



# City of San Antonio

## Agenda Memorandum

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**In Control:** Community Health, Environment and Culture Committee

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**DEPARTMENT:** Department of Human Services

**DEPARTMENT HEAD:** Melody Woosley

**COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED:** Citywide

**SUBJECT:**

Briefing and update on the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Spending Framework for Impactful Investments for Seniors.

**SUMMARY:**

This item provides an update on development of an implementation plan for impactful investments for seniors and a timeline for release of a competitive process for ARPA funding investments for youth, seniors and nonprofit/social services to the Community Health, Environment and Culture Committee.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

The City of San Antonio was awarded \$326.9 million in State and local Fiscal Recovery Funds. As part of the FY 2022 Budget process, City Council approved \$97.50 million to support the city budget and address community needs and an additional \$30.0 million for utility assistance on November 18, 2021, Council approved an additional \$30.0 million for utility assistance.

On February 3, 2022, City Council approved a spending framework for the use of \$199.4 million in State and Local Recovery Funds received under the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA). Included in this spending framework is the allocation of \$5 million for seniors.

On April 12, 2022, the Department of Human Services (DHS) presented an overview of FY 2022 City of San Antonio investments in older adults and priorities and requested feedback from the Community Health, Environment and Culture Committee on investment priorities and a proposed funding process.

**ISSUE:**

On April 12, 2022, the Community Health, Environment and Culture Committee provided policy direction to DHS related to ARPA investments for Seniors. Based on this direction, DHS has developed and begun implementation of a plan to gather additional community stakeholder feedback and a timeline for release of a competitive process for ARPA funding investments for youth, seniors and nonprofit/social services.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

A total of \$5 million was allocated by City Council on February 3<sup>rd</sup> for seniors.

These funds must be obligated by December 2024 and spent by September 2026.

**ALTERNATIVES:**

This item is for discussion purposes only.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

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