

Organization - Project	Request	Summary of Request	Sub- Initiative Category
Kaleideum _ Round 2	\$ 801,405.00	<p>Winston-Salem and Forsyth County have been influenced for generations by the contributions of notable Black members of our community. Kaleideum, Forsyth County's children's and science museum, seeks to commission a feature exhibition — working title "Black Notables" — that explores the achievements of local Black legends in science, technology, engineering, art, math, medicine, and sports (STEAMMS). "Black Notables" is a collaboration with Triad Cultural Arts, Inc. (TCA).</p> <p>The exhibition will be flexibly designed such that it can be housed at Kaleideum and travel into the community — in whole or in part — to be displayed at local libraries, community centers, schools, events, etc. Initially, the "Black Notables" exhibition will be prominently on display in Kaleideum's traveling exhibit hall when the doors to the reimagined museum open in late 2023. From there, it will fan out into the community through a network of collaborators.</p> <p>Through the "Black Notables" exhibition, Kaleideum seeks to amplify underrepresented and marginalized local voices from our community through increased representation in the Museum's exhibits and programming. Additionally, we seek to "bring the museum" directly to disproportionately impacted communities through targeted outreach initiatives. Furthermore, "Black Notables" will function as an incubator for a future Black Heritage Center in Winston-Salem.</p>	Arts & Tourism
Korner's Folly Foundation	\$ 200,000.00	<p>Körner's Folly, historic house museum in Kernersville, requests capital funds to build a new Visitors Center as the gateway to downtown Kernersville. The Visitors Center will serve as a tourism resource for the downtown small businesses, hoteliers, and the local nonprofit community and support the ongoing growth and expansion of Körner's Folly. The Visitors Center will allow Körner's Folly to increase and diversify educational programs by increasing organizational capacity and accessibility.</p>	Arts & Tourism
Old Salem 2022	\$ 783,750.00	<p>Old Salem Museums & Gardens is one of the most important tourism destinations in Forsyth County. It is also a tremendous historical and cultural resource for the public and for schools within a two-hour driving distance, which prior to the COVID pandemic sent tens of thousands of students on field trips each year. Before the pandemic, Old Salem attracted as many as 400,000 total visitors from 20 countries and every state in the U.S. A 2018 survey funded by Visit Winston-Salem found that 76% of the 2,600 adults surveyed cited "historic" as their primary description of Winston-Salem as a whole. This was consistent among all age groups, from Generation Y through the Greatest Generation. "Mix of old and new" was the second highest descriptor, cited by 53 percent.</p> <p>For decades, however, Old Salem neglected telling the stories of the estimated 135 enslaved individuals who lived and worked in the community and made enormous but unsung contributions. These individuals played significant roles in building the town's original structures as well as cleaning, cooking, and tending gardens and livestock for the Moravian families. Some assisted the craftspeople who fueled the economy of the town and became very skilled in their own right. It is estimated that two-thirds of the plants that the Moravians relied upon for food were from seeds given to them by Africans and Native Americans. Seeds from these heirloom plants are housed in a Seed Saving Laboratory that is open to the public.</p> <p>Old Salem's Hidden Town Project seeks to greatly expand and diversify the Old Salem story, and thus, the story of Winston-Salem and Forsyth County. While Old Salem has made progress in including stories and testimonials of enslaved individuals in exhibits and tour narratives, there is still much work to be done, particularly in refurbishing buildings that were important to the lives of the enslaved individuals and opening them to visitors as part of the official Old Salem tour experience. The replica of the original St. Philips log church, the current brick St. Philips church, as well as two barns and the former Tavern where the enslaved worked and slept, are in dire need of major structural repairs and renovations in order to preserve their integrity and to become sites suitable for tourists.</p> <p>The Herbst House, which was the residence of tanner Heinrich Herbst and an enslaved couple, Abraham and Sarah, currently houses the Seed Saving Laboratory but needs exterior painting and replacement of siding. The Blum House was the home of John Christian Blum and four enslaved individuals, including one man who helped Blum in his print shop despite a national prohibition against teaching the enslaved to read and write. The house, currently a wood-working shop, is in need of a new roof and rebuild of a cracked chimney.</p> <p>Old Salem is a rare historic treasure that can visually demonstrate what life in the 18th and 19th centuries was like for all citizens, and it is important that these buildings be brought online for tourists. Moreover, an existing exhibit inside the log church that was created in the 1990s to tell the stories of the enslaved is woefully out of date, requiring visitors to pick up a handset attached by a cord to a payphone-type unit in order to hear the narratives. These repairs and renovations are well beyond the current budgetary capabilities of Old Salem. Most people do not realize that the ticket price to Old Salem covers less than 20% of the cost per visitor involved in operating and maintaining an historic district. Despite running very leanly in terms of staffing and operations, the cost of maintaining and repairing/restoring/renovating historic buildings -- even those open currently to the public -- was substantial even before the current inflationary environment. In addition, the pandemic struck a major economic blow to Old Salem. OSMG remained</p>	Arts & Tourism
Village of Clemmons	\$ 3,060,000.00	<p>The Village of Clemmons is requesting ARPA funds from Forsyth County to relocate the existing Clemmons Farmers Market to a permanent, fixed structure open-air promenade and to create an amphitheater for concerts, live music, exercise classes, outdoor classrooms, performing arts, graduations, and family gatherings. The requested funding will be used to purchase the property from Novant and to complete the environmental and design work to create a shovel-ready project. CHARACTERS: 471/500</p>	Arts & Tourism

Reynolda House	\$ 321,806.00	Reynolda is evolving as a unified destination for peaceful contemplation, play, work, and learning. Visitors to Reynolda come from the community as well as throughout North Carolina and surrounding states. Reynolda House Museum of American Art and Reynolda Gardens of Wake Forest University, with their shared mission and vision, strive to create a place where all can find a sense of belonging. With the support of Forsyth County ARPA funds, Reynolda will create staff positions for a new Welcome Center and support existing front-line staff positions in the Museum. The ARPA funding will enable the fulfillment of the institutional mission and generate a positive and equitable economic impact for the County through the generation of additional tax revenues.	Arts & Tourism
RiverRun International Film Festival	\$ 45,000.00	<p>Widespread and equitable access to the arts is important to RiverRun’s work and role in our community. We are dedicated to the role of cinema as a conduit of powerful ideas and diverse viewpoints and fulfills that through our Films With Class education program.</p> <p>Films with Class runs in conjunction with the established school calendar and presents free in-school screenings that correspond with school curricula -- as well as free screenings during the annual festival and our free Indie lens Pop-Up screenings in partnership with PBS North Carolina. With funding from Forsyth County, RiverRun seeks to expand Films with Class for K-12 and college students in Forsyth County. Our ambitious goal is to increase the number of Forsyth County children RiverRun serve by 60% -- from 2,469 (FY21) to 4,000, creating equitable access to the arts.</p> <p>Funding would be used to help pay for salaries, film screening fees, filmmaker stipends, and classroom materials.</p>	Arts & Tourism
Thompson Child & Family Focus	\$ 500,000.00	Thompson is requesting a Forsyth County ARPA grant to expand evidence-based foster care services to Forsyth County children and youth who have experienced multiple adverse childhood experiences (ACE’s) and are in need of foster placements. These children and youth are disproportionately impacted by COVID-19 and are in need of supportive services to bolster their mental health and help them achieve stability. Thompson currently serves 5 foster homes in Forsyth County, and we desire to expand foster care services to reach even more children and youth in need of trauma-informed foster homes. We use Together Facing the Challenge, the evidence-based, affordable, sustainable model to recruit and equip foster parents in providing trauma-informed care to the youth in their homes. Our staff also utilize the evidence-based Children and Residential Experiences (CARE) model out of Cornell University to inform practice. Thompson has proven its capacity and commitment to building therapeutic foster homes in communities where the need is great across the state. We have increased our agency’s foster home capacity by 300%, trained dozens of new therapeutic foster homes, and contributed to developing a stronger system of care for adolescents, preteens and children with behavioral health challenges. We want to serve the children and youth in Forsyth County in the same way – by engaging, recruiting, training, licensing and supporting foster parents as they care for youth who of trauma. We expect our project to result in an increase in the number of trauma-informed foster homes for Forsyth County youth, foster placement stability and satisfaction for youth in care, and a high rate of satisfaction for foster parents.	Behavioral Health
Novant Health Forsyth Medical Center Foundation	\$ 920,495.00	<p>The Novant Health Behavioral Health team will develop and initiate a medication-assisted therapy program using buprenorphine to treat uninsured Forsyth County residents who present in the Novant Health Forsyth Medical Center Emergency Department with opioid use disorder. Furthermore, the team will transition eligible patients from the Emergency Department to intensive outpatient therapy for six to eight weeks and then to recovery and counseling for up to 12 months at the Novant Health Behavioral Health Center to maintain continuity of care and improve individual and community health outcomes.</p> <p>The impact of these interventions will address and reduce opioid use disorder that led individuals to the Emergency Department in the first place and ensure the experience is not repeated, saving individuals damage to their health and addressing spiraling costs incurred by the community and healthcare system.</p>	Behavioral Health

Community Care Center for Forsyth County Behavioral Health Expansion	\$ 431,142.00	<p>Community Care Center (CCC) is an integrative medical practice with a 20-year history of providing free medical and dental care to our community's economically disadvantaged residents. We plan to transform the way CCC provides services to its patients by reaching beyond the clinic walls and taking our services into the community. We are also going to become an information coordinator for the other services needed by our patients - housing, transportation, employment, etc. To accomplish this transformation, we have a three-part strategy separated into three funding requests.</p> <p>CCC needs to expand its Behavioral Health services beyond the clinic walls while maintaining a continuous in-clinic presence during operating hours to consult with providers and meet with patients. CCC currently provides limited mental health services with two part-time counselors, one of which is certified as a substance abuse counselor. The counselors provide mental health assessments, patient counseling, referrals, and intervention services. Patients generally are seen by appointment either during normal clinic hours or at pre-arranged times on or off the clinic site. Patients seen by the counselors already are patients of the clinic and are referred by one of our medical providers.</p> <p>Any expansion of mental health services will require additional staff, with the intent to provide a broader spectrum of services and providers. Specifically, CCC would hire an experienced individual with a Master of Social Work (MSW) degree, who also is a Licensed Clinical Social Worker (LCSW). This licensure, which requires additional testing and training, allows the provider to offer multiple behavioral health services that our counselors cannot. This individual would become the lead mental health professional.</p> <p>CCC also would hire a full-time counselor to replace the two existing part-time counselors, who are leaving the clinic in the near future for separate personal life change reasons. The hiring of these two full-time individuals will allow us to expand services to our patients. This level of staff would allow for us to have consistent mental health coverage in the building to allow for PRN (as needed) consultation with our paid and volunteer providers, crisis intervention (mental health and substance abuse), case management, telehealth services, and limited in-home services. In addition, it will allow us to perform mental health screening of our existing patient population for early problem detection and interventions. Currently, our mental health staff's time is consumed with responding to acute needs, and do not have the time to look for potential issues that screenings might reveal.</p> <p>One consequence of the COVID-19 pandemic is that demand for BH services has seen strong growth across the board. Our patients' needs have pulled our counselors out of the clinic building to where patients live, work, and engage in the community. This has sometimes left the clinic without BH staff on the premises when medical staff require a BH consult during a medical visit. In mid-April, a patient described a credible plan for self-harm to a medical provider during a visit. Neither of the BH staff members was in the clinic at the time. We were able to use multiple delaying tactics to keep the patient at the clinic until one of the counselors arrived to evaluate the patient. This is not an area where we want to depend on luck. We need</p>	Behavioral Health
Selfless Foundation, Inc.	\$ 960,000.00	The Exposed Transitional Living Program is a community-based program that provides vocational training, job readiness training and independent living skills to underserved young adults ages 16 to 24, who have mental and/or behavioral health diagnosis. The program's primary objective is to increase positive life outcomes, decrease homelessness and decrease delinquency amongst marginalized populations, with moderate to severe mental health diagnosis. We aim to foster engagement in pro-social activities, assist young adults with obtaining gainful employment and provide them with skills to successfully live independently.	Behavioral Health
Pathways to Self Reliance	\$ 696,000.00	To serve individuals with mental health, developmental disabilities, addiction and substance abuse illnesses. Also, empowering individuals and families to achieve their goal to self-sufficiency through therapy, education, self-awareness, employment services, transportation solutions, transitional housing and housing seeking assistance to promote self-sufficient productive citizens.	Behavioral Health
Eliza's Helping Hands, ARPA 2	\$ 400,000.00	<p>We are requesting financial support to continue to provide the continued need of services which include: mental health counseling for those who don't have access to insurance, domestic violence victims who we service at our safe house, services for clients who have had a challenge dealing with the pandemic and have turned to substance abuse use, we also would like support for our mediation court services, which provides an opportunity for offenders and victims to mediate their case without clogging up the court's calendar. Mediation is another way in which we can service the community particularly those from lower income populations, who do not have the means to hire an attorney and to have the opportunity to keep their records clean.</p> <p>We also want to continue to make sure that we continue our programs and services for our young people ages 12 to 18 through our programs Pearl's for young women and Pirates for young men. Preventative services that give them same opportunity for services as adults.</p> <p>We have a large Black, Hispanic and others groups traditionally kept from access of many of the above services that we offer. So we want to continue to provide services, but we also want to expand services to make sure that we reach as many disadvantaged residents from our community as possible. Having wrap around services in a location easily assessable to by bus, car or walking distance along with transportation from us as needed is extremely important so that barriers are not in the way of getting the help that individuals and families need.</p>	Behavioral Health

<p>Children's Home Society of North Carolina</p>	<p>\$ 568,450.00</p>	<p>Young children were particularly impacted by the pandemic in a number of important domains related to learning and social – emotional wellbeing. In particular, the proportion of young children with significant social-emotional problems is much higher than pre-pandemic levels, including problems with conduct, prosocial behavior, emotional problems, peer problems, and hyperactivity. For most of these measures, current rates are nearly twice the pre-pandemic rates. In addition, national studies have reported declines in key parental supports for early learning, especially reading with young children. Participation in preschool for 3- and 4-year-old children steeply declined early in the pandemic, from nearly 70% of children enrolled, to less than 10% in spring 2020. Preschool participation has increased since the earliest days of the pandemic, but still have not rebounded to pre-pandemic levels, currently hovering around 50% of children, including remote/hybrid learning. Children in poverty are even less likely to be participating in preschool, with only about a third currently participating, including remote/hybrid. These combined impacts have created an urgent need to support young children and their families.</p> <p>Child First is an evidence-based home visiting program, with proven effectiveness in achieving improved mental health outcomes for young children (0-5) and their caregivers. It is a psychotherapeutic, two-generation intervention, which helps build a nurturing, responsive, parent-child relationship. This protects the child's developing brain from the damage of chronic stress, heals the effects of trauma and adversity for both child and parent/caregiver, and promotes strong emotional health, cognitive growth, and resilience.</p> <p>Children's Home Society of North Carolina (CHS) is the largest private child and family service agency in the state, with a long, dedicated history of excellent outcomes for children and families. CHS believes that strong families build strong communities, and that family is the most important determinant of child well-being and success. With support from this funding request, CHS will open the Child First program in Forsyth County to address the needs of young children and their families.</p>	<p>Behavioral Health</p>
<p>Daymark Recovery Services, Inc. Round 2</p>	<p>\$ 2,833,109.00</p>	<p>Daymark provides care to approximately 48,000 persons annually companywide, with 6,193 served in Forsyth County for FY2021. Daymark is seeking funding to provide a Medication Assistance Treatment (MAT) Program in Forsyth County. This will improve and advance the care of persons needing this level of care that are currently our patients. This also affords Daymark the opportunity to improve health outcomes to the full community by giving access to others, where previously access to this care was unavailable for, we routinely have no additional MAT capacity and cannot find adequate MAT programs that care for the number of indigent patients that access our emergency services continuum. Most importantly, this addition to the program will allow Daymark the added tool of doing outpatient inductions. At this time, most persons start MAT programs after an inpatient stay. While safe and effective, this an inpatient stay is often not medically necessary if an outpatient induction program is available. This program will allow people to get care in the least restrictive setting, encourage more people that prefer outpatient to start MAT and reserve inpatient bed space for persons that truly meet medical necessity based on their illness and not due to absence of available resources. The program will also integrate care through our meaningful use certified electronic medical record. Our medical record has interoperability with all of the major healthcare systems in the surrounding area. This means we can address physical health concerns, healthcare disparities, social determinants of health, all while starting the person in an MAT Program.</p>	<p>Behavioral Health</p>

Hosanna House Of Transition	\$ 1,153,564.99	<p>Hosanna House of Transition have been providing services to the residents of Winston-Salem, Forsyth County since 1999. Since that time we have provided housing for hundreds of persons who are "Disproportionately Impacted In our Community", those who are Chronically Homeless, Addicted, Mentally ill, Medically Fragile and/ or Recently Released from Incarceration. This grant request includes 3 Special Projects with a total request amount of \$ 1,153,564.99 .</p> <p>The first project "Operational" we are requesting \$24,577.00. These funds will empower us with the resources to hire & pay two additional part-time staff for 12 months. The new positions will include a case manager / peer support to specifically work with the mentally ill, addicted and offender population \$600 per month x 12 months, and secondly a Day Activities Coordinator \$800 per month x12 months. Included in the requested grant amount for this project is \$7777.00 which will pay 1 month of rent and/or utilities for new clients without financial resources. At present we house 30 persons and often bare the financially burden of those entering the program without finances and unable to provide for themselves. As a result of this grant, we will be empowered to secure two new staff to better serve those in our program transitioning from homelessness, hospitals & incarceration back into the community. Having a case manager as a guide & a level of accountability will reduce the rates of recidivism.</p> <p>The second project "Transportation" we are requesting \$128,988.00. The requested funds is for the purpose of replacing and or repairing the mechanical issues on our current program automobiles (12 passenger bus with Wheelchair lift, mini van, truck and car). Transportation for our population continues to be a ongoing barrier for persons with Severe and Profound Mental Illness, Addictions and Medical Issues. Be strive hard to remove this barrier by providing safe and reliable transportation to our clients to and from all appointments.</p> <p>Finally, the third project included in this request is for capital Funding in the amount of \$999,999.00. The requested funds will be used to purchase the current building our program occupies at 1141 Motor Road which is currently managed by Baldwin Property. The current asking sale price is \$809,000.00. In addition to closing cost, insurance and taxes we use the remaining funds for a extreme make over / home improvement. The building is in need of some major repairs in the plumbing, heat and air conditioning. There are unoccupied units that is in immediate need of extermination for bedbugs. It is our desire to purchase and remodel the building and/or secure a new location in a safe and drug free environment.</p>	Behavioral Health
ARCA, Inc.	\$ 151,553.52	<p>ARCA is requesting funding to implement an evidence-based component that allows individuals on medication-assisted treatment (MAT) for opioid use disorder access to residential treatment. Historically, ARCA has offered an abstinence-based program, maintaining that immediate abstinence from all mind or mood-altering substances was the preferred outcome for successful recovery. However, recent scientific evidence suggests that the utilization of MAT improves positive outcomes in treating opioid use disorders.</p> <p>Based on community needs assessments and input from our treatment partners, we are responding to the strong demand to provide access to services for individuals currently on MAT but struggling with other substance use disorders (i.e cocaine, or alcohol).</p> <p>Providing individuals with the opportunity to stay on their MAT medications while addressing their other disorders, increases success in recovery from alcohol and other drug addictions.</p> <p>ARCA's new state-of-the-art facility will now accommodate these individuals. In the past, they would not have been accepted into the ARCA program. Our goal continues to be total abstinence from alcohol and other drugs. We are just adding additional pathways toward that goal.</p>	Behavioral Health
Selfless Foundation, Inc.	\$ 543,000.00	<p>Selfless Souls provides intensive care coordination and recovery support for single and pregnant mothers who suffer with substance use and mental health challenges. This program eliminates barriers to substance use and mental health treatment and increases access to healthcare and other community resources to address all deficits in the lives of recovering single mothers. Our services assist recovering single moms with recovery support, independent living skills training, job readiness training, vocational training and case management services for the entire family.</p>	Behavioral Health
Smart Start of Forsyth County	\$ 3,826,406.00	<p>Smart Start of Forsyth County submits this application on behalf of the Pre-K Priority (PKP), a coalition of organizations dedicated to increasing the quality and number of Pre-K programs in Forsyth County. A group of PKP organizations will provide resources/services to a diverse cohort of 30 Pre-K classrooms to enable them to meet high-quality standards. The majority of support will be given to classrooms with the fewest resources that typically serve families with low incomes. The project will establish quality benchmarks that can be applied to all Pre-K classrooms in the county.</p>	Education Attainment

Forsyth Technical Community College	\$ 1,739,832.00	The funds sought in this request would transform the impact Forsyth Tech's College Lift initiative is able to make on postsecondary outcomes in Forsyth County, enabling the program to 1) enroll all high school juniors and seniors college-credit bearing courses, 2) enroll 100% of College Lift parents in continuing education opportunities, 3) better ensure 100% postsecondary matriculation of College Lift's first graduating class of seniors and 4) grow the program to serve a full 25% more students.	Education Attainment
Tre4 Center of fine arts	\$ 115,000.00	The Tre4 Center Of Fine Arts will provide youth education, access and exposure to arts and performances that are written, designed, choreographed, produced, played and acted by them. Through music, drama, dance, and visual arts, youth can draw attention to problems in their neighborhoods and suggest ways to prevent crime. Through these mediums youth will engage in developing solutions regarding poverty, violence, teen pregnancy, substance abuse, HIV/AIDS, and family issues. Tre4 Center Of Fine Arts will offer an after school and summer program that will tap into the gifts and talents of the students and teach such varied skills as acting, writing, producing, photography, video production, costume design, graphic design and how to design and start their own clothing line, and catering business through culinary arts and management. Engaging youth in using their creative talents, arts and performances help youth develop a sense of identity, independence, discipline, and self worth. They also help reduce and prevent crime and violence among the young artists and performers involved. According to research students who participate in band, orchestra, chorus or drama are significantly less likely than nonparticipants to drop out of school, be arrested, use drugs or engage in gang activity.	Education Attainment
Latino Community Services	\$ 980,535.00	Latino Community Services (LCS) is a local non-profit focused on early childhood education and after-school enrichment. We are seeking to renovate and expand our current property located at 3701 Crosland Road, Winston-Salem, NC 27106 . We have reached capacity in many of our programs –including our flagship Pre-K program. In order to meet the needs of our community, LCS is requesting funds to renovate our basement into an after-school care only space. The main level renovations include: the entire Pre-K based space, expansion of our building to increase classroom capacities, and also to create an outdoor learning/recreational center.	Education Attainment
Hogar del Inmigrante	\$ 350,000.00	The Hogar del Inmigrante is a non-profit organization that provides community support services targeting emotional and family conflicts and empowers our immigrants through education. The expected impact of this project is to favor the quality of life for all immigrants that migrate to the U.S in striving for a better adaptation to our cultural, educational, and social life.	Education Attainment
YWCA Capital Request	\$ 240,825.00	<p>The YWCA of Winston-Salem & Forsyth County, founded in 1908, has served our community for over a century with a very important mission: Eliminating Racism and Empowering Women, Promoting peace, justice, freedom, and dignity, for all.</p> <p>The unique programs and services of the YWCA are designed to breakdown the effects of systemic racism.</p> <p>The YWCA operates in areas of great need, areas impacted greatly by the 2020/21 global pandemic:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Minority health equity •Substance use recovery for women •Education with a focus on 3rd grade reading proficiency •Juvenile crime prevention <p>The YWCA's mission and work within our community is centered on racial and social justice. The YWCA has a powerful vision statement:</p> <p>Every day we turn on the lights and open the doors to answer the cry for justice. We will not stop until injustice is rooted out, institutions are transformed, and until the world sees women, girls, and people of color the way we do:</p> <p>Equal, Powerful, Unstoppable</p> <p>To accomplish this vision for our community, we must work together. The YWCA has collaborative partners across all areas of our work:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Health: Wake Forest Baptist Health, WFBH Downtown Health Plaza, & Novant Health •Nutrition: Second Harvest Food Bank & Herbalife •Education: Winston-Salem State University, Wake Forest University, Forsyth Promise, & the WSFC School System, Crosby Scholars, and Big Brothers Big Sisters <p>Expanding critical partnerships is a top priority for the YWCA that will allow us collectively to make progress faster for our community.</p> <p>The programs and services of the YWCA are not replicated by any other agencies in WS/FC. Our evidenced based programs have consistently delivered positive results higher than industry norms.</p> <p>In education, the YWCA Best Choice Center (BCC) has been serving the needs of the greater Forsyth County community since 1977. The BCC's After-School and Summer Camp programs focus on improving children's academic achievement, particularly in reading and mathematics, and soft skills</p>	Education Attainment

HandsOn Nwnc	\$ 63,810.00	<p>COVID forced most nonprofits to scale back or discontinue critical operations, resulting in a dramatic loss of revenue, staff, and volunteers. Coupled simultaneously with an significant increase in demand for their services, many nonprofits have strained to rebuild their organizations, and a recent study found that as many as one-third of nonprofits nationally remain in jeopardy of closing within the next two years. The funding requested in this application will provide 50 unduplicated nonprofits serving low-income and marginalized communities with the training and support they need to rebuild, strengthen, and equip their organizations to remain viable, increase their resiliency, and continue serving our community's most vulnerable populations.</p>	Education Attainment
Forsyth County Public Library	\$ 497,300.00	<p>The Forsyth County Public Library is committed to advancing digital equity, improving access to collections, databases, research and computer literacy for all Forsyth County community members. With the assistance of the Forsyth County Digital Equity Plan, we've been able to identify several disproportionately impacted communities within the county that continue to be plagued with limited access and mobility to existing services the library has incorporated to help closed technology divides. The public library has been a host site for computer training through the Computer Training Bridge program at the Central Library and is a natural community site for digital literacy training through its ten library locations strategically placed throughout the County. Additionally, the Library's Outreach Department is positioned to reach underserved people in the community through bookmobile services.</p> <p>In an effort to further reduce barriers to computer literacy, increase access to more sustainable collections and technology learning for those in the community who have little or no access, we are making a request for funds. The focus of Forsyth County Public Library's ARPA project aims to support digital equity, computer literacy and workforce development. The Library seeks to fund a new STREAMLab Bookmobile – Science, Technology, Reading, Engineering, Art, Mathematics and Language lab that would feature a custom mobile Makerspace. This mobile unit will prioritize servicing disproportionately impacted communities to improve access to library collections, language resources, and technologies to help reduce the digital equity divide in Forsyth County.</p> <p>This project supports the Digital Equity Plan mission to improve digital access and literacy for all citizens in Forsyth County.</p>	Education Attainment
Forsyth County Agriculture/N.C. Cooperative Extension	\$ 195,108.00	<p>We all need to eat fruits and vegetables. Only 21% of children eat the recommended 9+ servings of fruits and vegetables per day, a diet that significantly increases their risk of obesity, diabetes and other chronic diseases (Nord, Andrews & Carlson, 2007). According to Consumer Watch 2021, 38% of adults in North Carolina eat less than one serving of fruit per day; 17% eat less than one serving of vegetables and 45% of high school youth eat less than one serving of fruits and vegetables.</p> <p>Connecting Forsyth Agriculture and Healthcare: The Farmers Design Prescription Produce Box program will be a cornerstone program in the Forsyth County Center of NC Cooperative Extension offering 20 families per session (4 sessions = 80 families in a 2-year timeframe) a nutrition education fruit, vegetable and healthy protein food box program to support healthier diets, improve food consumption of each family member, benefit from lessons presented by health and nutrition professionals and increase economic impacts for local Forsyth County farmers. The strength of Cooperative Extension has been in its understanding and dedication to education. Creativity, inclusiveness, listening to the community and possessing a passion for positive change are all elements that Extension faculty and staff are very familiar with and focus on daily. Change in a community along with a new, innovative program is what Extension is very good at. It is Extension's responsibility to continually initiate new programming that is beneficial to the whole family unit. Expected impacts from this program will result in increased life skills by encouraging whole family involvement through collaborations with key stakeholders, local farmers, community members and health and nutrition educators. Approximately 400 individuals will benefit from this program over a 2-year period of time. Our community will have the chance to choose their healthy food sources and relish in better health for themselves and their families.</p> <p>This program will begin by combining the educational strength of NC State University, NC Cooperative Extension, NC A&T State University, SNAP-Ed, Wake Forest Baptist Health, Forsyth County Farm Bureau, Forsyth County Library Department (Chef Assistance) and local farmers. Over time, this think tank of professionals will increase as programs grow and benefits swell for Forsyth County residents.</p> <p>Basic components of the program include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Collaborations and educational programs for participants including health – wellness education – SNAP-Ed - agriculture professionals •20 families per session (four 12-week sessions over a 2-year span) in underserved and underrepresented disproportionately impacted communities •Bi-weekly produce boxes (see narrative for contents) and recipes •Bi-weekly education & nutrition, wellness, exercise and hands-on cooking classes in the kitchen (Spanish translation & materials will be available) •Monthly Field Trips or special presentations by Local Farmers, University Farms and Agricultural Businesses •Quantitative Evaluation (pre-mid-post) monitoring health behaviors, increased life skills and program satisfaction 	Food & Nutrition

Paul J. Ciener Botanical Garden	\$ 100,000.00	Paul J. Ciener Botanical Garden has a small section of unused land that is currently undergoing site clearing and weed control. Since this piece was added after the conception of the master plan, we recognize the need to utilize the land for extra growing space. It can be a space of high yield while expanding the need to grow more vegetables that will be used as a living classroom and donated to area food relief. The late Paul Ciener's dream was to create a beautiful garden for the community. His wish was to teach children how fruits and vegetables are grown and where they come from. This space would achieve that and allow for tasting and harvesting straight from the garden.	Food & Nutrition
Clemmons Food Pantry	\$ 282,771.00	Clemmons Food Pantry has provided supplemental groceries monthly to families in Forsyth County for 17 years. Since the start of the Covid-19 pandemic Clemmons Food Pantry has directly provided over 1 million pounds of fresh and shelved food to more than 10,000 different residents (March 15, 2020 to May 31, 2022). Additionally, Clemmons Food Pantry has responded to the persistent need for food by contributing approximately 14,000 pounds of fresh foods to other agencies that reach different populations, including those who are unhoused. Building on these pandemic-driven efforts, Clemmons Food Pantry looks to sustain this wider service as well as develop approaches to serve underserved populations with unique food needs (e.g., unhoused, people with chronic illness). Plus, Clemmons Food Pantry will be leveraging its established ability to provide food to expand outreach and educational services for individuals to address issues related to individual's food insecurity. Through these programs Clemmons Food Pantry will not only feed more people more food but also foster a healthier community.	Food & Nutrition
Cobblestone Farmers Market	\$ 1,901,817.00	The WSSK shared-use incubator/accelerator kitchen is an outgrowth of a 12-year shared-use kitchen that incubates primarily women-owned, low-income and/or BIPOC food businesses. WSSK intends to expand to meet demand to a 10,400 SF space, with 8000 SF for commercial kitchen space and 2400 SF for storage (dry, cold, frozen), housing up to 75 food businesses at varying usage and stage of growth. Funding to complete WSSK's FF&E and TI is required to open; once open, the project will self-sustain with 10 full time and 10 part-time tenants in year 1 with an average of 50 users by year 3. WSSK will be a core tenant of the 1001 development on the Southside, in a qualified census tract.	Food & Nutrition
Memorial Industrial CDC	\$ 75,000.00	Funding to support MICDC on-going incubator and community urban food and farm program. Our site development and infrastructure activities including deer fencing installation and irrigation system and tall tunnel and wash packaging construction facilities are nearly completed. We are now in the process of developing our capacity to develop and implement our community outreach and engagement activities which include youth and student learning activities.	Food & Nutrition
Sinai Community Development, Inc.	\$ 900,000.00	Sinai CDC will institute the East Winston Food Equity & Revitalization Project; community-focused action plan to strengthen the local food sources and stimulate revitalization of locale—East Winston Community and surrounding entities. The project will develop and maintain local food enterprises and revitalization strategies to improve environmental, economic, and health outcomes of local low-income and underserved residents.	Food & Nutrition
FC Community & Economic Development - Habitat for Humanity Stone Terrace	\$ 337,500.00	This request is from the City of Winston-Salem on behalf of Habitat for Humanity of Forsyth County's Stone Terrace's housing development. Habitat for Humanity applied for assistance with road infrastructure to serve this community through the City of Winston-Salem's ARPA Transformational grant process. They had previously applied for funding through the Forsyth County ARPA Round 1 process. The request was for \$675,000 and the City is requested that the County participate by funding half of the project. The project would provide road infrastructure throughout the Stone Terrace neighborhood located off of Don Road and Old Rural Hall Road North of Ogburn Station that would open up 75 lots for residential single-family home ownership. Habitat already owns the land and this project is shovel ready. Habitat's proposal is that 85% of the homes would be for Habitat families that fall into the 35%-80% Area Median Income (AMI) range which is the target of low to moderate income households that Habitat serves. The remaining 15% are targeted for families in the income range of 80% to 120% AMI to build a mixed income community. Research shows that low income families have higher economic mobility outcomes in communities with a mix of household incomes based on networking and behavior modeling.	Other
United Way of Forsyth County	\$ 377,956.48	Led by United Way of Forsyth County (UWFC), the Asset-Based Supportive Housing project is a collaboration between UWFC, Neighbors for Better Neighborhoods, and City with Dwellings. This project combines the power of individualized peer support, resident advocacy, and asset-based community development (ABCD) to improve individual economic stability, maintain affordable housing stock, and ultimately build the capacity of four very-low-income neighborhoods to establish a self-directed path toward community-level economic stability.	Other
Work Family Resource Center dba Child Care Resource Center	\$ 221,185.00	Child Care Resource Center (CCRC) is requesting funds to build the Forsyth County child care supply by supporting the recruitment and startup of 20 new licensed family child care homes.	Other

Senior Services, Inc.	\$ 2,000,000.00	Senior Services' vision is to provide a national model for the delivery of senior services by creating a state-of-the-art, one of its kind intergenerational adult day health/day care center. The 61,000 s.f. "Intergenerational Center for Arts and Wellness" will be built on property we own at 2895 Shorefair Drive and will include a new, larger home for our Williams Adult Day Center, and expand upon research conducted in partnership with Wake Forest University School of Medicine and others by integrating programmatic partners to provide healthcare and wellness opportunities, intentional intergenerational interaction and arts-based activities all under one roof. This inter-agency approach will establish a collective culture design to promote maximum impact and positive outcomes for program participants and healthcare patients, while offering a wonderful opportunity for groundbreaking collaborative research and focus on addressing important social determinants of health through an equity lens.	Other
HAWS-CNI	\$ 3,000,000.00	The Housing Authority of the City of Winston-Salem (HAWS) is requesting \$3,000,000 in funding from Forsyth County to help finance the infrastructure costs associated with the new construction of Phase 2 of the Winston-Salem CHOICE Neighborhoods Initiative (CNI). Phase II consists of the new construction of 72 units of mixed-income family housing. The total CNI redevelopment effort has a total of 5 phases resulting in 406 units of new housing. After a multi-year community planning process, in FY2019, the City of Winston Salem and the Winston Salem Housing Authority (HAWS) were awarded a \$30,000,000 HUD CHOICE Neighborhoods Initiative Implementation Grant. This was a major win for the state of North Carolina, Forsyth County, the City of Winston-Salem and most importantly public housing residents, specifically residents of the Cleveland Avenue Homes Public Housing Development. The CNI Program is designed to address struggling neighborhoods with distressed public housing through a comprehensive approach to neighborhood transformation. There are three main goals of Choice Neighborhoods: Housing, People and Neighborhood. This funding request is seeking support for the Housing strategy, specifically Phase 2 of a 5 phase plan.	Other
Salem Chapel Volunteer Fire Department	\$ 700,000.00	We are requesting the funds in order to purchase a new fire engine for the Salem Chapel Volunteer Fire District. The engine will be tasked with responding to both emergency and non-emergency medical calls as well as rescues and fires. The current fire engine responding to these calls is a 1989 year model is well past due for replacement. The impact includes more reliable response from the engine as it is much less likely to be out of service due to mechanical issues.	Other
Forsyth Humane Society	\$ 750,000.00	Forsyth Humane Society is seeking to create an Emergency Dog & Cat Owner Medical Fund for underserved members of our community who are experiencing economic hardship. Rising costs of supplies, staff, and medicine are increasing the costs of veterinarian care in our community. The average cost of an emergency veterinary visit can range between \$1,500 - \$2,500 and a palliative care veterinarian diagnosis can cost a household \$500 - \$1,500. Forsyth County is a veterinarian resource barren for disproportionately impacted communities. Forsyth Humane Society would like to offer financial support for emergency veterinary care and palliative medical diagnosis/treatment to households in disproportionately impacted communities and households who are struggling from the negative economic impacts of the COVID-19 Pandemic. Providing financial assistance to cover the cost of veterinary bills of underserved households will prevent quality of life suffering for pets, ease the psychological distress of the pet owners, reduce Forsyth County shelter surrender, and reduce treatable medical condition euthanasia.	Other
Whole Man Ministries of NC	\$ 679,000.00	Serving the community who has been disproportionately impacted economically. Providing Healthcare Fairs and other services in the community in real time (mobile truck units, screening, bringing Healthcare providers on the grounds, health education to the underserved and underprivileged, food drives). Water/sewage infrastructure for our Community Center to install future bathrooms. Update the commercial kitchen and access to water and apartments serving low-income families. Enlarge our Bridging The Gap Community to better serve the community with a wide range of services, such as: Covid-19 Pandemic responses, public health, food insecurities, economic mobility education, and more.	Other
Winston-Salem State University	\$ 500,000.00	The Center for the Study of Economic Mobility (CSEM) at Winston-Salem State University (WSSU) will build upon its research of the Forsyth County Homeownership Program (FCHP) to develop a comprehensive understanding of supply-side and demand-side barriers to homeownership in low-and-moderate income communities in Winston-Salem, including innovative solutions that address and dismantle these barriers. CSEM's research will serve as a catalyst to engage and inform policy makers, mortgage companies, homeownership counseling agencies and the community at-large of innovative solutions that address barriers to homeownership that are achievable, measurable and scalable in Winston-Salem in the short- and long-term, CSEM will develop reports, tools and data analysis and presentations of research findings that can be used in the development of a comprehensive and nuanced understanding of barriers to homeownership in communities within the local housing market to increase homeownership and wealth-building. CSEM will do this by creating a unique and indispensable data tracking system that will be a valuable resource for expansion of the FCHP and other similarly aligned homeownership strategies and programs throughout the county.	Other

Legal Aid of NC - Economic Justice Initiative	\$ 760,470.00	The Economic Justice Initiative (EJI) is requesting funding to supplement and further support its ongoing work to prevent homeownership loss and financial instability in low-wealth, socially disadvantaged, and otherwise, economically vulnerable communities in Forsyth County (NC) threatened by ongoing pandemic related financial hardships. EJI was formed in the aftermath of Hurricane Floyd to prevent home loss for low wealth homeowners devastated by natural disasters. Since that natural disaster in 1999, EJI has grown into a statewide initiative that focuses on broad efforts to prevent home loss and enhance the financial well-being of vulnerable homeowner populations – including the elderly, disabled, veterans, and those living in socially disadvantaged communities. In the aftermath of COVID-19, one of the most devastating health and financial disasters, EJI is seeking to broaden its homeownership preservation work through a supplemental Winston-Salem-based pilot initiative called Stabilizing Homeownership and Opportunities for Wealth (SHOW). The broader goal under SHOW is to address and further prevent the financial exploitation of vulnerable homeowner communities recovering from the pandemic through: (1) community education and outreach workshops that provide informational resources to homeowner community members; and (2) legal advocacy practices that preserve homeownership wealth, strengthen financial outlook and empower homeowner community members to protect themselves.	Other
NC Rush Triad	\$ 87,560.00	Our project proposal addresses the Forsyth County Policy and Goals of Creating a community in which to live that is convenient and pleasant. This will be accomplished by creating new recreation programming in local underserved communities. Recreation programming that is conveniently located in our underserved communities provide the youth with positive and healthy activities in which to participate. Traditionally and currently, many recreational programs for youth have two significant barriers for the underserved population: High costs and transportation requirements. These programs will be free of charge for the youth and located directly in the community so the youth can walk or ride their bikes to get there.	Other
PTRC	\$ 9,900,000.00	This project proposes the development of inclusive community in Forsyth County for adults and children with intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD). Current housing is not affordable to most of these individuals and – for what is available – there is a significant shortage. And the current rent increase in Winston Salem is approximately 10% over last year which exacerbates the struggle. For persons with disabilities requiring more extensive supports, North Carolina has a significant proportion residing in segregated and congregate or institutional settings. The crisis needs a creative solution to address the long-term needs of individuals with developmental disabilities. This project aims to integrate all the essential components under one project umbrella that is unique and innovative. Creating a solution that addresses the gaps in holistic inclusive living requires a commitment to create bridges between agencies and entities that collectively contribute strengths to the scope of the project.	Other
The Lewisville Volunteer Fire Department, Inc.	\$ 103,425.00	Replacement of emergency power/backup generator for fire station (Lewisville Fire Department) located at 216 Lewisville-Clemmons RD in Lewisville, NC, Forsyth County, North Carolina, 27023. The existing generator was placed in service in 1991. The current 31 year old generator at this location is failing, and repair parts have become obsolete, requiring replacement.	Public Health
The Centers for Exceptional Children	\$ 1,502,210.00	Created for children from Birth to 36 months, The Centers for Exceptional Children’s (CFEC) Infant & Toddler Program (ITP) provides care and developmental support for those with disabilities or delays. The program also has spaces available for typically developing children up to age five in an inclusive environment. Awarded the prestigious 5-star childcare rating, the staff has the advanced training and certifications to supply children with the very best developmental and physical therapies, in a hands-on, nurturing environment. The MILESTONES project will be an investment in the expansion of CFEC’s early learning child care facility and an opportunity to create a more equitable, sustainable and comprehensive early care program. A significant component will be to expand the current enrollment in ITP from 40 to 60 children. Key elements will include an upgrade to the indoor classrooms to ensure the highest level of safety and health standards, the addition of an outdoor classroom, an expansion of outdoor programming (including horticultural therapy, art therapy and yoga), a new social emotional learning curriculum, technology enhancements and scholarship support for families who need it most.	Public Health
United Health Centers - Providing Essential Care for the Underserved Who Have Been Disproportionately Affected By COVID-19	\$ 2,000,000.00	United Health Centers (UHC) proposes to use the requested ARPA funds to relocate our existing UHC @ Southside Clinic, to a new building that will allow us to expand our services while continuing to provide equitable access to care for individuals and families living in the marginalized community and neighborhoods that we serve.	Public Health
Forsyth County Emergency Services	\$ 149,250.00	(75) sets of EMS Protective Rescue Gear at \$1,990.00 per set for the EMS Division of Forsyth County Emergency Services. This is the protective equipment worn on car wrecks, rescue scenes, industrial incidents, and hazardous materials incidents. The Covid-19 pandemic has interrupted normal budget cycle allocations. An unusually large amount of our budget went towards medical personal protective equipment (PPE) and medical supplies due to increased call volume. This interrupted purchase of this type of personal protective equipment for both new personnel as well as replacement of older equipment.	Public Health

Horizons Residential Care Center	\$ 5,500,000.00	<p>Horizons Residential Care Center is a 501(c)(3) residential care organization that has been serving Forsyth County's single-most vulnerable citizens for the last 50 years. It's focus has remained on serving individuals with profound intellectual and developmental disabilities and complex/compounding medical needs. Acting in response to the COVID-19 pandemic and the anticipated impact of Olmstead v. L.C., Horizons and it's Board of Directors has decided upon a proactive response to the future challenges that medium-to-large long-term care facilities face. Horizons is humbly seeking Forsyth County ARPA assistance in the execution of it's fast-moving and innovative Housing Initiative.</p> <p>The Horizons Housing Initiative is a 2-staged project, with the requested funds only financing those 2 stages:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Build two 6-bed homes at the main Horizons campus on Horizons Lane in Rural Hall and move all clients from their current home at Horizons' Arches facility (on Bethabara Park Blvd. in Winston-Salem) into the two 6-bed homes. 2. Build five additional 6-bed homes on the Horizons campus and move all clients from their current home at Horizons' Atrium facility into the five 6-bed homes. <p>Note: Stages 1 and 2 can be executed simultaneously, or separately.</p>	Public Health
Community Care Center for Forsyth County Community Health Workers	\$ 983,977.00	<p>Community Care Center (CCC) is a free and charitable clinic, opened in 2000, and located in Qualified Census Tract (QCT) 16:02 in East Winston. We provide a variety of medical services to promote the mental and physical health and well-being of our patients, all at no cost to the patient. To qualify as a CCC patient, an individual must have no health insurance and their household income must be at or below 200% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines (FPG). We provide free healthcare to a diverse, primarily minority population of the most economically disadvantaged among us.</p> <p>COVID-19 hit our clinic hard, as the fear and uncertainty of the pandemic dramatically reduced the available pool of volunteers on which our clinic is designed to operate. While some volunteers have returned, many have not. As we come out of the pandemic which reduced our labor capacity, we are faced with an increased demand for services by an ever-growing population that can least afford to pay for services.</p> <p>Because of the unique opportunities provided by federal ARPA funds, CCC seeks not only to restore our services to pre-COVID levels within the clinic building, but to add new services, to expand the reach of those services beyond the clinic walls, and to seek out new patients through increased community outreach efforts through churches and other institutions with an emphasis on those located in QCTs.</p> <p>In two related funding requests we are looking to expand the utilization of our existing Dental Clinic, and increase our Behavioral Health resources to serve more patients both inside and outside the clinic. In this component of our expansion plan requests, CCC is asking for the personnel needed to take our medical care out of the clinic and into the community, and to expand our role as an information hub and coordinator of a range of services - medical, housing, mental health, food security, employment, etc. - our patient population needs. To that end, we seek four new full-time positions: two Certified Community Health Workers (CCHW), a Registered Nurse (RN), and a Nurse Practitioner (NP).</p> <p>CCC has one part-time volunteer RN but doesn't currently have an RN on staff. As we seek to bring more patients into the clinic, as well as to reach patients outside the clinic, we need a RN for administration and patient duties described elsewhere in this document. The NP will see patients in the clinic in addition to making home visits, a new service offering with this position.</p> <p>The CCHW position marks a transformative change in both the services we provide and the coordination role CCC will fill to help with a wider range of our patients' needs. According to the American Public Health Association, the CCHW is "A frontline public health worker who is a trusted member of and/or has an unusually close understanding of the community served. This trusting relationship enables the worker to serve as a liaison/link/intermediary between health/social services and the community to facilitate access to services and improve the quality and cultural competence of service delivery. A community health worker also builds individual and community capacity by increasing health knowledge and self-</p>	Public Health
Cancer Services	\$ 55,000.00	Cancer Services, Inc. will provide financial assistance to cancer patients in order to reduce the disproportionate economic impact they experienced during the pandemic and due to a cancer diagnosis.	Public Health

YWCA of Winston-Salem and Forsyth County	\$ 1,103,132.00	<p>The YWCA of Winston-Salem & Forsyth County has multiple programs that provide essential services in the areas of health equity, education, substance use treatment and juvenile crime prevention. The Gateway to Success (GTS) program, which provides diabetes prevention and management services, primarily enrolls individuals from low-income households and households that qualify for government programs such as Medicaid and Medicare. 70% of the GTS participants reside in the top three highest poverty zip codes in Winston-Salem/Forsyth County. All participants have a household income that is less than 200% of the federal poverty level, and have Medicaid, Medicare or no health insurance. GTS uses a strong evidence-based, integrated care model to help participants manage their disease. Primary care physicians affiliated with Atrium Health Wake Forest Baptist and Novant Health refer low-income patients, who are pre-diabetic or have Type 2 diabetes, based on their A1C and Body Mass Index (BMI) levels. A dietitian, behavioral health specialist and wellness coach work on-site with participants at the YWCA Gateway Sports & Wellness Center. The GTS Team monitors the participants' engagement on a weekly basis, supporting their participation in individual and group exercise and in fitness/nutrition education programming. Out of a total of 434 enrolled participants, over a five-year period (2016-2021), 81% either maintained or improved their A1C. In 2020-2021, during the pandemic, 78% either maintained or improved their A1C. The ARPA initiative will provide the necessary funds to allow the GTS program to function at its pre-pandemic levels for the next two years, add an additional 100 enrollees and develop the infrastructure for future expansion.</p>	Public Health
Community Care Center for Forsyth County Dental Healthcare Expansion	\$ 1,111,736.00	<p>Community Care Center (CCC) is an integrative medical practice with a 20-year history of providing free medical and dental care to our community's economically disadvantaged residents. CCC seeks to transform the landscape of free dental services available to the least among us in the Winston Salem/Forsyth County area. We will do so primarily by adding staff and taking advantage of a recent transformational change in the NC dental rules and regulations.</p> <p>In late 2021, the North Carolina Board of Dental Examiners approved "limited supervision" of dental hygienists. Under "limited supervision", a dental hygienist is now able to provide services to patients without the presence of a dentist as long as the dentist has developed a plan for the care of the patient. The opportunity to dramatically expand dental services for low-income patients is now at hand due to this labor force multiplier.</p> <p>COVID-19 evaporated the pool of volunteer dentists who previously provided the bulk of our dental clinic staffing. We seek to restore our clinic to pre-COVID operation, in addition to expanding the hours and appointments available, thereby reaching more patients. Our plan is to hire a full-time dentist and two full-time dental hygienists to work with our current part-time dental assistant. The dentist would develop the plan of care for each patient, as well as perform procedures. This level of staffing will allow us to offer both day appointments Monday through Thursday, and evening appointments on Monday and Thursday, which are the full regular hours of clinic operation.</p> <p>We seek multi-year funding for the dental staff, dental supplies consumed during the visits, and the one-time cost of dental instruments and small equipment to fully restock our three existing dental operatories. CCC is a long-established dental clinic with existing infrastructure, office staff, and procedures in place, needing only the additional dental staff to expand free dental services to the community's diverse, economically disadvantaged residents.</p> <p>As one of the largest providers of free healthcare in NC, we are well-experienced in providing healthcare to these underserved populations. We also help train future medical professionals by partnering with local medical education institutions such as Wake Forest University, Winston-Salem State University, and Forsyth Technical Community College, to provide their students with clinic experience. We serve Community Health and Workforce Education and Training priorities.</p>	Public Health
Trellis Supportive Care	\$ 1,000,000.00	<p>Trellis Supportive Care's capital project includes replacing the 24-year-old HVAC system in the Kate B. Reynolds Hospice Home, our 40-bed inpatient facility, so that each room will have its own air filtration system and temperature control. New air filtration and recirculation systems include technologies such as UV light treatment to remove, dilute, and disinfect pathogens to avoid infections like COVID-19 for patients, staff, and visitors. We will establish a negative pressure room for infectious disease control and purchase two fog machines to sanitize rooms between patients. The capital project will also support enhanced telehealth technologies; diversity, equity, and inclusion training for staff; and veteran care training for staff and volunteers.</p>	Public Health

SECU Family House	\$ 144,000.00	At the SECU Family House in Winston-Salem, we believe that everyone should have access to quality health care and the opportunity to have caregivers nearby during medical treatment. As the only nonprofit healthcare hospitality house in our region, we provide affordable lodging for adult patients and their families who are receiving treatment at Atrium Health Wake Forest Baptist, Novant Health, and Trellis Supportive Care. We are requesting Round 2 ARPA funding to apply to our Family Assistance Fund, which supports patients and families whose incomes fall below the federal poverty level. Thanks to the Family Assistance Fund, more patients and their families can benefit from the impact of the Family House, including better access to healthcare, affordable lodging close to hospitals, and improvements in physical health and emotional and psychological well-being.	Public Health
ABC of NC COVID Recovery Grant	\$ 903,275.00	In line with Forsyth County's Department of Public Health's mission to prevent disease and promote a healthy community, ABC of NC's ARPA funding request will promote healthy childhood environments by providing COVID-19 mitigation and additional protections to the highly vulnerable and disproportionately impacted population of autistic individuals in our community through the enhancement of outdoor spaces used in therapy and improving the air quality of the indoor spaces on ABC of NC's campus in Winston-Salem. Further, ABC of NC will also use ARPA funding to support Forsyth County's Community and Economic Development Department's efforts to "promote access to training that provides citizens with tangible and relevant skills to create a talented workforce within our county" by expanding its existing Registered Behavior Technician (RBT) training program to reach individuals in our community who have been negatively economically impacted by the pandemic and provide them employment with paid, on-the-job training to achieve the para-professional RBT certification.	Public Health
General Service LEDC ION equipment	\$ 100,000.00	Purchase and installation of ION type equipment for all Air Handling Units located at the Forsyth County Detention Center. The ION equipment will help with the overall air quality for all occupants of the facility. ION equipment should provide better air filter saturation which in turn will improve the air quality in the Detention Center. Also, install needed AC units to the kitchen of the LEDC. This will help improve working environment for the inmates, contractor works and LEDC staff.	Public Health
Triangle Residential Options for Substance Abusers, Inc. (TROSAs)	\$ 275,000.00	TROSA's proposal will support the organization's ability to provide comprehensive, no-cost, residential, substance use treatment to program participants at its new, Winston-Salem campus. Awarded funds will be allocated toward dental care, mental health counseling, over-the-counter and prescription medications, and meals for residents. By funding this project, Forsyth County will assist TROSA in giving individuals with substance use disorders the restored health, coping skills, vocational experience, and other resources necessary to live successful, self-sufficient lives in active recovery.	Public Health
Forsyth County General Services Health Campus Improvements	\$ 1,515,000.00	These necessary changes to the HVAC systems will help improve air quality for the Public Health, Department of Social Services and Annex 1. The current systems are old, outdated and have passed their expected life. These buildings are frequented by disproportionately impacted communities who utilize services there and were affected by the Pandemic. Improvement to the air quality within these buildings will provide a better experience for these communities.	Public Health
Family Services, Inc Interpersonal Violence Response	\$ 1,004,117.40	Family Services provides multiple services to adult and child victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, elder abuse, and child maltreatment. The services provided fall within the Public Health - community violence interventions focus area for ARPA funds and also serve many marginalized County residents who are disproportionately impacted by the pandemic. The number of residents seeking help for domestic and family violence has increased significantly through the pandemic. Family Services served 21% more IPV clients in 2021 than in 2020 for a 2021 total of 1,527 unduplicated clients. Core services that Family Services provides to victims include crisis intervention and safety planning, emergency domestic violence shelter, a 24/7 crisis line for domestic violence and sexual assault, victim advocacy throughout the civil and criminal court process, support groups, counseling, forensic interviews of child sexual assault victims, advocacy of non-offending caregivers and referrals to additional services. These services align with and complement County funded violence response and crime prevention such as the Bridges to Hope Family Justice Center of Forsyth County and the Forsyth County Sheriff's Office efforts.	Public Health
County Fire Apparatus	\$ 2,800,000.00	This project would provide funding for the purchase of a minimum of four fire apparatus. The requested amount for this project is \$2,800,000 with a budget of \$700,000 per apparatus and is allowable under the ARPA program guidance. The target fire departments for execution of this program would be those who have aging fire apparatus, are limited by tax base and taxing capacity, and/or currently experiencing significant maintenance issues with their frontline fire apparatus that prevents their response to emergency incidents that are a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.	Public Health

<p>WAKE FOREST SCHOOL OF MEDICINE</p>	<p>\$ 1,618,219.00</p>	<p>PROJECT TITLE: BETTER ACUTE STROKE CARE FOR DISPROPORTIONATELY IMPACTED COMMUNITIES IN FORSYTH COUNTY AND MORE FORSYTH COUNTY HOSPITAL BEDS MADE AVAILABLE FOR PANDEMIC USE. PUBLISHED MEDICAL EVIDENCE FOR THIS PROJECT: 1. McCormick JG, Houle TT, Saltzman HA, Whaley RC, Roy RC. Treatment of acute stroke with hyperbaric oxygen: Time window for efficacy. Undersea Hyperbar M. 2011; 38(5): 321-334. 2. BMC Health Serv Res. 2015; 15: 404. Published online 2015 Sep 23. doi: 10.1186/s12913-015-1080-0 PMCID: PMC4580364 PMID: 26399930 Exploring the impact of intravenous thrombolysis on length of stay for acute ischemic stroke: a retrospective cohort study Ling-Chien Hung, Ya-Han Hu, and Sheng-Feng Sung</p> <p>GENERAL OVERVIEW OF REQUEST AND HIGH LEVEL DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT AND EXPECTED IMPACT.</p> <p>Per McCormick, et al., 2011 listed above, there is only one FDA approved drug tPA for treatment of acute ischemic strokes which are 85% of all strokes. For the best clinical outcome for acute ischemic stroke patients, the tPA must be given within three hours of the onset of the stroke to dissolve brain clots, and to accomplish this in a timely manner, Forsyth County Ambulances try to travel no more than 11 miles from one of the two major stroke centers in Forsyth County—Wake Forest Baptist Stroke Center or Novant Forsyth Hospital Stroke Center. Communities outside the 11 mile radius of the major stroke centers are Disproportionately Impacted because they are outside the best geographic range for the best stroke treatment.</p> <p>In Forsyth County the map below shows that there are many outlying communities beyond the 11 mile range for best stroke treatment, and these communities combined total a population of 131,920. The population of Forsyth County within the 11 mile range totals 244,389 people.</p> <p>NOTE: SEE FORSYTH COUNTY MAP IN SECTION "F" ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTS UPLOADED FILE UNDER ANNUAL IMPACT REPORT</p> <p>This project will build a proof of concept prototype Hyperbaric Oxygen (HBO2) Chamber equipped Stroke Ambulance. This specialty HBO2 stroke ambulance will put the acute stroke patient's brain in a safe stasis for long distance transport to a major U.S. Stroke Center for the FDA approved tPA ischemic stroke treatment. This initial hyperbaric oxygen treatment in the stroke ambulance will also improve the efficacy of tPA for ischemic stroke</p>	<p>Public Health</p>
<p>EMERGE (Expanding Mental and Emotional Resilience in Grade school Education</p>	<p>\$ 213,096.00</p>	<p>Family Services will address the social-emotional and mental health needs of children exacerbated by COVID-19 through a school-based intervention for kindergarten and first grade teachers and students through the EMERGE program: Expanding Mental and Emotional Resilience in Grade school Education. The teachers in nine Forsyth County school classrooms per year will engage in group training and then participate in weekly intensive coaching, modeling, and classroom support offered by Family Services' early childhood mental health therapists. The 120 hours of individualized classroom support provided per teacher throughout the school year will enable teachers to create trauma-informed and trauma-responsive classrooms where social and emotional learning strategies will be integrated into daily practice. The therapists will also be available to provide individual or group therapy as needed for children and their parents / caregivers at the schools. This three-year project will engage elementary schools in low-income neighborhoods with high numbers of minority children. Changes to both teacher skills and student mental health will enhance the student and school staff outcomes desired through County funding of Winston-Salem Forsyth County schools. The EMERGE effort focusses on improving mental health among children impacted by the pandemic rather than on academic performance.</p>	<p>Public Health</p>
<p>Forsyth County - Highland Avenue Project</p>	<p>\$ 1,600,000.00</p>	<p>Forsyth County's Highland Avenue project will primarily serve the historically marginalized population. The goal of the project is to engage and improve the lives of residents who are located in the qualified census tract. We will do this by enhancing community programming on the Health and Human Services campus which will provide the community with more accessible educational and recreational opportunities. In addition, this project serves to revitalize Highland Avenue by adding a park on the 1 acre parcel of land adjacent to 651 N. Highland Avenue which will include several amenities that will positively impact the community's quality of life.</p> <p>Treasury Guidance's final rule specifically states that investments in improving outdoor spaces could qualify as an eligible use. It recognizes the disproportionate negative economic impacts on certain communities and populations and enumerates uses in disproportionately impacted communities for developing neighborhood features that promote improved health and safety outcomes, such as parks, green spaces, and recreational facilities.</p>	<p>Public Health</p>

Boston-Thurmond Community Network	\$ 1,005,875.00	<p>Our project centers on public health particularly with black and brown residents in the Boston-Thurmond neighborhood and surrounding communities of Forsyth County, NC, which experiences one of the highest rates of black infant mortality in the state. Our project also includes support for a high-impact hybrid-model of maternal and infant health and literacy coaching program for parents of newborns, toddlers, and Pre-K children in the 27105 zip code. Additional support covers critical landscaping needs for the organization's headquarters that requires professional tree removal and root removal from asphalt and plumbing pipes to prevent a public health hazard in sewer lines.</p>	Public Health
FC Community & Economic Development - Single-Family Home Urgent Repair	\$ 250,000.00	<p>This program would provide funds to assist very-low and low- income households with special needs in addressing housing conditions which pose imminent threats to their life and/or safety. Or, funds can be used to provide accessibility modifications and other repairs necessary to prevent displacement of very-low and low- income homeowners with special needs. Urgent need is defined as an immediate threat of being displaced or removed from a home due to health or safety issues. The need must be able to be amended within a reasonable timeframe to prevent said displacement or removal.</p> <p>The Forsyth County Community & Economic Development department has administered and Urgent Repair Program for over 15 years, utilizing grant funding from the North Carolina Housing Finance Agency. The County was recently notified that we were not awarded funding for the grant period of July 2022 through December 2023, as the program was prioritizing more rural communities that had not been recently awarded grant funding in this cycle. These funds would allow us to continue serving households in desperate need of urgent repairs. We currently have over 80 households on our On Hold list, pending locating funding.</p> <p>ARPA funds would be distributed in the form of an unsecured, deferred, interest-free loan that is forgiven at a rate of three thousand (\$3,000) per year until the principal is reduced to zero. There is no minimum to the amount of the loan; however the maximum project limit would be \$12,000. The rehab contract will be between the homeowner and the contractor, with Forsyth County signing as an interested 3rd party.</p>	Public Health
The Salvation Army	\$ 991,665.00	<p>Project: Emergency Financial Assistance for Disproportionately Impacted Residents of Forsyth County</p> <p>For 115 years, The Salvation Army of Winston Salem has been serving low and moderate income households in Forsyth County with emergency financial assistance to avoid crisis situations. In the past two years, we have been serving households that have been disproportionately impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. Negative economic impacts locally and nationwide and resulting inflation has expanded our residents' need for financial assistance to stabilize their households. Emergency financial assistance includes rent, utilities, mortgage, medical expenses, child care, transportation and unforeseen expenses like car repairs that have a negative bearing on generating sufficient household income to maintain stability.</p> <p>Our social services staff are experts at validating and providing expedited emergency payments through established in-house procedures to avert an eviction or termination of services for an individual or family. Our staff has cultivated and maintains respected, productive relationships with numerous service providers in the community and state which allows us to quickly resolve issues and advocate on the residents' behalf.</p> <p>On a daily basis, residents of Forsyth County seek the support of The Salvation Army for this service. Currently, there is a shortfall of available funding, which requires us to refer residents to other providers. Residents are sharing feedback that other providers are overwhelmed with the number of requests and requests are backlogged. The current, deteriorating economic situation throughout our nation is creating a greater urgency for emergency financial assistance and delays in receiving that assistance will result in evictions and terminations. As a trusted provider, The Salvation Army can and will rescue Forsyth County residents through Rescue Plan funds. Our many years of experience and streamlined processes are exactly what Forsyth County residents need to stay in their homes.</p> <p>The Salvation Army seeks to partner with Forsyth County to employ our experienced staff and American Rescue Plan funds to ensure our residents can maintain stable households and provide for themselves and their families. Our goal is not to make these individuals dependent upon us or Forsyth County. Our goal is to restore each person and household to a condition of personal freedom and independence. We recognize the inherent value of each individual and, with dignity and respect, we will offer wise counsel, information on community resources, and access to our in-house life skills training to overcome barriers that create these situations.</p> <p>The intention of the Forsyth County American Rescue Plan funding must be to save marginalized residents of Forsyth County from the devastating financial effects of the pandemic. Without a moratorium on eviction and the rising costs of utilities, transportation, food, medicine, emergency financial assistance is the only avenue for an individual or family to survive the after effects of pandemic poverty and maintain their home. If we do not address an individual or family's crisis, it will become a community crisis.</p>	Rent, Utility & Financial Assistance

Habitat for Humanity	\$ 300,000.00	Habitat seeks to serve families that have been marginalized, especially hard, during this pandemic and are now experiencing increased housing costs. The housing crisis and shortage of affordable housing has driven up the land/house property values making it even more difficult to afford decent housing when wages are not keeping up with inflation and rising costs. The project would provide \$10,000 of down payment assistance to 30 families purchasing homes. The down payment assistance lowers the loan amount that must then be repaid to Habitat thus lowering the monthly mortgage payment.	Rent, Utility & Financial Assistance
Partnership for Prosperity/United Way of Forsyth	\$ 400,000.00	The Partnership for Prosperity, fiscally sponsored by United Way of Forsyth, proposes to implement a two-year pilot Universal Basic Income (UBI) program in a Qualified Census Tract (QCT). Universal basic income is a program where every citizen receives a flat monthly payment, regardless of whether they're working and earning an income. This pilot program will select 50 families from a particular neighborhood within the QCT who fall below the poverty level to receive a \$500 monthly UBI with conditionality (requirements imposed to receive benefits). This pilot proposes to address poverty as well as job losses stemming from COVID -19 and technological innovation. It will also contribute to reducing health inequities as identified in the five social determinants of health (housing, education, food insecurity, health and wellness and jobs and workforce development).	Rent, Utility & Financial Assistance
Financial Pathways of the Piedmont-FPP	\$ 1,350,000.00	<p>This proposal is in response to the County's request for local organizations to submit proposals for ARPA Round 2 funding. The goal of the program is to provide direct financial assistance for rapid housing to Forsyth County residents who are served through the agency Representative Payee Program. The program will quickly rehouse those experiencing homelessness, provide transitional housing support, prevent loss of housing due to a client's inability to pay their rent, assist clients in transitioning to permanent housing and remove barriers to housing stability. The program will ensure payee clients with limited income and experiencing homelessness, receive rental assistance and wrap around services rapidly</p> <p>The key program elements and associated use of funds are:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Intake 2. Individual counseling to include a financial assessment of budget and social security benefits. 3. Individualized Action Plan 4. Monthly budget review 5. General Operating Support 6. Direct financial assistance – first month rent and deposit, transitional housing payments, <p>Our clients are incapable of making financial decisions or managing their assets without our program. They are extremely vulnerable to financial abuse and neglect. We pay close attention to their financial well-being along with their mental and physical well-being. Often the payee will be aware of a potential crisis before anyone else. It is imperative that the counselors have the time and resources to serve the "whole" person and not just a "part". Our approach is holistic, and we work with our clients and partners to ensure true wrap around services.</p> <p>Our clients often include:</p> <p>Veterans experiencing chronic homelessness due to mental health, substance abuse and/or alcoholism</p>	Rent, Utility & Financial Assistance
Legal Aid of North Carolina, Inc.	\$ 200,000.00	Legal Aid of North Carolina (LANC) is a statewide, nonprofit law firm that provides free legal services in civil matters to low-income people in order to ensure equal access to justice and to remove legal barriers to economic opportunity. The goal of the Eviction Diversion Program is to help clients avoid eviction judgments, which could prevent them from finding adequate, habitable, and affordable housing elsewhere, and when possible, to enable clients to remain in their current homes.	Rent, Utility & Financial Assistance

<p>Agile City - Venture Winston Grants</p>	<p>\$ 725,000.00</p>	<p>The Venture Winston Grants, a program of Agile City, is a startup grant competition that supports local startups and recruits startups to grow and scale in Winston Salem, creating jobs and growing the local innovation economy. Preference is shown for local founders as well as minority and women-owned startups. Selected startups receive a \$50k non-equity grant in exchange for retaining or relocating a minimum of 51% of their operations in Winston Salem/Forsyth County for a 12-month residency in a local incubator. With the Venture Winston Grants, we are seeking to build and sustain a transformative program for the area's entrepreneurial and innovation economy. The Venture Winston Grants program delivers more grant money to more startups than any other local program, making it a powerful engine for local entrepreneurial growth.</p> <p>We are applying for ARPA funding to provide operational support for us to retain and recruit the next 15-20 startups to the community, doubling our current capacity and cohort.</p>	<p>Small Business Support</p>
<p>Center for Creative Economy - Calibrate Program</p>	<p>\$ 814,916.00</p>	<p>Since 2016, the Center for Creative Economy (CCE) has been supporting, launching, and accelerating small creative businesses comprising 61% female and 32% minority founders. With the impact from the pandemic, many of these small businesses have been disproportionately impacted and are not growing as quickly as they would like. Many have lost employment, business opportunities and are being forced to start over. With ARPA funding we will enhance our curriculum to deepen, and target our focus to catalyze revenue for startup founders impacted by Covid, and help them grow more quickly. We will connect more intentionally to LMI and minority entrepreneurs to engage them in our programs to develop their entrepreneurial ideas and to launch new businesses. CCE will establish Calibrate, an emerging hub and incubator for creative businesses.</p>	<p>Small Business Support</p>
<p>Winston Starts non profit scaling incubator</p>	<p>\$ 200,000.00</p>	<p>Winston Starts is seeking \$200,000 from the county ARPA grant program for both capital and operating expenses to help support businesses negatively impacted by recent economic conditions related to COVID as well as support female and minority founders disproportionately affected by the economic climate. Winston Starts is a scaling non-profit incubator that provides a critical component of the entrepreneurial ecosystem by helping companies scale here in the area. Winston Starts provides intensive resources for startups over the course of a lengthy runway of up to 42 months with little to no membership fees. This is designed to complete the startup education that accelerators only start. Those resources include mentorship, negotiated professional services, critical programming, investor networking, coaching and inspiration from successful entrepreneurs. All of this comes with state of the art facilities, business services such as IT, shared content platform, free WiFi, mail and printing services, and pipelines for interns talent pools - all to help provide critical resources to help scale businesses here in the county. Many of our companies have been negatively impacted by COVID with supply channels drying up, staffing issues, sales pipelines with customers put on hold due to financial constraints for their customers due to COVID, investor and other funding sources frozen due to the domino effect of the economics of COVID. Several of our companies for example have platforms in the restaurant industry and without our support likely would not have been able to keep operations moving forward. From forgiving membership fees, to extending graduation dates to give our startups more time to gain traction, to helping create an angel network to invest in these companies to providing free - intensive - consulting and mentoring to help run their businesses during this difficult time.</p>	<p>Small Business Support</p>
<p>Piedmont Business Capital</p>	<p>\$ 1,086,500.00</p>	<p>Building on PBC's growing success in assisting underrepresented Triad small businesses with their funding needs, PBC's proposes the creation of a new fund using the \$1M (\$86,500 for administrative costs) requested with this application. The Fund is designed to provide access to new lending products focused on small minority and women-owned businesses headquartered in the Forsyth County. The loans will assist in accelerating the recovery of underrepresented businesses from the disproportionate negative economic impact caused by the COVID-19 pandemic.</p> <p>PROJECT AIMS The aims of the program are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Improve the financial sustainability of minority- and women-owned businesses and communities in Forsyth County hardest hit by the COVID-19 pandemic •Increase the employment rate of underrepresented populations in Forsyth County •Expand the infrastructure capacity of minority and women-owned businesses in Forsyth County 	<p>Small Business Support</p>

<p>Second Harvest Food Bank of Northwest NC</p>	<p>\$ 825,785.00</p>	<p>COVID-19 has had a devastating impact on the Forsyth County neighbors served by Second Harvest Food Bank of Northwest NC. At the pandemic's outset, our partner programs saw a dramatic increase in the need for food assistance with job losses – some temporary, many not. As the economic impact of the pandemic lingers, it continues to disproportionately harm those who were already dealing with food insecurity and low-wage jobs. It was difficult to put food on the table before March 2020; it is even harder today.</p> <p>This project, "Increasing Food Access and Building Career Pathways Post Pandemic," will enable Second Harvest to pay increased transportation costs we are experiencing due to another COVID consequence-- the truck driver shortage. We have to outsource a considerable amount of our logistics activities to local, third-party logistic companies at significant additional costs to enable us to pick up the abundance of fresh foods available for distribution from our grocery partners—food that is needed more than ever by hungry families and individuals. The support of this project will also allow us to enhance our workforce development programming to meet the needs of Forsyth County residents and businesses in this challenging economy—both strengthening our award-winning Providence Culinary Training program and offering new training opportunities in the growing occupations of supply chain management and forklift operations, in partnership with Goodwill Industries. Building career pathways for Forsyth County neighbors with these funds will pay dividends for the program participants while benefiting their entire families for years to come.</p>	<p>Workforce Development</p>
<p>WinstonNet: Bridging Digital Divide and Bringing Digital Equity to Forsyth County</p>	<p>\$ 3,176,000.00</p>	<p>WinstonNet, working with non-profit partners on the ground, has selected three communities in Qualified Census Tracts, identified as low-income and majority communities of color. Through this Program, we will provide digital literacy, computer education, Internet training, cyber security, and job security skills training. When training is complete, every attendee in the program will receive an Internet-enabled device to further their education and employment goals. Selected residents are all from disadvantaged and minority neighborhoods in targeted American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) / Qualified Census Tracts (QCTs).</p> <p>The overarching goal of this Program is to utilize digital training and access as a vital tool for helping disadvantaged or dislocated workers enter for the first time, or reenter, the workforce skilled in technology to compete for employment in the digital economy. This includes the eligibility to work remotely and in hybrid work situations that require digital devices and Internet access. In addition, our training cohorts will benefit from skills in online employment searches; education and course attainment; and other skill sets that provide a solid foundation for employment in higher-paying and higher-skilled jobs - creating a new pathway out of poverty.</p> <p>Additionally, the Project Team will build out three computer labs in select Community Centers in these communities. Each build-out will include a technology Learning Lab for pre-teens and teens to provide a safe space to learn and grow skills; and a computer lab for all adult residents to assist with job and employment skills. The goal of the training and build-outs of the Community Centers is to drive economic development in the County – the first through training and job opportunities, and the second to lower crime and promote youth education.</p> <p>Over the last year and a half, WinstonNet, with its partners, has invested significant funding into producing the Digital Equity Plan and programming to prepare for this next step—this Program.</p>	<p>Workforce Development</p>
<p>Moji Coffee + More</p>	<p>\$ 75,000.00</p>	<p>Moji Coffee + More is a place where members of the I/DD community and members of the neuro-typical community learn from and interact with each other. At Moji, our staff members learn critical job and life skills such as timeliness, preparedness, basic money management, and interacting appropriately with customers and co-workers. Additionally, our customers see that members of the I/DD community have perfected these skills and that they have the ability to learn additional skills and be successful in many different work environments. Not only are we bridging the gap in unemployment we are also providing real-life interactions between the public and our Mojistas to help reduce the stereotypes that this population is not able or willing to work, and they can succeed when given the proper support.</p>	<p>Workforce Development</p>

<p>AeroX - Winston Salem Drone Pilot Workforce Development Program</p>	<p>\$ 200,000.00</p>	<p>Forsyth County has a rich history of aviation starting at Smith Reynolds Airport. According to a recent NCDOT aviation economic impact study, Smith Reynolds Airport provides 3,665 jobs to the community, \$230 million in jobs income, \$29 million in state and local taxes, and an economic output of \$814 million. This airport has the highest economic impact of any General Aviation airport in the state. The numbers are truly impressive.</p> <p>However, the aviation industry sits at the cusp of the most transformative set of innovations in its 100-year history. The commercial use of unmanned aircraft systems (UAS, or drones) will transform the way high-value cargo, including passengers, is delivered, as well as “last-mile” packages for eCommerce. As evidence, Atrium Health Wake Forest Baptist and UPS have been flying routine medical drone delivery flights in Winston-Salem since July 2020.</p> <p>How do we ensure we are training the workforce of the future here in Forsyth County?</p> <p>Unfortunately, the neighborhoods around Smith Reynolds Airport have some of the country's lowest median income and economic mobility. These neighborhoods often see and hear the aircraft flying in and out of the airport but do not have access to its success. AeroX developed the Workforce Apprenticeship & Skills Program (WASP) to capitalize on the economic impact of the airport by providing aviation workforce development to North and East Winston-Salem. WASP is a 3-month apprenticeship program that provides the skills and experience needed to obtain an Unmanned Aircraft System (UAS) or drone job. This exposure is a gateway to other aviation fields, such as airline pilots, mechanics, and aerospace engineering, and technology-related jobs such as computer programming, software development, and engineering. WASP is an active program today.</p> <p>This funding will allow WASP to provide apprenticeship opportunities while providing drone services to the Forsyth County Government. For example, under the apprenticeship program, the County could request drone photos of a building for inspection, pictures of an event to share with the public or mapping a construction site and document progress.</p>	<p>Workforce Development</p>
<p>My FACE, Inc.</p>	<p>\$ 61,375.00</p>	<p>TEAM for Women is the continuation of a project started two years ago called MENTOR (Mentoring, Empowerment, Nurturing, Training, Opportunities, Responsibility) which was initiated in the Fall of 2019. It is a holistic program that provides mentors to unemployed/ underemployed families. These mentors encourage heads of household to work towards improving themselves socially and professionally. They assist families in writing Family Empowerment Plans (FEPs), helping them follow through on those life plans, and keeping data on their progress. Mentors serve as coaches, counselors, trainers, advisors, support personnel, facilitators, and guides. The uniqueness of MENTOR is that families are mentored one-on-one by members in their own neighborhoods. As part of the initial phase of this project, we enrolled one individual, and six months later, we had a total of nineteen young women who had been referred by their school counselors and parent involvement coordinators.</p> <p>Long-term impacts will include setting life goals (FEPs), commitment to themselves/ realization of their value to society, achievement of a degree, license or certification, and securing a comparable job. Individuals often remain in poverty because they are not prepared for a suitable profession. With My FACE, young women are encouraged to attend school and seek economic mobility. Impacts will further influence our participants' lives and those of their children. Major progress will not be seen in just a few short years, but My FACE is committed to seeing it through to major fruition.</p> <p>The numbers and percentages show that, if residents of these communities are to begin to measure up to the rest of society, they will need a tremendous amount of help. We want to change the lives of these single mothers. Of course, My FACE's efforts are new and in need of adequate resources to help these single mothers succeed. We have the inspiration and motivation but need support in doing this. We want to transform our target population--single mothers. An ARPA grant could help exceedingly!</p>	<p>Workforce Development</p>

Authoring Action	\$ 100,000.00	<p>Authoring Action seeks to reinvigorate and rebuild our after school advanced writing workshops, community engagement opportunities and writing workshops for teens in partner organizations, throughout the community. Utilizing Authoring Action's intensive creative writing process, discussion of their life situations and development of their written work through film and stage presentations, Authoring Action teaches youth to engage with their life story, their current predicaments, and to think critically about their neighborhoods, social issues, peer groups, formal and informal education and family systems in which they live. Teens are encouraged with each aspect of the program to understand the choices they make, and the consequences, both positive and negative, that come from their choices. They learn to see possibilities for their lives, experience the power of their own thoughts and voices. They learn that the fullness of literacy is more than the ability to read and write, they learn to negotiate their dreams, indeed their lives. They learn to articulate their unique point of view in original written works that then inform those who most affect their lives.</p> <p>Teens will develop the skills needed to succeed in today's economy of ideas (creativity; problem-solving and the use of words, images, sounds and movement to communicate). They discover and achieve sophisticated descriptive and narrative writing using existing reading, writing, and comprehension skills and with existing vocabulary. Through writing, and learning to speak their original written work in film and before an audience, teens develop confidence, self esteem and the ability to communicate publicly and in a professional manner.</p> <p>Authoring Action has experienced over and over again that through these core experiences, teens increase their motivation to continue to independently develop reading, writing, and comprehensive skills. They become more inquisitive and seek further knowledge thus increasing their academic performance and preparing them for the workforce.</p>	Workforce Development
SOUTHSIDE RIDES FOUNDATION	\$ 250,000.00	<p>The Southside Rides Foundation seeks ARRA Funding to assist post-incarcerated and the at-risk population by helping citizens return successfully into society following their incarceration and/or risky behavior reducing recidivism, improving public safety, and providing employment opportunities/entrepreneurship in the auto body industry. Southside Rides primary focus is to remove or reduce barriers to successful reentry, so that motivated individuals - who have served their time and paid their debt to society - are able to compete for a job, attain stable housing, support their children and their families, and contribute to their communities. The Southside Rides Foundation provides an education in auto body repair, offers mentorship, counseling services and life skills training to lead and guide our population served to healthier lifestyles and positive behaviors.</p>	Workforce Development
Delicious by Shereen	\$ 25,000.00	<p>Delicious by Shereen's mission is to empower women and provide financial stability, career development, and a positive family impact by addressing the critical need of assisting economically disadvantaged, under-served refugee communities in the Triad who are often overlooked as a community of color. We are a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization and have been active in the Winston Salem area for over six years.</p> <p>In order to assist refugee women and help them integrate as productive members of the community, we propose a program in which refugee women will be trained in English as a Second Language, personal financial management and budgeting, Communication Skills, and Civics & Government to help them prepare to become lawful Citizens of the United States of America.</p>	Workforce Development
Forsyth County Public Library	\$ 62,750.00	<p>Forsyth County Public Library (FCPL) will place nine mobile laptop labs at each branch of the library system in order to provide digital literacy programming that will feature computer skills, workforce development training and instruction in online databases subscribed to by the library. These mobile laptop labs will be housed in mobile charging stations and will be used in the multipurpose training rooms of each branch. Chromebooks will be purchased for the project and all computing will be accessed using cloud-based software.</p>	Workforce Development
Goler Community Development Corporation	\$ 300,000.00	<p>TechCareers is an innovative workforce development program designed by Goler Community Development Corporation to increase employability in the Information & Technology industry by connecting participants to technical education, employability training, and community resources. The program uses a research-based model to address unemployment, underemployment, and lack of diversity in technology. The mission is to strengthen the community by fostering economic growth, job creation, and increased wealth while improving quality of life for residents of Forsyth County.</p>	Workforce Development

Mixer Connection Point to Career Pathways Program	\$ 361,221.00	<p>The Connection Point to Career Pathways program will prepare youth for career opportunities (workforce development) in emerging technology and engineering job fields like Unmanned Aerial Systems (UAS), and Advanced Air Mobility (AAM) services, computer programming, automation, autonomous vehicles, additive manufacturing, and other emerging fields. This program facilitates the interactions of educators and mentors with students from Winston-Salem and Forsyth County to teach skills to students in grades 6 through 12 that will lead them to career pathways, including university and college, apprenticeships and direct-to-work. We feel that this work is particularly vital with regard to timing and location. The communities surrounding Mixer have been disproportionately impacted by the pandemic, leading to substantial job loss and high unemployment levels. Our community partners will be recruiting students from households experiencing severe negative impacts of the current economic situation. We will utilize all resources possible to ensure that these students will be successful in our program and can graduate ready for a career and connected to local job opportunities. Through this program, Mixer hopes to play a part in ending the cycles of poverty in neighborhoods that surround us.</p> <p>Mixer Community Makerspace is a place of community, creativity and connection, that creates intersections between people of diverse backgrounds and ways of thinking. The real value of a Makerspace is the way it allows makers from very different walks of life to share resources and build relationships. Makerspaces become a connection point that dissolve many of the silos that separate innovative ideas from the talent necessary to implement them. Makerspaces provide access to Technology and Tools that allow people to invent and improve upon technologically complex systems.</p> <p>This proposal is forward thinking in that the workforce the program will develop, in some cases, will start years before that person is ready to enter the workforce. However, as local resources are being devoted to building infrastructure to support Unmanned Aerial Systems (UAS) and Advanced Air Mobility systems (AAM), there will be a need for this particular workforce development program to provide trained personnel to support those industries. If we intend for those future jobs to go to local individuals, we must start to train that workforce now. This will prepare our community to maximize the opportunity that installing UAS/AAM infrastructure provides. Our proposal also is rooted in the belief that youth from underserved communities deserve the opportunities for economic mobility that historically have been denied to them. We are committed to make this program accessible to members of all local communities, especially underserved communities.</p> <p>We are partnering with local educators with years of experience teaching UAS/AAM and drone technology, and with AeroX, to develop the "Connection Point to Career Pathways" program. This program will incorporate long-term project based learning to prepare youth for a local workforce required to service the UAS/AAM industry's needs.</p>	Workforce Development
Flourish Program	\$ 50,000.00	<p>The Shalom Project is requesting funds to expand the capacity of our Flourish Program to better meet the needs of disproportionately impacted families in Forsyth County due to the Coronavirus pandemic. The Flourish Program is a community-building program of The Shalom Project, designed to help women heads-of-household and their families transition out of poverty or financial insecurity through education, holistic wellness, and goal setting.</p> <p>Prior to the pandemic, Forsyth County was ranked as the third worst county in the United States for poverty mobility with 87% of women heads-of-household in the county living in poverty. Following a period of evaluation during the pandemic, Flourish has identified two specific capacity-building needs to emerge from the pandemic poised to meet the growing number of families in need for which we seek funds: a Mental Health Project and a Latinx/Hispanic Program.</p> <p>First, we recognize the need to provide our participants with mental health resources, considering the daily stress and trauma they experience as women in poverty. As a program committed to whole-person wellness, we believe mental health is a key component to their economic mobility and holistic wellbeing. Funding for our Mental Health Project would allow us to offer consistent access to professional mental health counseling for all participants and their families to better address this need. Second, with increased financial hardship due to the pandemic, interest and the number of participants in the program has grown. Through assessing the demographic participation in other Shalom programs and in light of our own program evaluation, we identified the need to provide a Hispanic/Latinx Program for Spanish-speaking members of Forsyth County. By hiring a bilingual Spanish Community Coordinator, we can begin the work toward offering a Spanish-language cohort of the Flourish Program for the growing Hispanic/Latinx community in the county.</p>	Workforce Development
Forsyth County Employee Premium Pay	\$ 7,970,500.00	Request to provide funding for employee incremental bonuses.	Workforce Development

<p>Abba Father's Community Development Corporation</p>	<p>\$ 900,000.00</p>	<p>in 2019. Priority Need: Following consultation with community residents and other stakeholders, training in work-related skills, creative and entrepreneurial opportunities, and initiatives to prevent crime and school failure should be prioritized for the youth. We envision a youth orientated business incubator integrated with community and youth programs. Mission: The organization's mission is to empower young people holistically by providing them with the skills, knowledge, and resources they require to be successful in life. Goals: TYII primary goal is to increase the number of unduplicated low-and middle-income youth in TRIAD COUNTY to have more access to needed enrichment and entrepreneurship programs by 2023. The secondary goal to help youth avoid school failure, substance abuse, joblessness, and violence by 2026. Objectives: TYII objective one is to provide five hundred youth ages 11 years old to age 21 enrichment programs such as Entrepreneurship, Leadership, Media Production, Sports, Mentorship, and Remedial education, and STEM (science, technology, engineering, and mathematics) education over a three-year period. TYII objective two is to develop these youth to become Agri-Business (Hunger Fighters) IT and Technology (Business Innovators) Service Entrepreneurship (Agents of Change) Social Entrepreneurship (Community Leaders) Performing Arts (Positive Music and Dance Influencers). We will accept about 183 youth participants annually. Overview: Our program will have three phases, Start-up services for business and nonprofit organizations, Available Space offered for ten entrepreneurs and five non-profit groups and delivery of Youth Services to five hundred youth. We will offer continued technical, business, and mentorship towards sustainability. Furthermore, we will assist five startup non-profit youth orientated organizations in achieving their education, employment and community objectives through business incubation, mentorship, and community partnerships. To realize our vision, we intend to provide ten youth entrepreneurs with innovative working space, opportunities, and a low-impact fee structure to assist them in achieving success. Our target areas of service will be the disproportionately impacted families by the COVID 19 pandemic in TRIAD County. Our aim is to assist five hundred at-risk youth coming from low - and middle-income households that have experienced a disproportionate impact from the COVID-19 pandemic. We will help ensure programs accelerate toward successful development through a variety of community and business support services. Our program will have three phases, Start-up for business or nonprofits, Available Space offered and delivery of Youth Services for ten entrepreneurs and five non-profit groups. We will offer continued technical, business, and mentorship towards sustainability. Management: The program director must have a minimum of a Bachelor degree in Business, Management or Education and five years business experience. A non-degree holder must have equivalent to 20 years of successful business and community experience. Further all staff, volunteers, service providers or clients must obtain an FBI Level II background clearance. Facility: Our building is about thirty-two thousand square feet in size. There are fifteen office spaces, twenty classrooms, one hundred virtual offices spaces available. We will provide support services, business equipment, a full-size gymnasium, a six hundred seat performance auditorium, conference rooms and ample parking for seventy-five vehicles. Our location is at 4634 Shattalon Drive in Winston Salem, North Carolina. Abba Fathers Ministries Inc. is the owner of the property. Hours of Operation: TYII hours operation will be from 9 am to 6 pm Monday to Saturday. Grant request: We are seeking a \$900,000 grant to cover equipment's, a 15-passenger van, computers, furniture, and salaries for a part-time staff. Sustainability The project "TYII" is a</p>	<p>Other</p>
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