

American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Nevada County

COMMUNITY RESILIENCY GRANTS PROGRAM GRANTEE REPORT GRANT RECIPIENT: SIERRA COMMONS

Operational Priority: 1: Essential
 2: High-Impact
 3: Nice to Have

Timing Priority: 1: Urgent
 2: 6 months – 1 year
 3: 1 – 2 years
 4: Long-term

Total Project Budget: \$36,000 ARPA Funding Request: \$36,000

Yes No Is there FEMA, State or other Direct or Grant Funding available? If Yes, please Specify below

Other Funding Source: _____ Other Source Amount: _____

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OTHER FUNDING INFORMATION

N/A

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The “Community Benefit Grants Program” will support community-serving institutions and organizations with macro-grants up to \$100,000. Entities that serve families, seniors, or the community at large would be eligible to apply.

Sierra Commons Community Resiliency Grant General Purpose, Focus, and Outcomes Report

- Mitigate financial hardship, such as declines in revenues due impacts of periods of business closures, and/or suspended business activities such as revenue generating fund raisers due to social distancing requirements or other public health orders;
- Support for normal operating costs, including payroll and benefit costs, costs to retain employees, mortgage, rent, or utilities costs, and other operating costs;
- Support for programmatic services that assist in addressing the economic hardship experienced by the Grant Recipient and/or the negative economic impacts experienced by its customers; and
- Implementation of COVID-19 prevention or mitigation tactics, such as physical plant changes to enable social distancing, enhanced cleaning efforts, barriers, or partitions, etc.

Sierra Commons’ Startup Accelerator will support high-tech innovators in Nevada County with a goal of launching 2-3 scalable companies by the end of 2024 by providing support such as outreach, networking events, cultivating an investor-network, and providing an inspirational space for technology- based startups.

NEXUS TO ARPA GUIDELINES

ARPA Reporting Category (from US Treasury Reporting Guidance, Appendix 1 – see pages 3-5 below):

- 1 – Public Health
- 2 – Negative Economic Impacts
- 3 – Public Health – Negative Impact: Public Sector Capacity
- 5 – Infrastructure

6 – Provision of Government Services (Revenue Replacement) 7 – Administrative

Sub-Category (from US Treasury Reporting Guidance, Appendix 1 – see pages 3-5 below):

Please provide one Sub-Category designation: 34

This grant is intended to support organizations and institutions that provide services/ programs for the community. Locally, these entities tend to be nonprofits though some are also for-profit businesses. ARPA funds may be used to assist small businesses and nonprofits as they respond to the negative impacts of the pandemic and/or rebound from the downturn.

NEXUS TO BOARD OBJECTIVES & COUNTY PRIORITIES / COMMUNITY IMPACT

Board Objectives (select any that apply)

Fiscal Stability/Core Svcs. Emergency Prep. Economic Dev Broadband
 Cannabis Housing Homelessness Recreation

County Priorities (select any that apply)

Costs related to COVID-19 response Encourage economic recovery Provide long-term benefits to County

This project intersects with the Board's Economic Development Objective. Our small businesses and nonprofits have been hard hit by the pandemic and need resources to resume operations to pre-pandemic levels.

OPERATIONAL IMPACT

Will the funds be used to pay for a direct county cost or cost incurred by others? County Cost Other Cost

PROJECT TIMELINE / READINESS

Grant award agreement executed:	05/24/2022
First quarter report received:	N/A
Second quarter report received:	N/A
Third quarter report received:	10/10/2022
Project Completed:	

BUDGET DETAIL

In what SBU/Office 2/Account(s) will ARPA-funded project activity be incurred?

SBU	Ofc2	Account	Amount	Description
10902	272	532205	\$36,000	Community Benefits Grant Program
Total			\$36,000	<i>Note: Total should match ARPA Funding Request amount</i>

EXPENDITURE TRACKING/REPORTING

Total expenditures as of 9/30/2022: \$32,400.00

Narrative Report:

First Quarter Report	April 2022	N/A
Second Quarter Report	July 2022	
Third Quarter Report	October 2022	We are currently in the early needs analysis stage and are conducting informational interviews with key influencers in the technology startup community. Interviewees include individuals who are entrepreneurs, supporting businesses, potential investors, mentors, and government officials.

PROJECT POINT OF CONTACT

Name and title: Ariel Lovett, Projects Administrator, CEO's Office

FOR CEO OFFICE ONLY:

Expense Item No:	ECON01.35
Final ARPA Category:	2.34
Approved:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No