

ARPA FUNDED NONPROFIT CAPITAL GRANTS PROGRAM

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The Nonprofit Capital Project Grants Program

- A new initiative designed to better position local government in recognizing the strains upon infrastructure within our local network of community agency partners which are affecting their service delivery to residents.
- These grants are funded by federal **American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) dollars** and are subject to federal reporting and spending requirements.
- Agencies with established proven track records of performance that are located in and service residents of Lexington-Fayette County are invited to apply for this competitive grant program.



Purpose

- To provide a ***one-time grant*** to local 501(c)(3) agencies for major capital projects in two categories:

1) **Facility Improvements**

(such as the purchase, construction, expansion, repair of a building, or installation or major overhaul of HVAC systems, etc.)

2) **Operational Investments**

(the purchase of major equipment, such as a generator or vehicle)



Process

- A Request for Proposals will be issued by the Division of Purchasing. *(Draft RFP has been provided.)*
- Proposal Evaluation Committee will review and score the proposals, and recommend awards to the Administration and Council.
- Agencies will be bound by agreements to the ARPA Regulations as Subrecipients, required to make regular reports and be subject to site visits and other necessary oversight.



Who is Eligible?

- Community nonprofit partners with established proven track records of performance.
- Grant funds must be invested in facilities located in and agencies serving residents of Lexington-Fayette County.
- Agencies must be recognized by Internal Revenue Service as a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization.
- Agencies must either own the facility or have a current long-term lease (*with at least 3 years remaining on the terms of the lease*) with a private landlord for which improvements are being requested.
- **All funds awarded must be spent by Subrecipient grantees before April 30, 2024.**



Eligible Cost Activities

(including, but not limited to)

Facility Improvements

- **Systems**
Mechanical, Electrical and Plumbing
- **Exterior**
Roofing, Windows, Gutters, Masonry, Siding
- **Interior**
Flooring, Walls, Ceilings, Lighting
- **Property Site**
Acquisition of Property, Parking, Sidewalks, Lighting, Utilities, Signage
- **Environmental Remediation**
Asbestos, Lead Paint, Air Quality



Eligible Cost Activities

(including, but not limited to)

Operational Investments

- **Information Technology & Telecommunication**
(Servers, Computer Systems, Database Systems, etc.)
- **Fleet and Mobile Service Units**
- **Generators, Alternative Power Supply**
- **Security Cameras, Safety Controls**
- **Other Major Operational Equipment**

**Agencies may bundle projects to meet the minimums*

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Grant Award Allocation

	Facility Improvements	Operational Investments
Funding Pool*	\$4,000,000	\$2,000,000
Minimum Request per agency**	\$100,000**	\$50,000**
Maximum Request per agency	\$500,000	\$250,000

**Agencies may apply for either Facility Improvements or Operational Investments or both.*

***Agencies may bundle projects in either Facility Improvements or Operational Investments to meet the minimums (not across the two types of investments in order to meet minimums).*



Proposal Evaluation Criteria

Factor	Points
Directly Provide or Indirectly Facilitate the Provision of Services to Low-income, Underserved, or Marginalized Lexington-Fayette County Residents	20
Demonstrated Need	20
Applicant Capacity for Project and Meeting ARPA Requirements	20
Operational Feasibility	20
Cost Analysis	20
Total Points	100

Questions?



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