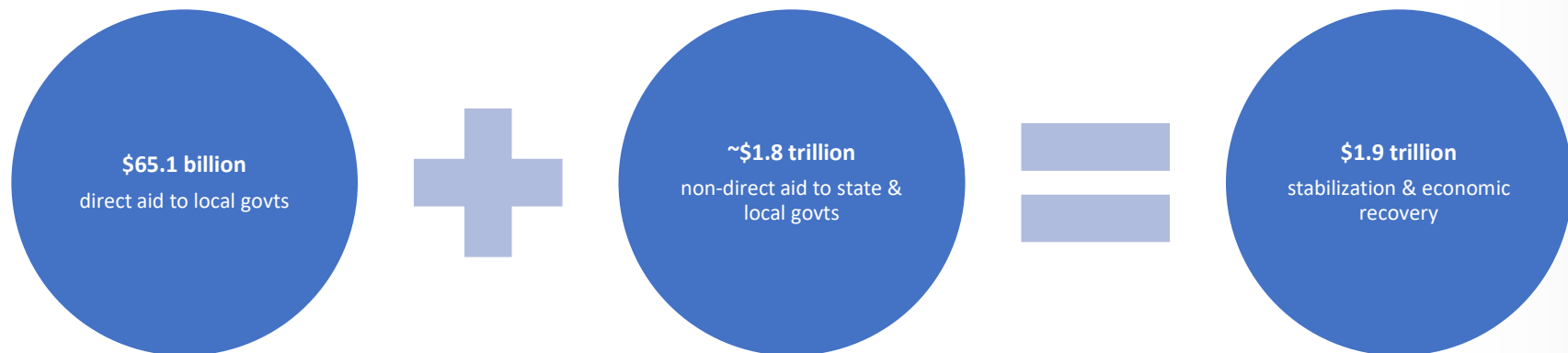


NLC Update Call #6: ARP Implementation



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CITIES STRONG TOGETHER

American Rescue Plan Bill



- Prioritizes stabilization of local government operations, households, and small businesses
- Positions communities on a path to economic recovery

Principles for Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund

- 1. Use dedicated grants and programs first whenever possible**
 - Save Local Fiscal Recovery Funds for gaps and priorities not eligible for other federal and state assistance programs
- 2. Assess government operations AND community needs**
 - Ask valuable staff and stakeholders for help creating a comprehensive needs assessment; be prepared to pivot
- 3. Prioritize fiscal stability and returning to work**
 - Save pet projects for earmarks
- 4. Maintain records and document success**
 - Create long-term information infrastructure for your future leaders
- 5. Your Congressional Delegation is part of your success**
 - Invite Members of Congress to re-openings, ribbon-cuttings, etc...

NLC COVID-19 Response and Relief Hub

<https://www.nlc.org/initiative/covid-19-pandemic-response/>



Your hub for the latest on infection, vaccination, response and relief

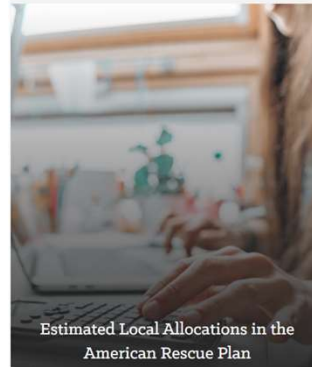
We are bringing you the tools, resources and events necessary to fight back against COVID-19. Check back here for the latest in pandemic response protocols, funding options and more for your city, town or village.

OUR COMMUNITIES WILL RECEIVE

\$65.1 BILLION

in necessary aid through the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021. Learn everything you need to know about funding through ARP.

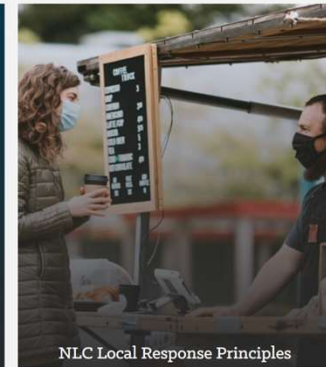
AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN



Estimated Local Allocations in the American Rescue Plan



Local Action Tracker



NLC Local Response Principles

New ARPA Guidance: Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund



These steps should be taken **by municipalities with populations over 50,000** as soon as possible to receive their funds in a timely fashion.

1. **Ensure the entity has a valid DUNS number.** A DUNS number is a unique nine-character number used to identify an organization and is issued by Dun & Bradstreet. The federal government uses the DUNS number to track how federal money is allocated. A DUNS number is required prior to registering with the SAM database, which is outlined below. Registering for a DUNS number is free of charge.

If an entity does not have a valid DUNS number, please visit <https://fedgov.dnb.com/webform/> or call 1-866-705-5711 to begin the registration process.

2. **Ensure the entity has an active SAM registration.** SAM is the official government-wide database to register with in order to do business with the U.S. government. All Federal financial assistance recipients must register on SAM.gov and renew their SAM registration annually to maintain an active status to be eligible to receive Federal financial assistance. There is no charge to register or maintain your entity SAM registration.

If an entity does not have an active SAM registration, please visit, [SAM.gov](https://sam.gov) to begin the entity registration or renewal process. Please note that SAM registration can take up to three weeks; delay in registering in SAM could impact timely payment of funds. [Click here for a quick overview for SAM registration](#)

3. **Gather the entity's payment information,** including:
 - o Entity Identification Number (EIN), name, and contact information
 - o Name and title of an authorized representative of the entity
 - o Financial institution information (e.g., routing and account number, financial institution name and contact information)

<https://home.treasury.gov/policy-issues/coronavirus/assistance-for-state-local-and-tribal-governments/state-and-local-fiscal-recovery-fund>

New ARPA Guidance: Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund



These steps should be taken by **municipalities with populations of 50,000 or below** as soon as possible to receive their funds in a timely fashion.

Eligible Non-entitlement Units of Local Government will receive a distribution of funds from their respective state government. “Non-entitlement units of local government” are defined in 42 U.S.C. 5302(a)(5) that are not metropolitan cities. For these Non-entitlement units of local government, Treasury will allocate and pay funds to state governments, and the state will distribute funds to non-entitlement units of local government in proportion to population. Non-entitlement units must have a valid DUNS number to meet reporting requirements under the program. If an entity does not have a valid DUNS number, please visit <https://fedgov.dnb.com/webform/> or call 1-866-705-5711 to begin the registration process.

The U.S. Department of Treasury stated that program guidance for Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund will be released in the coming weeks.

Frequently Asked Questions

- Are entitlement funds subject to the single audit?
- Under the CARES ACT, the Regulatory Requirements (i.e. Purchasing Guidelines, etc.) were pushed/referred down to each States reporting requirements. Do you think the ARPA funds will be treated the same way, by using the States reporting requirements?
- How can the interest earned on the funds we receive be spent?
- What do small cities under 5000 need to do to apply or receive funds?
- Can cities use the funding to replenish their General Fund reserves, if the reserves were spent down due to lack of tax income from COVID?

If you have any input, questions or to share your ARP Story,
submit through this form which can be accessed by scanning:



ARP Questions Form: <https://bit.ly/3eVvWt>

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