

CONTINUUM OF CARE (CoC) BOARD

SEPTEMBER 15, 2021 | 3:00-5:00PM

ZOOM MEETING (LINK WILL BE SHARED VIA EMAIL)

TIME	AGENDA ITEM
3:00pm	1. Call to Order
3:01pm	2. Welcome/Introductions
3:05pm	3. Public Comment
3:10pm	4. Approval of Agenda (ACTION)
3:12pm	5. Approval of Minutes (ACTION)
3:14pm	6. Adjusting Date of November CoC Board Meeting (ACTION) – <i>Andrew Kraemer, Office of Community and Economic Development (OCED)</i>
3:17pm	7. Avalon Letter of Support: The Grove at Veridian (ACTION) – <i>Wendy Carty-Saxton, Avalon Housing</i>
3:22pm	8. Fiscal Year 2021 Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) Update – <i>Andrew Kraemer, Office of Community and Economic Development (OCED)</i>
3:30pm	9. Employment Development and Opportunities Update – <i>Shamar Herron, MichiganWorks!</i>
3:40	10. American Rescue Plan (ARP) Washtenaw County Update – <i>Teresa Gillotti, Office of Community and Economic Development (OCED)</i>
3:50pm	11. COVID Emergency Rental Assistance (CERA) Updates – <i>Teresa Gillotti, Office of Community and Economic Development (OCED), Rhonda Weathers, SOS Community Services and Marla Conkin, Salvation Army</i>
4:00pm	12. Shelter Updates, Individuals – <i>Dan Kelly, Shelter Association of Washtenaw County (SAWC)</i>
4:05pm	13. Shelter Updates, Families a. <i>Marla Conkin, Salvation Army</i> b. <i>Ellen Schulmeister, IHN at Alpha House</i> c. <i>Rhonda Weathers, SOS Community Services</i> d. <i>Barbara Niess-May, SafeHouse Center</i>
4:35pm	14. Built for Zero: Ending Veteran Homelessness Update – <i>Andrew Kraemer, Office of Community and Economic Development (OCED) and Amanda Carlisle, Washtenaw Housing Alliance (WHA)</i>
4:45pm	15. Board Member Updates/Issues
4:50pm	16. Public Comment
5:00pm	17. Adjournment

CONTINUUM OF CARE (CoC) BOARD

JULY 21, 2021 | 3:00-5:00PM

ZOOM MEETING (LINK WILL BE SHARED VIA EMAIL)

Board Members Present: J. Hieftje (Ann Arbor), D. Kelly (Ann Arbor), R. Smith (Ypsilanti), R. Weathers (Ypsilanti), K. Hoener (Ypsilanti), A. Carlisle (Ann Arbor), J. Mogensen (Ann Arbor), M. Conkin (Ann Arbor), J. Monahan (Ypsilanti), A. Seipelt (Ypsilanti), J. Epps (Ypsilanti), T. Gillotti (Ypsilanti), S. Dowling (Ann Arbor), N. Adelman (Washtenaw County), T. Lee (Ypsilanti), , K. Montgomery (Ypsilanti)
OCED Staff: M. Boydston (Detroit), A. Kraemer (Ann Arbor), Lauren Gant (Ypsilanti), M. Biscamp (Ann Arbor)

TIME	AGENDA ITEM
3:00pm	1. Call to Order J. Hieftje called the meeting to order at 3:04pm.
3:01pm	2. Welcome/Introductions
3:05pm	3. Public Comment None
3:10pm	4. Approval of Agenda (ACTION) M. Conkin moved to approve. R. Weathers seconded. There was no further discussion and the motion was carried with no opposition.
3:12pm	5. Approval of Minutes (ACTION) A. Seipelt moved to approve. J. Epps seconded. There was no further discussion and the motion was carried with no opposition.
3:14pm	6. FY21-22 Emergency Service Grant (ESG) Funding Decisions (ACTION) – <i>Morghan Williams Boydston, Office of Community and Economic Development (OCED)</i> R. Weathers moved the agenda item for discussion. A. Seipelt seconded. The CoC's Funding Review Team met on July 15 and 19 to review performance of current ESG-funded agencies and evaluate community need to identify appropriate funding recommendations for the next fiscal year. The MSHDA ESG funding application is due July 30st. • HUD ESG: \$183,820 (a decrease of \$2,768 from 2020 funding) • MSDHA ESG: \$491, 569 (an increase of \$20,158 from 2020 funding) • Total ESG: \$675,389 Considerations: • Significant influx of funding due to the pandemic. • Need for assistance is expected to continue to rise in the coming months. • Issues with data quality and program outcomes but were not significant enough to impact agency funding. • HAWC has had to prioritize spending down prevention and eviction assistance • FRT is recommending all programs and agencies funded in full

	There was no further discussion and the motion carried with no opposition. M. Conkin – Abstained
3:35pm	7. Emergency Housing Voucher (EHV) Memorandum of Understanding and Prioritization Update – <i>Morghan Williams Boydston, Office of Community and Economic Development (OCED)</i> a. Plymouth Housing Commission b. Continuum of Care There will be a meeting next week for a coordinated approach for EHV allocation along with Plymouth Housing Commission to prepare for the end of July contract.
3:40pm	8. Continuum of Care Quarterly Data Report – <i>Andrew Kraemer, OCED</i> A. Kraemer presented Washtenaw CoC Data Review – March through May 2021. See board packet for data visualizations. So far, the number of people experiencing homelessness is down 9% (292) and the number of people permanently housed is down 17% (229) since May 2020. The average days from intake to permanent housing is down 6% (129) since 2020.
4:00pm	9. COVID Emergency Rental Assistance (CERA) Updates – <i>Morghan Williams Boydston, Office of Community and Economic Development (OCED), Rhonda Weathers, SOS Community Services and Marla Conkin, Salvation Army</i> M. Boydston – In total, spent ~\$1.6M in CERA funds between SOS and Salvation Army. There have been 150 cases approved and as of today there are 172 cases pending approval. OCED will so conduct a press release to remind residents that CERA funds are available thru 2022. OCED has partnered with Buenos Vecinos to help navigate the process for Spanish speaking residents. OCED is currently seeking volunteers via ICPJ to provide navigation assistance to the community-at-large, especially for the aging population. R. Weathers – There has been some difficulty with staff transitions but are excited to be nearly fully staffed again. M. Conkin – Agrees with R. Weathers and adds that we continue to have bi-weekly meetings with court and landlord attorneys to problem-solve and help streamline services. HAWC still has a court liaison who can keep track of the status of cases. M. Boydston – Currently have a 30-day stay with CERA but may change once the moratorium ends. This also applies to DTE arrearages. Residents should still apply for CERA and must still show up for court. J. Mogensen – Regarding seeking volunteers for helping residents navigate

	the CERA application, RAAH is ready and willing to help in the efforts.
4:10pm	10. HMIS Coordinated Entry Change – <i>Lauren Grant, Office of Community and Economic Development (OCED)</i> L. Grant (HMIS Specialist with OCED) – OCED recently implementing a HUD mandated change that is requiring HAWC intake staff to collect more information from clients when they initially call for services. Collecting more information takes more time, which creates longer call-times on the intake lines, which has been decreasing the volume of calls that staff can take. HAWC has done a great job so far with this change.
4:12pm	11. Shelter Updates, Individuals – <i>Dan Kelly, Shelter Association of Washtenaw County (SAWC)</i> D. Kelly – Transitioned out of general hotel use at the end of June and happy to report no one ended up homeless as a result of leaving the hotels. The second floor remains open for overflow. Currently at 65 beds overall per night at Delonis Center and are working with public health to get back to 100% occupancy per room. Partnership with CDC and Packard Health to add recuperative care beds. Currently at 8 beds in operation in a local hotel for folks who are homeless and being discharged from hospitals and clinics. The diversion program has been successful since the start in January. 40% success rate, which is 20% better than most programs across the country Questions: K. Montgomery – is recuperative care being done at the hotel? Yes.
4:22pm	12. Shelter Updates, Families - <i>Marla Conkin, Salvation Army</i> M. Conkin - Continuing to practice diversion for families coming in for shelter. If not able to divert, then we look at shelter stay and if they do not have any openings and the family has nowhere to go, then we look at placing them into a hotel. Since we started with the hotels in June, we have placed 8 families. One family was transitioned into a shelter due to barriers. Currently have 7 families in the hotel and all but 1 have rapid rehousing. We are using FEMA and MSHDA Covid funding for the hotel stays. Each funding source allows up to 30 days in hotel per family, meaning a family could stay up to 60 days in a hotel. We practice diversion with them daily while in the hotel to help get them into housing.
4:32pm	13. American Rescue Plan (ARP) – <i>Teresa Gillotti, Office of Community and Economic Development (OCED)</i> T. Gillotti – See packet for further information on the plan. This is a significant amount of funding, ~\$71M over the next 4 years related to recovery. There will be a survey and community meetings, but please share this information

	broadly with your networks. This is a unique opportunity for community to weigh in on how these funds will be used. Some are related to CoC work and some are not. Generally, the categories available for funding are broad. • General categories • filling in funding that was lost due to Covid to help local units stay afloat • helping residents broadly • infrastructure support • <i>Connecting Washtenaw County</i> – broadband and internet access – infrastructure and cost relief, expanding public wifi • <i>Encouraging Generational Success</i> – childcare access and early childhood, investing in high impact tutoring due to loss in education due to Covid, universal childhood savings account to every entering first grader in the county, Launching financial counseling – Financial Empowerment System • <i>Housing & Homelessness</i> – working to increase home ownership in BIPOC communities, • <i>Creating a More Sustainable Community</i> – climate action plan, expanding solar infrastructure, expanding weatherization program • <i>Supporting a Strong Local Economy</i> – economic opportunity for small businesses – direct relief, support for farmers and agricultural businesses, support entrepreneurs, specifically BIPOC businesses • <i>Health & Wellbeing</i> – mobile support services to go out into the community, medical mobile clinic, microgrants for emerging nonprofits • <i>Practicing Good Government</i> – 5-year strategic plan, accounting for loss revenues, reinvesting on county government infrastructure, supporting county employees – looking at hazard pay and other salaries • PLEASE SEND SURVEY OUT
4:40pm	14. Board Member Updates/Issues J. Mogensen – Ann Arbor Transportation Authority: people taking the bus more often, if you are aware of gaps, please contact Jim. J. Mogensen – Senior Ride (previously gold ride) was going to eliminate but brought it back.
4:55pm	15. Public Comment None
5:00pm	16. Adjournment J. Hieftje adjourned the meeting at 4:13pm

ACTION ITEM SUMMARY

CONTINUUM OF CARE (CoC) BOARD | September 15, 2021

Approve Adjustment of November CoC Board Meeting Date

On Wednesday, August 18, 2021 HUD published the Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for the Fiscal Year (FY) 2021 Continuum of Care (CoC) Program Competition. The submission deadline for this year's NOFO is November 16th, 2021. Currently, the November CoC Board meeting is scheduled for November 17th, 2021. It has been recommended that the CoC Board meeting be moved to November 10th, 2021 to allow the Board to meet and review the NOFO funding recommendations prior to the submission deadline. This adjustment would allow ample time to make corrections, or adjustments to the NOFO if necessary, based on the CoC Board's feedback.

Current Action Needed:

Approve moving CoC Board Meeting from Wednesday, November 17th 2021 to Wednesday, November 10th 2021.

Motion:

The CoC Board approves adjusting the date of the November CoC Board Meeting.

Avalon Housing The Grove at Veridian Letter of Support

Avalon Housing, Inc. is seeking funding to construct fifty (50) units of affordable housing and a community center on a 4.7-acre parcel at 2270 Platt Road in Ann Arbor; the property will be named The Grove at Veridian (formerly Veridian at County Farm North). Ten (10) units will be dedicated to youth experiencing homelessness coming from Ozone House. The supportive housing units will include fourteen (14) one-bedroom units, ten (10) two-bedroom units, twenty (20) three-bedroom units, and six (6) four-bedroom units. Avalon will provide the supportive services, which will be grounded in a Housing First philosophy and focus on maintaining housing stability and enhancing tenants' quality of life.

In October 2020, Avalon received final approval from the City of Ann Arbor for site plan and zoning and Avalon has been awarded County HOME funds for this development. Avalon Housing is currently requesting support from the CoC Board for its tax credit application to the Michigan State Housing Development Authority.

Current Action Needed:

Approval of a signed letter of support for the 2021 tax credit application.

Motion:

The CoC Board supports the signing of a letter in support of Avalon's tax credit application for The Grove at Veridian.

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September ____, 2021

MSHDA
Low Income Housing Tax Credit Division
Permanent Supportive Housing Set Aside
735 E. Michigan Avenue
Lansing, MI 48912

Dear Colleagues,

I am pleased to be able to write to you in support of the application for Tax Credits submitted by the Avalon Housing for the new development of The Grove at Veridian (previously referred to as Veridian at County Farm North), located at 2270 Platt Road in Ann Arbor. This project is consistent with our community's Built for Zero goals and helps to meet the needs identified through our community's HMIS data.

As a leader in developing permanent supportive housing, Avalon's proposal for these units for households who are homeless helps keep us moving toward our Blueprint goal of 500 additional supportive housing units in our community. Avalon's long-term plan to build 50 new units of affordable housing at this site, including 30 units of permanent supportive housing enables us to expand our dedicated housing stock.

Avalon provided us with a concept letter in November 2019 outlining key components of their plan for supportive housing at this site. They attended our November 20, 2019 Continuum of Care Board meeting. The concept letter and the presentation before our CoC Board conveyed many aspects of the development. Avalon also returned to the continuum of Care on 1/20/2021 to provide us with an update on the development.

We understand that The Grove at Veridian will have fifty (50) total affordable units, including fourteen (14) one-bedroom units, ten (10) two-bedroom units, twenty (20) three-bedroom units, and six (6) four bedroom units

Twenty (20) units will be targeted to households at or below 60% of area median income, Thirty (30) units will be targeted to households at or below 50% of area median income. All thirty (30) of these units will further targeted to households who have incomes below 30% of area median income. At least twenty-five (25) of these units will be further targeted toward

the most vulnerable supportive housing populations, including households who are chronically homeless, and/or households who are within the top 10% of the CoC's prioritized list for housing. Referrals for the supportive housing units will come directly from the County's central wait list, Housing Access of Washtenaw County (HAWC). Referrals for the ten units set aside for young adults will also come directly from our local CoC prioritized list- the Community Housing Prioritization Committee - in coordination with Ozone House, our community's service provider for at-risk and homeless youth. The supportive housing units are anticipated to include twelve (12) one-bedroom units, five (5) two-bedroom units, and ten (10) three-bedroom units and three (3) four-bedroom units.

As the Lead Agency for services, Avalon will coordinate with HAWC to insure that referrals to this project will be aligned with eligibility criteria for homelessness and special needs.

We understand that projected based vouchers are anticipated for all of the supportive housing units, so households will not pay more than 30% of their income for rent.

Support Services will focus on helping tenants achieve housing stability. Eviction prevention efforts for high-risk tenants are prioritized and coordinated with property managers. There will be an on-site Community Center Community. There is a bus stop within ¼ mile of the development. The Development team includes Avalon Housing, as Owner (through a 100% controlled General Partner), Sponsor, Developer and Lead Agency and Lead Service Provider. Avalon Housing will also be providing direct property management services.

We recognize that the plan for The Grove at Veridian incorporates strong social supports to stabilize both the tenants and the community. The CofC Board voted to endorse and support this plan.

Please give this application the greatest care as you consider applications. If we can provide any other specific information in support of this application, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thank you for all you do.

Sincerely,

Chair, Washtenaw County Continuum of Care Board



2021 Continuum of Care Competition

Timeline

August 18: US Housing and Urban Development releases 2021 CoC Notice of Funding Opportunity

August-September: Current CoC Providers submit information for local review process

September: CoC accepts applications for new CoC Bonus and DV Bonus Projects

October: Funding Review Team meets to make funding recommendations; CoC staff prepare Collaborative Application

November: *CoC Board approves funding recommendations*

November 16, 8pm: All application materials due to HUD

HIGHLIGHTS

- Washtenaw County CoC is eligible to apply for:
 - **\$6,424,798** in Renewal Project Funding (Annual Renewal Demand, or ARD)
 - **\$192,749** for CoC Planning Grant (non-competitive)
 - **Up to \$321,249** in CoC Bonus Project(s)
 - **Up to \$278,694** in DV Bonus Project(s)
- Potential CoC Bonus Projects include new or expansion Rapid Re-Housing (RRH) or Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) Projects, or staffing for HMIS
- Potential DV Bonus Projects include RRH & Joint Transitional Housing—Rapid Re-Housing projects intended to serve survivors of sexual assault, dating assault, domestic violence, trafficking, or stalking
- HUD asks communities to rank all new, expansion, and renewal projects using objective criteria and community prioritization, and then divides the ranked projects into two tiers based on cumulative dollar amount:
 - Tier 1, which are the highest ranked projects, is automatically awarded
 - Tier 2, the remaining dollar amount, are awarded based on how a community scores in the collaborative application
- Washtenaw County's ranking policies place existing projects at the top of our rankings, and always place new or expansion projects below those projects
- For 2021, HUD has set Tier 1 at **100% of ARD**
 - For Washtenaw County, this means that all our existing RRH & PSH projects will be funded in full!
 - Tier 2 will be bonus projects. Because HUD is awarding bonus dollars from 2020 and 2021, we can expect to have some bonus projects funded.
 - The DV Bonus may be funded out of a pool of money for such projects, or considered for CoC Bonus funding.
- All projects will be evaluated and ranked using the established community rubrics by the Funding Review Team, who will then make a final recommendation to the CoC Board
- At the November Meeting, the CoC Board will make the final decision on the FRT's recommendations.



WASHTENAW COUNTY RESCUE PLAN

The Commissioners and Washtenaw County staff have developed a list of potential programs, projects, and initiatives for their proposed Washtenaw County Rescue Plan. This plan will leverage multiple funding sources, most notably the American Rescue Plan Act, to ensure a more complete response to the impacts COVID-19 has had on our community. These potential programs, projects, and initiatives have been categorized into 7 priority categories. This document note how expensive a project could be, how quickly these projects could be acted on, and whether they qualify for American Rescue Plan funding.

The proposals do not show specific costs at this time because many of the programs and projects are scalable and can be adjusted based on public engagement and commissioner consideration. Some projects indicate a range of costs to reflect this.

Connecting Washtenaw County

Broadband Infrastructure

Many household in Washtenaw County do not currently have access to high speed internet. By working with local jurisdictions and internet providers, we would be able to connect every household to broadband.



\$\$\$\$ | Qualifies for ARP | Ready to Go

Broadband Relief Fund

While some households have access to Broadband infrastructure, they still struggle to afford the plans necessary for their family to go to school, work remotely, search for jobs, and connect with families and friends. This fund would help households not need to make the decision between paying for rent and paying for internet if they are struggling to make ends meet.

\$\$ | Qualifies for ARP | Ready to Go

Expanding Public Wifi

Another possible way to expand internet access is through expanding public wifi. This would provide internet access, centered in public spaces (e.g., parks, downtown streets) free of charge. These networks could be privately or publicly owned.

\$\$\$\$ | Does Not Qualify for ARP | More planning needed

\$ - Less than \$100,000

\$\$ - \$100,000 to \$1,000,000

\$\$\$ - \$1,000,000 to \$5,000,000

\$\$\$\$ - More than \$5,000,000

Encouraging Generational Success



Addressing Childcare Access

This item could vary based on recommendations from the community. It could include short term investments to address needs right now, as well as longer term investments to make a lasting impact on access to quality childcare in Washtenaw County

\$\$ - \$\$\$\$ | Qualifies for ARP | More planning needed

Expanding Early Childhood Education

Local investments can ensure local, community based providers are able to take advantage of expanded funding at the state and federal level. These funds would help provide technical assistance to community organizations to help them obtain classroom space, attract quality teachers, and more.

\$\$\$ | Qualifies for ARP | Ready to Go

Investing in High-Impact Tutoring

By working with community stakeholders, an investment in this area would expand current efforts to offer high quality tutoring and support for students in Washtenaw County.

\$\$ | Qualify for ARP | More planning needed

Universal Childhood Savings Accounts

By giving every student who goes to school in Washtenaw County a savings account, we are creating a pathway to higher education. Whether it's community college, a job training program, or a 4-year college, this program will help orient students towards success and provide the initial investment to help them attain their goals.

\$\$\$ - \$\$\$\$ | ARP Eligibility To Be Determined | Ready to Go

Launching a Financial Empowerment Center

Financial empowerment centers offer free, one-on-one financial counseling to residents. In addition to helping households make ends meet, this program would include special funding to provide direct cash assistance to program participants to help them reduce debt, build savings, and invest in their future.

\$\$ | ARP Eligibility To Be Determined | Ready to Go

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Addressing Housing Affordability and Homelessness



Rental Assistance Program

While this \$20 million program is already being implemented by Washtenaw County's Office of Community and Economic Development to provide households rental, utility, and internet assistance, the level of need is great and could be expanded using American Rescue Plan funds if needed.

\$\$\$\$ | Qualify for ARP | Already being implemented

Increasing BIPOC Home Ownership Rates

Leveraging these dollars to address systemic inequity is critical. Renters, who are disproportionately people of color due to racist programs, policies, and practices were hit particularly hard by the pandemic. Residential counseling, down payment assistance, and other recommendations made by a community collaborative focused on this issues would be an important first step towards addressing this disparity.

\$-\$-\$\$\$\$ | Qualify for ARP | Ready to Go

Securing Permanent Affordable Housing Units

Washtenaw County is already receiving non-flexible funds to secure and preserve affordable housing units that can be used as part of our homelessness response system. American Rescue Plan funds could be used to expand this work to increase the affordable housing stock across the county.

\$\$\$-\$\$\$\$\$ | Qualify for ARP | More planning needed

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Creating a More Sustainable Community



Climate Action Planning

To make substantial, coordinated efforts to combat climate change, the County needs to invest in a comprehensive plan to help identify and prioritize potential projects.

\$\$ | Does not Qualify for ARP | Already being implemented

Expanding Solar Infrastructure Across the County

While climate action planning will determine a lot of the climate mitigation work that the county will pursue in the coming years, there are certain priorities that can begin moving forward now. One such is looking at different ways to invest in innovate solar infrastructure solutions.

\$\$-\$\$\$\$ | Does not Qualify for ARP | More planning needed

Investing in Storm Water & Sewage Infrastructure

Ensuring we have proper drainage infrastructure helps prevent flooding of homes, streets, and public infrastructure. One example of this identified by the Water Resource Commissioner and the Washtenaw County Roads Commission is repairing culverts. By repairing culverts, we can prevent road closures in Western Washtenaw County that can result in long detours.

\$\$\$ | Qualify for ARP | Ready to Go

Expanding Energy Efficiency Program

The Washtenaw County Home Improvement programs offer free home repair services that increase the comfort of families, while decreasing their energy bills. Expanding this work can help more households, employ more local contractors, and help substantially reduce unnecessary energy usage by replacing old furnaces with high efficiency units, improving home insulation, and potentially adding solar panels to eligible homes.

\$\$-\$\$\$\$ | Qualify for ARP | Ready to Go

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Supporting A Strong Local Economy



Small Business Relief Funds

The COVID-19 Pandemic had a huge impact in small business. This small business relief fund is meant to support business through grant programs to small businesses to help them recover from lost revenues over the past year, rehire staff, and more. This would operate similarly to the small business support program administered by OCED, United Way of Washtenaw County, and the Song Foundation last year.

\$\$ | Qualify for ARP | Already being implemented

Support for Farmers and Agriculture Based Businesses

Michigan State University Extension is already doing important work in Washtenaw County to help connect farmers to local markets to sell their produce and more. By expanding this work through additional funding, we can begin to work with groups like the Washtenaw Conservation District to explore new ways to invest in farming and agriculture in our County.

\$\$\$ | Qualify for ARP | More planning needed

Supporting Entrepreneurs, Particularly BIPOC Entrepreneurs

While there are many potentially forms this may take, there is interest in creating entrepreneurship assistance fund that will directly invest in business and invest in business technical assistance providers who have an express commitment to equity and anti-racism, and experience working with diverse communities, preferably providers of color.

\$\$\$\$ | Qualify for ARP | More planning needed

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Investing in Our Health & Wellbeing



Mobile Support Services Initiative

This initiative would retrofit buses to be community service hubs that move throughout our county. This would be an expansive partnership with community service agencies to make sure the vehicle is able to connect individuals using it to all of the services they need to be successful.

\$\$-\$\$\$ | Qualify for ARP | More planning needed

Medical Mobile Clinic

The Health Department recently got a new medical mobile clinic. By providing additional funding, this would allow us to maximize its use by having it out in the community on a regular basis. In addition to hosting and attending special events, it could also have a recurring schedule in the parts of our county without access to a medical clinic.

\$\$ | Qualify for ARP | Ready to Go

Community Healthcare Workers

By expanding funding to hire additional community health workers, the Health Department can expand their work to address health disparities and the social determinants of health. These workers would help with public health promotion, attend and put on special events, and help connect individuals with important programming and resources.

\$\$\$ - \$\$\$\$ | Qualify for ARP | More planning needed

Public Health Data Analysts

Being able to track data, evaluate programs, and conduct community surveys is a critical components of public health response. By hiring data analysts, we can make sure our systems are truly having their intended impacts, while also tracking data to discover and address emerging needs early rather than later.

\$\$ - \$\$\$ | Qualify for ARP | More planning needed

Emerging Needs Microgrants for Non Profits

To be able to address emerging needs related to the lasting impacts of COVID-19 on our community in the coming years, these funds could be used to quickly provide support to specific service providers in need of investment.

\$ - \$\$ | Qualify for ARP | Ready to go

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Practicing Good Government



County Master Plan

The goal of a master plan would be to take stock of the current county environment, conduct a needs assessment, develop a shared vision, create a plan to implement activities and achieve project goals.

\$\$ | Does Not Qualify for ARP | Will be implemented soon

Accounting for Lost Revenues

Washtenaw County and other local governments are facing budget shortfalls due to lost revenue as a result of COVID-19. The American Rescue Plan allows for governments to use funding to replace lost revenue. This will allow Washtenaw County government to continue to provide valuable public services despite decreased revenues.

\$\$\$\$ | Qualify for ARP | Assessed and revisited annually

Investing in County Government Infrastructure

The American Rescue Plan allows for governments to use funding increase capacity to successfully implement economic relief and health programming, including investing in technology infrastructure. By modernizing systems, we would be able to improve security and stability for employees and the public interacting with our technology.

\$\$\$ | Qualifies for ARP | More planning needed

Supporting Washtenaw County Employees

Washtenaw County employees have been on the front line of this pandemic, and have provided the social safety net for our community for generations. The Board values county employees and wants to make sure we are creating a workplace that helps us attract and retain the best employees to serve the community. To do so the Board plans to provide initial funding necessary for a paid leave program for Washtenaw County employees and to partially fund recommendations from a compensation study to ensure the civil servants of Washtenaw County Government are paid their fair share.

\$\$\$-\$\$\$\$ | Does Not Qualify for ARP | More planning needed

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WORRIED THE EVICTION MORATORIUM HAS ENDED? FOLLOW THESE HELPFUL STEPS!

Step 1: Apply for COVID-19 Emergency Rental Assistance (CERA)!

Apply online at michigan.gov/CERA. For paper applications or for assistance, contact HAWC at (734)-961-1999.



Step 2: Attend your court date!

If you get notice of court dates, show up! When you show up, Legal Services can represent your court case until there has been time for CERA applications to be processed, and for landlords to receive back rent.

Step 3: Do not move out!

If you move out of your rental unit, you will be deemed ineligible for CERA. Remember to remain in your rented space and do not vacate until your CERA application has been processed.



Step 4: If You missed your first court date, call Legal Services!

If you were unable to make your first court date, do call Legal Services of South Central Michigan (LSSCM) for free legal advice and representation at (734)-665-6181 (Washtenaw County Office).

