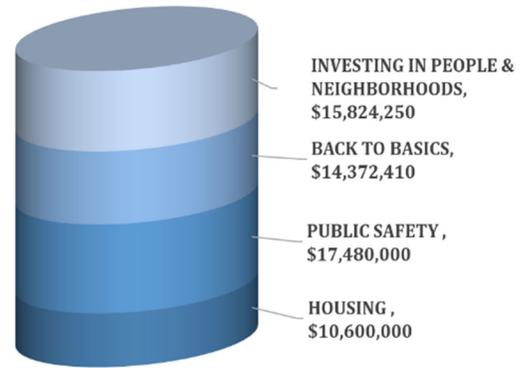


# American Rescue Plan Act of 2021

## American Rescue Plan Act Background

**President Joe Biden** signed the federal American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA) into law on March 11, 2021, allocating \$1.9 trillion to address devastating health and economic impacts caused by ongoing COVID-19 crisis. Through ARPA, Congress established the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund and Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund. These funds provide a combined \$350 billion to eligible state, local, territorial, and tribal governments to meet pandemic response needs and rebuild stronger and more equitable economies.

On May 17, 2021, the United States Department of the Treasury issued an interim final rule to implement the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds. In summary, the Treasury Department’s rule allows recipients to use federal aid for:



Recipients cannot use this funding to offset a reduction directly or indirectly in net tax revenue due to a change in law from March 3, 2021, through the last day of the fiscal year in which the funds provided have been spent. The Treasury Department also forbids recipients from using these federal funds to make deposits into pension funds. Visit the Treasury Department’s website for additional information.

### City of Savannah ARPA Spending Framework



The Treasury Department’s allocation methodology for the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds resulted in the City of Savannah receiving \$55.5 million and Chatham County receiving \$28.1 million. The Treasury Department will distribute the funds in two portions, with 50% having arrived in May 2021 and the remaining balance arriving approximately 12 months later.

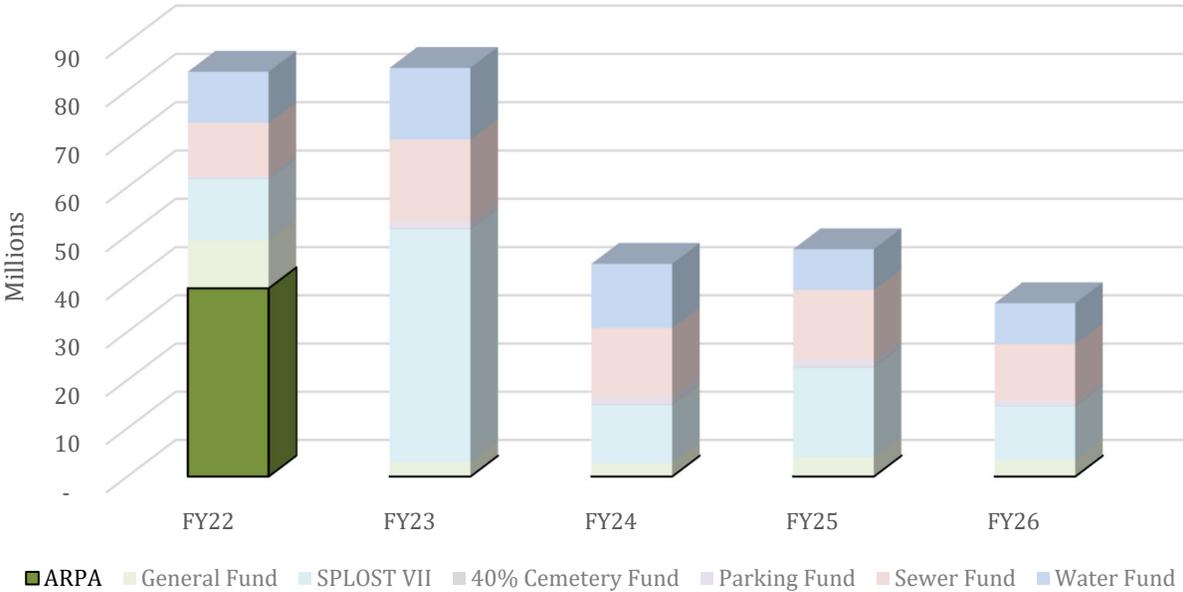
As part of the City’s ongoing commitment to supporting Savannah residents, businesses, and organizations that were impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic, City staff worked diligently for several months to establish a spending framework for the ARPA allocation. This appropriation includes \$55 million from ARPA – State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds and \$3.1 million from ARPA–HOME.

# American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)

Federal American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds have been provided to local governments as replacement for revenue not realized due to the Covid-19 pandemic. These revenues have been incorporated into the General Fund, but the capital contributions<sup>2</sup> that would have not otherwise been possible without the federal revenue replacement have been distinguished in this section.

Funding Source	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	5-Year Total
ARPA	39,055,616	-	-	-	-	\$ 39,055,616

Five-year Revenue Projections By Fund



Project Name	Project Category	2022 Adopted
Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI) Technology Investment	Other Improvement	\$ 4,355,616
Drainage Improvement Grant Match Reserve <sup>3</sup>	Drainage Improvement	\$ 2,000,000
Eastside Early Learning Center <sup>4</sup>	Other Improvement	\$ 1,000,000
Lane Gate Equipment	Park & Tree Improvement	\$ 500,000
Police Headquarters Renovation	Public Building Improvement	\$ 2,500,000
Priority Fire Apparatus	Other Improvement	\$ 4,500,000
Priority Public Safety Facilities	Public Building Improvement	\$ 6,400,000
Pump Station Control Upgrades	Drainage Improvement	\$ 1,800,000
Recreation Reimagined	Recreation Improvement	\$ 4,000,000

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<sup>2</sup> Although one-time capital outlays are prioritized for ARPA funding, this amount does not represent the total federal revenue replacement. Some initiatives are supported by ARPA revenue in the operating budgets.  
<sup>3</sup> Project page not included. This is a holding account to ensure local match funding is available if drainage grants are awarded.  
<sup>4</sup> Project page not included. This is a contribution to a joint venture, and neither the project nor operations will be managed by the City.

<b>Project Name</b>	<b>Project Category</b>	<b>2022 Adopted</b>
Southside Community Center	Recreation Improvement	\$ 4,000,000
Stormwater Pump Station Rehabilitation	Drainage Improvement	\$ 1,000,000
Tide to Town	Recreation Improvement	\$ 4,000,000
Waters Avenue Site Development	Community Development	\$ 3,000,000