

American Rescue Plan Act Resident Survey - Response Summary

A total of 198 Forsyth County residents completed the American Rescue Plan Act Resident Survey. Applicants were able to select multiple areas of interest. The results are below.

Expenditure Category	Responses	Total Surveyed	Percent
Support Public Health Response	70	198	35.4%
Replace Public Sector Revenue Loss	28	198	14.1%
Address Negative Economic Impacts	116	198	58.6%
Premium Pay for Essential Workers	111	198	56.1%
Water and Sewer	48	198	24.2%
Broadband Infrastructure	45	198	22.7%

See individual responses below.

Completion time	Item	Have you reviewed the ARPA guidance provided to understand what expenditures are eligible?	Support Public Health Response	Replace Public Sector Revenue Loss	Address Negative Economic Impacts	Premium Pay for Essential Workers	Water and Sewer	Broadband Infrastructure	Based on the ARPA guidance provided, please tell us what you believe should be the priority of Forsyth County in using ARPA funds? Please describe how each priority is authorized in the guidance.
6/30/21 18:55:30	1	No			Address Negative Economic Impacts	Premium Pay for Essential Workers			Under-served areas along the Highway 52 & Liberty Street Corridor, more specifically, focusing a significant portion to preserve what remains of the Historic Goler community via pending requests through the Goler CDC.
6/30/21 21:33:57	2	No		Replace Public Sector Revenue Loss		Premium Pay for Essential Workers			In my opinion the Sheriff's Department should be paid the same as the Winston Salem Police Department, and receive educational incentives. They are just as likely to get shot or hurt ding their job. But don't spend the money because you have a little.
6/30/21 23:46:09	3	Yes					Water and Sewer Infrastructure	Broadband Infrastructure	We should act on any opportunity we have to improve infrastructure. We have that opportunity with this money. Also, I feel investment in broadband technology is a must, evident by the many workers who were working remotely during the last 15 months. High-speed broadband should be available to all for work and school.
7/1/21 4:54:14	4	Yes			Address Negative Economic Impacts	Premium Pay for Essential Workers			Residents should receive the benefits of these funds. We should address the financial problems. We should also address food insecurities for ALL. There should at least one area Residents can choose to receive assistance; be it through daycare, financial, food, or utility assistance.
7/1/21 6:54:37	5	Yes	Support Public Health Response	Replace Public Sector Revenue Loss	Address Negative Economic Impacts		Water and Sewer Infrastructure		Support small business, support government services like police and fire depts , support tourism industry and fund clean up for road sides and dumping areas. Ensure clean water and sewer systems. Take care of our county assets- things that make Forsyth county a good place to live.
7/1/21 7:07:45	6	Yes			Address Negative Economic Impacts	Premium Pay for Essential Workers			*
7/1/21 7:34:23	7	Yes			Address Negative Economic Impacts	Premium Pay for Essential Workers			PROVIDING A LIVING WAGE FOR ALL FORSYTH COUNTY GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES IN ORDER TO REDUCE ATTRITION RATES INCREASED WORKLOAD AND STRESS ON EMPLOYEES OF ALL DEPARTMENTS ESPECIALLY SOCIAL SERVICES. WE CANNOT KEEP ANY EMPLOYEES BECAUSE THEY CAN MAKE MORE MONEY WORKING AT CHILLIS , WALMART , AMAZON OR TARGET. THE CITY HAS INCREASED THEIR MINIMUM WAGE TO \$15.00 PER HOUR SALARIES OF FORSYTH COUNTY EMPLOYEES ACROSS ALL JOB TITLES ASIDE FROM LEADERSHIP NEED TO BE INCREASED
7/1/21 8:19:38	8	Yes				Premium Pay for Essential Workers			Healthcare workers and all educators should receive a one time bonus! These folks continued to work while home schooling their own children and doing so without childcare
7/1/21 8:28:11	9	Yes				Premium Pay for Essential Workers			One time bonus for WSFC Educators and staff. School staff have been exposed to Covid risks while being challenged to overcome the unprecedented difficulties of providing educational opportunities to our youth. They stepped up to the challenges and have continued to meet the demands placed on them.

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7/1/21 8:37:19	10	Yes			Address Negative Economic Impacts		Water and Sewer Infrastructure	Broadband Infrastructure	There has been assistance for renters and homeowners, public health clinics, and resources distributed via Social Services such as fans and supplies in the City of WS during and after COVID; however, residents in Forsyth County who pay taxes which support the city have not been included as the descriptions for programs specifically state that you must reside in Winston Salem. There are residents in the county that need support. Adding Forsyth County to these programs (rental, utilities, resources, expanding broadband services, and additional vaccination locations) would be helpful to county tax payers. The Rural Hall library, the local Novant office, Dr. Coe's office, and the DMV, along with several churches could host these events and support the infrastructure with notifying our community. The citizens of Rural Hall are part of Forsyth County, but are often left out of planning and resources that city residents benefit from.
7/1/21 9:10:25	11	Yes			Address Negative Economic Impacts	Premium Pay for Essential Workers			I believe that there should be premium pay for essential workers, because they have worked hard doing the covid 19 crisis.
7/1/21 9:13:48	12	Yes				Premium Pay for Essential Workers			The money should help benefit workers who were employed the entire pandemic who were not eligible to receive bonus money and extra benefits from the unemployment assistance.
7/1/21 9:18:36	13	Yes				Premium Pay for Essential Workers	Water and Sewer Infrastructure		Funds should be used to compensate essential workers for the risks they took to themselves and their families. This includes school teachers who worked many more hours than they are compensated for due to the remote learning issues. Funds should be used for infrastructure projects that Do Not have recurring long term costs to the county. In other words not for more building construction projects.
7/1/21 10:50:39	14	Yes	Support Public Health Response			Premium Pay for Essential Workers			I personally work for DSS and I am unclear which heading we would really fall under, hence the two items checked rather than one. I take care of specified food stamp recipients (elderly and disabled), this has been the group that does get re-certified. I did not take any extra time off of work due to Covid-19. I was here and trying to continue to help our community. I think that we deserve some form of bonus for this.
7/1/21 10:59:54	15	Yes	Support Public Health Response			Premium Pay for Essential Workers			I personally work for DSS and I am unclear which heading we would really fall under, hence the two items checked rather than one. I take care of specified food stamp recipients (elderly and disabled), this has been the group that does get re-certified. I did not take any extra time off of work due to Covid-19. I was here and trying to continue to help our community. I think that we deserve some form of bonus for this.
7/1/21 12:43:57	16	Yes	Support Public Health Response						Provide funds for Forsyth County Fire and EMS Departments to fund paid staff and equipment to provide protection through the County.
7/1/21 12:45:42	17	Yes	Support Public Health Response		Address Negative Economic Impacts			Broadband Infrastructure	I would use these one-time funds for enhancing physical facilities that can be sustained by credible operating organizations to help enhance citizen health and education. Organizations were able to get funds for staff so these funds should enhance facilities such as community centers and and provide broadband to underserved lower economic areas.
7/1/21 14:44:56	18	Yes			Address Negative Economic Impacts	Premium Pay for Essential Workers			Essential workers worked through the entire pandemic, some even working double their normal hours. I feel like they should be rewarded for standing strong and ensuring that services weren't interrupted to residents of Forsyth County. Small business suffered greatly during the pandemic. Some even having to close their doors permanently. A lot of resources available to large corporations aren't available or aren't feasible for small businesses. Therefore I would like to see some aid go to small businesses so they can potentially thrive again.
7/1/21 16:15:05	19	Yes				Premium Pay for Essential Workers	Water and Sewer	Broadband Infrastructure	I selected three options that I think are the best, but my top choice would be improving water infrastructure, this will have immediate and long term impacts on quality of life for Forsyth County Citizens.
7/1/21 16:44:00	20	Yes	Support Public Health Response	Replace Public Sector Revenue Loss	Address Negative Economic Impacts	Premium Pay for Essential Workers	Water and Sewer	Broadband Infrastructure	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Address negative economic impacts 2. Support Public Health Response 3. Replace public sector revenue loss 4. Premium Pay for Essential Workers 5. Broadband infrastructure 6. Water and sewer infrastructure
7/1/21 17:01:03	21	Yes			Address Negative Economic Impacts				Homeless prevention services and counseling for those who are at-risk of homelessness should be a priority of the ARPA funds. The services provided by the City of Winston-Salem can be expanded and personalized using a mentorship program and community intervention that encourages whole person health and not just financial security. A return to homelessness is highly likely and the homeless population in Forsyth County has only grown since the start of the pandemic - if there is not strategic planning put in place that is reliable and relationship-based we cannot solve a problem as wide-spread as homelessness in Forsyth County. We need to be looking beyond just instant financial assistance, which is only putting a band-aid on a gaping wound, but instead start implementing programming that grows roots that will yield deeper healing and measurable growth in our community that won't wither away like the quick fix of shoving money at those who are struggling.

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7/1/21 17:08:14	22	Yes	Support Public Health Response	Replace Public Sector Revenue Loss	Address Negative Economic Impacts	Premium Pay for Essential Workers	Water and Sewer	Broadband Infrastructure	I think reducing health disparities, improving access to health care, improving access to public services and broadband should be first priority.
7/1/21 19:30:25	23	Yes		Replace Public Sector Revenue Loss	Address Negative Economic Impacts				Job creation both large and small business's that support our local economy.
7/1/21 20:18:22	24	Yes	Support Public Health Response			Premium Pay for Essential Workers			Give to those who have served the front lines.
7/1/21 20:21:14	25	Yes				Premium Pay for Essential Workers			Some County employees have been working in the office 40 hours a week during the entire Covid pandemic and continuing to see the public in some circumstances. They did not telework at all. The City paid hazard pay (I think 10%) from the beginning and the County needs to give hazard pay to those in the office going back to when everything shut down.
7/1/21 20:21:35	26	Yes				Premium Pay for Essential Workers			Some County employees have been working in the office 40 hours a week during the entire Covid pandemic and continuing to see the public in some circumstances. They did not telework at all. The City paid hazard pay (I think 10%) from the beginning and the County needs to give hazard pay to those in the office going back to when everything shut down.
7/1/21 20:26:07	27	Yes				Premium Pay for Essential Workers			Some County employees have been working completely in the office (not teleworking) during the entire COVID pandemic, being more exposed and at risk than those teleworking 100%. They continued to see the public when needed. The City paid hazard pay (I think 10% of salary) from the beginning on the pandemic. Novant gave bonuses as well. The County should give hazard pay to those employees addressed above going back to when everything shut down.
7/1/21 20:31:46	28	Yes				Premium Pay for Essential Workers		Broadband Infrastructure	Premium pay for essential workers who have worked through the pandemic exposing themselves and their families to the virus everyday. Essential workers workload increased due to changes that had to be made to accommodate the mandates and guidance from the CDC and government with no extra money or compensation. The second priority should be public health response as they also have had to work harder and different to provide for the public. Public health measures are still needed to mitigate the pandemic and protect the health of the community.
7/1/21 20:37:35	29	Yes						Broadband Infrastructure	Broadband internet!!!
7/1/21 20:44:31	30	Yes			Address Negative Economic Impacts	Premium Pay for Essential Workers		Broadband Infrastructure	Address negative economic impacts
7/1/21 20:52:18	31	Yes			Address Negative Economic Impacts	Premium Pay for Essential Workers			Small business support Improvement in education including supplemental education programs to counteract the learning loss that occurred during Covid Premium pay for frontline healthcare workers that actually provided care to Covid patients during the height of the pandemic—ICU, ER, EMS, hospital inpatient staff, Covid testing site staff who were on the front lines when they were needed most
7/1/21 21:12:51	32	Yes	Support Public Health Response			Premium Pay for Essential Workers			Mental health care—services and employees!
7/1/21 21:26:48	33	Yes			Address Negative Economic Impacts				I believe the ARPA funds should be used in the marginalized communities, in the qualified census tracks to help respond to address the negative economic impacts.
7/1/21 21:41:31	34	Yes			Address Negative Economic Impacts	Premium Pay for Essential Workers	Water and Sewer		Premium pay for essential workers I hope is for those providing services we can't live without. Not only health workers, public safety but also store clerks and stockers in grocery stores. Wastewater and storm water infrastructure is often ignored. It is boring, but necessary. If we have funds, we should improve them.
7/1/21 22:01:54	35	Yes			Address Negative Economic Impacts		Water and Sewer		Small businesses and impacted industries, those who were closed or have not been able to open full capacity due to labor shortage should receive help.
7/1/21 22:20:47	36	Yes			Address Negative Economic Impacts				Provide assistance to small businesses harmed. Particularly in-kind assistance or grants. Giving loans that small businesses must pay back simply doesn't help people in this situation and seems incredibly unfair. They need relief if they are ever to recover.

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7/4/21 11:44:52	48	Yes		Premium Pay for Essential Workers	I work in the Forsyth County Detention Center I had to come work and work in COVID everyday I worked in the facility. I also contracted COVID as well. I had to suit up and go into the housing units and work in the pandemic dorms. Exposing myself as well as my family. I lost family members to COVID. It has been a horrific time for me as well as my co-workers. We had staff and inmates that contracted COVID it was very hard. I hope you would consider giving Essential workers a relief payment due to loss of family members and I was really sick with COVID and had to be quarantine from my family. Please consider us for some of the money for essential money.
7/4/21 14:39:50	49	Yes		Premium Pay for Essential Workers	As an essential worker I feel that I and others in my agency (Forsyth Co. SO- Detention Division) should receive hazardous pay because we had to work every day during the COVID-19 Pandemic putting our lives and family member's lives in danger. Every day that we worked inside the Detention Center we took a chance at possibly contracting this sometimes fatal virus. Some of us had school aged children and had to scramble to find childcare once the school system decided to close and go virtual. During the pandemic FMLA was created for COVID-19 Relief but I was deemed ineligible due to my job being considered essential. This put a burden on my family daily trying to figure who will provide care for my children. At times this became mentally draining because even on my off days I would have to assist my children at home during virtual learning. With that being said I feel that we should be eligible for the allocated ARPA funds being that we were granted no type of hazardous/bonus pay during this COVID-19 Pandemic.
7/4/21 17:11:29	50	Yes		Premium Pay for Essential Workers	Working for the detention center over the past 18 months has been a serious challenge for myself and my other coworkers. We were considered essential workers right from the beginning of the pandemic. That meant, working long hours, working around covid inmates and coworkers, self quarantining myself from family until I received my vaccination, coming to work every day without fail because I wanted to be part of a solution instead of adding to the problem. There was talk of getting some sort of compensation for all of our hard work and dedication but nothing came of it.
7/4/21 18:31:34	51	Yes	Address Negative Economic Impacts	Premium Pay for Essential Workers	The Forsyth County Sheriff Office did NOT provide hazard pay to its deputies or detention officers. The Winston-Salem Police Department and Health Care Workers both received hazard pay during the COVID-19 crisis. As a detention worker, I had to wear FULL PPE, to include N-95 masks, full Tyvek suits, booties, safety glasses, etc to perform my job duties. My shift is 12.25 hours. Thus, I had to wear the aforementioned PPE during the entire shift to protect myself from exposure from Inmates/Residents who had COVID-19 and to protect the Inmates/Residents from me. At one point there was an outbreak of COVID-19 in both the Inmate/Resident population and the staff population. We work incredibly closely with the Inmate/Resident population along with Health Care Workers and other essential personnel. The risk to my personal health to come into work every day was incredibly high. Yet, we were provided no hazard pay. The fact that the county did not see our health and well being as a priority is shameful and disappointing. The job of a detention officer is hard and stressful (to the point that detention officers have one of the lowest lifespans in the law enforcement community) and when added on the extreme risk of COVID-19, the job became that much more stressful and a risk. The Sheriff and the County should have allocated funds to provide us with hazard pay. Inmates/Residents are constantly coming into the facility and given free medical care and access to both COVID-19 testing and the vaccine. The county and Sheriff appear to care more about the facility population than they do to the people who work in it every day. The funds NEED to be put towards the emotional and physical damages that were obtained to the detention workers while working during the COVID-19 pandemic. We were pushed aside like trash while our counterparts in the Police Department and Health Care were taken care of and looked after. The County and the Sheriff needs to fix the damage that has been done. Please provide hazard pay to detention officers for their sacrifice during the COVID-19 pandemic. If we did not show up to work due to either contracting COVID-19 or having to assist a sick family member, there would be no one there to maintain security over the Detention Center Population. We are
7/4/21 23:00:23	52	Yes		Water and Sewer	The water and sewer infrastructure should be priority because these updates will better our community for years to come.
7/5/21 12:07:46	53	Yes	Address Negative Economic Impacts	Premium Pay for Essential Workers	I believe a portion of ARPA Funds should be allocated to the Forsyth County Sheriff's Office employees in the detention center for hazard pay. I work in the detention center in Forsyth County. While working here over the last year, we have had hundreds of inmates confined in this facility with Covid-19. The officers that worked in this building were put in to hazardous conditions by being in direct contact of these individuals with Covid-19 for a 12.25 hour shift since approximately March of 2020. Many of our officers got sick. This decreased our staff and created another hazardous condition of not having enough staff to watch the inmates. While we supervised and had direct contact with these inmates, we were advised by our command staff to allow 30 inmates out of their cells at a time for 2 hours at a time. We were given equipment to be safe from Covid-19 like Tyvek suits and gloves but these also created a hazardous situation by eliminating our peripheral vision and disrupting our hearing; and officers were still getting sick. An officer with impaired vision and hearing having to work around 30 inmates diagnosed with Covid-19 is a hazardous condition. Many other agencies provided hazard pay to their employees. Winston Salem Police Department, Grocery Stores, even the medical staff in the detention center received hazard pay. The medical staff in the detention center works in the same general areas as the officers but do not have to be around the inmates for 12.25 hours a shift like the officers do. If they were deemed to be working in hazardous conditions, then the hazards exposed to the officers at the detention center was hundredfold.

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7/5/21 12:33:32	54	Yes	Support Public Health Response				Water and Sewer	Broadband Infrastructure	Make the county better
7/5/21 13:55:19	55	Yes				Premium Pay for Essential Workers			Detention Officers, Telecommunicators, and Sheriff Deputies are essential staff regardless of what is happening in the world. We put our lives on the line each time we come to work as we are a 24/7 operation. During the Pandemic Detention staff continued to show up despite the risk inside of the building. Arrestees came in with Covid. We also had the highest Covid outbreak of any jail/prison in NC. FCSO deserves a one time bonus equal to what they should have gotten if they were paid hazard pay. State prisons were paid hazard pay. WSPD and WS Utility employees were paid hazard pay. The county did not take care of the FCSO especially the detention staff.
7/5/21 14:56:56	56	Yes				Premium Pay for Essential Workers			Health Care Workers and Law Enforcement need more pay to come to work we don't have the option to work from home and our job never stops
7/5/21 19:21:00	57	Yes			Address Negative Economic Impacts				Mortgage Assistance to aid individuals in jeopardy of default, delinquency and foreclosure prevention. and This aligns with - Delivering assistance to workers and families, including aid to unemployed workers and job training, as well as aid to households facing food, housing, or other financial insecurity. In addition, these funds can support survivor's benefits for family members of COVID-19 victims.
7/5/21 21:30:06	58	Yes			Address Negative Economic Impacts			Broadband Infrastructure	Premium Pay for Essential Workers
7/6/21 8:55:10	59	Yes	Support Public Health Response	Replace Public Sector Revenue Loss		Premium Pay for Essential Workers			In an effort to attract and retain the county's essential employees, there should be a premium pay and/or bonus provided to these county employees. Without our employees, we would be in a terrible situation.
7/6/21 16:48:47	60	No	Support Public Health Response	Replace Public Sector Revenue Loss	Address Negative Economic Impacts	Premium Pay for Essential Workers	Water and Sewer	Broadband Infrastructure	I believe a broad range of services are needed to contain and assist what COVID 19 has set upon this community. While each is considered a priority, I may not be the one to say what should be 1st or last. I do know that as an essential worker assisting at the vaccination clinic; supporting the the vulnerable population, contact tracing as well as other duties, I came across so many individuals and families in need of the very simple things that we take for granted. This funding would be a huge assistance in Forsyth County.
7/6/21 22:57:56	61	Yes	Support Public Health Response			Premium Pay for Essential Workers			Pay for essential workers and first responders. EMS has had to face COVID patients directly which has impacted their care, many EMS workers have testing positive for COVID at their own expense and have lost pay due to the circumstances.
7/7/21 8:56:49	62	Yes			Address Negative Economic Impacts	Premium Pay for Essential Workers		Broadband Infrastructure	Essential employees are the top priority on my list. These individuals are the ones who could not shelter and place and still had to perform their jobs while putting themselves and families at even more of a risk. Also, government front-line employees are also priority and should be considered when spending these additional funds. Middle-class families with children who were not able to receive public assistance but were still required to bare the load and additional loads since children and elderly were now at home which increased there spending dramatically but received no help due to assistance being based solely on income levels and family size.
7/7/21 10:08:34	63	No	Support Public Health Response		Address Negative Economic Impacts			Broadband Infrastructure	Addressing negative economic impacts should be the highest priority for Forsyth County.
7/7/21 11:43:39	64	Yes	Support Public Health Response			Premium Pay for Essential Workers			The stated purpose of the fund is to heal the community from damage and loss due to the pandemic
7/7/21 18:12:51	65	Yes				Premium Pay for Essential Workers		Broadband Infrastructure	I believe funding should go towards providing pay for essential workers. Social workers have not been recognized for the ongoing service they provide in the community throughout this pandemic. Child Welfare Workers have continued to provide services in the community and conduct face to face home visits. More supplies are needed for Social Services and Human Service staff and an increase in pay is needed to retain employees and hire new staff members. ARPA funds are also needed to address educational and health disparities along with community violence. There needs to be more program development and resources put in underserved communities.
7/7/21 22:37:25	66	Yes		Replace Public Sector Revenue Loss	Address Negative Economic Impacts				Give to nonprofits and small businesses that suffered during the downturn and which are trying to make the city better longterm.
7/8/21 7:21:23	67	Yes				Premium Pay for Essential Workers			essential worker never got help or hazard pay during the covid 19 time
7/8/21 7:22:41	68	Yes				Premium Pay for Essential Workers			the essential worker never got hazard pay during the covid 19 time

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7/8/21 8:17:38	69	Yes			Premium Pay for Essential Workers	Emergency personel in all disciplines are burned out and have been pushed to the breaking point. From overworked staff to underpaid staff to short staffing. Your emergency workers have kept the county going. Sheriff's kept the peace, Medics provided care and Firefighters continued in their mission to protect the communities. It was truely a joint effort with strong leadership in place.
7/8/21 9:16:15	70	Yes	Support Public Health Response		Premium Pay for Essential Workers	Access to healthcare must be extended, not all residents have access to healthcare due to their economic situation. I work in a community health center and I can see how hard the doctors and nurses work to bring health and wellness to those in need. **Same thing with the essential workers they should receive a Premium Pay, during the COVID19 PANDEMIC they had to face different challenges and still they served our City, or County.
7/8/21 10:08:51	71	Yes	Support Public Health Response			Broadband Infrastructure Behavioral healthcare services should be a priority. The pandemic has affected so many emotionally and easy access to services should be available. There should also be some payroll incentive to first responders, public health employees, etc. Those who have worked the vaccine clinics, etc.
7/8/21 16:04:15	72	Yes		Address Negative Economic Impacts	Premium Pay for Essential Workers	Pay for Essential Workers. Some had to go to work everyday, didn't get to work from home
7/8/21 20:11:16	73	No		Address Negative Economic Impacts		Help Black people first.
7/9/21 16:06:18	74	Yes		Address Negative Economic Impacts		Financial support for Small Local Owned Businesses that are still impacted by back rent, under staffed and COG's that are not available to them.
7/9/21 16:11:56	75	Yes		Address Negative Economic Impacts		Financial support for Small Local Owned Businesses that are still impacted by this pandemic by back rent, under staffed and COG's not readily available.
7/11/21 13:43:08	76	Yes	Support Public Health Response	Replace Public Sector Revenue Loss	Address Negative Economic Impacts	I am Lawrence Banner the Owner of SneekyVill Recordz in existance since March 2002 and founded in Winston-Salem N.C. My belief is that the funds should first be allocated to support a public health response to make sure al citizens are physically and mentally healthy being that a Pandemic is very hard on every individual. Secondly i would address negative economic impacts to strenghthen individuals and businesses and spreading hope and programs to the public thereby stregthening the economy. Third and last i would replace public sector revenue loss restoring food programs for the hungry and housing programs for the homeless also programs celebrating culture and race diversity as well as hope and motivation for youth in our city. The other programs seem important to me as well but im not sure they are specific or greatly enhanced by the Covid 19 Pandemic. But should also but looked at seriously by those that make the decisions. Thanks so much for a chance to give my input. Peace & Blessings
7/11/21 19:54:23	77	Yes				Broadband Infrastructure Providing unserved or underserved locations with new or expanded broadband access is essential for students and residents. This will assist students with completing school assignments and assist employees with meeting work expectations if working from home.
7/12/21 8:41:40	78	Yes			Premium Pay for Essential Workers	Broadband Infrastructure Premium / Hazard Pay for essential county employees who have continued to serve the public throughout the pandemic.
7/12/21 10:17:04	79	Yes	Support Public Health Response			Train First Response on Mental Health andour youth as well.
7/12/21 17:25:54	80	Yes		Address Negative Economic Impacts		Based on the ARPA guidelines, the priority should be the stabilization of the economy in Forsyth County, through relief for renters, through assistance with rent and utilities. Funding for small businesses who survived the pandemic, to rehire employees and capacity building for non-profits who are assisting with the stabilization of the community.
7/12/21 17:55:46	81	Yes		Address Negative Economic Impacts		Small Businesses and supporting non profits that have suffered due to Covid
7/13/21 15:16:02	82	Yes		Address Negative Economic Impacts		Support small businesses with loans, grants, in-kind assistance, and counselling.

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7/13/21 16:07:35	83	Yes			Address Negative Economic Impacts	Premium Pay for Essential Workers			A lot of residents were left out of the RUMA fund because they live outside of the city of WS but still a Forsyth County resident. 80% and below of AMI residents live everywhere, not just within the city. Just as rental assistance is being provided to renters through out ALL of Forsyth County, so should mortgage and utility assistance. I also wonder if a 6 month cap is too restrictive. Most residents we are seeing are at least a year behind on their mortgage due to the pandemic and servicer forbearance agreements. Also additional dollars for counseling agencies who provide direct service for safety net programs.
7/13/21 16:11:59	84	Yes			Address Negative Economic Impacts				Support Financial Pathways of the Piedmont in providing housing stability counseling and direct mortgage assistance to low-to-moderate income families who reside in Forsyth County. The goal of the program is to prevent the loss of housing, due to a household's inability to pay mortgage payments. Relief measures have mitigated hardships, however, there are significant gaps for residents who live outside of the City limits. No such programs exist for families who may be default/delinquent or in jeopardy or foreclosure. This aligns with "support immediate economic stabilization for households and businesses".
7/13/21 16:23:34	85	Yes			Address Negative Economic Impacts				Support Financial Pathways of the Piedmont in providing housing stability counseling and direct mortgage assistance to low-to-moderate income families residing in Forsyth county. The goal of the program is to prevent the loss of housing, due to a homeowner's inability to pay mortgage payments. Relief measures have mitigated hardships; however, significant gaps still exist for residents living outside the city limits. No such programs exist for families who may be default/delinquent or in jeopardy of foreclosure. This aligns with " support immediate economic stabilization for households and businesses".
7/13/21 16:29:37	86	Yes	Support Public Health Response		Address Negative Economic Impacts				Support Financial Pathways of the Piedmont in providing housing stability counseling and direct mortgage assistance to low-to-moderate income families who reside in Forsyth County. The goal of the program is to prevent the loss of housing, due to a household's inability to pay mortgage payments. Relief measures have mitigated hardships, however, there are significant gaps for residents who live outside of the City limits. No such programs exist for families who may be default/delinquent or in jeopardy or foreclosure. This aligns with "support immediate economic stabilization for households and businesses".
7/13/21 16:47:55	87	Yes			Address Negative Economic Impacts	Premium Pay for Essential Workers			Feed our community elders and children
7/13/21 16:48:49	88	Yes	Support Public Health Response	Replace Public Sector Revenue Loss	Address Negative Economic Impacts	Premium Pay for Essential Workers			n/a
7/13/21 16:50:40	89	Yes			Address Negative Economic Impacts	Premium Pay for Essential Workers			1) Negative Economic Impact on families 2) Premium pay for essential workers
7/13/21 16:52:10	90	No			Address Negative Economic Impacts				Maybe help with my water bill only
7/13/21 16:53:10	91	Yes	Support Public Health Response	Replace Public Sector Revenue Loss	Address Negative Economic Impacts	Premium Pay for Essential Workers			Support Public Health Response
7/13/21 16:54:10	92	Yes			Address Negative Economic Impacts				Keeping the community healthy both physically and emotionally.
7/13/21 16:55:21	93	Yes			Address Negative Economic Impacts	Premium Pay for Essential Workers	Broadband Infrastructure		Making sure workers, families, and businesses have adequate support to recover from the pandemic
7/13/21 16:56:15	94	Yes	Support Public Health Response		Address Negative Economic Impacts				Helping to help people be healthy
7/13/21 16:57:09	95	Yes	Support Public Health Response	Replace Public Sector Revenue Loss	Address Negative Economic Impacts	Premium Pay for Essential Workers	Water and Sewer	Broadband Infrastructure	n/a

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7/13/21 17:02:23	96	Yes		Address Negative Economic Impacts	Premium Pay for Essential Workers		Address Negative Economic Impacts- Restoration efforts should be a priority to meet the physical and emotional needs of the community. Premium pay to essential workers- Basic needs met for essential workers is vital in sustaining the emotional and physical health to serve the community.
7/13/21 17:04:06	97	No		Address Negative Economic Impacts			n/a
7/13/21 17:05:15	98	No		Address Negative Economic Impacts			There should not be anyone not having food, etc. Anything that can be done to help needs to be done.
7/14/21 10:01:20	99	Yes		Address Negative Economic Impacts			Looking around alot of small business and restaurant owners are struggling. We need to help these business.
7/14/21 10:04:12	100	Yes		Address Negative Economic Impacts			Financial Pathways of the Piedmont (FPP) currently provides direct financial assistance for the City of Winston Salem Rent, Utility and Mortgage Assistance Program (RUMA) however, in order to participate you must reside in Winston-Salem. FPP often receives applications for Forsyth county residents who live in Kernersville, Clemmons, and Walkertown, who are not eligible for participation. We need your assistance to advocate for support of housing counseling and direct mortgage assistance for residents who reside in Forsyth County. This directly addresses negative economic impacts. Support Financial Pathways of the Piedmont in providing housing stability counseling and direct mortgage assistance to low-to-moderate income families who reside in Forsyth County. The goal of the program is to prevent the loss of housing, due to a household's inability to pay mortgage payments. Relief measures have mitigated hardships, however, there are significant gaps for residents who live outside of the Winston Salem City limits. No such programs exist for families who may be default/delinquent or in jeopardy or foreclosure. This aligns with "support immediate economic stabilization for households and businesses".
7/14/21 12:11:16	101	Yes	Support Public Health Response	Address Negative Economic Impacts	Premium Pay for Essential Workers		Helping the people who will become homeless due to this epidemic. They will need affordable housing without so much red tape to get into it because of the evictions and bad credit. build adequate, safe, affordable housing for the community. Especially one-bedrooms and family homes as well.
7/14/21 14:21:18	102	Yes				Broadband Infrastructure	Creating opportunities for the community that this money is the most needed
7/14/21 17:55:34	103	Yes		Address Negative Economic Impacts	Premium Pay for Essential Workers	Broadband Infrastructure	Address Negative Economic Impacts - So many small businesses either had to close or try to continue working with limited staffing, jobs, or funds. Encouraging safe tourism and hospitality again will aid many small businesses back from the brink of bankruptcy.
7/15/21 8:20:49	104	Yes	Support Public Health Response			Water and Sewer	Allocate funds for mental and behavioral health. There are many people that secretly have problems in this area. They act out in many ways, some can be harmful and some have been deadly. There is a growing need for more information and more qualified staffers. I also strongly think more attention should be given to water and sewer infrastructure and the reasons should be self explanatory.
7/15/21 16:12:18	105	Yes	Replace Public Sector Revenue Loss				I believe individuals who have lost income due to COVID-19 should receive assistance as they continue to rebuild their lives from the aftermath of the pandemic. Some people have lost their entire life savings as a result of the pandemic, and I believe that allowing them to rebuild themselves will be valuable to the economy.
7/16/21 7:22:35	106	Yes	Support Public Health Response	Address Negative Economic Impacts	Premium Pay for Essential Workers		Funds for families and essential workers to help get back on their feet, provide help to small businesses which provide employment for many workers who have families in Forsyth County. Help get a strong workforce up and running.
7/17/21 11:33:47	107	Yes	Support Public Health Response	Address Negative Economic Impacts	Premium Pay for Essential Workers		They are under the objectives that would be approved for funding.
7/17/21 11:41:28	108	Yes		Address Negative Economic Impacts		Water and Sewer Broadband Infrastructure	Each area above is essential; still lacking overall in my opinion is mention of public sector improvements impacting education. Thanks this opportunity for input
7/18/21 19:16:28	109	Yes		Address Negative Economic Impacts	Premium Pay for Essential Workers		Address Negative Economic Impacts.

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7/19/21 6:57:16	110	No	Support Public Health Response	Replace Public Sector Revenue Loss	Address Negative Economic Impacts	Premium Pay for Essential Workers	Water and Sewer	Broadband Infrastructure	ALL OF THE ABOVE ARE EQUALLY IMPORTANT.
7/19/21 11:33:16	111	Yes			Address Negative Economic Impacts				Support Financial Pathways of the Piedmont in providing housing stability counseling and direct mortgage assistance to low-to-moderate income families who reside in Forsyth County. The goal of the program is to prevent the loss of housing, due to a household's inability to pay mortgage payments. Relief measures have mitigated hardships, however, there are significant gaps for residents who live outside of the City limits. No such programs exist for families who may be default/delinquent or in jeopardy or foreclosure. This aligns with "support immediate economic stabilization for households and businesses.
7/19/21 23:36:18	112	Yes			Address Negative Economic Impacts				• Investments in housing and neighborhoods, such as services to address individuals experiencing homelessness, affordable housing development, housing vouchers, and residential counseling and housing navigation assistance to facilitate moves to neighborhoods with high economic opportunity;
7/21/21 17:07:57	113	Yes					Water and Sewer	Broadband Infrastructure	Infrastructure
7/21/21 17:47:38	114	Yes	Support Public Health Response		Address Negative Economic Impacts	Premium Pay for Essential Workers			Main priority should be to Public Health support in getting vaccinations to all eligible individuals in the county. This would include providing factual information on the vaccine to combat misinformation and allocating resources in local communities to combat inequity of distribution of the vaccine.
7/21/21 18:54:07	115	Yes			Address Negative Economic Impacts	Premium Pay for Essential Workers	Water and Sewer		N/A
7/21/21 20:20:41	116	No						Broadband Infrastructure	Broadband should be for everyone already. It's an essential utility.
7/21/21 20:43:49	117	Yes			Address Negative Economic Impacts		Water and Sewer		Assist the small businesses that had to close because of lockdowns. Make improvements to city infrastructure that was neglected during the pandemic.
7/21/21 22:00:04	118	Yes	Support Public Health Response			Premium Pay for Essential Workers		Broadband Infrastructure	Broadband infrastructure.
7/21/21 22:15:09	119	No			Address Negative Economic Impacts				To help everyone get back to work and back on their feet which in turn will boost the economy.
7/21/21 22:53:03	120	Yes				Premium Pay for Essential Workers			I believe the funds should be utilized to provide premium pay for the frontline essential workers during the pandemic - as one of them (not working in Forsyth county but in surry county, so I wouldn't be eligible here I assume) I know firsthand how little our companies have supported us financially during the pandemic, while we have sacrificed everything for over a year and a half thus far for everyone. Thank you for this consideration.
7/21/21 22:58:44	121	Yes			Address Negative Economic Impacts		Water and Sewer	Broadband Infrastructure	The biggest priority of using these funds in Forsyth County is to help people and their families directly affected by COVID-19 such as delivering assistance to workers and their families and rebuild public sector capacity. If the pandemic taught us anything it's that we need stronger infrastructure— specifically expanding broadband— in our county to focus on households without access and by funding projects that deliver reliable service. What the county should NOT prioritize is giving MORE funds to the so-called "public safety" employees, like those of the Sheriff's Department, who did a piss-poor job of mitigating the pandemic and treating people being held captive at the FCLEDC like animals.
7/21/21 23:15:26	122	Yes	Support Public Health Response			Premium Pay for Essential Workers			Bonuses for teachers as essential workers in addition to Healthcare
7/22/21 7:10:21	123	Yes	Support Public Health Response			Premium Pay for Essential Workers	Water and Sewer	Broadband Infrastructure	Premium Pay for Essential Workers. Offer additional support to those who have and will bear the greatest health risks because of their service in critical infrastructure sectors.
7/22/21 7:43:22	124	Yes	Support Public Health Response	Replace Public Sector Revenue Loss	Address Negative Economic Impacts	Premium Pay for Essential Workers	Water and Sewer	Broadband Infrastructure	Improve health disparities for all and good access to housing and education, economics and environmental issues . Thank you. God Bless!

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7/22/21 8:04:47	125	Yes	Support Public Health Response						I'm concerned that the biggest long term effect of this pandemic will be to the students in our schools, and the meager shoestring budgets whereby educators have pivoted to adapt to remote learning, and other COVID-19 mitigation efforts in school. I propose that we support public health response, and ensure a significant portion of those funds specifically go towards reinforcing the budgets of department of education to ensure that no compromises are made on behalf of our children, their health and well being.
7/22/21 9:22:44	126	No		Address Negative Economic Impacts	Premium Pay for Essential Workers	Broadband Infrastructure			Helping people and businesses that were particularly impacted by the pandemic
7/22/21 10:29:11	127	Yes	Support Public Health Response	Replace Public Sector Revenue Loss					Infrastructure has nothing to do with COVID response. Use funds to offset tax revenue loss so future interruptions of city service doesn't occur. General public has already received funding from federal government and distributing to individuals or particular groups invites corruption.
7/22/21 10:58:19	128	Yes	Support Public Health Response			Water and Sewer	Broadband Infrastructure		Preparation for the future by having internet access for all. Improving access to safe clean water for all for future needs is a human right and doing it now before a natural disaster allows for survival. Supporting public health is for the well being of all in the community not just those that can afford it. Perhaps allowing or funding/compensating mobile units to provide access to all.
7/22/21 12:33:15	129	Yes		Address Negative Economic Impacts		Water and Sewer	Broadband Infrastructure		Payments directly to parents with children in economically hardshipped areas. Make vaccination a prerequisite to assistance.
7/22/21 13:30:55	130	Yes	Support Public Health Response	Address Negative Economic Impacts					Building infrastructure in the East Winston Community, at Large; more specifically, the "Island" Community which serves as a potential economic hub for the area. This precedence can be set through the establishing of a "Food Isle" to replace the notoriously derogatory "Food Desert" terminology, where we scale up our agricultural presence with the purchase of a few lots of prime real estate, and capture the long sustained effort with a snapshot that can be reported out to the governing, banking and philanthropic agencies as a model of a Reparational Framework that can be employed by our most marginalized communities, to increase verve and resilience moving forward. The goal is to have this all protected in Community Land Trust and Conservation Easement, where each applies, respectively. We also plan to institute "Organic Land Management Protocol" to preserve and uphold the integrity of the land and the health of the Community. We have garnered considerable organizational support to accomplish this Mission, and would love to count on the support of the ARPA funds per the County Commissioners, to make this Vision into a reality!
7/22/21 15:13:34	131	Yes	Support Public Health Response			Water and Sewer			We need to increase street cleaning. I notice many gutters filled with trash which then get into the storm water system and create more pollution downstream. In addition to purchasing more street cleaning machines this program worked well in another city. https://www.wrcbtv.com/story/43590135/people-experiencing-homelessness-in-chattanooga-can-earn-cash-for-picking-up-trash In addition, several of our premier streets are in terrible condition such as polo road at university, 4th street, Cherry and Marshall downtown.
7/22/21 17:36:32	132	Yes			Premium Pay for Essential Workers				Priority should be all essential workers that continued to work through this pandemic. Police, paramedics, health care providers, court personal, grocery stores, transit.
7/23/21 10:59:38	133	No	Support Public Health Response	Address Negative Economic Impacts	Premium Pay for Essential Workers				The resources of funds is broader than listed. Since the dismantling of the homeless camp on Akron Drive, most of them have relocated on the upper end of University Parkway. This needs to be addressed and funds for permanent camps with resources need to be available. For further questions feel free to call me at 3363411852 Thanks Bradlev Stoltz
7/24/21 8:05:09	134	Yes	Support Public Health Response	Address Negative Economic Impacts			Broadband Infrastructure		I believe the priority should be to address negative economic impact to workers and small businesses impacted by COVID.
7/24/21 20:52:56	135	Yes		Replace Public Sector Revenue Loss		Water and Sewer	Broadband Infrastructure		I have no specific ideas, but I really want to see the county do more to help alleviate child hunger and poverty, so if there are ways that ARPA funds can directly or indirectly help improve upward mobility and assist vulnerable families, that's where I think we should target those funds.
7/26/21 9:35:27	136	Yes		Address Negative Economic Impacts					Rental and housing assistance for underserved Winston salem communities. Help both residents and landlords by providing funds so rent accounts are current again and residents don't need to be concerned with eviction.
7/27/21 6:53:42	137	Yes		Address Negative Economic Impacts	Premium Pay for Essential Workers				The priority should be the qualified census tracks communities in order to transform their economic future with sustainable enterprises.

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7/29/21 11:59:36	138	Yes		Replace Public Sector Revenue Loss	Address Negative Economic Impacts		Broadband Infrastructure	Get our community back and BETTER. Broadband would be a HUGE impact. And getting small businesses back on their feet. As an Arts fan and member of the Arts Council board, I would like to also see programs to help this sector that is so important to our community and often overlooked.
8/1/21 23:51:39	139	Yes			Address Negative Economic Impacts			The priority for Forsyth County in using ARPA funds should be education and jobs training. Since the pandemic has impacted low income communities of color disproportionately, education and jobs training should be at the top of the list for funds allocation in order to get our residents back to work through occupations and professions providing livable wages to give individuals and families the power to provide, thrive and bolster our economy in a meaningful way. This effort should be supported and provided through local area small businesses.
8/2/21 12:51:14	140	Yes				Premium Pay for Essential Workers		Has the County considered using some of its American Rescue Plan Act Funds for premium to pay essential workers? And/or considered using some of the \$56 million as a "retention bonus," a bonus to employees for getting through an unprecedented year in child welfare services. With our agency and division facing extreme turnover because of the pandemic, the money would be both a show of appreciation for staff members and an enticement for continued service. Additionally, to ensure the safety, well-being, and permanence of children and families, outside of the box methods are vital to retain staff. What organization wouldn't want to thank their dedicated, hardworking employees with extra pay for stepping up to provide essential services that our community counted on during the pandemic?
8/2/21 12:58:07	141	Yes	Support Public Health Response			Premium Pay for Essential Workers	Water and Sewer	What I indicated in question number 4. I am concerned that this question is too complicated for the average citizen, thus creating a barrier between what you are asking and the level of responses from the citizens who need services the most.
8/3/21 21:57:40	142	Yes			Address Negative Economic Impacts			Funding and technical assistance for small businesses is among authorized priorities.
8/4/21 21:08:11	143	Yes				Premium Pay for Essential Workers		These folks; DSS social workers, case workers, ems, etc continued to work through the pandemic and even had to learn different skills to accommodate the influx of cases/applications for services that were expanded due to the pandemic. What better way to say thank you for being there then and now!
8/4/21 21:14:52	144	Yes				Premium Pay for Essential Workers		Dss workers worked through the pandemic so people could get services and kids were safe. It's only right to finally look out for those who kept things going for residents and kids of Forsyth Co.
8/5/21 9:18:10	145	Yes				Premium Pay for Essential Workers		I believe that the priority should be providing a premium pay for county workers (essential workers) to recognize the fact that they have worked throughout the pandemic with minimal to no additional supports.
8/5/21 9:21:51	146	Yes		Replace Public Sector Revenue Loss	Address Negative Economic Impacts		Water and Sewer	Make necessary investments to improve access to clean drinking water and invest in wastewater and stormwater infrastructure Respond to economic harms to workers, families, small businesses, impacted industries, and the public sector Use funds to provide government services to the extent of the reduction in revenue experienced due to the pandemic
8/5/21 9:50:58	147	Yes	Support Public Health Response	Replace Public Sector Revenue Loss		Premium Pay for Essential Workers	Water and Sewer	I believe a priority of the ARPA is that premium pay should be given to essential workers who have worked throughout the COVID-19 pandemic. Those employees have put their physical well-being and families well-being at risk to meet the daily needs of their community and to provide care for others. And they have not received additional compensation.
8/5/21 9:51:54	148	Yes				Premium Pay for Essential Workers		Compensate the workers of Forsyth County Dept. of Social Services and the Dept. of Public Health for their diligence of being essential workers throughout the pandemic. The employees of Social Service were available throughout the pandemic everyday, as well as the Social Workers. The employees of DSS and Public Health were available throughout the pandemic as well. The employees kept DSS up and running everyday and they went above and beyond with no complaints, because as workers of DSS we felt that it was our duty to be hear here for our clients and the citizens of Forsyth County. We felt that we needed to go above and beyond the call of duty to make sure that we could make sure that the citizens for Forsyth County had someone that they could count on in their time of need. This is why I feel that the employees of Forsyth County could use a little relief for their time and effort and the health risk that they themselves imposed on their own families to provide and protect the citizens of Forsyth County. We are and should be considered Essential Workers without a doubt.
8/5/21 12:36:51	149	Yes				Premium Pay for Essential Workers		Premium pay and incentive to workers who have worked during this pandemic. It is important to recognize those who have been the "glue" even when we have been concerned over our own health.
8/5/21 17:31:34	150	Yes				Premium Pay for Essential Workers		Pay essential employees
8/7/21 7:06:41	151	Yes			Address Negative Economic Impacts			The Arts Council touches so many corners of this community. From small businesses to school children, so much of what makes the city special and unique depends on their funding.

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8/8/21 12:44:59	152	Yes			Address Negative Economic Impacts				Assist small business with capital expenditures needed to support community gaps in education.
8/8/21 12:46:55	153	Yes			Address Negative Economic Impacts				Funding for transformational focused non profits that address economic development.
8/8/21 12:47:25	154	Yes	Support Public Health Response		Address Negative Economic Impacts	Premium Pay for Essential Workers	Water and Sewer	Broadband Infrastructure	Community based development that has an immediate impact in local communities.
8/8/21 12:48:05	155	Yes			Address Negative Economic Impacts			Broadband Infrastructure	Housing needs have negatively impacted residents substantially .
8/8/21 12:48:40	156	Yes			Address Negative Economic Impacts				Address negative economic impacts with business development impact/community based development
8/8/21 12:48:48	157	Yes	Support Public Health Response	Replace Public Sector Revenue Loss	Address Negative Economic Impacts	Premium Pay for Essential Workers		Broadband Infrastructure	Address Negative Economic Impacts with Business Development Impact/Community Based Development
8/9/21 12:28:38	158	Yes				Premium Pay for Essential Workers			Social Workers and all DSS workers as Essential Workers
8/9/21 16:22:56	159	Yes	Support Public Health Response		Address Negative Economic Impacts			Broadband Infrastructure	Housing has been significantly impacted by covid and there are hundreds of families facing foreclosure .
8/10/21 12:47:24	160	Yes	Support Public Health Response						Please prioritize ARTS and CULTURE within your allocation of funding for ARPA funds.
8/10/21 12:49:28	161	Yes			Address Negative Economic Impacts				Arts and Culture have the capacity to respond to losses the impact that affect the travel and tourism industry. We truly need to get the doors open and get staffing back up to increase the revenues for organizations and our tax base.
8/10/21 14:04:28	162	Yes		Replace Public Sector Revenue Loss	Address Negative Economic Impacts				The ARPA guidelines state: COVID-19 expenditures or negative economic impacts of COVID-19, including assistance to small businesses, households, and hard-hit industries, and economic recovery. In this, the City of the Arts, the arts community has been hard hit. A tremendous amount of income has been lost. I hope the County officials can make room in their budget for meaningful help to aid the arts community. Every arts organization IS a small business that has been hit hard. Every artist REPRESENTS a household that has been hit hard.
8/10/21 17:32:08	163	Yes		Replace Public Sector Revenue Loss	Address Negative Economic Impacts		Water and Sewer	Broadband Infrastructure	This is the city of "Arts & Innovation," why not invest in local artists and arts based businesses and non-profits. Small businesses, especially minority owned businesses. Small business, not corporations help to build an economy and grow communities.

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8/11/21 10:57:06	164	Yes			Address Negative Economic Impacts	Premium Pay for Essential Workers		Broadband Infrastructure	The funds should be used to help folks with limited income get a vacant house that has been unused for over 3 yrs and purchase it. The funds should be used to help them rehab and fix it up for better quality living. Also what about 14 ST community center. We need some updated equipment and computers plus some programs for the youth to go to year round and utilize. We need more places for our youth to be entertained and have some supportive services for them especially in the summertime. We also need a training school for technical learning for jobs like heavy machine operator and construction. You can help revitalize the economy if you train residents in our own state for the work the city gives to outside company. I tested the water here and it appears to be fine so there is no need for that. The greatest need is in self sufficiency. With higher paying jobs and taxes taken off of food then most folks would be able to manage. I am employed in a workforce program that only pays me \$7.28 an hour but the city gave Urban League \$100,000 dollars to help with jobs but how does that help me. Money should be utilized to increase wages which hasn't been updated since 2009. It should also be used to help senior and the disabled who still have to work because their minium check barely make ends meet. Also in regards to broadband the prices are so high but the services are so low. The speed is unacceptable and in order to get better speed you have to pay more money than a peron has left over to spend. In some arear you can't even get internet because it is an overload on the lines and they have no room to put anyone and even if you do get it then you can't get quality service and the connections st buffering.
8/11/21 21:06:26	165	Yes			Address Negative Economic Impacts			Broadband Infrastructure	Addressing the Negative impact the lack of economic poverty has had on the community
8/12/21 8:43:36	166	Yes			Address Negative Economic Impacts				Workforce development... To create a community infrastructure that offers service jobs to bridge the gap in employment for marginalized individuals. Offer training and acceptance programs within organizations that promote loyalty, reduces recidivism, and creates strong awareness for the need of such jobs. Offer second chances and opportunities to make better quality of life for individuals who would otherwise be left behind in lower income and poverty stricken communities. Enhance public transportation to accommodate evening and night shift workers.
8/12/21 13:35:57	167	Yes	Support Public Health Response		Address Negative Economic Impacts		Water and Sewer	Broadband Infrastructure	Address Negagive Economic Impacts - Respond to economic harms to workers, families, small businesses, impacted industries, and the public sector
8/16/21 12:06:38	168	Yes	Support Public Health Response	Replace Public Sector Revenue Loss	Address Negative Economic Impacts	Premium Pay for Essential Workers	Water and Sewer	Broadband Infrastructure	The priority right now should be to reward public servants (essential workers) who were working in the office daily at Social Services (child welfare social workers) and continuing to go out to client's homes in the community and expose ourselves to COVID-19, as part of our jobs and we did so willingly and without complaint, as the public still needed assistance in accessing services, ensuring they were receiving the necessary services they are entitled too. A lot of the surrounding counties, chose to provide bonuses or other financial compensation for essential staff that worked for the county (DSS, public health, etc...). Forsyth County should step up for their employees, especially those who are essential workers and who have been doing the work daily, even when we had stay at home orders by the Governor. All of the areas are important and should get earmarked for funds for each area.
8/17/21 10:01:03	169	Yes	Support Public Health Response			Premium Pay for Essential Workers			Give one time bonuses to Public Health employees who worked vaccination sites around the City/County. Actually help the community specifically the tent communities & housing industry.
8/17/21 17:40:12	170	Yes				Premium Pay for Essential Workers			The funds should be offered as additional support to the workers who have the greatest health risks because their service in critical and mandated, they have the greated risk of all.
8/19/21 11:57:37	171	Yes				Premium Pay for Essential Workers			We need to support the workers that endanger themselves to make our community better.
8/19/21 11:59:29	172	Yes				Premium Pay for Essential Workers			Top priority is to compensate the county workers putting everything on the line daily to better the lives of those in need.
8/23/21 11:09:13	173	Yes	Support Public Health Response		Address Negative Economic Impacts	Premium Pay for Essential Workers		Broadband Infrastructure	Negative Economic Impact : there must be full aid for housing in areas considered to be low economically. places such as Chrystal Towers should be strengthened for those who reside in them. there must be full aid for those who are being evicted from homes not vouchers that will only partially help those in need.
8/23/21 13:41:29	174	No			Address Negative Economic Impacts				Small businesses were and still are severely impacted.

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8/23/21 15:16:47	175	Yes	Support Public Health Response		Address Negative Economic Impacts				having those that have been impacted due to Covid-19, and providing assistance to those with health and mental issues.
8/23/21 15:55:39	176	Yes	Support Public Health Response						The Interim Final Rule identifies a non-exclusive list of uses that address the effects of the COVID-19 public health emergency. Included in this list are two of the primary objectives of our proposed SMSI Healthy Living Solutions (SMSI) initiative: public communications efforts to mitigate and prevent COVID-19, and COVID-19 prevention and mitigation in congregate living facilities (especially nursing homes and group living facilities). It is also important to note the SMSI's efforts are primarily focused on African American communities, which have been disproportionately impacted by COVID-19. The Treasury Department urges ARPA funds recipients to prioritize communities like these.
8/23/21 17:49:50	177	Yes			Address Negative Economic Impacts				Address the food insecurities within the food desert of Winston-Salem and low income communities.
8/23/21 18:26:27	178	Yes	Support Public Health Response		Address Negative Economic Impacts	Premium Pay for Essential Workers			Premium pay for Essential Workers Homeowner and rental assistance Child care and food assistance
8/24/21 8:56:44	179	Yes	Support Public Health Response	Replace Public Sector Revenue Loss	Address Negative Economic Impacts	Premium Pay for Essential Workers	Water and Sewer	Broadband Infrastructure	Support Public Health Response
8/25/21 10:40:15	180	Yes				Premium Pay for Essential Workers			I feel the ARPA funds should be used towards premium pay for essential workers. There are alot of government programs for those out of work, but no reward or compensation for the essential workers.
8/25/21 13:35:31	181	Yes	Support Public Health Response		Address Negative Economic Impacts	Premium Pay for Essential Workers		Broadband Infrastructure	2.5. Negative economic impact - to help with rental / mortgage assistance, food assistance, burials, job training etc. 2.14. Support Public Health Response - support front-line workers in hospitals, nursing homes, home health care & others such as grocery staff who are at highest risk 4.7. Premium pay for essential workers and broadband needs to be expanded to those who dont have any internet access.
8/25/21 16:13:21	182	Yes			Address Negative Economic Impacts	Premium Pay for Essential Workers	Water and Sewer		the stability of the people by focusing resources to boast and jolt community members
8/26/21 17:28:00	183	Yes	Support Public Health Response			Premium Pay for Essential Workers	Water and Sewer		You need to give pay increases to employees, the public health department and especially to the division of environmental health who continue to lose staff to the school system and adjoining counties who pay substantially more. The pay for performance plan does nothing more than create stagnant wages and pay ranges with upper ends that can never be reached with above standard reviews. The county spends 75,000 dollars in training and time to get interns to a bare minimum level of training to have them leave and go to other counties for more pay, there would be severe recourse if a 75,000 dollar piece of equipment was stolen or lost. The cost of training interns to only have them leave costs for than dollars, it takes a severe mental toll on the staff doing the training as well. The continued failure to invest in the public health department staff for over a decade has left the department ill prepared to handle the pandemic as well as day to day operations leaving citizens to face long delays in obtaining on-site wastewater permitting and other permitted facilities to go without being inspected allowing for the potential of a serious food borne outbreak. The current trend in staff turnover will leave the department in a severe lack experienced staff to train new employees and to allow for any continuity of operations as staff retire from the department.
8/27/21 15:28:52	184	No				Premium Pay for Essential Workers			Continue to help underserved communities
8/29/21 18:33:41	185	No	Support Public Health Response		Address Negative Economic Impacts	Premium Pay for Essential Workers		Broadband Infrastructure	Based on the ARPA guidance provided I believe priority of Forsyth County funds should go toward essential workers. Not all funds but some funds. As an essential worker I received an additional dollar per hour from M arch 2020 thru May of 2020. and then it was taken away.

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8/30/21 12:22:36	186	No	Support Public Health Response		Address Negative Economic Impacts	Premium Pay for Essential Workers	Water and Sewer	Broadband Infrastructure	I think that the funds should be used to address the housing crisis we are facing - particularly that there is not enough affordable housing within the city. The rule of thumb is that 1/3 of your income should be spent on the rent, but the reality is that there are many folks who are working 2-3 full time jobs and cannot afford more than the basics (i.e. rent, food, and bills). I know personally - 68% of my income was just going to rent in the past year! In tandem with that - a lot of folks need support economically right now - as well as a demonstration that the city cares about the long-term impacts of COVID-19 on our city - and more importantly - the individuals and their families of the city.
8/31/21 0:38:42	187	Yes				Premium Pay for Essential Workers			We support PREMIUM PAY, bonuses and perks for essential workers, namely, social workers and teachers! While the world was given permission to stop working to provide for their families, companies were shutting down and some were hard pressed to hoard bundles of their favorite toilet paper, others were taking their frustrations out on innocent children! Being a social worker is a humble profession that is very stressful! I believe people decide to do those jobs because they genuinely want to make a difference, yet when they realize what a hard thankless job it really is, with little results, they get worn out! That's why they have so much turn over! Intake and proper placement take time! There's a huge shortage of families who are willing to take children into their homes temporarily or otherwise! The county should seek to hire more social workers, and offer excellent salaries, hiring bonuses, FREE healthcare, annual continuing education and training retreats for ALL STAFF, housing incentives, such as interest free renovation loans, down payment and/closing cost assistance, paid vacations, discounts on a wide variety of utilities, cable, cell phone services, goods, services, scholarship programs to benefit their household or themselves (or transferred to grandchildren) and more!! The social workers and school teachers work tirelessly without much support, very little thanks and very few resources! The running joke is most teachers spend \$300 - \$500 out of their own pockets! They need help! There are high incidences of domestic violence, unemployment, poverty, homelessness, drug abuse and mental illness! All of these factors have a direct impact on child abuse, child welfare and child neglect! Social Workers, especially those who work in the foster care system need help! REAL HELP and they need it NOW!!! I trust that your questions have been answered! If there are any others, please contact us! Chandra & Ronnie Stewart (336) 830-2264
8/31/21 7:17:18	188	Yes				Premium Pay for Essential Workers			Offer additional support to those who have and will bear the greatest health risks because of their service in critical infrastructure sectors, the frontline and essential workers.
8/31/21 14:09:04	189	Yes		Replace Public Sector Revenue Loss	Address Negative Economic Impacts	Premium Pay for Essential Workers			I believe the priority of Forsyth County's ARPA funds should deal with the replacement of loss revenue, addressing any negative economic impacts, particularly in those marginalized and disenfranchised communities that have felt the brunt of this pandemic's effects. Lastly, I do feel that additional pay i.e., stipends should be made available for those essential workers like myself that put ourselves in harms way to serve the most vulnerable in our community.
9/2/21 18:53:39	190	Yes					Water and Sewer		Spend money where it's actually needed—infrastructure.
9/4/21 2:35:12	191	Yes	Support Public Health Response	Replace Public Sector Revenue Loss	Address Negative Economic Impacts	Premium Pay for Essential Workers	Water and Sewer	Broadband Infrastructure	\$6500.00
9/7/21 9:30:43	192	Yes			Address Negative Economic Impacts	Premium Pay for Essential Workers		Broadband Infrastructure	We need to bring back jobs, and lay the groundwork for a strong and equitable recovery.
9/16/21 13:12:03	193	Yes	Support Public Health Response		Address Negative Economic Impacts	Premium Pay for Essential Workers			I believe that preventative measures should take the greatest priority such as addressing present health disparities in such a way that increasing the overall immune system of our citizenry. This could also be achieved through nourishing an entrepreneurial that increases as opposed to decreases our counties overall health and wellness.
9/19/21 10:54:53	194	Yes			Address Negative Economic Impacts				Housing. 1. Invest \$7 million to give to HAWS to repair Crystal Towers 2. Invest \$600,000 in a tenant right to counsel program administered by Legal Aid NC
9/22/21 10:48:28	195	Yes	Support Public Health Response	Replace Public Sector Revenue Loss	Address Negative Economic Impacts	Premium Pay for Essential Workers	Water and Sewer	Broadband Infrastructure	Address Negative Economic Impacts Water and Sewer Infrastructure Broadband Infrastructure
9/27/21 16:03:04	196	Yes	Support Public Health Response				Water and Sewer		We must be able to eradicate the Covid-19 virus from our population in order to return people to work and have our businesses up and running and to relieve the burden on the medical facilities.
9/28/21 9:38:39	197	Yes	Support Public Health Response			Premium Pay for Essential Workers			The priority should be to make sure frontline workers have the necessary tools to be effective in the mitigation and treatment of Covid-19. Any excess funding should be used to support economic recovery in a well thought out and responsible manner. This should not include unemployment benefits, but should provide business with the means to hire at a competitive rate.

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10/11/21 12:22:23	198	Yes	Support Public Health Response	Address Negative Economic Impacts	Broadband Infrastructu re	address negative economic impacts for small businesses - most small businesses hire locally - more local hires - means more money to workers so that they can reinvest in the local economy
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