



SEATTLE CITY COUNCIL  
**CENTRAL STAFF**

# **CB 120150: Seattle Rescue Plan #2**

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# Presentation Overview

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- Background
- Council Bill (CB) 120150: Seattle Rescue Plan #2 Overview
  - Rental Assistance
    - Background on previous investments (ERA 1)
    - ERA 2 Proposal
  - Senior Services
  - Transportation
  - McCaw Hall – Shuttered Venues Grant

# Background

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- **H.R. 1319 American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)**
  - \$1.9 trillion in appropriations, enacted March 11, 2021
  - Included \$219.8 billion direct aid (Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (CLRF)) and targeted funds for specific programs, like Older Americans Act
  - \$219.8 billion directly to eligible governments through
- **H.R. 133 Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021 (CAA)**
  - \$2.3 trillion in appropriations, enacted December 27, 2020
- **Seattle Rescue Plan #1 (ORDs 126371 & 126372)**
  - Accepted CLRF and HOME funds, and authorized spending about \$128 million in 2021 to support Seattle's recovery from the COVID-19 emergency and backfill revenue; and
  - \$25 million of general fund to provide direct cash assistance to households disproportionately impacted by the COVID emergency

# Emergency Rental Assistance 1 (ERA 1) CB 120018

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## Total Funding Awarded: \$22.7 Million

### Funding Source: CAA, 2021

- \$6.2 million to community-based organizations (CBOs), to provide rental assistance and support services for low-income residents, who have experience:
  - Serving communities disproportionately impacted by COVID-19 and have a disproportionate need for rental assistance; and
  - Managing rental assistance and homelessness prevention funds
- \$8 million to United Way of King County for rental assistance, homelessness prevention services and administrative costs
- \$7 million to Office of Housing to provide rental assistance for the lowest income residents in publicly subsidized affordable housing
- \$1.5 million to Seattle City Light and Seattle Public Utilities for emergency utility assistance for low-income renters with outstanding utility bills

# ERA 1 Implementation Report

- Payments to publicly subsidized affordable housing providers in process:
  1. NOFA demonstrated need for over \$6 million
  2. Gathering documentation and tenant data for over 3,000 households
  3. Launching technology platform, with payments beginning in August
- 14 Community Based Organizations are under contract and currently working with clients to deliver rent assistance and services
- United Way has paid ~\$3 million of rent assistance for ~300 households, with ~500 households currently in progress, and on track to allocate remaining funds to residents in need by September

## Background

# ERA 1 Community Based Organizations



Muslim Housing Services



Somali Community Services of Seattle  
8810 Renton Ave South Seattle WA 98118

St. Vincent de Paul of Seattle/King County



# Emergency Rental Assistance 2 (ERA 2)

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## Total Funding Available: \$28.7 Million

### Funding Source: ARPA — U.S. Department of the Treasury

- \$9.6 million to community-based organizations (CBOs), to provide rental assistance and support services for low-income residents, who have experience:
  - Serving communities disproportionately impacted by COVID-19 and have a disproportionate need for rental assistance; and
  - Managing rental assistance and homelessness prevention funds
- \$9.6 million to United Way of King County for rental assistance, homelessness prevention services and administrative costs
- \$9.6 million to Office of Housing to provide rent assistance for the lowest income residents in publicly subsidized affordable housing

# Senior Services

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## **Total Funding Available: \$7.7 Million**

### **Funding Source: ARPA — Older Americans Act (OAA)**

- \$3.1 million distributed in 2021
- OAA allows funding for:
  - Supportive services (transportation, case management, and services addressing mental health impacts), congregate meals, delivered meals, preventative health, and caregiver support
  - Waiting for additional guidance from state on final funding and uses
- CB 120150 includes a proviso which requires \$200,000 be spent on services to address the mental health impacts of senior isolation, pending state funding guidance



# Transportation

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## **Total Funding Available: \$13.5 Million**

**Funding Source: ARPA — Federal Transportation Agency (FTA)**

**CAA — FTA Urbanized Area Apportionment for Streetcar & Monorail**

- \$10.9 million for the Madison Street Bus Rapid Transit (BRT), to assist with local match
- \$785,000 for the Streetcar, to backfill lost revenue and to support maintenance and operations
- \$1.8 million for the Seattle Center for Monorail, to backfill lost revenue and to support maintenance and operations

# McCaw Hall

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**Total Funding Available: \$2.1 Million**

**Funding Source: Small Business Administration (SBA) Shuttered Venue  
Operators Grant**

- Grant awarded based on application specifically for McCaw Hall
- Can be used for expenses such as payroll, utility, payments, and other businesses expenses such as maintenance costs

# CB 120150 SRP #2 – Summary & Next Steps

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## CB 120150:

- Accepts \$52 million in targeted grants from ARPA and the CCA, 2021
  - \$28.7 million Emergency Rental Assistance
  - \$7.7 million Older Americans Act – Senior Services
  - \$13.5 million –FTA funds for transportation
  - \$2.1 million – SBA Shuttered Venues Grant for McCaw Hall

## Next Steps:

- If the Committee votes on CB 120150 on August 3, final action at Full Council expected on August 9
- Additional targeted aid, if received, may be considered as part of Council's fall budget process

# Questions?