

City of San Antonio

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In Control: Community Health, Environment and Culture Committee

DEPARTMENT: Department of Human Services

DEPARTMENT HEAD: Melody Woosley

COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED: Citywide

SUBJECT:

This item provides an update on development and timeline for distribution of the ARPA Phase II Nonprofit and Social Services Implementation Plan to address the impact of COVID - 19.

SUMMARY:

On June 2, City Council approved the APRA Phase I Nonprofit and Social Services Implementation Plan which allocated \$1.5 million out of the \$4 million in allocated ARPA funds to mitigate the impact of COVID – 19. This item provides an update on development and timeline for distributing the remaining \$2.5 million in ARPA funding through a Phase II Nonprofit and Social Services Implementation Plan.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The COVID-19 pandemic has had a significant negative impact on nonprofit and social service organizations related to decreased revenue, lost jobs, increased demand for services, increased

expenses, and challenges in finding new ways to connect with residents.

On February 3, 2022, City Council approved the spending framework for State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds received by the City of San Antonio under ARPA. This framework included \$4 million for nonprofit and social services to help address the impact of COVID – 19 on nonprofit organizations and the residents they serve.

On April 12, 2022, and May 10, 2022, the Community Health, Environment, and Culture Committee (CHEC) received a briefing on the impact of COVID – 19 on nonprofit and social services, community feedback received through the City of San Antonio's ARPA process, and additional targeted stakeholder input. An APRA Phase I Nonprofit and Social Services Implementation Plan and associated criteria for distribution was approved by CHEC and City Council on May 26, 2022, and June 2, 2022, respectively.

ISSUE:

Through the Phase II Plan, the Department of Human Services is proposing a competitive process to distribute the remaining \$2.5 million to assist nonprofit and social service organizations in addressing the impact of COVID – 19 on their agencies and the residents they serve.

A full implementation plan will be brought to the CHEC and City Council in August 2022 for approval of the distribution plan, targeted priorities and equitable outcomes, timeline, and key performance indicators.

FISCAL IMPACT:

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ALTERNATIVES:

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RECOMMENDATION:

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