



ARPA News

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Where are we?

- Metro deadline for first report was August 31 – **you have until September 10 to file.**
- NEU deadline to access funds was August 31
- SAM Registration needed for reporting to Treasury
- GMA working with task force (DCA, DOAA, GARC) to develop policies, templates, reporting checklists for NEUs
- Review Treasury [technical assistance webinars](#) for guidance on reporting responsibilities



Register with SAM

- Registering with the System for Award Management (SAM) is a required step in order for your organization to be able to apply for federal grants.
- The information below describes SAM and explains the free registration process.
- **SAM** is a web-based, government-wide application that collects, validates, stores, and disseminates business information about the federal government's trading partners in support of the contract awards, grants, and electronic payment processes.





Register with SAM

Before Registering with SAM

- Use the [SAM Status Tracker](#) to check your organization's registration status with SAM. If your organization is already registered, take note of who is listed as the E-Business Point of Contact (EBiz POC).

How to Register with SAM

- To register with SAM, go to the [SAM website](#) with the following information:
 - [DUNS number](#)
 - [Taxpayer Identification Number \(TIN\) or Employment Identification Number \(EIN\)](#)

When you register a new entity in SAM to do business with the U.S. government, SAM requires a [notarized letter](#) stating you are the authorized entity administrator before SAM will activate your entity registration in SAM.gov.

When your organization registers with SAM, you must designate an EBiz POC.

There is NO COST to register for SAM.



Register with SAM

Looking for more detailed assistance or instructions using SAM?

- Check out any of the following resources provided by the General Services Administration (GSA) on [SAM.gov](https://www.sam.gov):
 - [System for Award Management \(SAM\) System Account User Guide](#)
 - [Federal Support Desk](#)

How long does it take to register with SAM?

- Generally, after completing the online registration and sending your notarized letter confirming the entity administrator, it takes [up to two weeks to register with SAM](#).
- Video with step by step instructions for SAM registration: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=y2t5queourQ>

Remember:

- Treasury's [Interim Final Rules](#) are **NOT** final
- Treasury [FAQs](#) contain helpful policy on use of funds
- This is **NOT** CARES CRF – **no urgency to spend immediately**
- Deadline to incur costs = 12/31/2024
- Deadline to spend funds = 12/31/2026
- Treasury Compliance and Reporting [Guidance](#) is **NOT** final





Things to keep in mind

- Take your time – wait for final rules
- **Read** the IFR and FAQ
- Remember ARPA includes many “pots” of funding, not just LRF
- Rely on GMA and partner organizations for training, best management practices, sample policies, etc.
- Remember the city is responsible for spending and reporting on ARPA funds, not subrecipients
- Work with your county and community to assess needs
- Plan, plan, plan

How can my city use ARPA SLRLF funds?

- Treasury Compliance and Reporting Guidance lists over 60 eligible uses: <https://home.treasury.gov/system/files/136/SLFRF-Compliance-and-Reporting-Guidance.pdf>



EDA – ARPA Investing in America’s Communities

- Investing in America’s Communities includes:
- **Build Back Better Regional Challenge (\$1 billion)** will capitalize on American ingenuity and American workers by providing a transformational investment to regions across the country to revitalize their economies.
- **Good Jobs Challenge (\$500 million)** is designed to help get Americans back in good-paying jobs. The program will develop and strengthen regional workforce training systems and sector-based partnerships with a focus on programs targeted at women, people of color and historically underserved communities.
- **Economic Adjustment Assistance (\$500 million)** grants will help hundreds of communities across the nation plan, build, innovate, and put people back to work through projects tailored to meet local needs.
- **Indigenous Communities (\$100 million)** program will work hand-in-hand with Tribal Governments and Indigenous communities to develop and execute economic development projects they need to recover from the pandemic and build economies for the future.
- **Travel, Tourism and Outdoor Recreation (\$750 million)** program will focus on revitalizing the hard-hit travel, tourism, and outdoor recreation industries and accelerate the recovery of communities that rely on these sectors.
- **Statewide Planning, Research and Networks (\$90 million)** grants include funding for state planning efforts as well as grants to build Communities of Practice to extend technical assistance to support EDA’s work with grantees.
- As part of the six programs, EDA is making a **Coal Communities Commitment**, allocating \$300 million to ensure support for these communities as they recover from the pandemic and create new jobs and opportunities, including through the creation or expansion of a new industry sector.
- **To learn more about EDA and our American Rescue Plan Funding Opportunities sign up for our webinar, EDA 101 and America Rescue Plan Overview, which will be held on July 27 and July 29.**
- For more information, **visit www.eda.gov/ARPA** for the latest news on EDA’s implementation plans.



State Fiscal Recovery Fund Application Information

Applying for State Fiscal Recovery Funds

The application period for the State Fiscal Recovery Funds will be August 1-August 31, 2021.

Applicant will be required to register in the Georgia Grants portal to submit an application. The portal registration will begin August 1st, 2021.

In addition to general applicant information, you will need:

- [DUNS Number](#)
- [EIN Number](#)
- [SAMs Number](#) (while this is not required to submit an application, it will be required to receive your award. This process could take some time, so OPB strongly encourages

Applicant Eligibility

Government Organizations:

- State Agencies
- County governments
- City or township governments
- Special district governments

Georgia Professional Associations and Organizations:

- Industry Trade Associations

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Georgia's State Fiscal Recovery Funds

Georgia Jobs and Infrastructure Committees

- Governor Brian Kemp has named members of the [Georgia Jobs and Infrastructure Committees](#), which will be responsible for receiving applications and making recommendations to the Governor regarding federal coronavirus relief funds allocated to Georgia through the American Rescue Plan. State government entities, units of local government, industries, and nonprofits will be eligible to apply.
- Updates regarding the application process and eligibility will be posted on OPB's website at <https://opb.georgia.gov/state-fiscal-recovery-fund>.
- **The application period for the State Fiscal Recovery Funds is August 1 – October 31, 2021.**

Reporting Requirements

- Metro cities will report was due by **August 31, 2021** with expenditures by category.
- Next deadline for metro: project and expenditure report by **October 31, 2021** and then 30 days after the end of each quarter thereafter.
- Each NEU will also be asked to provide the following information with their first report submitted by **October 31, 2021**:
 - Copy of the signed award terms and conditions agreement (which was signed and submitted to the State as part of the request for funding)
 - Copy of the signed assurances of compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (which was signed and submitted to the State as part of the request for funding)
 - Copy of actual budget documents validating the top-line budget total provided to the State as part of the request for funding

ARPA Reporting Resources and Updates

- Check [Treasury website](#) for links to webinars with details on reporting requirements
- [NLC Webinar June 24](#) on Treasury Reporting Requirements (with slides)
- CVIOG ARPA [Webinars](#)

Questions?



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