



#### **AGENDA ITEM REPORT**

DATE: June 7, 2022

DEPARTMENT: County Manager

REQUESTER: Roger Desjarlais

TITLE: Approve American Rescue Plan Recovery & Resilience Program Subrecipient Agreements

### I. MOTION REQUESTED

1) Approve agreements associated with the American Rescue Plan Act Recovery & Resilience program with Big Brothers Big Sisters, Boys and Girls Club, The Heights Center, New Horizons, and YMCA for extended learning and after-school programs that address educational disparities.

2) Cancel existing subrecipient agreements with Harry Chapin Food Bank, Midwest Food Bank, and The Salvation Army and approve replacing the contracts with beneficiary agreements for food distribution programs.

#### II. ITEM SUMMARY

Awards subrecipient agreements to Big Brothers Big Sisters, Boys and Girls Club, The Heights Center, New Horizons, and YMCA for extended learning and after-school programs that address educational disparities. This Board action will obligate \$1,600,000 of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding as approved by the BoCC on October 19, 2021. Replaces subrecipient agreements with beneficiary agreements for Harry Chapin Food Bank, Midwest Food Bank and The Salvation Army in order to streamline administrative processes for the food banks. This substitution does not change the funding obligation (\$4,535,000) approved by the BOCC on October 19, 2021, and February 15, 2022.

#### III. BACKGROUND AND IMPLICATIONS OF ACTION

A) Board Action and Other History

The American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) provides \$149,675,549 in direct local funding assistance for Lee County.

The BoCC participated in an ARPA workshop on September 7, 2021. On October 19, 2021 the BoCC authorized Phase One investments for American Rescue Plan Act funding. On December 7, 2021 the BoCC approved a contract for ARPA management consulting with Ernst & Young U.S. LLP. On February 11, 2022 during its Strategic Planning session the BoCC provided consensus policy direction for Phase Two investments under the American Rescue Plan Act. Phase Two investments for American Rescue Plan Act funding were approved by the BoCC on March 1, 2022. Lee County has submitted all required reports to US Treasury.

- B) Policy Issues
- C) BoCC Goals

### D) <u>Analysis</u>

The American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) provides \$149,675,549 in direct local funding assistance for Lee County. The first half of the County's award has been received and the second half is expected in mid-2022.

In conformance with the Department of the Treasury Final Rule, Lee County's ARPA Plan will encompass programs and projects to address the approved areas: public health response; negative economic impacts to households, small businesses, and nonprofits; services to disproportionately impacted communities; core government service; and infrastructure.

A notice of available funding for American Rescue Plan Act Funds to provide extended learning and after-school programs that address educational disparities resulted in five funding awards totaling \$1,600,000. Big Brothers Big Sisters will receive \$227,413 in funding through December 31, 2024, Boys and Girls Club will receive \$260,000 in funding through December 31, 2024, The Heights Center will receive \$407,891 in funding through December 31, 2024, New Horizons will receive \$213,786 in funding through December 31, 2024, and YMCA will receive \$490,910 in funding through December 31, 2024.

On February 15, 2022 the BoCC obligated \$4,535,000 in American Rescue Plan Act Funds and approved subrecipient agreements for food distribution in Lee County. Pursuant to the program and the contract, the request is to to cancel the subrecipient agreements and to approve the beneficiary agreements. The total obligation will remain the same, the beneficiary agreement award will be less any amount already reimbursed under the subrecipient agreement. The beneficiary agreements will allow the organizations to more effectively use the funds to cover the economic impact their food distribution program(s) suffered during the COVID-19 pandemic. Their program(s) address food insecurity for low income, minority, and other households in Lee County that were impacted by Covid-19. Funds may be used to purchase food, and supplies, as well as to fund operational expenses to continue assisting Lee County residents.

Subrecipient projects will be monitored for federal compliance. The subrecipients are required to report quarterly to Lee

County on project progress and performance. Lee County will review and submit the required quarterly and annual reports to the US Treasury with information related to each of these projects.

## E) Options

Approve agreements in their entirety or approve individual agreements.

## IV. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

A)	Current year dollar amount of item:		\$1,600,000		
B)	Is this item approved in the current budget?		No		
C)	Is this a revenue or expense item?		Expense		
D)	Is this Discretionary or Mandatory?		Discretionary		
	Will this item impact future budgets? If yes, please include reasons in III(D) above.				
	Fund: American Rescue Plan Act: Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds Program: Project: Account Strings: 11129500100				
G)	Fund Type?		Other: American Rescue Plan Act: Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds		
1 / 1	Comments: Funding through December 31, 2024:				
	Big Brothers Big Sisters	\$227,413			
	Boys and Girls Club	\$260,000			
	The Heights Center	\$407,891			
	New Horizons	\$213,786			
	YMCA	\$490,910			
	Total	\$1,600,000			

# V. RECOMMENDATION

Approve

## VI. TIMING/IMPLEMENTATION

# VII. FOLLOW UP

# ATTACHMENTS:

Description	Upload Date	Type
Beneficiary Grant Agreement - Harry Chapin	5/26/2022	Agreement
Beneficiary Grant Agreement - Mid West Food Bank	5/26/2022	Agreement
Beneficiary Grant Agreement - The Salvation Army	5/26/2022	Agreement
ARPA-NE225A Big Brothers Big Sisters Subrecipient Agreement	6/1/2022	Agreement
ARPA-NE225B Boys and Girls Club Subreceipient Agreement	6/1/2022	Agreement
ARPA-NE225C Heights Center Subreceipient Agreement	6/1/2022	Agreement
ARPA-NE225D New Horizons Subreceipient Agreement	6/1/2022	Agreement
ARPA-NE225E YMCA of SWFL Subreciepient Agreement	6/1/2022	Agreement

## **REVIEWERS:**

Department	Reviewer	Action	Date
County Manager	Salyer, Glen	Approved	5/26/2022 - 10:17 AM
Budget Services	Henkel, Anne	Approved	5/26/2022 - 12:27 PM
Budget Services	Winton, Peter	Approved	5/26/2022 - 2:01 PM
County Attorney	Fraser, Andrea	Approved	5/26/2022 - 2:55 PM
County Manager	Salyer, Glen	Approved	5/27/2022 - 8:12 AM