

**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**



**ITEM: 3.39
(ID # 26549)**

MEETING DATE:

Tuesday, December 03, 2024


FROM : HOUSING AND WORKFORCE SOLUTIONS

SUBJECT: HOUSING AND WORKFORCE SOLUTIONS (HWS): Adopt Resolution No. 2024-251, Approving an Additional Funding Allocation for the County of Riverside's Home Rehabilitation Program ("HRP Program"); and Approve an Allocation up to \$1,000,000 in American Rescue Plan Act ("ARPA") Funds for the HRP Program; District 5. [\$1,000,000 – 100% Federal ARPA Funds](4/5 Vote Required)

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Adopt Resolution No. 2024-251, Approving an Additional Funding Allocation for the County of Riverside's Home Rehabilitation Program (HRP Program) administered by the Department of Housing and Workforce Solutions (HWS);
2. Reallocate and approve \$1,000,000 from the Fifth Supervisorial District's ARPA Allocation to the HRP Program; and
3. Authorize the use of up to 5% of allocated ARPA funds to pay direct County staff related and delivery costs for the HRP Program.

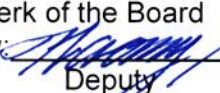
ACTION: 4/5 Vote Required, Policy


Heidi Marshall, Director 11/18/2024

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

On motion of Supervisor Gutierrez seconded by Supervisor Spiegel and duly carried by unanimous vote, IT WAS ORDERED that the above matter is approved as recommended.

Ayes: Jeffries, Spiegel, Washington, Perez and Gutierrez
Nays: None
Absent: None
Date: December 3, 2024
xc: HWS

Kimberly A. Rector
Clerk of the Board
By: 
Deputy

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FINANCIAL DATA	Current Fiscal Year:	Next Fiscal Year:	Total Cost:	Ongoing Cost
COST	\$1,000,000	\$ 0	\$1,000,000	\$ 0
NET COUNTY COST	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
SOURCE OF FUNDS: 100% American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funds			Budget Adjustment:	No
			For Fiscal Year:	24/25

C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION: Approve

BACKGROUND:

Summary

On October 19, 2021, the Board of Supervisors allocated \$50,000,000 for the purpose of addressing homelessness through development of affordable housing and providing shelter. The \$50,000,000 allocation was further divided into five \$10,000,000 investments to each Supervisorial District. The funding allocated by the Board was the State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLFRF) allocated to the County as part of the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) of 2021 (Pub. L 117-2). The ARPA funds are to focus on projects and/or programs that will increase the supply of permanent supportive housing which are critical to addressing homelessness. On February 27, 2024 (agenda item 3.50), the Board allocated \$6,200,000 in ARPA funds for various housing and workforce related programs within the Fifth Supervisorial District of County of Riverside (Fifth District), of which \$1,000,000 was allocated for the Home Rehabilitation Program (HRP Program).

Priority will be given to applicants whose repair costs are \$20,000 or less, ensuring the program can assist the greatest number of participants. Applicants with repair costs exceeding \$20,000 may be considered, subject to funding availability, if the additional repairs are necessary to address critical health and safety concerns or to ensure the home meets minimum habitability standards. The program's primary goal is to address the most urgent needs to protect the well-being of the occupants.

The HRP Program offers grant funds sourced from the Fifth District's ARPA allocation to eligible residents of the Fifth District with household incomes at or below 65% of the Area Median Income. Grants may be used for purposes including, but not limited to, energy efficiency upgrades, addressing health and safety issues, and other essential repairs to bring homes into compliance with building codes.

On March 5, 2024 (Minute Order 3.9), the Board of Supervisors adopted Resolution 2024-052, approving the first allocation for the HRP Program in an amount not to exceed \$1,000,000 in ARPA funds derived from the Fifth District's allocation; and Resolution 2024-053, delegating to the Director of HWS, or designee the authority to: (i) approve, issue, and

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modify grants to qualified Fifth District households in an amount not exceed \$50,000 per grant, in accordance with the HRP Program guidelines, and (ii) draft, negotiate, approve and execute essential and relevant documents, including but not limited to, program Grant Documents for qualified households, such as grant agreements, covenant agreements, and other agreements, subject to the satisfaction of certain conditions precedent for the benefit of the County, and further subject to approval as to form by County Counsel.

On November 5, 2024 (Minute Order 3.31), the Board of Supervisor's adopted Resolution 2024-219, approving a second allocation of Fifth District ARPA funds for the HRP Program in an amount not to exceed \$1,700,000 and reallocated from unspent Fifth District ARPA funds previously designated for other HWS programs.

Resolution 2024-251 will now provide a third allocation for the HRP Program in an amount not to exceed \$1,000,000 in ARPA Funds derived from the Fifth District's allocation.

To directly address substandard housing units, maintain and extend the life of existing affordable housing inventory, correct health and safety hazards in deteriorated housing units, and improve the quality of life for the homeowner population of the Fifth District, Staff recommend approval of the additional ARPA funds and direct project staffing and delivery costs in an amount not to exceed 5% of ARPA funds as follows:

HRP Program – Programmatic	\$ 950,000	ARPA Project Funding
HRP Program – Admin.	\$ 50,000	Direct Project Staffing and Delivery Costs (5%)
Total	\$ 1,000,000	

Impact on Residents and Businesses

The additional ARPA funds for the HRP Program will maintain, and extend the life of the existing affordable housing inventory, and improve the quality of life for eligible homeowners, while generating temporary rehabilitation construction jobs within the Fifth District of the County of Riverside.

ATTACHMENT:

- Resolution 2024-251


Brianna Lontajo, Principal Management Analyst 11/19/2024


Aaron Gettis, Chief of Deputy County Counsel 11/18/2024

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE

**RESOLUTION NO. 2024-251
APPROVING AN ADDITIONAL FUNDING ALLOCATION FOR THE COUNTY OF
RIVERSIDE’S HOME REHABILITATION PROGRAM ADMINISTERED BY
DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND WORKFORCE SOLUTIONS**

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2021, to address the negative economic impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic, President Joseph R. Biden signed into law the American Rescue Plan Act (“Act”), and on January 6, 2022, the U.S. Treasury adopted a Final Rule implementing the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds “SLFRF”;

WHEREAS, state, territorial, local and tribal governments must comply with the Final Rule by April 1, 2022, when the Final Rule took effect;

WHEREAS, the Act, the regulations promulgated in 31 CFR Part 35, and the Final Rule (collectively, the “ARPA Rules”) provide that SLFRF may be used for homeownership assistance, investing in affordable housing preservation and repairs, and rehabilitation or demolition of blighted or abandoned properties;

WHEREAS, on October 19, 2021, via Minute Order 3.5, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Riverside approved allocating \$50,000,000 in ARPA funds to increase shelter capacity, permanent supportive housing units and affordable housing to help address homelessness. The \$50,000,000 allocation was further divided into five (5) \$10,000,000 investments to each supervisorial districts; and

WHEREAS, on March 5, 2024, via Minute Order 3.9, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Riverside adopted Resolution No. 2024-052, approving an amount not to exceed \$1,000,000 in ARPA funds derived from the Fifth Supervisorial District’s allocation, to be used by the COUNTY’s Department of Housing and Workforce Solutions (“HWS”) to administer the Home Rehabilitation Program (“HRP PROGRAM”). The HRP Program provides home rehabilitation and enhancement services to directly address substandard housing units, maintain and extend the life of existing affordable housing inventory, correct health and safety hazards in deteriorated housing units, and improve the quality of life for the low-income homeowner population of the Fifth District of County of Riverside.

*RESOLUTION NO. 2024-251
Housing and Workforce Solutions*

FORM APPROVED COUNTY COUNSEL
BY: PAULA S. SALCIDO
DATE: 11-15-2024

1 **WHEREAS**, on March 5, 2024, via Minute Order 3.9, the Board of Supervisors of the
2 County of Riverside adopted Resolution No. 2024-053, delegating to the Director of HWS, or
3 designee the authority to: (i) approve, issue, and modify grants to qualified Fifth District
4 households in an amount not exceeding \$50,000, in accordance with the HRP Program
5 guidelines, and (ii) draft, negotiate, approve and execute essential and relevant documents,
6 including but not limited to, program Grant Documents for qualified households, such as grant
7 agreements, covenant agreements, and other agreements, subject to the satisfaction of certain
8 conditions precedent for the benefit of the County, and further subject to approval as to form by
9 County Counsel.

10 **WHEREAS**, on June 27, 2023, via Minute Order 3.53, the Board of Supervisors of the
11 County of Riverside approved and allocated \$846,000.00 to Hire District 5 Program from the
12 Fifth Supervisorial District's ARPA allocation, and now \$1,700,000 of previously allocated
13 funds shall be reallocated for the Riverside Home Rehabilitation Program.

14 **WHEREAS**, on November 5, 2024, via Minute Order 3.31, the Board of Supervisors of
15 the County of Riverside reallocated and approved \$1,700,000 in funding previously allocated to
16 the Hire District 5 Program approved on June 27, 2023 to the HRP Program derived from the
17 Fifth Supervisorial District's ARPA Allocation.

18 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, DETERMINED, AND ORDERED** by
19 the Board of Supervisors of the County of Riverside, State of California, ("Board"), in regular
20 session assembled on December 3, 2024 at 9:30 a.m. or soon thereafter, in the meeting room of
21 the Board located on the 1st floor of the County Administrative Center, 4080 Lemon Street,
22 Riverside, California, that this Board does hereby determine and declare as follows:

- 23 1. That the above recitals are true and correct and incorporated as though set forth herein.
- 24 2. Subject to any restrictions on the use of ARPA funds and Department of Treasury
25 regulations, the Board of Supervisors agrees to allocate an additional \$1,000,000 from
26 the Fifth Supervisorial District's ARPA allocation, for a total of \$3,700,000, to fund the
27 Home Rehabilitation Program administered by HWS.
- 28 3. HWS will administer the HRP Program in accordance with Resolution No. 2024-052,

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Resolution No. 2024-053, and the HRP Program guidelines, approved by the Board of Supervisors on March 5, 2024, via Minute Order 3.9.


This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

ROLL CALL:

Ayes: Jeffries, Washington, Spiegel, Perez, and Gutierrez
Nays: None
Absent: None

The foregoing is certified to be a true copy of a resolution duly adopted by said Board of Supervisors on the date therein set forth.

KIMBERLY A. RECTOR, Clerk of said Board

By: 
Deputy