

## **ARPA Tranche 3 Descriptions:**

### Community Center Grants – \$1.5 million

\$500,000 to each Community Center (Northeast, MLK at East Central, and West Central) for capital expenditures on city-owned property in exchange for granting at least 100 square feet of office space and access to common areas, like conference rooms, to grass roots cultural groups (may be shared) at no cost to the group for the balance of the term of the Community Center's lease agreement with the City or five years, whichever is longer.

### Local 270 Add to Pay – \$2.4 million

One-time payments made to each member of Local 270 as part of their contract approved by City Council on July 11, 2022.

### Higher Education – \$5 million

Supply last dollar scholarship assistance to all high school students residing in the City of Spokane who graduate and attend an institution of secondary learning. This will also supply high school and college success services to city residents, and cover administration costs of the program from September of 2022 through August of 2026. Joint proposals from entities providing these services are encouraged.

### Non-Profit Entity Recovery and Resiliency – \$5 million

Many nonprofits helped see vulnerable communities and local institutions through the major damages that the pandemic caused, including providing PPE and other essentials. While they must pay for things like rent and essentials, non-profits mostly rely on volunteer work and are underfunded. A non-profit is defined by RCW 82.04.3651 as an "organization that does not pay its members, stockholders, officers, directors, or trustees any amounts from its gross income, except as compensation to any person for services rendered and does not engage in a substantial amount of political activity." Non-profits need funds to help them continue the good work they are doing in aiding a post pandemic recovery.

This allocation would supply:

- Direct grants to non-profit entities with annual average revenues of less than \$1,000,000 in 2019-2021 serving businesses, non-profit entities, community groups, communities disproportionately impacted by COVID-19 and residents located in qualified distressed census tracts within the City of Spokane.
- Base grants of up to \$40,000 for entities with less than \$500,000 in annual revenues and \$60,000 grants for over \$500,000 in annual revenues.
- Additional grants up to a total of \$50,000 for capital improvements, future pandemic response-related programming or hiring of additional full-time equivalent employees.
- Applicants must disclose any other ARPA relief applied for and/or received.
- Grant funding would be applied first to any City utility arrears.

### Small Business Recovery – \$5 million

The Spokane economy is mostly composed of small businesses. RCW 19.85.020 defines a small

business as “including a sole proprietorship, corporation, partnership, or other legal entity, that is owned and operated independently from all other businesses, and that has fifty or fewer employees.” These small businesses have been disproportionately impacted by the pandemic and their communities need help in the post-pandemic recovery. They have mostly relied on programs that were designed to help them through the pandemic that are either currently or about to expire.

This allocation would supply:

- Direct grants to small businesses with annual average revenues of less than \$1,000,000 in 2019-2021 located in economically distressed census tracts within the City of Spokane.
- Base grants of up to \$20,000 for businesses with fewer than \$500,000 in annual revenues and \$30,000 grants for businesses with over \$500,000 in annual revenues.
- Additional grants up to a total of \$50,000 for capital improvements or hiring of additional full-time equivalent employees.
- Applicants must disclose any other ARPA relief applied for and/or received.
- Grant funding would be applied first to any City utility arrears.

#### Municipal Justice Center – \$5 million

The Municipal Court currently occupies a building that does not meet their administrative and security needs. This funding would be for the City to purchase a building to house a Municipal Justice Center that ideally combines the Municipal Court, Prosecutor Office, Public Defender Office and Community Justice Services Office. This allocation relates to Resolution 2022-0045, which was passed by the City Council on May 2, 2022.

#### Neighborhood Business District Support – \$2.5 million

Supplies grants to neighborhood business district associations and other independent business associations for capital improvements, business improvement, procurement enhancement, marketing, and branding services, for both associations and individual businesses, etc.

#### Multicultural Centers – \$1 million

Supplies grants to organizations seeking to remodel, purchase or build multicultural centers within the City of Spokane; including but not limited to: costs for design, building, purchasing, and consulting on fundraising. It is anticipated that these grants will function as seed money or last dollar funding.

#### Administrative Support - \$350,000

Funding to support administering APRA funding allocations by utilizing project employees at a lower total cost than seeking contracts with third-party entities to accept, review and distribute individual grants. This will free up additional funds for direct distribution to the community.