



CITY OF EDINA COVID-19 RELIEF

Two types of federal funding are supporting the pandemic response: CARES Act and American Rescue Plan Act



EMERGENCY RENTAL AND FOOD ASSISTANCE
\$600,000



EMERGENCY SMALL BUSINESS ASSISTANCE
\$1,100,000



M HEALTH FAIRVIEW SOUTHDALÉ HOSPITAL
\$250,000



STAFF RESPONSE TO COVID-19
\$3,308,000



BROADBAND ACCESS
\$500,000



COMMUNITY COVID-19 RESPONSE
\$100,000



MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT
\$400,000



CITY INFRASTRUCTURE
\$300,000

KEY:

CARES Spending

ARPA Spending

Approximately \$2.4M of American Rescue Plan Act funding is expected in 2022 and has not yet been allocated.

SUPPORT

LOCAL BUSINESSES

- Provided grants to 72 small businesses
- Relaxed regulations to allow businesses to use parking and green space for temporary customer service
- Simplified license process to allow expanded outdoor dining
- Promoted “Love Local” campaign to encourage support of local businesses
- Amended the restaurant lease at Braemar Golf Course with terms to benefit the restaurant
- Provided grants to the Edina Chamber of Commerce and 50th & France Business & Professional Association

MAINTAIN

CITY OPERATIONS

- Issued permits and conducted building permits throughout shutdown
- Implemented new technology to conduct virtual City Council, Housing & Redevelopment Authority and board and commission meetings to ensure continued City operations
- Equipped office staff to work from home
- Provided personal protective equipment for First Responders, inspectors and other staff
- Implemented use of “No Wait Inside” software for scheduling some in-person services such as fingerprinting
- Improved software used by the Health Division

CARE

FOR OUR COMMUNITY

- Began production of “Mayor’s Minute” to inform community of the City’s response to the pandemic
- Bottled hand sanitizer and distributed to some residents living in multi-family housing
- Collected and distributed face masks to long-term care facilities
- Waived late fees for delinquent utility bill payments
- Created REctivity boxes and other programming so residents could continue to play and recreate outside of group settings
- Reduced financial barriers for community access to high-speed internet
- Expanded mental health programming in schools and for individuals in crisis

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Community involvement has been important in the funding allocation process. Listening sessions and opportunities for input have been coordinated to gather information from community members. Collaborations with community-based organizations have strengthened the City’s response to COVID-19.

HOW ADDITIONAL FUNDING COULD BE USED

- Respond to the far-reaching public health and negative economic impacts of the pandemic by supporting the health of communities and helping households, small businesses, impacted industries, nonprofits and the public sector recover from economic impacts
- Replace lost public sector revenue
- Provide premium pay for essential workers
- Invest in water, sewer, and broadband infrastructure, making necessary investments to improve access to clean drinking water, to support vital wastewater and stormwater infrastructure, and to expand affordable access to broadband internet