

# **American Rescue Plan Act Funds**

**Detroit City Council Review & Approval**

**How can the money be  
spent?**

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**Providing premium (i.e., hazard)  
pay for essential workers.**

**Replacing loss revenue.**

**Investing in necessary water  
and broadband infrastructure.**

**Responding to public health  
needs and economic damages  
from the **PANDEMIC.****

# Mayor's Original Proposal

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- **8 appropriations with various unrelated activities**
- **City departments could move money to another project within the appropriation without City Council approval or community input**
- **City Council and Detroit residents would not be able to weigh in on the fund transfer until after the project had been put out for bid and the contract is submitted for approval**



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- **Depending on the city contract process to spend over \$400M is cumbersome and would burden the City Council's legislative review process**
- **Sometimes contracts come to the City Council after work has already been performed, eliminating the City Council's ability to weigh in on the services**
- **If the City Council and residents do not agree with the fund transfer, city resources would have already been spent on the contracting process and results in a waste of tax dollars**

**What were the 8  
appropriations?**

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# Mayor's Original Proposal - 8 Appropriations

1. **Revenue Protection - \$250M**

2. **Blight Remediation - \$150M**

- **Commercial Demolition**
- **Industrial Demolition**
- **Skills for Life Work**

3. **Neighborhood Investments - \$100M**

- **Grants to Block Clubs**
- **Home Repairs to Seniors/Low Inc/Disab**
- **Vacant Property cleanouts**
- **Down Payment Assistance**
- **Streetscapes**
- **Alley Activation**
- **Neighborhood Signs**

# Mayor's Original Proposal - 8 Appropriations

## 4. Public Safety - \$50M

- **Traffic Enforcement**
- **Gun Violence**
- **Training Facility**
- **EMS Bays to Firehouse**

## 5. Reduce the Digital Divide - \$50M

- **Devices**
- **Access to Internet**
- **Access to Tech Support**
- **Access to IT Jobs**

# Mayor's Original Proposal - 8 Appropriations

## 6. Intergenerational Poverty - \$100M

- **Expand Community Health Corps**
- **Skills for Life Education**
- **Targeted Employment/Wraparound services**
- **Senior Employment**
- **Create City Locator to find affordable housing**
- **Foreclosure Prevention**

# Mayor's Original Proposal - 8 Appropriations

## 7. Parks, Recreation, Culture- \$100M

- **Parks, Walking Paths, Joe Louis Greenway**
- **New or expanded Rec Centers**
- **Arts and Cultural Investments**

## 8. Small Business Assistance - \$26M

- **Motor City Match Grants**
- **Motor City Restore**
- **Off Street Parking**

# Current Proposal

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## Current Proposal

- Six week discussions with City Council staff and the Office of the Chief Financial Officer to develop spending proposal. All City Council offices had multiple opportunities to make changes and recommendations on how the money was spent.
- Proposed dollar amounts and uses were presented in May. The Office of Council President Brenda Jones began social and digital media outreach and listened to Detroit residents!!



## Current Proposal

- **Increased 8 large pots of money into 15 smaller pots of money with activities representing similar uses. Consistent with the current structure of the budget.**
- **Guarantees proper City Council and Detroit resident oversight.**

## Current Proposal

- **Reallocation of dollars to address immediate and long term needs of the everyday Detroiter throughout all Detroit neighborhoods!!!**

**SHOW ME THE MONEY!**

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# Current Proposal

## 1. Revenue Protection Fund

Funds allocated **ONLY** towards revenue losses as a result of COVID-19.

Mayor's Original Proposal	Current Proposal	Difference
\$250M	\$250M	\$0 No Change

# Current Proposal

## 2. Blight Remediation

Funds allocated **ONLY** towards the demolition of commercial and industrial blight

Mayor's Original Proposal	Current Proposal	Difference
<b>\$150M</b> <i>*Included money for employment*</i>	<b>\$95M</b> <i>*Money for employment reallocated to Employment and Job Creation*</i>	<b>\$55M decrease</b>

# Current Proposal

## 3. Neighborhood Investments

Funds allocated **ONLY** towards grants to block clubs, neighborhood signs and community driven expenditures.

Mayor's Original Proposal	Current Proposal	Difference
\$12M	\$15.5M	<b>\$3.5M Increase</b>

# Current Proposal

## 4. Neighborhood Investments II

Funds allocated **ONLY** to expand Community Health Corps and Targeted Employment/Wraparound services

Mayor's Original Proposal	Current Proposal	Difference
\$45M	\$35M	\$10M Decrease



# Current Proposal

## 5. Neighborhood Investments III

Funds allocated **ONLY** towards new or expanded recreation centers

Mayor's Original Proposal	Current Proposal	Difference
\$30M	\$30M	\$0 No Change

# Current Proposal

## 6. Parks, Recreation, Culture

Funds allocated **ONLY** towards Arts and Cultural Investments, Green Initiatives, Streetscapes, Parks, Walking Paths and Joe Louis Greenway

Mayor's Original Proposal	Current Proposal	Difference
<b>\$90M</b>	<b>\$41M</b>	<b>\$49M Decrease</b>

# Current Proposal

## 7. Employment and Job Creation

Funds allocated **ONLY** towards Skills for Life Work and Education, Youth Mentoring by Detroit Seniors and Access to IT Jobs and Careers

Mayor's Original Proposal	Current Proposal	Difference
\$55M	\$105M	\$50M Increase

# Current Proposal

## 8. Intergenerational Poverty I

Funds allocated **ONLY** towards Home Repairs to Seniors, Low Income Detroiters and Disabled Detroiters

Mayor's Original Proposal	Current Proposal	Difference
\$20M	\$30M	<b>\$10M Increase</b>

# Current Proposal

## 9. Intergenerational Poverty II

Funds allocated **ONLY** towards the creation of a city locator to assist Detroit Residents with locating affordable housing

Mayor's Original Proposal	Current Proposal	Difference
\$7M	\$7M	\$0 No Change

# Current Proposal

## 10. Intergenerational Poverty III

Funds allocated **ONLY** towards Foreclosure Prevention and Assistance, Down Payment Assistance, Veteran's Housing Assistance and Credit Repair Assistance

Mayor's Original Proposal	Current Proposal	Difference
\$18M	\$30M	\$12M Increase

# Current Proposal

## 11. Neighborhood Beautification

Funds allocated **ONLY** towards Vacant Property Cleanouts and Alley Activation

Mayor's Original Proposal	Current Proposal	Difference
\$33M	\$23M	\$10M Decrease

# Current Proposal

## 12. Public Safety

Funds allocated **ONLY** towards Traffic Enforcement, Gun Violence, Training Facility and EMS Bays to Firehouses

Mayor's Original Proposal	Current Proposal	Difference
\$50M	\$50M	\$0 No Change



# Current Proposal

## 13. Digital Divide

Funds allocated **ONLY** towards Devices, Access to Internet and Access to Tech Support

Mayor's Original Proposal	Current Proposal	Difference
\$40M	\$45M	\$5M Increase

# Current Proposal

## 14. Small Business

Funds allocated **ONLY** towards Small Business Stimulus, Small Business Capacity Building, Detroit Legacy Development Stimulus and Corridor Investment

Mayor's Original Proposal	Current Proposal	Difference
\$26M	\$40M	<b>\$14M Increase</b>

# Current Proposal

## 15. Grant Matching

Funds allocated **ONLY** towards funds needed to match new grant opportunities

Mayor's Original Proposal	Current Proposal	Difference
\$0M	\$30M	<b>\$30M Increase</b>

**What about transportation  
and water?**

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**The City is projected to receive an  
additional **\$300-\$600 million**  
dollars outside of the Detroit's  
Direct American Rescue Plan Act  
funding**

<b>Affordable Housing/Eviction Prevention</b>	<b>\$124M</b>
<b>Health</b>	<b>\$95M</b>
<b>Transit/Transportation Funding</b>	<b>\$60-\$180M</b>
<b>Water Affordability/Lead line replacement</b>	<b>\$100-\$200M</b>

**Next Steps?**

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## Next Steps

- **The Office of the Chief Financial Officer American Rescue Plan Resolution will be considered during the Detroit City Council Formal Session on Tuesday, June 29, 2021.**
  - **[Zoom ID: 330 332 554](#)**



## Next Steps - **Understanding City Council's Role**

- **City Council can only appropriate the dollars.**
- **Project specific and program level details are the authority of the Mayor per the Charter.**
- **Per the powers granted to the City Council by the Charter, City Council review of the program and details are done during the contract approval process.**

## Next Steps - **This is only the beginning!!**

- Although not required, **the Office of the Chief Financial Officer is committed to continued collaboration with the City Council!**
- **City Council working group will continue to review, monitor and advise on the projects prior to and following the contracts coming to City Council for a vote.**

## Next Steps - **This is only the beginning!!**

- **City Council and Detroiters still have the opportunity to influence the specific programs and projects!**
- **Conversations with the community will continue and are subject to the outreach, notification and reporting requirements outlined in the **Community Outreach Ordinance.****

# **Noteworthy Changes**

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- **\$30M set aside for grant matching to get MORE money from State and Federal sources!**
- **An additional \$5M investment into the Digital Divide to provide access to connectivity to those in need bringing the total to \$45M!**

## Noteworthy Changes

- **\$49M DECREASE in funding towards parks, streetscapes and greenways while still guaranteeing funding for green initiatives (including environmental initiatives) and investment into our budding Arts and Culture industry.**
- **\$15.5M investment into YOUR wants and needs through block club grants and community driven initiatives. A \$3.5M increase from original proposal!**

# Noteworthy Changes

- **\$55M decrease in funding towards blight remediation.**
- **\$30M investment into home repair. A \$10M increase from the original proposal!**
- **\$30M investment into housing. A \$12M increase from the original proposal!**

# Noteworthy Changes

## **\$145M Investment into Detroit Jobs and Business!!!!**

- **\$40M investment into grants for small businesses, Detroit legacy developers, corridor improvements and capacity building!**
  - **A \$16M increase from the original proposal**
- **\$50M increase into Job Creation bringing the total to a monumental \$105M investment into getting Detroiters to work!**



# **Questions, Comments and Concerns?**

**American Rescue Plan Act - Detroit**