

## City of Worcester ARPA Funds

The City of Worcester released a request for proposals (RFP) for organizations that wish to apply for funds from the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) for Community Projects and Programs. Proposals are due by September 30, 2022. The Coalition for Health Greater Worcester is here to help!

FIND SUPPORT AND APPLY

### About Worcester's federal funding to support public health and economic recovery

**Opportunity:** The City of Worcester is distributing funds from the federal government to community-based organizations in 2022, and has pledged to make access as open as possible.

**Equity Imperative:** These funds come from the American Rescue Plan Act, or ARPA, which requires that funding:

- Address the impacts of COVID-19 among the communities most harmed
- Address inequities identified by those communities most harmed

**Investment:** Worcester is receiving \$146.6 million, \$10 million of which is dedicated to community-based programs and projects.

### How can I get involved?

The City of Worcester recently released a request for proposals (RFP) in order to give local organizations the opportunity to apply to receive these ARPA funds.

The Coalition for a Healthy Greater Worcester is providing hands-on support for Worcester-based organizations to help them draft and submit proposals and secure funding.

The Coalition is hosting a series of training sessions to help any organization that wants to apply.

### Find support and apply

**VISIT THE CITY WEBSITE:** Applications must be submitted by September 30<sup>th</sup>.

Applicant organization must be legal entity and registered at SAM.gov at time of submission.

[GO TO WEBSITE>>](#)

**SCHEDULE AN IN-PERSON SESSION:** Meet one-on-one with a mentor **IN PERSON**

to help you with your application.

Dates: September 10th, September 12th.

[SCHEDULE A MEETING>>](#)

**SCHEDULE A VIRTUAL SESSION:** Meet one-on-one with a mentor **VIRTUALLY** to help you with your application.

Dates: August 29, September 1st, September 7th.

[SCHEDULE A VIRTUAL CALL>>](#)

**CONTACT CHGW:** Contact the Coalition with any questions or comments.

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### Where can I learn more?

The Worcester Together Logistics Committee has worked with the City of Worcester and advocated for community input and funding decisions to be as equitable as possible, so that people most impacted have a chance to participate and any organization can apply – big or small.

The City of Worcester held community needs input sessions in 2021 and also conducted a survey to inform how ARPA funding should be used. You can read the report [here](#).

You can also view a [dashboard](#) that shows how the City of Worcester has spent these federal dollars to date.

To learn more about the process and committee members, go to [WorcesterMA.gov/ARPA](https://WorcesterMA.gov/ARPA).

### Learn even more

- You can hear more about Worcester’s ARPA funding process from the Worcester Together Logistics Committee and Worcester’s City Manager Eric Batista, and others, at Action! By Design’s [podcast](#)
- Worcester Telegram and Gazette: [City Council agenda: ARPA ad hoc committees in place to oversee \\$50 million in housing/community allotments](#)