WHAT IS ARPA?

AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT

- Federal grant issued to states, tribes, municipalities and counties
- Unique investment opportunity to utilize funds directly in our community

FUNDS

- Must be obligated by December 31, 2024 and spent by December 31, 2026

THE FINAL RULE

- Issued in January 2022 and took effect on April 1, 2022
- Establishes rules/requirements for use of ARPA funds
WHAT CAN ARPA FUNDS BE USED FOR?

FOUR MAIN CATEGORIES OF ELIGIBLE USES:

Public Health Emergency/Negative Economic Impacts

Premium Pay for Eligible Essential Workers - Must meet the qualifying criteria

Revenue Loss Due to Pandemic
   Flexible Use For Government Services

Water, Sewer or Broadband Infrastructure
City of Taunton Total ARPA Allocation
$31,127,585.85

Total ARPA Allocation from Treasury
$20,992,932.00
Total ARPA Funds Received to Date
$10,496,466.00

Total ARPA Allocation from Bristol County
$10,134,653.85
Total ARPA Funds Received to Date
$100,000.00
Facts about Taunton

Population: 59,408

- Largest Water Storage Facility Tank: Prospect Hill Reservoir (able to hold 22 million gallons)
- Assawompset Pond (holds 12.6 billion gallons of water at capacity)
- Water Treatment Plant (capable of producing 14 million gallons per day to meet peak summer demands)
- Water is distributed through 371 miles of pipes

- 25 – 30 Municipal Buildings
- 14 School Buildings
- 17 City-Maintained Cemeteries (largest being 55 acres)
- 8 Parks & Playgrounds
- 8 Basketball Courts
- 2 Public Pools
- 1 Splash Pad
- 2 Adult Slow Pitch Softball Complexes
- 1 Football Field
- 2 Youth Softball Fields
- 2 Youth Baseball Fields
- 2 Babe Ruth Fields
- 3 Boat Launches
- Canoe Launch
- Walking Trails
- 1 Wildlife Refuge

- Sewer System includes 39 Pumping Stations
- Approximately 177 Miles of Sewer Pipes
- 295 Miles of Roads
City of Taunton Current ARPA Allocation

- **Balance**: $11,026,493 (36%)
- **Public Safety/Environment**: $6,287,000 (20%)
- **Infrastructure**: $6,240,000 (20%)
- **Public Health/Negative Economic Impacts**: $3,812,686.70 (12%)
- **School Costs/IT Cyber-Internet/Administrative**: $3,761,406 (12%)

Total Allocation: $31,644,479
City of Taunton Plan

Funds will be spent to address our city’s diverse set of needs across all allowable categories.

Addressing Negative Economic Impacts:

Non-profit youth summer programs offering Social-Emotional Learning curriculum paired with hands on academic programming to assist with lost classroom learning due to negative effects of pandemic.
Community, Recreation, Health and Human Services

- Small Business Grants
- Sign and Façade Program to Improve Businesses
- Social, Emotional & Mental Health Programs
- Non-profit Funding Up to Four Years
Lake Sabbatia Clean-Up

Other Areas of Focus Across the City:
- Services
- Safety
- Seniors
- Infrastructure

- Splash Pads for Children
- Recreational Movie Nights and Extended Hours at Community Pools
- New Community Center
• Vaccination Efforts
• Senior Center Coordinator & Activities
• Caregiver support

Public Safety
• Patrolmen – Premium Pay/COVID Pay
• Outdoor Shooting Range (Taunton Police Department)

• Land Purchase for Future Public Safety Building
• Earmark for Public Safety Capital Items over Four-Year Period
• 911 Emergency Dispatch Study
- Assawompset Pumping Station Upgrade
- Prospect Hill Reservoir Improvements

- Insertion Valve on Transmission Main & Land Clearing
- Department of Public Works Salt Shed Repair

Department of Public Works & Building Department Water/Sewer
Cyber Security

• Critical need of comprehensive software upgrade
• Munis Software purchased
• Project is vast, underway and has unanimous support from staff and schools

• Bennett School: Septic System Replacement
• Gallagher School: Boiler/Doors/Windows
What is City of Taunton’s plan when ARPA funds are no longer available?

- Appropriate ARPA funding towards having a Capital and Community Spending Plan in place.
- Continually monitor, adjust and deliver on our commitment to improving the City and helping our residents.