

American Rescue Plan (ARP)
Quarterly Budget Approval
4th Quarter 2021
ASHE COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA
Amended __/__/____

ARP Authorization: The project authorized consists of disbursing eligible expenditures and reimbursements of the American Rescue Plan (ARP) monies distributed to Ashe County under the Federal American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 during the COVID-19 Pandemic beginning March 3, 2021, until December 31, 2024.

The following available grant revenues are appropriated for the project:

American Rescue Plan Funds (ARP)	<u>\$2,641,932</u>
TOTAL REVENUES	<u>\$2,641,932</u>

Section 4. The following amounts are available for expenditures for the project:

Operational Expenses and Grants to Other Agencies	<u>\$2,641,932</u>
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	<u>\$2,641,932</u>

The Ashe County Board of Commissioners approved on June 21st, 2021 a project ordinance accepting ARP funds.

Quarterly Budget – 4th Quarter – (October, November, December 2021)

The following projects have been approved, this October 4, 2021, for American Recovery Plan funds. All funds will be issued to sub recipients on reimbursement basis and based on compliance with County finance policies.

Sub Recipient	Budgeted Amount
Ashe Partnership	\$50,000.00
Ashe County Middle School	\$396,000.00
Ashe Sharing Center	\$125,000.00
Ashe Memorial Hospital	\$432,000.00
Ashe County Employee Bonus Pay	\$
	\$571,000.00

ARP Budget Attached, date 10/4/2021

Ashe County ARP Funds - Budget (10/4/2021)

Outside Agencies

Ashe Memorial Hospital

	Requested	Recommended	Budgeted	Spent
Retention & Recruiting Bonus (Registered Nursing Staff)	\$ 330,000.00		\$ 330,000.00	
Retention & Recruiting Bonus (Laboratory Staff)	\$ 45,000.00		\$ 45,000.00	
Retention & Recruiting Bonus (Clinical Staff - Physicians)	\$ 75,000.00			
Retention & Recruiting Bonus (CNAs)	\$ 57,000.00		\$ 57,000.00	
Retention & Recruiting Bonus (Clinical Staff - Surgery & Oncology)	\$ 82,500.00			
Community Paramedic	\$ 64,853.00	\$ 81,000.00		
	\$ 654,353.00	\$ 81,000.00		

Ashe Rescue Squad

ARGO - Quick Response Vehicle	\$ 148,750.00	\$ 20,000.00		
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Ashe County Volunteer Fire Departments

Creston Volunteer Fire Department	\$ 200,000.00	\$ 20,000.00		
Deep Gap Volunteer Fire & Rescue				
Fleetwood Volunteer Fire & Rescue	\$ 200,000.00	\$ 20,000.00		
Glendale Springs Volunteer Fire Department	\$ 200,000.00	\$ 20,000.00		
Jefferson Volunteer Fire Department	\$ 200,000.00	\$ 20,000.00		
Lansing Volunteer Fire & Rescue	\$ 200,000.00	\$ 20,000.00		
Laurel Springs Volunteer Fire Department	\$ 200,000.00	\$ 20,000.00		
New River Volunteer Fire & Rescue	\$ 200,000.00	\$ 20,000.00		
Pond Mountain Volunteer Fire & Rescue	\$ 200,000.00	\$ 20,000.00		
Todd Volunteer Fire Department				
Warrenville Volunteer Fire & Rescue	\$ 221,245.00	\$ 20,000.00		
West Jefferson Volunteer Fire Department	\$ 200,000.00	\$ 20,000.00		
	\$ 2,021,245.00	\$ 200,000.00		

Ashe Partnership

Building Addition	\$ 50,000.00			
Trainings and Materials	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 15,000.00		
Stipends and Start-Up Funds	\$ 35,000.00	\$ 35,000.00		
	\$ 100,000.00	\$ 50,000.00		

Skyline Communications

	\$ 1,085,000	\$ 350,000.00		
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Ashe County Schools

Middle School HVAC	\$ 4,654,700.00			
Middle School Water and Sewer	\$ 396,000.00	\$ 396,000.00	\$ 396,000.00	
	\$ 5,050,700.00	\$ 396,000.00	\$ 396,000.00	\$ -

Ashe Sharing Center

Freezer	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 25,000	\$ 25,000	
Refrigerated Box Truck	\$ 100,000.00	\$ 100,000	\$ 100,000	
Community Fellowship Garden	\$ 300,000.00			
Remodel - Computer Check-in	\$ 100,000.00			
Holiday Meal Box for Easter	\$ 50,000.00			
Part Time Employee	\$ 30,000.00			
	\$ 625,000	\$ 125,000	\$ 125,000	\$ 0

ApplHealth

Building Infrastructure	\$ 100,000	\$ 100,000.00		
	\$ 9,585,048.00	\$ 1,622,000.00	\$ 571,000	\$ 0

Justification

B. Premium Pay - "to eligible workers performing essential work during the COVID-19 public health emergency or to provide grants to third-party employers with eligible workers performing essential work.
UNC-SOG - "not aware of a current state statute that would allow a local government to grant monies to private entities solely for the purpose of providing premium pay to essential workers."

A. A. Presenting to COVID 19 - "Implementing Infection Prevention measures"

A. Public Health - "to respond to the public health emergency with respect to COVID-19"

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Promoting Healthy Childhood Environments - "New or expanded high-quality childcare to provide safe and supportive care for children"

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Assistance to Households. Assistance to households or populations facing negative economic impacts due to COVID-19 is also an eligible use. This includes: food assistance; rent, mortgage, or utility assistance; counseling and legal aid to prevent eviction or homelessness; cash assistance

"capital investments in public facilities to meet pandemic operational needs, such as physical plant improvements to public hospitals and health clinics"

County Expenditures

Employee Benefits

One Time Employee Bonus	\$	500,000.00	\$	500,000.00	
Total:	\$	500,000.00	\$	500,000.00	

Infrastructure & Facilities

Courthouse Waterlines	\$	100,000.00			
Courthouse Stormwater	\$	600,000.00	\$	600,000.00	
Animal Control HVAC					
Tourism Infrastructure					
Landfill Mitigation					
Total:	\$	100,000.00	\$	600,000.00	

Airport

Waterline Match	\$	120,000.00	\$	120,000.00	
Total:	\$	120,000.00	\$	120,000.00	

Ashie County Industrial Park

Well

Department of Social Services

Foster Care Support	\$	300,000.00	\$	300,000.00	
Housing					
Total:	\$	300,000.00	\$	300,000.00	

Sheriff's Office

Thermal Imaging	\$	45,000.00			
Patrol Cars	\$	325,000.00			
Communications Radio Upgrade	\$	375,000.00			
Total:	\$	1,895,000.00	\$	1,520,000.00	

Total ARP Funds
\$ 5,283,864.00

Total ARP Request	\$	11,475,048.00	Total ARP Recommended	\$	3,142,000.00	Total ARP Budgeted	\$	571,000.00	Total ARP Spent	\$	-
Balance	\$	(6,194,184.00)		\$	2,141,864.00		\$	4,712,864.00			

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"enhanced services for child welfare-involved families and foster youth to provide support and training on child development, positive parenting, coping skills, or recovery for mental health and substance use challenges." pg. 41
"assistance to household" - "... home repairs, weatherization..." pg. 33

"investing in technology and equipment to allow law enforcement to more efficiently and effectively respond to the rise in gun violence resulting from the pandemic" - FAQ