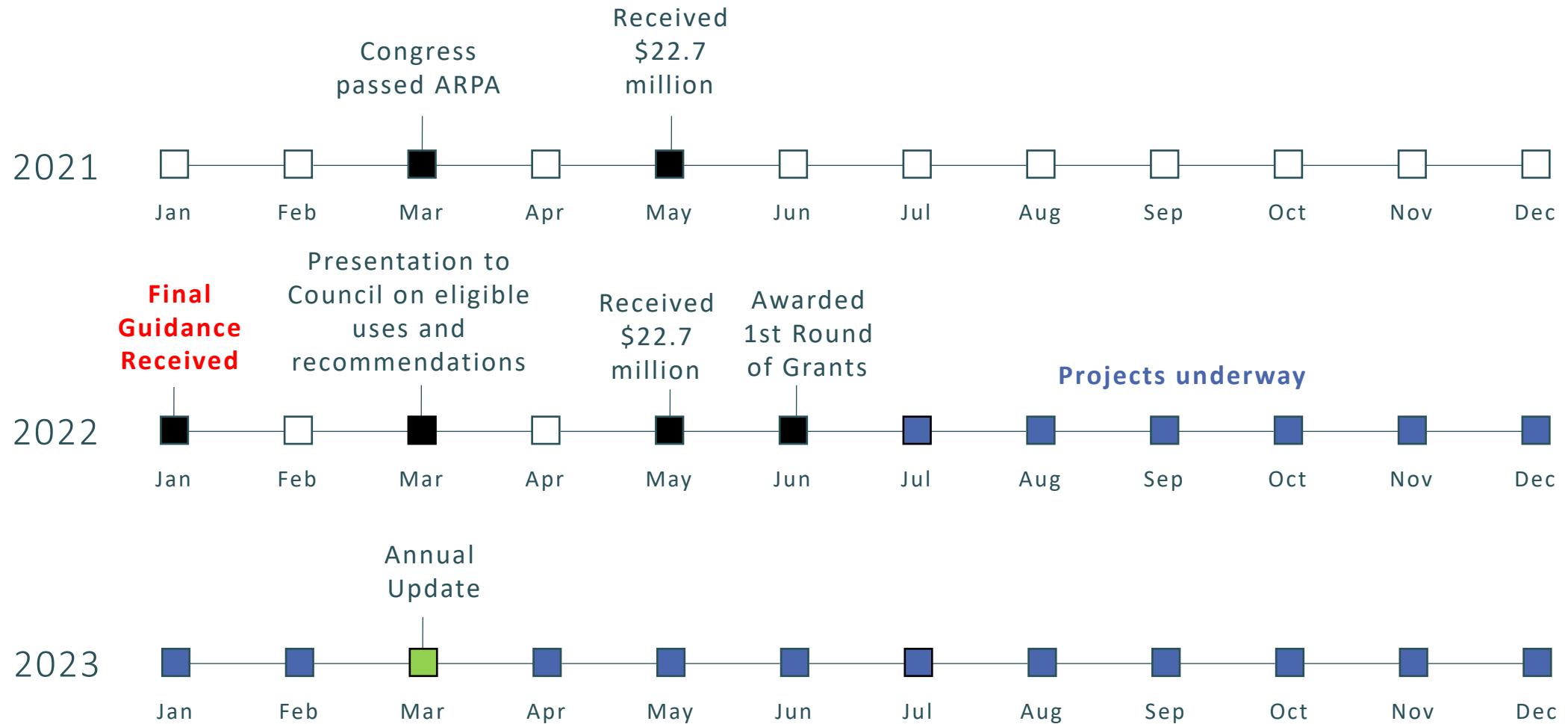


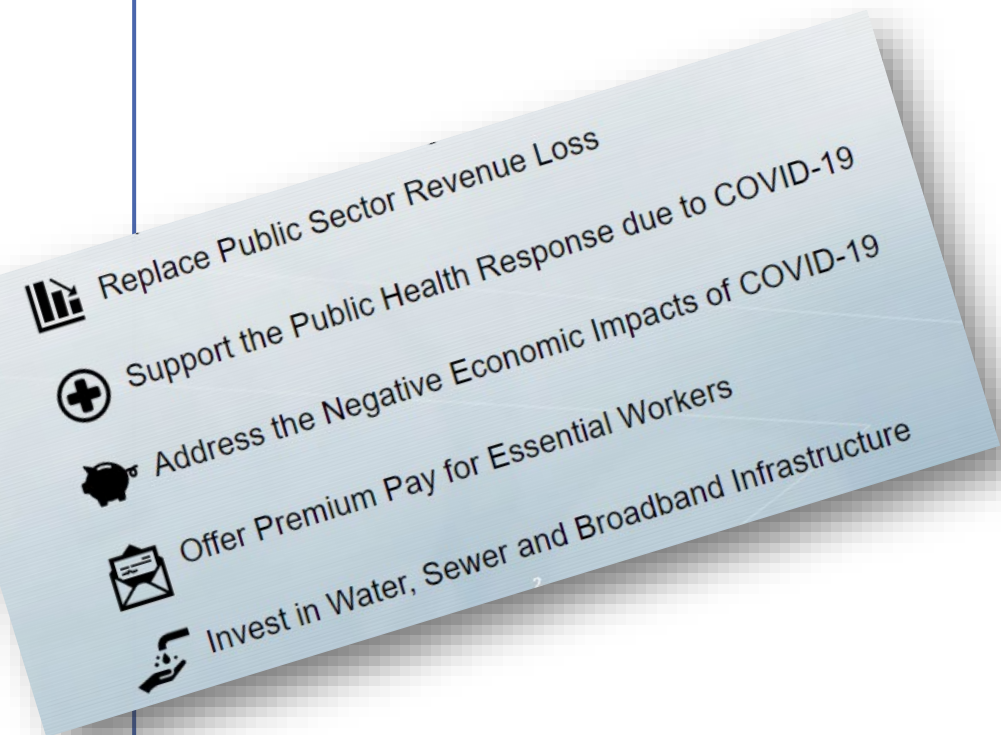
Sussex County ARPA

March 28, 2023



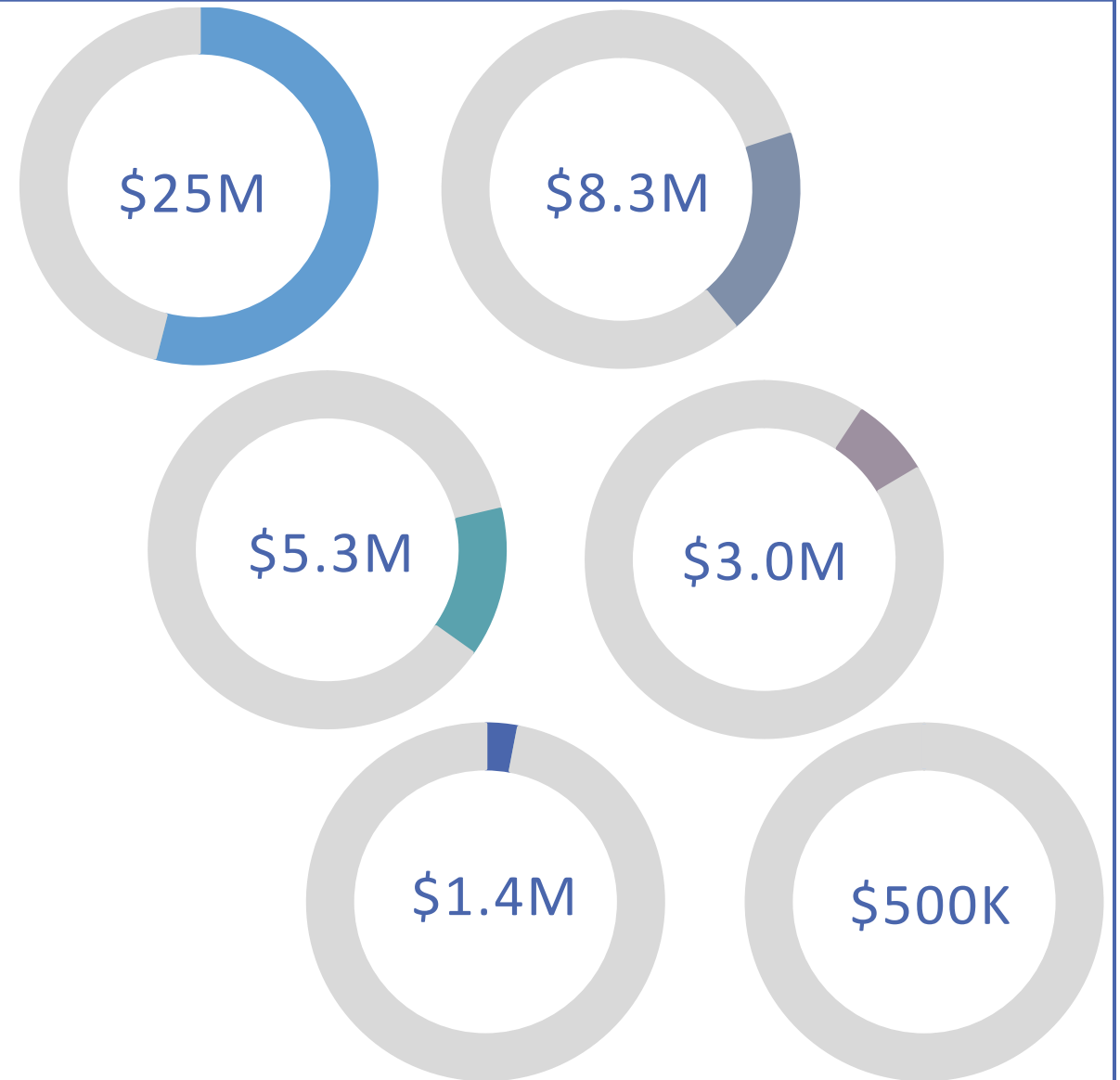
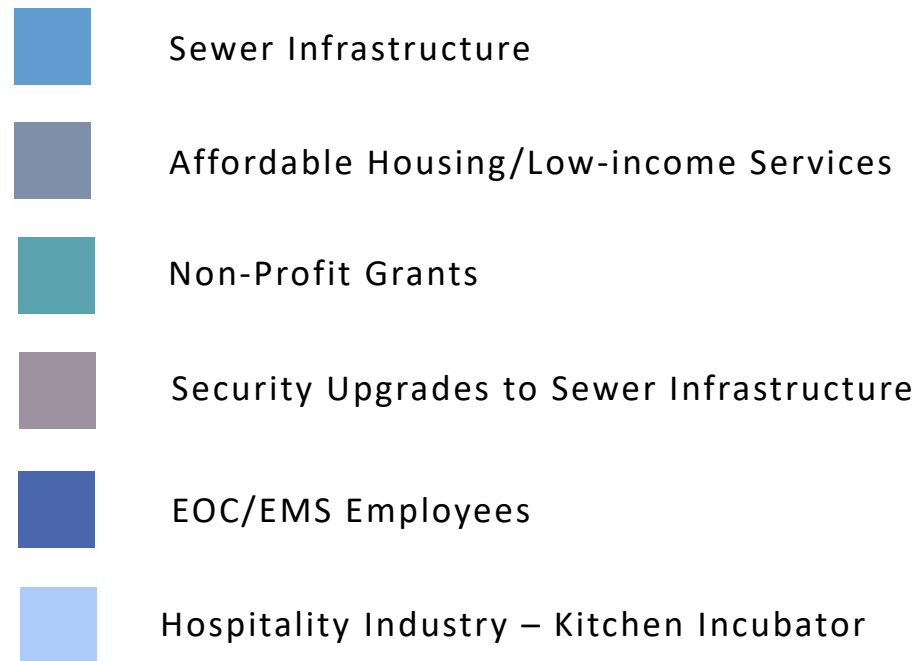


County Established Goals for Allocation



- **Project meets ARPA requirements**
- Projects must be completed or under contract by December 31, 2024
- Do not “grow” government with these temporary funds
 - Do not invest in something the County cannot support after the funds are gone
 - Strengthen the programs/services we already have in place
- Align with Council priorities (affordable housing & adequate infrastructure)
- Do not duplicate efforts

Allocation of Funds



Non-Profit Grant Program

Goal: Assist non-profits that respond to the negative economic impacts of the public health emergency

Criteria:

- Qualified non-profit
- Projects over \$500,000
- **Must be able to demonstrate that they can meet with compliance and reporting requirements of the U.S. Treasury**



Non-Profit Awards

Bayhealth

\$615,000

- COVID medical equipment for new emergency room

Beebe

\$750,000

- Rural health care, social service connection to build public health capacity and address the rural workforce needs

Children's Beach House

\$570,000

- Expansion of its youth development program to provide year-round programming for 100 children

Community Resource Center

\$500,000

- Keep low-income individuals and families stably housed by preventing eviction and utility discounts

Easter Seals

\$665,000

- Replace outdated and inefficient HVAC system at their Georgetown facility

Montessori Works

\$950,000

- Renovate the campus barn to provide space for remedial education, social and emotional assistance and health screenings – facility to be used by the community

Tidal Health

\$950,000

- Provide wrap around services that address social drivers of health and expand health care delivery and access in rural, low-income communities of disadvantaged populations



Direct Buyer
Assistance
\$300,000

- Down payment and settlement assistance of \$30,000 for households earning 65% AMI or less
- Supplemented by \$500,000 from County Council

Development
Loan Fund
\$6,000,000

- Grant of \$500,000/project or \$50,000/unit with a cap of \$500,000
- Deed restriction – 20 yr for ownership and 30 year for rental

Rehabilitation
Funds (with
clean-hands
assistance)
\$2,000,000

- Increased allowance from \$7,500 to \$10,000
- Expansion of emergency repair and roof replacement program
- Connection fee assistance for affordable housing unit connecting to the County's sewer system

HOUSING AND LOW-INCOME PROGRAMS

Affordable Housing Awards

Better Homes of Seaford

\$500,000

- 36 low-income rental housing units for the elderly in Seaford

MBID of DE

\$500,000

- 39 low-income rental units in Millsboro

Milford Housing Development Corp.

\$500,000

- 20 low-income homeownership units in Lewes

Milford Housing Development Corp.

\$500,000

- 10 low-income homeownership units in Greenwood

Millsboro Housing for Progress

\$500,000

- Rehabilitation on 38 low-income rental units in Millsboro

Sussex County Habitat

\$500,000

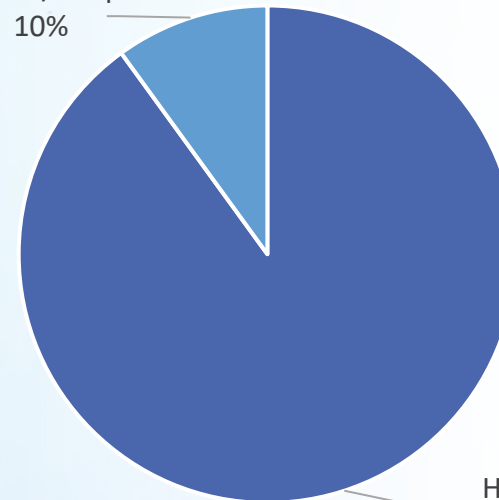
- 10 low-income homeownership units throughout the County

Success

\$300,000 added to County Trust Fund

10 settlements which assisted in getting families who make less than a 65% AMI into a home

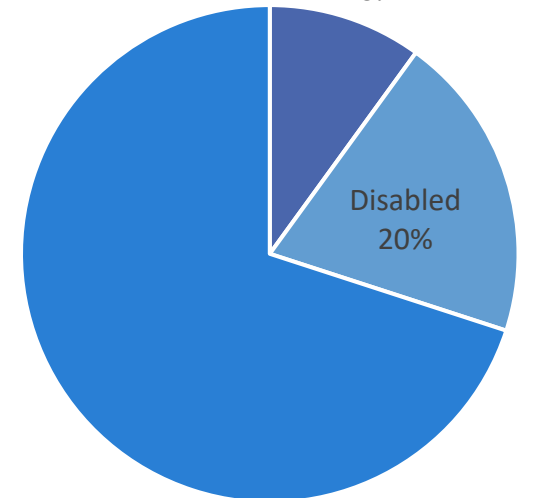
Married/Couple
10%



Female
Head of
Household
90%

Elderly
10%

Disabled
20%



A collection of wooden blocks shaped like houses, scattered on a white surface. One block in the center is painted red and orange, while the others are natural wood. The red block is the focal point, standing out from the others.

Success

- Repair homes of families making less than 65% AMI
- Projects involve emergency repairs, roofing, and weatherization
- 49 projects completed since March
- 5 projects under construction
- 17 applications in process

64 HOMES REPAIRED

| Project | Original Allocation | Spent to Date | Expected to be spent through Dec. 2024 | Amount could be repurposed |
|--|---------------------|--------------------|--|----------------------------|
| Wastewater Infrastructure | \$25,000,000 | \$157,561 | \$25,000,000 | - |
| Non-Profit Grants | \$5,250,000 | \$1,490,482 | \$5,075,000 | \$175,000 |
| Cyber Security Upgrades | \$3,000,000 | \$732,346 | \$3,000,000 | - |
| Low-income Rehabilitation | \$500,000 | \$413,059 | \$500,000 | - |
| Low-income Buyer Assistance | \$300,000 | \$290,000 | \$300,000 | - |
| Low-income housing grants | \$6,000,000 | - | \$6,000,000* | - |
| Low-income Assistant Relief Fund | \$1,500,000 | \$95,925 | \$300,000 | \$1,200,000 |
| Kitchen Incubator | \$500,000 | \$28,320 | \$300,000 | \$200,000 |
| Public Safety Employees | \$1,400,000 | \$571,215 | \$1,440,000 | (\$40,000) |
| Administration of ARPA (legal, accounting, community dev. staffing, contingency) | \$2,445,460 | \$113,337 | \$1,205,460 | \$1,240,000 |
| Total | \$45,495,460 | \$3,892,245 | \$34,059,662 | \$2,775,000 |

STATUS UPDATE

| Project | Amount to be repurposed | Recommendation |
|---|-------------------------|----------------|
| Wastewater Infrastructure | - | - |
| Non-Profit Grants | \$175,000 | \$1,175,000 |
| Cyber Security Upgrades | - | - |
| Low-income Rehabilitation | - | \$1,000,000 |
| Low-income Buyer Assistance | - | \$600,000 |
| Low-income housing grants* | - | - |
| Low-income Assistant Relief Fund | \$1,200,000 | (\$1,200,000) |
| Kitchen Incubator | \$200,000 | (\$200,000) |
| Public Safety Employees | (\$40,000) | \$40,000 |
| Administration of ARPA (legal, accounting, community dev. staffing) | \$1,240,000 | (\$1,240,000) |
| Total | \$2,775,000 | \$0 |

RECOMMENDATION

Non-Profit ARPA Grant - Small

- Non-profits organized under Section 501(c)(3) or 501(c)19 of the IRS Code
- Non-profit must provide services in Sussex and have a physical location in Sussex
- Organization must show a revenue loss or an increase in expense due to the economic impact of the public health emergency
 - Must provide 990s for 2019-2021 (990N filers will be limited to \$5,000)
 - Revenue loss: Amount is limited to the lower of the amount of revenue loss calculated from line 12 on the 990 using 2019 as the base year or \$40,000*
 - Increase in Expense: Amount is limited to the lower of the increase in expense on line 18 on the 990 offset by any increase in revenue from line 12 or \$40,000*

* Maximum amount is subject to change due to limited amount of funds

Non-Profit ARPA Grant - Small

- Applications will begin being accepted online on April 3rd at: sussexcountynj.gov/ARPA-grant-program-application
- Deadline will be May 1st
- All applications will be reviewed, and award will be calculated based on the formula using the IRS 990 forms. If the total eligible amount is over \$1.25 million, all grants will be reduced by the same percentage in order not to exceed the budget.

Next Steps

- If Council is OK today, I will open the grant application process up for the small ARPA grant program
- Come back in May for Council award
- Open 2nd grant application up for housing development grant on April 3rd
- Come back in June for Council award