



ARPA Local Fiscal Recovery Funds: Key Resources and Project Ideas for GMA Member Cities

Key Resources

- **GMA:** [The American Rescue Plan Act: What Georgia Cities Need to Know](#)
- **U.S. Treasury:** [Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds](#)
- **NLC:** [COVID-19 Pandemic Response & Relief](#)
 - **American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 [Summary of Provisions](#):** NLC has created an extensive, searchable summary of provisions relevant to municipalities and local leaders in this historic legislation.
 - **Local Recovery:** [Five Principles for ARP Implementation](#)
 - **ARP Local Relief [Frequently Asked Questions](#)**
 - Fact Sheet - [How to Spend Coronavirus State & Local Recovery Funds](#)
 - Fact Sheet - [How to Use ARPA to Access Coronavirus State & Local Fiscal Recovery Funds](#)
 - Fact Sheet - [How to Meet Reporting Requirements for Coronavirus State & Local Fiscal Recovery Funds](#)
 - Fact Sheet - [How States Can Allocate Coronavirus State & Local Fiscal Recovery Funds to Local Governments](#)
 - Fact Sheet - [How to Use Coronavirus State & Local Fiscal Recovery Funds to Ease Budget Shortfalls](#)
 - Tool - [Revenue Loss Calculator](#)
- **Georgia Governor's Office of Planning and Budget:** [Local Fiscal Recovery Fund](#)

Project Ideas

- Clean-up of wastewater holding ponds
- Community development (i.e., housing rehabilitation, loan forgiveness, transitional housing, and other programs for underserved areas of the community)
- Mental health training for first responders and creation of a crisis intervention system
- Private/public partnership with internet service provider, county, school system, and healthcare for comprehensive broadband connectivity
- Public safety hazard pay and retroactive salary increases
- Replacement of asbestos and lead water distribution lines
- Replacement of utility meter system with AMI system for consumption management and cost control
- Replacement of water meters and handheld readers
- Replacement of water pumps at water treatment facility
- Revenue replacement (incl. for projects related to parks, sidewalks, etc.)
- Sewer facility upgrades
- Solid waste disposal related to PPE
- Utility (water and sewer) billing software
- **Other sources for project ideas**
 - **American Institute of Architects:** [Reopening America: Strategies for Safer Buildings](#)
 - **American Society of Heating, Refrigerating and Air-Conditioning Engineers:** [Resources to Address COVID-19](#)
 - **Better Block Foundation:** [Covid-19 Guides](#)
 - **Citizens' Institute on Rural Design:** [Community Resources](#)
 - **FEMA:** [Local Government Solutions Guide for COVID-19 and Beyond: Adaptive Design](#)
 - **Knight Foundation:** [Adaptive Public Space: Places for People in the Pandemic and Beyond](#)
 - **NACTO:** [Streets for Pandemic Response & Recovery](#)
 - **Neighborhood Design Center:** [The Design for Distancing Ideas Guidebook](#)
 - **Strong Towns:** [The Local Leader's Toolkit: A Strong Towns Response to the Pandemic](#)