



# WASHOE COUNTY

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## STAFF REPORT

BOARD MEETING DATE: *September 10, 2024*

**DATE:** Monday, March 10, 2025

**TO:** Board of County Commissioners

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**SUBJECT:** Staff recommends the Board approve the cross-fund budget appropriation transfer of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds through the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund (SLFRF) in the total amount of [\$170,000] for the Senior Innovations Project, from Other Restricted – SLFRF COVID Recovery to the Capital Improvements Fund to be used for facility improvements to the Senior Center at 1155 E. 9<sup>th</sup> Street. This allocation was previously approved but needs to be recognized as a Capital Project (net-zero impact, no additional funding is requested).

And, if approved, direction to the Comptroller's Office to make necessary net zero cross-fund and/or cross-functional budget appropriation transfers. Manager's Office. (All Commission Districts.) FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

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### SUMMARY

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While an additional allocation of \$200,000 was previously approved, it was not allocated as capital. This recommendation is to approve the cross-fund budget appropriation transfer of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds through the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund (SLFRF) in the total amount of \$170,000 for the Senior Innovations Project,

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from Other Restricted - SLFRF COVID Recovery to the Capital Improvements Fund to be used for facility improvements to the Senior Center at 1155 E. 9<sup>th</sup> Street.

**Washoe County Strategic Objective supported by this item:** *Fiscal Sustainability, Economic Impacts, Vulnerable Populations, and Innovative Services*

**PREVIOUS ACTION**

On April 23, 2024, the Board of County Commissioners approved additional allocations in the amount of \$200,000 for a total amended award of \$300,000 to the following existing projects: Senior Innovations Project for auditorium improvements including removal of the ceiling, a new stage, and installation of new light fixtures.

On July 11, 2023, the Board of County Commissioners approved \$100,000 for the Senior Innovations Project to improve the quality of life for county senior residents and to address the needs of vulnerable seniors.

For all Board of County Commissioner actions related to the American Rescue Plan Act Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds between July 20, 2021 through July 16, 2024, visit the [Washoe County ARPA webpage](#).

**BACKGROUND**

On March 11, 2021, the American Rescue Plan Act was signed into law, and established the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund and Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund. Washoe County has been awarded a grant of \$91,587,038 in State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLFRF).

**Washoe County’s Guiding Principles for ARPA-SLFRF**

- Address health disparities known to directly influence social inequities in health through programs that target populations with higher incidents of disease.
- Address the root causes of homelessness, include collaborative solutions for mental health, substance abuse and identifying pathways to independent living.
- Bolster economic recovery for community members to mitigate financial hardships, implement structural changes, or address other COVID-related issues.
- Enhance childhood environments with key partners in the community who deliver early learning and family support services.
- Build stronger neighborhoods with initiatives that preserve and expand upon affordable housing options for low to mid-income level earners in our community.

<b>Human Services Agency</b>		
Senior Innovations Project – Auditorium Renovations	\$100,000 (original)	Approved 07-11-2023
Funding will be used to improve the quality of life for county senior residents and to address the needs of vulnerable seniors		
Additional Funding for Facility Improvements	\$200,000	Approved (under \$500,000)

Additional funding is being requested for facility improvements and to assist with additional activities for seniors throughout the county.	
<b>Total Project Costs</b>	<b>\$300,000</b>

**FISCAL IMPACT**

If the Board approves the re-allocation to capital for the Senior Innovations Project, the FY25 Budget for ARPA SLFRF COVID-19 Recovery (F270-8) and CIP SLFRF Projects (F402-10) will need to be amended with the following cross-fund net-zero appropriation transfers:

<b>Fund/Function</b>	<b>Cost Object &amp; Description</b>	<b>G/L Account &amp; Description</b>	<b>Increase/Decrease</b>
Other Restricted Fund (270)/ Welfare	IO12217 HSA-Senior Programs	710500 – Other Expense	(\$170,000)
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Capital Improvements Fund (402) Welfare	PW920729-9 <sup>th</sup> St Senior Center	781080-Construction Contracts	\$170,000
Capital Improvements Fund (402) Welfare	PW920729-9 <sup>th</sup> St Senior Center	622270-Transfer from Other Restricted	\$170,000

**RECOMMENDATION**

Recommendation to approve re-allocation of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds through the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund (SLFRF) in the total amount of [\$170,000] for the following Washoe County department project:

1. Senior Innovations Project

And, if approved, direction to the Comptroller’s Office to make necessary net zero cross-fund and/or cross-functional budget appropriation transfers.

**POSSIBLE MOTION**

Should the Board agree with staff’s recommendation, a possible motion would be:

*“Approve the cross-fund budget appropriation transfer of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds through the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund (SLFRF) in the total amount of [\$170,000] for the Senior Innovations Project, from Other Restricted – SLFRF COVID Recovery to the Capital Improvements Fund to be used for facility improvements to the Senior Center at 1155 E. 9<sup>th</sup> Street. This allocation was previously approved but needs to be recognized as a Capital Project (net-zero impact, no additional funding is requested).*

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