenities for local restaurants
 - 13 businesses have been supported
 - \$330,390.37 has been spent
- The City of Pittsburgh and the URA executed a Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund Recipient Agreement on March 22, 2023 for \$7,000,000.00 for work relating development on the seven designated "Avenues of Hope"
 - 78 businesses have been supported
 - o \$2,063,918.68 has been spent

Support for housing

Project ID: URA4

Funding amount: \$19,500,000.00

<u>Project Expenditure Category</u>: 6.1 Provision of Government Services

Project Overview

- The City will partner with the Urban Redevelopment Authority to offer several types of assistance to homeowners, including the following:
 - Assistance for a community land trust
 - Preservation of affordable housing
 - o Conversion of office space into housing
 - Property stabilization

Use of Evidence

- Goal: to offer assistance to residents via different affordable housing programs operated by the URA
- Program funds will not be spent on evidence-based interventions or program evaluations

Performance Report

- The City of Pittsburgh and the URA executed a Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund Recipient Agreement on December 5, 2022 for \$2,100,000.00 to support the conversion of office space into housing
- The City of Pittsburgh and the URA executed a Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund Recipient Agreement on March 28, 2023 for \$8,900,000.00 to support the preservation of housing
 - o \$2,185,000.00 has been spent
- The City of Pittsburgh and the URA executed a Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund Recipient Agreement on November 9, 2023 for \$5,000,000.00 to support the community land trust
 - o \$3,220,000.00 has been spent
- The City of Pittsburgh and the URA executed a Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund Recipient Agreement on December 13, 2023 for \$3,500,000.00 for property stabilization
 - o \$125,000.00 has been spent

Support for housing (Negative Economic Impact)

Project ID: SH1

Funding amount: \$19,625,000.00

Project Expenditure Category: 2.15 Long-term Housing Security: Affordable Housing

Project Overview

- The City will partner with the Urban Redevelopment Authority to offer several types of assistance to homeowners, including the following:
 - Assistance for home ownership
 - Protection of existing affordable housing

Use of Evidence

 Goal: to offer assistance to residents via different affordable housing programs operated by the URA Program funds will not be spent on evidence-based interventions or program evaluations

Performance Report

- The City of Pittsburgh and the URA executed a Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund Recipient Agreement on November 29, 2022 for \$15,625,000.00 to support home ownership
 - 126 participants have been supported
 - \$9,427,812.50 has been spent
- The City of Pittsburgh and the URA executed a Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund Recipient Agreement on November 29, 2022 for \$4,000,000.00 to support the development of affordable units
 - 8 projects have been supported
 - o \$876,436.55 has been spent

Support for ongoing URA projects

Project ID: URA5

Funding amount: \$11,146,979.12

Project Expenditure Category: 6.1 Provision of Government Services

Project Overview

 The City will partner with the Urban Redevelopment Authority to offer operational assistance for existing URA projects including the Land Bank

Use of Evidence

- Goal: to support the ongoing operations of the Land Bank
- Program funds will not be spent on evidence-based interventions or program evaluations

Performance Report

- The City of Pittsburgh and the URA executed a Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund Recipient Agreement on January 18, 2024 for \$3,500,000.00 to support the Pittsburgh Land Bank
 - \$585,476.90 has been spent

Land acquisition and maintenance

Project ID: ARPTF2

Funding amount: \$11,146,979.12

Project Expenditure Category: 6.1 Provision of Government Services

Project Overview

- The City will partner with the Urban Redevelopment Authority for expenses associated with key City parcel acquisitions and for targeted property maintenance support:
 - Targeted parcel maintenance
 - Swisshelm Park slag heap remediation
 - Pittsburgh Technology Center garage support
 - Mellon Square storefront support
 - Hays Woods park acquisition

Use of Evidence

• Goal: to acquire park parcels and to assist the URA with maintenance of several parcels

Program funds will not be spent on evidence-based interventions or program evaluations

Performance Report

- The City of Pittsburgh and the URA executed a Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund Recipient Agreement on March 28, 2023 for \$478,811.00 to support maintenance at a parcel in the Hill District
 - \$478,811.00 has been spent
 - This project is complete
- The City of Pittsburgh and the URA executed a Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund Recipient Agreement on May 30, 2023 for \$2,000,000.00 to acquire Hays Woods park parcels for public use
 - \$2,000,000.00 has been spent
 - o This project is complete
- The City of Pittsburgh and the URA executed a Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund Recipient Agreement on November 30, 2023 for \$4,000,000.00 to assist with remediation in Swisshelm Park
- The City of Pittsburgh and the URA executed a Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund Recipient Agreement on December 1, 2023 for \$3,131,769.81 for support at the Pittsburgh Technology Center garage
 - o \$3,131,769.81 has been spent
 - This project is complete
- As of June 30, 2024, an agreement has not yet been executed for Mellon Square storefront support

Support for ongoing PPA projects

Project ID: PPA1

Funding amount: \$80,000.00

Project Expenditure Category: 6.1 Provision of Government Services

Project Overview

• The City will partner with the Pittsburgh Parking Authority to offer support for a DC Fast Charging and Hydrogen Fueling Grant Program project

Use of Evidence

- Goal: to assist the PPA in installing direct current fast chargers for electric vehicles at a location available for public use
- Program funds will not be spent on evidence-based interventions or program evaluations

Performance Report

• An agreement for this initiative has not yet been executed

Lead line remediation projects

Project ID: PWSA1

Funding amount: \$17,000,000.00

<u>Project Expenditure Category</u>: 5.12 Drinking water: Lead Remediation, including in Schools and Daycares

Project Overview

• The City will partner with the Pittsburgh and Sewer Authority to complete projects to remediate lead in drinking water

Use of Evidence

- Goal: to lower the levels of lead present in drinking water for residents
- Program funds will not be spent on evidence-based interventions or program evaluations

Performance Report

- The City of Pittsburgh and PWSA executed a Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund Recipient Agreement on April 27, 2022 for \$17,000,000.00 for lead service line replacement work
 - o \$15,073,940.94 has been spent
- Activities funded by this will occur at approximately 1,400 locations throughout the municipality

Wastewater projects

Project ID: PWSA2

Funding amount: \$375,000.00

Project Expenditure Category: 6.1 Provision of Government Services

Project Overview

• The City will partner with the Pittsburgh and Sewer Authority to complete projects to replace and repair wastewater laterals

Use of Evidence

- Goal: to ensure that residents have functioning wastewater systems
- Program funds will not be spent on evidence-based interventions or program evaluations

Performance Report

An agreement for this initiative has not yet been executed

Compliance assistance

Project ID: ARPTF1

Funding amount: \$300,000.00

Project Expenditure Category: 7.1 Administrative Expenses

Project Overview

 Funding will be used to contract with accountants and legal counsel for assistance with federal compliance

Use of Evidence

- Goal: to confirm that the City has subject-matter expertise with respect to the rules and regulations of the SLFRF program
- Program funds will not be spent on evidence-based interventions or program evaluations

Performance Report

- The City of Pittsburgh and Maher Duessel executed a professional services agreement on August 26, 2021
 - \$79,785.95 has been spent

Guaranteed income project

<u>Project ID</u>: OnePGH1 <u>Funding amount</u>: \$0

Project Expenditure Category: 6.1 Provision of Government Services

Project Overview

- The City originally planned to partner with the non-profit OnePGH to support a new guaranteed income program
- In May 2022, the Mayor announced that the City will not move forward with this project
- This project is no longer part of the SLFRF allocation plan