



SEATTLE RESCUE PLAN 1

Council Bills 120093 & 120094

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American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)

- Seattle will receive nearly \$300M of the \$1.9T total, including \$232M in local direct aid (flexible funding from the Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery [CLFR] funds) and other targeted aid
- This is the first of several ordinances that will allocate ARPA funds
- Seattle Rescue Plan 1 includes:
 - \$116M for 2021 for CLFR and
 - \$12.2M HOME grant
- Seattle Rescue Plan 2 will include targeted aid for:
 - Rental assistance (\$28.7M) and
 - Support for seniors (\$7.4M)

Seattle Rescue Plan 1 - Council Bills 120093 & 120094

1. Council Bill 120093

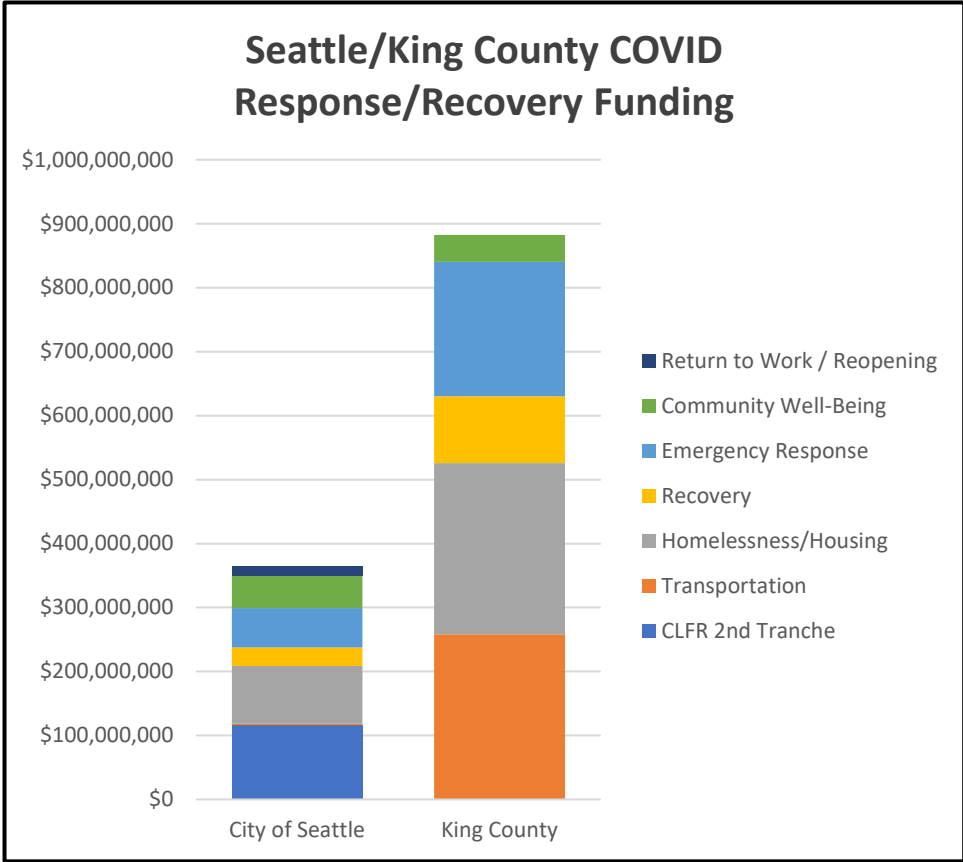
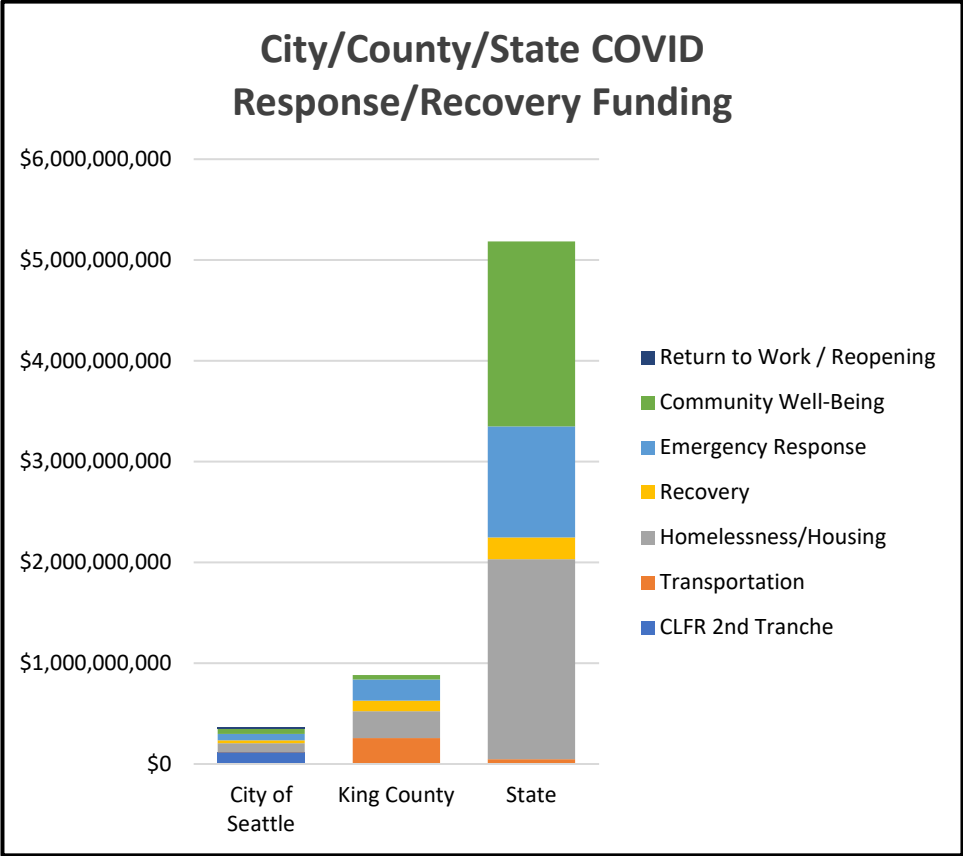
- Accepts two ARPA Grants:
 - Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (Tranche 1): \$116M
 - \$12.2M ARPA HOME Investment Partnerships Program
- Authorizes \$103M in expenditures and \$25M of revenue replacement

2. Council Bill 120094

- Authorizes \$25M for Direct Cash Assistance

Alignment with State/County COVID Response Funding

Funds coming to the City are part of a recovery response taking shape at every level of government



Alignment for Key Issues with State and County

Category	City of Seattle	King County	State
Transportation	\$2,617,679	\$258,199,722	\$50,000,000
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Homelessness/Housing	\$89,922,623	\$267,498,695	\$1,981,988,000
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Recovery	\$28,820,000	\$104,687,327	\$217,300,000
Arts/Culture		\$51,450,000	
Economic Recovery	\$28,820,000	\$53,237,327	\$207,300,000
Recovery			\$10,000,000
Emergency Response	\$61,500,000	\$210,152,424	\$1,100,000,000
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Community Well-Being	\$50,874,600	\$41,950,000	\$1,802,600,000
Cash Assistance	\$25,000,000		\$704,100,000
Child Care	\$8,600,000	\$6,000,000	\$821,700,000
Food	\$8,759,600	\$6,000,000	\$143,600,000
Digital Equity and Access	\$800,000		\$22,400,000
Behavioral Health	\$600,000	\$18,000,000	\$110,800,000
Community Well-Being	\$7,115,000	\$11,950,000	

Note: This table includes estimated funding from all planned/anticipated sources for COVID-19 response in 2021-2022, but is not inclusive of all city, county, and state efforts for COVID-19. This does not include \$116M the City of Seattle will receive in 2022.

Highlights of County Proposals

- \$100M for emergency rental assistance
- \$50M to support emergency homelessness response and related behavioral health services
- \$7.5M to establish a new targeted homeless outreach and shelter program for one year (Serves as an alternative to the Public Defender Association operated JustCARE program)
- \$2M for digital equity grants to CBOs to provide digital access and fluency services to vulnerable populations
- \$1.5M to support individuals experiencing domestic violence and sexual violence who may be experiencing increased violence, isolation, and lethality risk due to COVID-19
- \$116M to continue and scale up the county's COVID-19 mass vaccination program through September 2021

Seattle Rescue Plan 1 Development

- Chair Mosqueda, Council President González, and the Mayor jointly developed the “Seattle Rescue Plan,” a funding plan that uses Seattle’s 2021 ARPA allocation to kick start our city’s recovery
- Proposal is informed by:
 - Resolution 31999 outlining Council’s principles and priorities for use of federal funds
 - Input from stakeholders during listening sessions and walking tours organized by the Mayor that focused on downtown businesses, small businesses, unions, community organizations, non-profits, and City staff
 - Committee panel with community organizations and other cities
 - Council Public Hearing on May 4th and public comment in committee meetings in April and May

Seattle Rescue Plan Spending Priorities

- Shelter and housing support for those who are currently unhoused
- Small business and non-profit recovery
- Neighborhood recovery and activation
- Direct assistance to residents
- Supports to community health and mental health
- Education equity, employment, and job pathways
- Reopening City services

Seattle Rescue Plan Policy Intent

- Maintain programs and services that support the City's public health response and recovery
- Address both the short- and long-term economic and social impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic, building on and expanding the types of investments funded in the Jump Start COVID Relief Plan in 2020 and 2021
- Consistent with the federal guidance on use of CLFR funds, provide critical resources to those disproportionately impacted by COVID-19 through direct assistance, services, and investments in small and micro-businesses, nonprofits, and workforce development
- Prioritize opportunities to partner with local organizations that are culturally relevant and historically rooted in communities that have been disproportionately impacted by COVID-19, and have organizational staff and board composition that seek to reflect the community they serve

Seattle Rescue Plan

\$128 MILLION



Housing &
Homelessness

\$49.2
MILLION



Community & Small
Business Recovery

\$23
MILLION



Community
Well-Being

\$41.5
MILLION



Community Assistance
& Programming

\$7
MILLION



Reopening City
Programs & Services

\$7.6
MILLION

Seattle Rescue Plan



Housing & Homelessness
\$49.2 MILLION



**Investments in
Permanent Housing**



**Resources for Emergency
Housing, Shelter and Services**

Housing & Homelessness

Investments in permanent housing strategies

Permanent Housing Capital: \$28.5M

Funds to acquire and build an additional 300 permanent affordable housing units in 2021 and 2022

- Anticipate significant leverage of state capital dollars and anticipate O&M + Services using new state funds
- Estimate could create about 300 units, assuming \$90-95M total investment (City + State leverage)

Housing & Homelessness

Investments in permanent housing strategies

Permanent Housing Capital: Policy Intent

- Provide at least \$40M for permanent affordable housing capital (acquisition or development) in 2021-2022
- Prioritize the acquisition of multifamily rental housing projects that are under construction
- Seek acquisitions resulting in new units of permanent housing, including permanent supportive housing and housing serving households at or below 50 percent of Area Median Income
- Prioritize working with local, community-based, non-profit organizations that are:
 - Culturally relevant and historically rooted, particularly when an acquisition is in an area that is at high risk for displacement; and
 - Have staff and board members who reflect the community they purport to serve

Housing & Homelessness

Investments in permanent housing strategies

Rapid Rehousing: \$6.7 million

- Expands Rapid Rehousing Services to transition 185 households to permanent housing through 2022
- Provides housing search services, financial assistance for up to 12 months for rent and move-in costs, and case management services

Diversion: \$1.3 million

- Expands Diversion support for an estimated 250 households in 2021
- Provides services and flexible financial assistance to allow an individual or household to avoid becoming homeless, including:
 - Family and landlord mediation;
 - Budgeting and financial counseling; and
 - Assessment and referral to income support programs and public benefits

Housing & Homelessness

Resources for
Emergency
Housing, Shelter,
and Services

Enhanced Shelter & Outreach: \$7.5 million

- Funds for additional shelter and outreach to create and maintain at least 130 units
- Provide a match for the County's RFP for a program that uses a model similar to the approach piloted by JustCARE

RV Safe Lots: \$500,000

- Expand Safe Lots to support 25 RVs in 2021
- Includes case management to move those residing in RVs into permanent housing and services to meet the basic needs of RV residents utilizing the safe lots

Housing & Homelessness

Resources for Emergency Housing, Shelter, and Services

Tiny Home Villages: \$400,000

- Support the operation, maintenance, and services for new Tiny Home Villages (THVs)
- \$400,000 could support operations at three THVs for two months or two THVs for three months
- Funding is provided in concert with \$2M for THVs in the State 2021-2023 Capital Budget and unspent appropriations from Council Budget Actions HOM-008-B-002 and HOM-009-B-002 in the 2021 Adopted Budget

Capacity Building: \$4.3M

- Support for homeless service and permanent supportive housing (PSH) and non-PSH housing providers to expand capacity and stabilize staffing

Homelessness and Housing Summary

Investment Area	Amount	# Households (HH) Served or Units
Additional Diversion	\$1.3M	250 HH
Increase Rapid Rehousing	\$6.7M	185 HH
Permanent Housing Capital	\$28.5M*	300 Units
RV Safe Lot	\$500k	25 RVs
Outreach and Shelter (KC RFP)	\$7.5M	100-200 units
Tiny House Villages – operations & maintenance	\$400k	-
Capacity Building for HMLS, PSH, and non-PSH providers	\$4.3M	-

**At least \$40M will be committed to permanent affordable housing capital in 2021-2022*

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Community Well-Being

\$41.5 MILLION



**Direct Cash
Assistance &
Community
Support**



**Digital
Equity**



**Restoring
City Services
/ Library
Hours**



**Youth Equity &
Opportunity**

Community Well-being

Community
Assistance for a
trauma-informed
response

Cash Assistance to Residents: \$25M

- Contract with a third-party provider to provide direct cash assistance to qualifying residents
- Partner with community-based organizations to conduct outreach, assist with applications, and provide in-language assistance
- Amount could provide over 10,000 households with an average of \$2,000 in direct cash assistance, allowing people to make their own decisions about immediate needs
 - 2020 JumpStart COVID Relief Plan's Seattle Disaster Relief Fund provided cash assistance to 3,307 HH with awards ranging between \$1,000 - \$3,000

Community Well-being

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response

Child Care Facilities: \$5M

- Expand the Human Services Department's (HSD) Community Facilities / Child Care Bonus Programs
- HSD is aware of approximately 15 centers in early- to mid-planning stages seeking funding
- Support pre-development investments for communities with historical barriers to capital that will result in more childcare options in those communities

Community Well-being

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trauma-informed
response

Child Care Workers: \$3M

- Recognize the essential service they have provided during the pandemic by:
 - providing in-person care to children and families
 - caring for children attending school online
 - enabling parents and caregivers to participate in the workforce
- \$3M will provide about \$1,000 to 2500 child care workers

Community Well-being

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trauma-informed
response

Gender-based violence response services: \$600,000

- Funds will help close service gap caused by increased demand for services in 2020 and 2021, and reductions in federal funds
- Support for survivors will include mobile legal advocacy, housing, culturally specific and/or bilingual services, housing and relocation assistance, advocacy for victim-defendants, emergency financial assistance, as well as civil legal support for immigrant and refugee survivors

Mental & behavioral health services: \$600,000

- Will fund services for individuals, youth, and families, including services provided at emergency shelters and supportive housing

Community Well-being

Community
Assistance for a
trauma-informed
response

Other Community Support: \$915,000

- \$690,000 to support restaurants preparing free meals to those in need, while supporting local farms and producers and building long-term local supply chain relationships
- \$225,000 to support organizations, such as WestSide Baby, to increase diaper distribution

Community Well-being

Digital Equity

Digital Equity: \$800,000

- Support digital equity programs such as the Technology Matching Fund, increasing affordable internet connectivity in high needs areas
- Provide computers and subsidized Wi-Fi to individuals disproportionately impacted by COVID-19, including distribution and digital literacy assistance

Community Well-being

Reopening City Services

Restoring Hours at Seattle Public Libraries: \$1.1M

- Restore Library operating hours to pre-pandemic levels
- General Fund support for operating hours was reduced in the 2021 Adopted Budget to alleviate the revenue shortfall anticipated as a result of the COVID-19 public health emergency

Community Well-being

Youth Equity and Opportunity

Seattle Promise: \$4M

- Enhancing student financial assistance:
 - Increasing the Equity Scholarship (\$0.7M)
 - Student Enrollment Fees (\$0.2M)
 - Sustain Increased Enrollment (\$0.2M)
 - Washington State Opportunity Scholarship Investment (\$0.2M)
- Increasing support for students transitioning into and out of the program, and for program completion:
 - Readiness Academy/Academic Bridge (\$0.9M)
 - Completion Commitment (\$0.8M)
 - Transfer Support to 4-year Colleges (\$0.5M)
 - Enhance Support for Students (\$0.4M)
 - Program Staffing Support (\$0.1M)

Community Well-being

Youth Equity and Opportunity

Youth Employment: \$500,000

- \$500,000 to provide mini grants to community-based organizations for preemployment summer programming for BIPOC youth

Community Assistance for a Trauma-Informed Response: \$35.1 M

Investment Area	Amount
Cash Assistance	\$25M
Child care facilities (new or expanded)	\$5M
Child care workers	\$3M
Youth Equity and Opportunity	\$4.5M
Supporting restaurants offering mutual aid	\$690,000
Diaper distribution	\$225,000

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Community & Small Business Recovery

\$23 MILLION



**Neighborhood and
Downtown Recovery**



Job Training

Community & Small Business Recovery

Neighborhood and Downtown Recovery

Neighborhood & Downtown Recovery: \$22M

- Prioritize those who have experience barriers to access other financial assistance, such as the Paycheck Protection Program
- Support innovative new businesses launched by BIPOC workers who lost their jobs or were forced to quit their jobs as a result of the pandemic
- Grants to small- and micro-businesses and non-profit organizations to support reopening and recovery efforts, including support for affordable commercial space, securing long term leases, acquisition, and tenant improvement to build community wealth
 - The City's Small Business Stabilization Fund has distributed over \$10 million to nearly 1,500 small businesses and economic opportunity non-profits

Community & Small Business Recovery

Neighborhood and Downtown Recovery

Neighborhood and Downtown Recovery (cont.)

- Financial support for arts and cultural organizations and businesses including stabilization grants and financial support for affordable commercial space
- Technical assistance for small and micro-businesses and non-profit organizations to renegotiate leases, re-finance back rent, and continue to modify their business model in a post-COVID world, including in-language support
- Recovery grants to support neighborhood and downtown activation, special events, and other neighborhood-specific economic development priorities

Community & Small Business Recovery

Job Training

Job Training: \$1M

- \$500,000 to support retraining, pre-apprenticeship, and retention programs for displaced workers, targeting BIPOC workers and women with a focus on opportunities in construction, IT, blue/green manufacturing, or other high-paying industries
- \$500,000 to partner with the Port of Seattle to provide youth employment/paid internship opportunities targeting BIPOC youth who are most underserved in our region between the ages of 16 and 24

Community & Small Business Recovery: \$23M

Category	Amount
Neighborhood and Downtown Recovery	\$22M
Job Training	\$1M

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Community Assistance & Programming

\$7 MILLION



**Making Most
Stay Healthy
Streets
Permanent**



**Support
Child
Care
Services**



**Enhance
Services at
Parks &
Facilities**



**Extend Free
Permits for
Cafe Streets**

Community Assistance & Programming

Community Programming

Department of Transportation: \$2.8M

- \$2.5M to make permanent 20 of the 26 miles of Stay Healthy Streets
 - Includes permanent signage and minor modifications to greenways
- \$300,000 to offer free "Safe Start" outdoor dining and retail permits for another year; ORD 126339 extends these permits to May 31, 2022

Community Assistance & Programming

Community Programming and Maintenance

Seattle Parks and Recreation: \$3.15M

- \$1.4M to support:
 - Scholarships for child care services provided at SPR-related facilities in the summer and fall
 - Opening of eight wading pools, seven days a week, from the end of June to Labor Day
- \$1.25M to support enhanced maintenance and custodial cleaning efforts at parks, community centers and other facilities experiencing high use in summer and fall
- \$500,000 to support expanded activation at parks that:
 - Build community by providing cultural and recreational activities
 - Supports artists and small businesses, including food trucks or food carts and other vendors, as they rebuild after the pandemic
 - Effort could serve as a model to be funded with future Jump Start economic resiliency funding

Community Assistance & Programming

Community Programming

Seattle Center: \$200,000

- \$200,000 to support summer and fall activation at the Seattle Center campus, such as outdoor movies and other public events

Arts Activation: \$375,000

- \$375,000 to support the Created Commons program which would employ artists to provide cultural performances and activate public spaces in Downtown and other neighborhoods

Community Assistance & Programming

Community Assistance

Impact Analysis and Evaluation: \$500,000

- Measure and evaluate the impacts of the City's recovery investments
- Establish an Equitable Recovery Evaluation Pilot:
 - Use data disaggregated by race and ethnicity to determine appropriate investment priorities
 - Work with partners to set citywide best practices for disaggregating data in line with City data privacy principles
 - Implement a cohesive common application tool that reduces time and effort for residents to find and apply for recovery funds
 - Develop report on pilot program strategies for broader application across City programs

Community Assistance & Programming – \$7M

Category	Amount
Stay Healthy Streets	\$2.5M
Free outdoor dining and retail permits	\$300,000
Parks Programming and Maintenance	\$3.2M
Seattle Center & Arts activation	\$575,000
Impact Analysis & Evaluation	\$500,000

Seattle Rescue Plan



Reopening City Programs & Services

\$7.6 MILLION



**Support Flexible
City Workforce**



**Safeguard Public Buildings with
PPE, Cleaning, Filtration, etc.**

Supporting City Services & Workers

Technology Upgrades: \$6M

- Supports flexible work by upgrading technology needs to support teleworking, on-site work, and other IT needs that were reduced due to 2021 budget cuts

Return to Work Preparation: \$1.6M

- Supports workers returning to work and the public returning to public buildings with investments in deep cleaning City buildings, PPE, signage, air filtration, and space reconfiguration

Policy Considerations

- What is most equitable? How are investments addressing systemic inequities that were exacerbated by the pandemic and helping communities that have been most impacted to recover and build wealth?
- What is the desired balance between direct support to people and businesses versus general support for community organizations, business districts, and service providers?
- What will have the biggest impact? Balancing spending on one-time strategies (e.g., smaller grants to nonprofits and businesses) versus investments in long-term assets (building acquisition)?

Next Steps

- **TUESDAY, June 15:** Amendments* & Possible Vote: Seattle Rescue Plan 1 (CBs 120093 & 120094) **discussion may be continued at the June 16th meeting if needed*
 - **TUESDAY, June 8:** Amendment proposals due to Central Staff by **NOON**
- **MONDAY, June 21 or 28:** Final Council Action on Seattle Rescue Plan 1
- **July 2021:** Discussions and action on Seattle Rescue Plan 2