# ARPA FUNDED NONPROFIT CAPITAL GRANTS PROGRAM

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# Nonprofit Capital Project Grants Program

 One-time grant provided 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, e.g. generator or vehicle)



# **Eligibility**

- 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 longterm 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



### **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

<sup>\*</sup>Agencies were allowed to apply for either Facility Improvements or Operational Investments or both.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Agencies could have bundled 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



### RFP #24-2022

• An RFP for ARPA Nonprofit Capital Projects (NCG) was issued by Purchasing and responses were received on June 21, 2022 for the available \$6,000,000 in funding allotted by Council.

### Responses-

- o 56 Agencies
- 138 projects totaling \$21,160,111-

Facility Improvements- \$15,246,107

Operational Investments- \$5,914,004



### RFP #24-2022 Evaluation

NCG RFP responses were divided alphabetically into 4 equal groups, and evaluated and scored by 4 separate committees.

Each committee had a representative from:

- General Services
   Social Services
- Code Enforcement
   Finance
- Enterprise Solutions or
   Grants Computer Services

 The Work Group, composed of the General Services, Housing Advocacy, Finance, and Social Services Commissioners, compared each committee's rankings and made the final recommendations.



### RFP #24-2022 Recommendations

- The top ranked proposals from each group are being equally recommended for funding.
  - Each group had a different group of scorers. Fairer consideration is using group rankings rather than comparing the actual scores across groups.
- Due to the nature of these capital projects, each project that has made either the top 10 or 11 in each group are recommended for funding at the full ask.
  - These grant awards are reimbursable funds only and the proposals were to include realistic quotes and contingencies for project completion.



# Top 10 ranked 40 projects

	Facility Improvements	Operational Investments	Totals
Group 1	\$702,470	\$373,400	\$1,075,870
Group 2	\$359,167	\$643,798	\$1,002,965
Group 3	\$1,943,283	\$454,793	\$2,398,076
Group 4	\$641,548	\$638,134	\$1,279,682
TOTALS	\$3,646,468	\$2,110,125	\$5,756,593

• The top 10 ranked proposals from each of the evaluation groups is a total of \$5,756,593.

(\$3,646,468 for Facility Improvements and \$2,110,125 for Operational Improvements)

Leaves \$243,407 of the \$6,000,000 unallocated.



# **Top 11 ranked 45 projects**

	Facility Improvements	Operational Investments	Totals
Group 1*	\$1,045,571	\$621,654	\$1,667,225
Group 2	\$359,167	\$697,300	\$1,056,467
Group 3	\$1,943,283	\$458,293	\$2,401,576
Group 4	\$654,837	\$638,134	\$1,292,971
TOTALS	\$4,002,858	\$2,415,381	\$6,418,239

<sup>\*</sup>Two projects tied for Rank 11.

- The top 11 ranked proposals from each of the evaluation groups is a total of \$6,418,239. (\$4,002,858 for Facility Improvements and \$2,415,381 for Operational Improvements)
- An additional \$418,239 from ARPA Contingency would be needed to fully fund these 45 top scoring projects.



### **Final Recommendation**

- The Work Group, supported by the Mayor, CAO Hamilton, and Deputy CAO Brown, would like the Council to consider allocating an additional \$418,239 from ARPA to the Nonprofit Capital Projects Program.
- The additional funding would allow the top 11 ranked 45 projects to funded at 100% of their ask.

# **Questions?**

