

ARPA TO GENERAL FUND: Leveraging Today's Capital for Tomorrow's Savings

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INTRODUCTIONS



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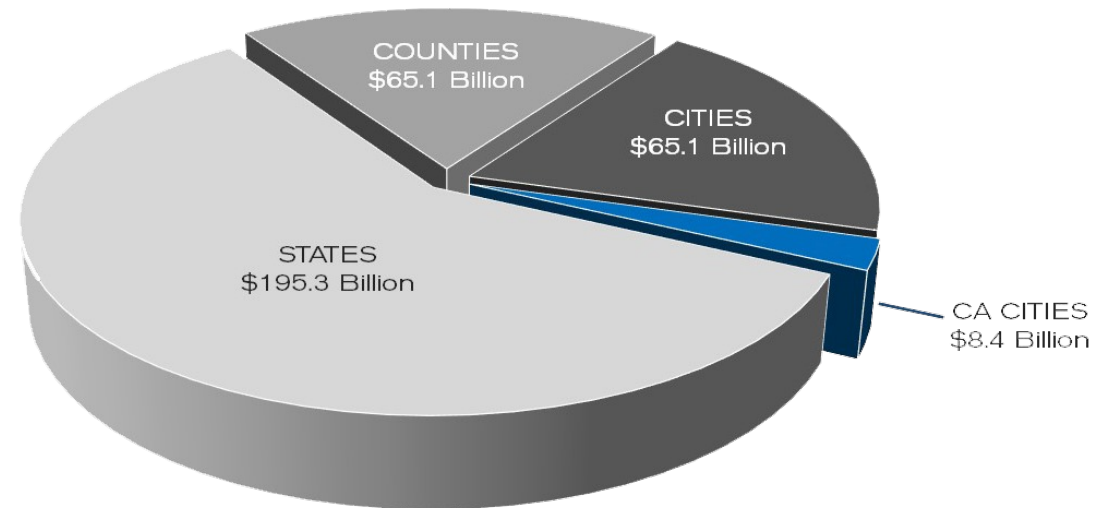


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THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA)

California cities got **\$8.4 billion** in direct, flexible dollars dedicated to pandemic recovery



TIMELINE FOR USE OF ARPA DOLLARS

MARCH 3, 2022: Funds must be used for costs incurred after this date

DECEMBER 31, 2024: Deadline for costs to be obligated

DECEMBER 31, 2026: Deadline for jurisdictions to spend funds



MARKET VARIABLES



Supply Chain



Labor & Construction



Inflation



INVESTMENT TRENDS



Deferred Maintenance



Park Upgrades



Fiber Optic



Loss of Revenue



SANTA CLARITA INVESTMENT TRENDS



Wellness &
Immediate Response



Infrastructure
projects



Economic
Development



CEC PROGRAM TRENDS: ENERGY & TRANSPORTATION INVESTMENTS

LIGHT-DUTY BLOCK GRANTS

- CALeVIP 2.0
- Communities in Charge

BUILD

- Incentives for electric affordable housing

ENERGY COMMISSION ASSISTANCE ACT

- Low interest loan program for tribes and local governments that will finance energy efficiency, renewables, storage and EV charging stations



CASE STUDY: SANTA CLARITA



ARPA fund utilization \$35.1 Million

- Buildout of Central Park
- Citywide Fiber Optic Cable Upgrade
- Replenishing of General Fund Due to COVID-19 Sales Tax Losses



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BENEFITS

- Long-Term Financial Solvency
- Meeting Strategic Plan Goals
- General Fund Relief

CHALLENGES

- Changing Timeline of Strategic Plan to Use Funding
- Eligibility/Justification for the Use of Restricted Funds
- Maintaining the Pace of Work with Labor and Supply Constraints



COMMON CITY THEMES

COVID-19 Response

Public Sector Revenue Loss

Technology Infrastructure

Economic Recovery



MORE CA CITY CASE STUDIES

LA MIRADA – \$11.5 MILLION

- Energy Conservation and Infrastructure Modernization Program
- Social Services, Mortgage Assistance, Restaurant Assistance, COVID 19 Tests

EL SEGUNDO – \$3.9 MILLION

- Civic Center Maintenance
- Recreation Park Restroom Rehabilitation
- Public Safety Operations

SAN LEANDRO – \$18.6 MILLION

- Small Businesses Relief Grants
- Nimitz Motel & Project Home Key
- Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) & Audit of Library Materials



KEY TAKE AWAYS

Cities have a unique opportunity to leverage one-time funding that can help them:



Generate Savings While
Enriching Their Communities



Respond to Community Needs



Get Involved:
Empower Innovation





EMPOWER INNOVATION

\$13.1B

AVAILABLE FUNDING

251

OPPORTUNITIES

842

ORGANIZATIONS

3,003

MEMBERS

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QUESTIONS?

