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**To:** [Fisher, Jake](#); [Bruce Foltz](#)  
**Cc:** [Alma Martinez](#)  
**Subject:** ALPR/ Raven Gunshot Detection Devices (ARPA Purchase)  
**Date:** Wednesday, March 29, 2023 6:10:23 PM  
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Jake and Bruce

We (Ken Duran and myself) believe that the expenses are eligible under the guidelines, as was referenced in the draft staff report provide to us. We would suggest adding an additional statement in the Discussion portion of the report. Something along the lines of:

Violent crime, specifically gun related crimes, have increased in the city over (best if it can provide a given period and statistics). The combination of the ALPR's and Raven Audio Detection Devices will provide valuable tools that will allow the city to reduce violent, specifically gun related, crimes within the city.

Let us know if you have any questions.

**Barry Foster** Principal/Managing Director

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Regards,

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**From:** [Michelle Solorzano](#)  
**To:** [Rigoberto Gutierrez](#); [Alma Martinez](#)  
**Subject:** ARPA FINAL RULE - PREMIUM PAY  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 18, 2023 2:14:50 PM  
**Attachments:** [SLFRF-Final-Rule-FULL TEXT-JANUARY 2022.pdf](#)

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Hello Rigo,

Per our conversation a moment ago, here is the language regarding “Premium Pay” from the ARPA Final Rule (see attached- page 392):

#### Premium Pay

Per the ARPA statute, recipients have broad latitude to designate critical infrastructure sectors and make grants to third-party employers for the purpose of providing premium pay. While the final rule provides significant flexibility to implement the statutory requirement that premium pay respond to essential workers, **it requires recipients give written justification in the case that premium pay would increase a worker’s annual pay above a certain threshold or is awarded to an individual whose annual pay is already above that threshold.** To set this threshold, Treasury analyzed data from the Bureau of Labor Statistics to determine a level that would not require further justification for premium pay to the vast majority of essential workers, **while requiring higher scrutiny for provision of premium pay to higher earners who, even without premium pay, would likely have greater personal financial resources to cope with the effects of the pandemic.** Alternatively, a recipient need not submit written justification to Treasury if the **worker receiving premium pay is eligible for overtime under the FLSA.** Treasury believes this alternative, which is an addition to the final rule, will give recipients more flexibility and will simplify application of the final rule as employers, public and private, are already legally required to determine whether an employee is eligible for overtime pay under the FLSA. Treasury believes the threshold and overtime eligibility provision in the final rule strike the appropriate balance between preserving flexibility **and helping encourage use of these resources to help those in greatest need.** The final rule also requires that workers eligible for premium pay have regular in-person interactions or regular physical handling of items that were also handled by others. This requirement will help encourage use of financial resources for those who have endured the heightened risk of performing essential work.

It is up to the City Manager and/or the Finance Director to ask the third party administrator (Barry Foster) to review this rule & provide a “ruling on the field.” However, it seems pretty clear cut that the higher earners will NOT be eligible without written justification AND favorable response in writing from the Treasury.

Please let me know if you have any further questions.

Best,

Michelle

**From:** [Michelle Solorzano](#)  
**To:** [Griselda Contreras](#); [Leticia Aguilar](#)  
**Cc:** [Alma Martinez](#); [Fisher, Jake](#)  
**Subject:** CHANGES TO THE TRACKING LIST FOR 10/4  
**Date:** Tuesday, September 27, 2022 12:34:55 PM

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Good morning Griselda,

After meeting with the Chief this morning, please make the following changes to the tracking list for 10/4:

|        |                                                                   |
|--------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|
| REMOVE | PD ASSET FORFEITURE FOR OVERTIME (MOVE TO 10/18)                  |
| REMOVE | PD NEEDS ASSESSMENT (MOVE TO 10/18 FOR NOW, PENDING ACTUAL COSTS) |
| REMOVE | PD PSA – VITAL MEDICAL (MOVE TO 10/18)                            |
| REMOVE | PD PURCHASE OF AUDIO SYSTEM (MOVE TO 10/18)                       |
| REMOVE | PD PSA FOR HELICOPTER (MOVE TO 10/18 FOR NOW, PENDING CONTRACT)   |

Thank you for your attention to these details.

Have a great day,

Michelle

**From:** [Janet Fernandez](#)  
**Subject:** FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: CITY OF EL MONTE LAUNCHES GUARANTEED INCOME PROGRAM  
**Date:** Monday, March 27, 2023 5:11:36 PM

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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**  
Fernandez  
March 27, 2023

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## **CITY OF EL MONTE LAUNCHES GUARANTEED INCOME PROGRAM**

*Applications are now available for the Guaranteed Income Program, providing 125 eligible El Monte residents with \$500 a month*

**El Monte, CA** – Today, the City of El Monte launched its Guaranteed Income Program which will provide 125 eligible El Monte residents with \$500 per month, for twelve months, totaling \$6,000 in support. The City's Guaranteed Income Program is funded by the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) to help alleviate the negative effects of COVID-19 El Monte residents experienced. Eligible El Monte residents are encouraged to apply as the application is available today, March 27, 2023 and will close on April 15, 2023.

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Eligible participants must be female heads of household (no spouse present), El Monte residents with dependents under the age of 18, who have been impacted by COVID-19 with a verified household income at or below poverty level based on the 2023 U.S. Department of Commerce thresholds.

"The City is excited to announce that applications are now open and will be received until April 15, 2023. Applications can be submitted online or in person", stated Betty Donavanik, City of El Monte Community and Economic Development Director.

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Information about the City of El Monte's Guaranteed Income Program and application can

be viewed at <https://www.elmonteca.gov/682/Guaranteed-Income-Program>.

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Hi Georgia,

Per your conversation with the City Manager, below is the press release about the City's Guaranteed Income Program which was launched today. Please let me know if you have any questions or need anything else.

Best,  
Janet

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[El Monte PD x Flock - Services Agreement.pdf](#)  
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**Date:** Wednesday, September 21, 2022 12:47:40 PM  
**Attachments:** [AF STAFF REPORT- CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL TO USE ASSET FORFEITURE FUNDS FOR OVERTIME COSTS FOR MEMBERS OF THE DETECTIVE BUREAU 2.0.docx](#)  
[DB AF PPT V2 October.pptx](#)  
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FYI..for 10/4 meeting

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**Subject:** DB Asset Forfeiture Funding

Jake, here is the staff report for you to review for DB funding and consideration to use Asset Forfeiture Funds. Spillman case management, Shannon Nurre and jail operations was also utilized for assistance.

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[FP-104-010-03 - COVID-19- Purchase and Distribution of Food.04.11.20.FINAL.pdf](#)  
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Good Afternoon,

For those of you that have Emergency Food Purchases and Distribution projects, FEMA extended the eligible activities and expenses “**through August 31, 2022**”. My understanding is that this more than likely the last FEMA extension. Please review the attachments for alternative funding sources should you continue your Emergency Food Purchase and Distribution programs.

Have a good day.

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**Subject:** FEMA Notification and Time Extension Approval: Emergency Food Purchase and  
Distribution

Hello all,

Good afternoon.

Please be advised Cal OES received [FEMA's notification and Time Extension approval for Emergency Food Purchase and Distribution](#). The purpose of the emergency feeding program was to provide the immediate needs to populations

who did not have access to food as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. FEMA recognizes that these services have assisted vulnerable populations throughout the pandemic. However, the development, access to, and mass availability of COVID-19 vaccines have slowed the threat to vulnerable populations. FEMA anticipates the program's demand will decrease and emergency feeding program services should transition to non-emergency strategies. Furthermore, the unemployment rates for the State of California has decreased to 4.6 percent, according to data released by the California Employment Development Department (EDD), and as of May 20, 2022, California has regained more than 91 percent of jobs lost during March and April of 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

As such, FEMA approves the Emergency Food Purchase Distribution Time Extension from 7/13/2022 **through August 31, 2022**. Please note **based on the information above, this is the final approval for FEMA PA funding for eligible costs**. The eligibility of costs claimed for the purchase and distribution of food will be determined pursuant to FEMA Policy FP 104-010-03, "Coronavirus (COVID-19) Pandemic: Purchase and Distribution of Food Eligible for Public Assistance," dated April 11, 2020. Section B.3 of this Policy states that all claimed costs must be necessary and reasonable to respond to the COVID-19 public health emergency to be eligible.

With this in mind, to assist you in transitioning your feeding program activities, we are providing you with FEMA's **COVID-19 Food Nutrition Resource Roadmap Version 2.0**, to identify non-emergency alternative programs and funding sources. This document highlights potential sources of funding streams, including but not limited to the CARES Act and the American Rescue Plan Act, specific to feeding programs to assist with COVID-19 recovery efforts.

If you have questions, please feel to reach out to your respective Cal OES Point of Contact.  
Thank you.

Warmest regards,

Susan

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Good afternoon ESGV Partners!

The American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, which took effect on March 11, 2021, is coming to the East San Gabriel Valley in a big way!

The Los Angeles County Workforce Development Board, the Los Angeles County Department of Economic Opportunity, and Goodwill of Southern California unveil the **Elevate Youth@Work Program** to help put 18-24 year olds to work in our communities.

The grant is designed to assist 4 specific demographic priority populations, including:

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The program puts them to work for up to 400 hours earning \$16.04 per hour in a variety of High-growth Industry Sectors.

Interested youth must register in the LA County Portal, at [//bit.ly/YouthElevate](https://bit.ly/YouthElevate) (case sensitive, please have them select ESGV AJCC), to be considered for the program.

The first cohort will be made up 4 participants from each demographic priority populations, for a total of 16.

Interest Registrations for the first cohort close on August 31, 2022.

Thank you,

*Arthur Monreal*

**Program Manager**  
Baldwin Park & East San Gabriel Valley Comprehensive  
America's Job Center of California  
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# Find your path. **ELEVATE** your career.

Learn more: [bit.ly/YouthElevate](https://bit.ly/YouthElevate)

LA County youth ages 17-24 can explore new career pathways, partner with mentors, and earn \$16.04/hr through Youth@Work Elevate.

## HOW ELEVATE CAN HELP

- Eligible youth\* interns will be placed within high-growth business sectors
- Access paid work experience, training & mentoring for up to 400 hours
- Explore career pathways and find potential permanent employment

\*Youth Eligibility Requirements:

Current or former foster youth • Justice-Impacted •  
Currently or previously experienced housing instability/  
homelessness • LGBTQ+

## HOW YOU CAN START

- Visit [bit.ly/YouthElevate](https://bit.ly/YouthElevate) to submit an interest form
- We will notify interested youth of eligibility and application opening date

For more information, contact us at:  
[elevateyouth@opportunity.lacounty.gov](mailto:elevateyouth@opportunity.lacounty.gov)

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opportunity**  
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES



**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**

**MEDIA CONTACT: Judith Gutierrez**

**April 24, 2023**

**Phone: 323-534-9800**

## **City of El Monte Approves Nearly \$500,000 to Enhance Public Safety with Technological Investments for El Monte Police Department**

*El Monte Police Department will purchase automated license plate readers and raven audio gunshot detection devices to aid in crime prevention and when responding to incidents*

El Monte, CA - On April 18, the El Monte City Council approved the purchase of thirty-eight (38) automated license plate readers (ALPRs) and four (4) Raven Audio Gunshot Detection Devices for the El Monte Police Department. The total cost of the new technology will be \$499,300, and the City will be using funds from the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) and the City's Asset Forfeiture Funding.

"The City is committed to enhancing the effectiveness and efficiency of our police department with the investment in additional technological assets to increase public safety," said Alma Martinez, El Monte City Manager, "These purchases can be supported and funded without creating a fiscal impact on the City's budget."

The ALPRs are advanced camera systems that will be strategically placed on points of entry and exit, and major intersections throughout the city. These cameras can quickly capture license plate numbers along with the date, time, and location. In addition, the Raven Audio Gunshot Detection Device can detect gunshots, identify the source of the sound, and work with the ALPR system to provide valuable evidence to the El Monte police officers responding to an incident.

"Our top priority is always the safety of our community. These cutting-edge technologies will significantly enhance our ability to prevent and investigate crime, which will help us keep our community safer," shared Jake Fisher, El Monte Chief of Police. "Having this technology will ensure that we are addressing gun violence and preventing criminal activity in the City."

The City will partner with Flock Safety for the purchase of ALPRS and Raven Audio Gunshot Detection Devices. Flock Safety is a trusted partner that has installed over 1,000 ALPRs in more than 500 police departments across thirty-eight (38) states.

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The City of El Monte, located in Southern California, is committed to improving the quality of life for its citizens and strives to provide its community personalized service, uncompromising commitment, and individualized accountability. For information on the City of El Monte, please call 626-580-2059 or visit [www.elmonteca.gov](http://www.elmonteca.gov).

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**Cc:** [John Nguyen](#)  
**Subject:** Fwd: SLFRF FAQ Updates and New SLFRF Affordable Housing Guidance  
**Date:** Wednesday, July 27, 2022 2:23:09 PM

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Please send me the status of the ARPA reporting. Also, please prepare an updated ARPA budget for my review by cob tomorrow.

Thank you,

Alma K. Martinez  
City Manager  
City of El Monte  
626-580-2089

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Dear State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds Recipients,

The U.S. Department of Treasury (Treasury) has released updates to the [frequently asked questions](#) (FAQs) of the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLFRF) Final Rule, authorized by the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021.

This update includes a number of new and revised FAQs. Today, Treasury is specifically highlighting revisions to FAQs 2.14 and 4.9, which enable state, local, and tribal governments to use SLFRF funds for the full value (including

the principal) of long-term affordable housing loans including low-income housing tax credit (LIHTC) loans, and expands presumptively eligible uses for affordable housing. Alongside this guidance, Treasury is releasing an [Affordable Housing How-To Guide](#), a simplified summary of SLFRF guidance on affordable housing and examples of how recipients can layer funds with federal resources.

Details for webinar briefings on the final rule FAQs, including one specifically on the topic of affordable housing development, will be forthcoming in the following weeks. Treasury will update the final rule FAQs periodically in response to questions received from stakeholders. For overall information about the program, please see [The State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds website](#). For general questions, please email [SLFRF@treasury.gov](mailto:SLFRF@treasury.gov).

State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds  
U.S. Department of the Treasury

**From:** [Jessica Ancona](#)  
**To:** [Alma Martinez](#); [Betty Donovanik](#)  
**Subject:** Fwd: Submission Deadline for all HOME-ARP Allocation Plans  
**Date:** Tuesday, November 29, 2022 1:31:11 PM  
**Attachments:** [2022-13cpdn.pdf](#)

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**Ms. Jessica Ancona**

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**I am writing you today because HUD has not received submission of your jurisdiction's HOME-ARP allocation plan and the final submission deadline is March 31, 2023. Failure to submit a HOME-ARP allocation plan on or before the final submission deadline of March 31, 2023, will result in the automatic loss of your HOME-ARP allocation. Your HOME-ARP allocation amount is \$2,413,008.**

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Your local HUD Community Planning and Development Director looks forward to working with you to ensure success of this critical program and can be contacted at [Rufus.Washington@hud.gov](mailto:Rufus.Washington@hud.gov) and 213-534-2555.

Respectfully,

Laurie Udit

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Hi Alma,

Below are a few questions we want to prepare you for that the KNX reporter may ask you. Please review and let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks,  
Janet

**What is the Guaranteed Income Program?**

The program is designed to provide El Monte female heads of households with financial relief that have been impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic.

**How many participants will be selected to participate in the program?**

125 eligible participants (female heads of households) will be selected to receive \$500 per month, for a period of 12 months.

**How can people apply?**

Female heads of households can apply by visiting the City of El Monte's website and searching for Guaranteed Income Program - the link to visit is <https://www.ci.el-monte.ca.us/682/Guaranteed-Income-Program>.

Applications can also be submitted at City Hall at the City Manager's office

Information is available in English and Spanish..

**How long is the application period?**

The application went live yesterday, March 27, 2023 and will close on April 15, 2023.

**What is the eligibility criteria?**

- Must live within El Monte city limits
- **Be a single female head of household with no spouse or partner present**
- Have children living in the household between ages of 0-17
- Have a verified income at or below the federal poverty line (according to the 2023 U.S. Department of Commerce guidelines)
- Be able to show a need for financial assistance due to being impacted by the Coronavirus pandemic
- Must be able to submit documents verifying school enrollment, proof of residency, proof of income, and a government issued ID

**Who is the City partnering with to manage the program?**

The City is partnering with RAND Corporation who will assist and manage the program. They will be assisting with program enrollment, review of applications for eligibility, enroll selected participants, and conduct onboarding sessions with participants.

**Where are funds from this program coming from?**

The City is using funds recieved from the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) to help alleviate the negative effects of the COVID-19.

**Is there any outreach being conducted to raise awareness about the issue?**

Yes, RAND will be at the April 6<sup>th</sup> EFarmers Market to assist people with filling out applications.

We will also be promoting via social media

**From:** [Bradley Kim](#)  
**To:** [Bradley Kim](#)  
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**Subject:** Message from DACC: Avian Flu Detected in Wild Birds in Los Angeles County  
**Date:** Monday, October 17, 2022 12:40:20 PM

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Dear City and Los Angeles County Partners,

Below, please find a press release issued today by the County of Los Angeles Department of Public Health (DPH) regarding detected cases of avian flu. DPH has so far confirmed eight cases of avian flu in Los Angeles County as part of an ongoing nationwide bird flu outbreak. Currently, the risk to the general public's health is low but more information on how to reduce the spread and risk of avian influenza can be found below.

Please reach out at any time if you have questions. Thank you for your time.

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**From:** Los Angeles County Public Health <[ph@subscriptions.lacounty.gov](mailto:ph@subscriptions.lacounty.gov)>  
**Sent:** Monday, October 17, 2022 11:53 AM  
**To:** Whitney Duong <[WDuong@animalcare.lacounty.gov](mailto:WDuong@animalcare.lacounty.gov)>  
**Subject:** Press Release: First Eight Cases of Avian Flu Detected in Wild Birds in Los Angeles County; Risk of Transmission to Humans is Low

news release DPH



**For Immediate Release:**

October 17, 2022

**First Eight Cases of Avian Flu Detected in Wild Birds in Los Angeles County; Risk of Transmission to Humans is Low**

The Los Angeles County Department of Public Health (DPH) has confirmed the first eight cases of avian flu in Los Angeles County, including three Canada Geese and a Black-crowned Night Heron in Long Beach, three Canada Geese in the City of Los Angeles and one Canada Goose in Cerritos. These cases are part of the ongoing nationwide bird flu outbreak, also known as Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza (HPAI) H5N1. Currently, the risk to the general public's health from this H5N1 virus is low.

This avian influenza (AI), or bird flu, is a viral disease of birds caused by type A influenza viruses.

It is also of concern for domestic poultry as it is highly contagious and may cause illness and death in backyard and commercial flocks. It spreads through direct bird-to-bird contact or indirectly when virus is on clothing, footwear, vehicles, rodents, insects, feed, water, feathers, etc. Birds shed the virus in bodily fluids such as respiratory droplets, mucus, saliva, and feces.

Although the risk to the general public's health from this H5N1 virus is low, human infections can happen when the virus is inhaled (in droplets or dust) or when it enters the person's eyes, nose, or mouth (either through unprotected contact with infected birds or contact with contaminated surfaces). The spread of HPAI from one infected person to another is very rare. However, because AI viruses can change and gain the ability to spread easily between people, it is important to monitor for both human infection and person-to-person spread.

The general public should avoid handling wild birds and observe them only from a distance. People who have job-related exposures to birds (including at animal shelters, veterinary clinics, or poultry processing plants) or recreational exposures to birds should wear [personal protective equipment \(PPE\)](#) when handling birds. This includes a mask, eye protection, gloves, and dedicated clothing and footwear. After handling any bird, wash hands well with soap and water and change clothes before having contact with other birds, especially domestic poultry or pet birds. It is safe to eat properly handled and cooked poultry and poultry products in the United States.

AI viruses are categorized as either highly pathogenic or low pathogenic based on their ability to cause disease and death in chickens in a laboratory setting. AI viruses circulate naturally among waterbirds, but H5N1, the highly pathogenic strain responsible for this ongoing outbreak, has caused illness and death in a greater variety of wild bird species than is typical. Wild birds may have no symptoms or may have neurological signs (including swimming in circles, head tilt, or tremors), respiratory distress, or sudden death. Domestic birds may have swelling of the head and eyes, diarrhea, weakness, respiratory distress, and loss of appetite.

Help reduce the spread and risk of avian influenza:

- Avoid contact with wild birds, even if they don't look sick.
- Avoid surfaces that may be contaminated with saliva or feces from wild or domestic birds.
- Keep dogs and other pets away from wild birds.
- Do not handle sick or injured birds. Contact your local animal control agency for help.
- Bird owners should seek veterinary attention for their own animals if they seem sick.
- People with backyard chickens, ducks or other poultry should remove water and food sources that feed wild birds (bird feeders, bird baths, etc.).
- People with backyard flocks should keep poultry feed away from wild birds and rodents.
- People who handle pet birds or backyard poultry should thoroughly wash their hands and clean and disinfect footwear before and after coming into contact with their birds.

Take down birdfeeders and birdbaths that may lead birds to congregate

For those who own birds that reside outdoors (e.g. backyard flock of chickens) or who handled a dead bird in the 14 days before onset of flu-like symptoms, public health recommends isolating from others and seeking medical care. Flu-like symptoms include fevers, chills, and muscle/body aches. When seeking care, please let your provider know about your possible exposure to AI.

Agencies and veterinarians can report sick or dead birds to Veterinary Public Health (VPH) by calling 213-288-7060 or by completing this [reporting form](#) and emailing it to [vet@ph.lacounty.gov](mailto:vet@ph.lacounty.gov). The public may report dead birds using the VPH [online reporting portal](#).

Veterinary Public Health is monitoring the situation and working with appropriate state and local agencies to continue surveillance, testing, and tracking of birds for this disease.

Additional resources:

[2022 Detections of Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza](#) – United States Department of Agriculture (USDA)

[2022 Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza Information Sheet](#) – California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW)

[Avian Influenza Updates](#) – California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA)

[Bird Flu Current Situation Summary](#) – Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)

[Influenza \(Flu\) – Information on Bird Flu](#) – Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)

[Avian Influenza \(AI\) or Bird Flu](#) – Los Angeles County Veterinary Public Health (VPH)



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**Subject:** Napolitano Votes for Historic Inflation Reduction Act to Lower San Gabriel Valley Families' Costs, Invest in America's Future  
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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**  
August 12, 2022

**CONTACT**  
[Jerry O'Donnell](#), 202-225-5256

## Napolitano Votes for Historic Inflation Reduction Act to Lower San Gabriel Valley Families' Costs, Invest in America's Future

**WASHINGTON, DC** - Today, Rep. Grace F. Napolitano (D-El Monte) voted for the Inflation Reduction Act, delivering landmark investments to lower San Gabriel Valley families' kitchen table costs, create nine million good-paying union jobs, combat the climate crisis, and dramatically reduce the deficit.

"Today, I proudly voted to fight inflation, slash my constituents' kitchen table costs, create good-paying jobs, and deliver the largest climate investment in our nation's history," Napolitano said. "The Inflation Reduction Act is an enormous victory for our families and for our planet, making the investments we need to keep down health care costs, bolster American manufacturing, and propel our transition to a clean energy economy. I look forward to President Biden signing this legislation, which will greatly benefit our nation as a whole as well as the planet."

This legislation will bring down costs for hard-working Californians while building a cleaner economic future across the country, taking action to:

0. **Lower prescription drug prices:** empowering Medicare to negotiate the price of prescription drugs, preventing excessive price hikes and capping seniors' out-of-pocket drug costs at \$2,000.
1. **Lower health care costs:** reducing [Californians'](#) premium costs by extending ACA subsidies for three more years, locking in average annual savings of \$800 per person.
2. **Lower the deficit and help fight inflation:** making an historic down payment on deficit reduction of approximately \$300 billion.
3. **Deliver America's largest-ever climate investment:** supporting domestic energy production, [creating nine million good-paying union jobs](#) and reducing carbon pollution by roughly 40 percent this decade.

The Inflation Reduction Act also honors Democrats' promise: no new taxes on families making \$400,000 or less and no new taxes on small businesses. This legislation is fully paid-for by ensuring that large corporations and the ultra-wealthy pay their fair share:

0. Strengthening IRS enforcement against wealthy tax cheats.
1. Closing tax loopholes exploited by the wealthiest few.
2. Implementing a 15 percent corporate minimum tax on billion-dollar companies and a 1 percent tax on corporate stock buybacks.

An overwhelming majority of the American public supports the Inflation Reduction Act's key health care, climate and inflation-fighting measures. Data for Progress found that [73 percent of voters back the Inflation Reduction Act](#), including 95 percent of Democrats, nearly three-quarters of Independents, and more than half of Republicans. This

legislation also enjoys broad support from a wide range of advocacy organizations, including the AFL-CIO, Natural Resources Defense Council, League of Conservation Voters, AARP, UnidosUS, Small Business Majority, Protect Our Care and U.S. Conference of Mayors.

Link: <https://go.usa.gov/xStU2>

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**Date:** Tuesday, April 4, 2023 3:57:02 PM  
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Good afternoon,

As you're all aware, a new MOU with the General Unit, covering the period of January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023, was approved by the City Council on March 7, 2023.

The new MOU is attached and available on the City's website via the following link:  
<https://www.ci.el-monte.ca.us/DocumentCenter/View/6011>.

Below is a summary of the most noteworthy changes that was included in the staff report to City Council:

1. One-time lump sum payment of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) to each unit employee to be issued in the first full pay period following ratification by both parties.
  - ARPA eligible under Essential Worker Premium Pay for all unit employees who worked a minimum of eighty (80) hours between March 15, 2020 and February 1, 2022.
2. 5% cost of living adjustment (COLA) - Effective January 1, 2023.
3. Two (2) additional paid holidays - Effective calendar year 2023:
  - a. Cesar Chavez Day – March 31<sup>st</sup>
  - b. Juneteenth – June 19<sup>th</sup>
4. Bereavement Leave enhancements:
  - a. Stand alone benefit of up to four (4) days (not deducted from Sick Leave bank).
  - b. Elimination of long-distance travel qualifier to use additional accrued Sick Leave and elimination of two-day (2-day) cap on additional time.
  - c. Use of time from any accrued leave banks for any additional time off requested for Bereavement Leave.
5. Training Pay enhancement:
  - a. Agree to per pay period basis instead of per day basis.
6. Safety Retirement provisions for Safety Personnel.
  - a. Agree to commence the amendment process with CalPERS for safety designation for Custody Officers.
7. Moratorium on layoffs during the term of the MOU (through December 31, 2023).

8. Administrative updates due to recent changes in the law, to memorialize certain practices, to enhance clarity of certain provisions, and to remove obsolete/outdated verbiage.  
Incorporation of side letter provisions.

There are no action items required from any of the departments to implement the aforementioned changes. Please simply note the additional holidays, Bereavement Leave enhancements, and Training Pay enhancement for future scheduling and processing.

**Additionally, please note the following changes that may also impact employees within your department:**

1. **The maximum number of Translator Pay assignments per department has been eliminated (see Section 4.05(G), page 21).**
  - **If you have additional employees you would like to have tested for potential certification, now or in the future, please email me a request and include the following information:**
    - **Employee name**
    - **Employee job title**
    - **Language to be tested**
    - **Testing for speaking only or speaking, reading, and writing**
2. **The eligibility for Shift Differential Pay has been expanded (see Section 4.05(J)(2), page 23).**
  - **Affected employees in the Police Department have been addressed, but if any other departments have General Unit employees assigned to shifts that now qualify for this pay, please submit the respective PAFs.**

**Please forward this email to your supervisors, managers, timekeepers, and PAF processors and don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.**

Thank you.

**Rigo Gutierrez**

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**From:** [Betty Donavanik](#)  
**To:** [Eric Thronson](#)  
**Cc:** [Alma Martinez](#); [Michelle Solorzano](#)  
**Subject:** Pioneer Park Earmark  
**Date:** Monday, March 13, 2023 1:22:52 PM  
**Attachments:** [image001.png](#)

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Hi Eric,

It was nice meeting you in person at last week's City Council meeting. I would like to submit for funding request for Pioneer Park design and construction.

On August 2, 2022, the City Council approved a Construction Contract with Innovation Construction Solutions (ICS) as the lowest responsive bidder for the Pioneer Park/ Gateway Parcel 3 remediation for a contract amount not-to-exceed \$4,366,550. The remediation project is budgeted under the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding for the Gateway Parcel 3 (Pioneer Park) Remediation Project – Capital Improvement Project (CIP) No. 841. The remediation project commenced on January 30, 2023 and is anticipated to be complete in June 2023. Upon completion of the remediation, final reporting will be completed by the contractor, construction manager and DTSC and the Notice of Completion will follow.

The City requests funding in the amount of \$2,000,000 for park design and construction. The funding will include procuring an architect to design the park, extensive public outreach, preparation of environmental studies and due diligence, and preparation of construction plans.

Please let me know if you need additional information or have any questions.

Thank you,  
Betty



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**Betty Donavanik**

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**From:** [Judith Gutierrez](#)  
**Cc:** [Alma Martinez](#); [Janet Fernandez](#)  
**Subject:** Press Release regarding ARPA Funds  
**Date:** Monday, April 24, 2023 3:35:57 PM  
**Attachments:** [Press Release El Monte ARPAFunding 04.24.23.docx \(1\).pdf](#)

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All-

Please find attached a copy of the press release that was sent to the media today. We have already received coverage [here](#), and will continue monitoring.

With thanks,

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**Judith Gutierrez**  
*Senior Account Executive*  
[323.534.9800](tel:323.534.9800)

**From:** [Diane Cotto](#)  
**To:** [King, Nathaniel R](#)  
**Cc:** [Dela, Ester F](#); [Rendon, Rosa Maria N](#); [Betty Donovanik](#); [Stephanie Ruiz-Fender](#); [Alma Martinez](#)  
**Subject:** RE: <External Message> RE: Submission Deadline for all HOME-ARP Allocation Plans  
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Nathaniel,

Will do!

Diane



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**Diane Cotto**

Housing Manager

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**To:** Diane Cotto <dcotto@elmonteca.gov>  
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Good Morning Diane,

Thank you for letting us know. If possible, please shoot me an email once the Plan is completed and uploaded into IDIS. Thanks and have a good holiday.

Regards,

**Nathaniel King III**

Community Planning and Development Representative

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

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Hello Nathaniel,

Thank you for the notice. We are aware of the deadline to submit our HOME ARP Allocation Plan and are on track to upload and submit this document into IDIS by December 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Should you have any further questions or concerns please contact me.

Sincerely,

Diane Cotto



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**Sent:** Friday, November 18, 2022 9:31 AM  
**To:** Alma Martinez <[amartinez@elmonteca.gov](mailto:amartinez@elmonteca.gov)>  
**Cc:** Diane Cotto <[dcotto@elmonteca.gov](mailto:dcotto@elmonteca.gov)>; Dela, Ester F <[Ester.F.Dela@hud.gov](mailto:Ester.F.Dela@hud.gov)>; Rendon, Rosa Maria N <[RosaMaria.N.Rendon@hud.gov](mailto:RosaMaria.N.Rendon@hud.gov)>  
**Subject:** Submission Deadline for all HOME-ARP Allocation Plans

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Dear Ms. Martinez,

**The message is being sent on behalf of Rosa Rendon, your City's assigned CPD Representative, as she is on extended leave.**

In April 2021, HUD informed your jurisdiction of its Fiscal Year (FY) 2021 allocation for HUD's [HOME Investment Partnership Program – American Rescue Plan \(HOME-ARP\)](#) funding. These HOME-ARP funds were in addition to your regular FY 2021 HOME formula allocation. This one-time funding creates a significant opportunity for you to meet the housing and service needs of your community's most vulnerable populations.

**I am writing you today because HUD has not received the submission of your HOME-ARP allocation plan and the final submission deadline is March 31, 2023. Failure to submit a HOME-ARP allocation plan on or before the final submission deadline of March 31, 2023, will result in the automatic loss of your HOME-ARP allocation. Your HOME-ARP allocation amount is \$2,413,008.00**

On November 2, 2022, HUD Issued [Notice CPD-22-013: Revisions to HOME-ARP Allocation Plan Requirements and Final Submission Deadline for all HOME-ARP Allocation Plans](#) (attached). In addition, the HOME-ARP webpage at [www.hudexchange.info/programs/home-arp/](http://www.hudexchange.info/programs/home-arp/) contains a wealth of information and guidance to help you develop your HOME-ARP allocation plan. HUD may provide technical assistance, if requested, to guide your jurisdiction in the preparation of your submission.

The Los Angeles office of Community Planning and Development looks forward to working with you to ensure the success of this critical program. Please contact Ester Dela, Program Manager, at [ester.f.dela@hud.gov](mailto:ester.f.dela@hud.gov) if you have any questions.

Respectfully,

Rufus Washington, Director  
Office of Community Planning and Development

Regards,

**Nathaniel King III**

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**From:** [Rigoberto Gutierrez](#)  
**To:** [Alma Martinez](#); [Fisher, Jake](#)  
**Cc:** [Buckhannon, Michael](#); [Luna, Richard](#); [Kristen Enomoto](#)  
**Subject:** Re: 2023 EMPD ITEMS  
**Date:** Thursday, December 29, 2022 4:41:51 PM  
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Understood.

I will work with my team to have this report ready for departments to view and assess. Will provide an update by Tuesday at COB.

### **Rigo Gutierrez**

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**From:** Alma Martinez <[amartinez@elmonteca.gov](mailto:amartinez@elmonteca.gov)>  
**Date:** Thursday, December 29, 2022 at 4:35 PM  
**To:** "Fisher, Jake" <[JFisher@elmontepd.org](mailto:JFisher@elmontepd.org)>  
**Cc:** "Buckhannon, Michael" <[MBuckhannon@elmontepd.org](mailto:MBuckhannon@elmontepd.org)>, "Luna, Richard" <[RLuna@elmontepd.org](mailto:RLuna@elmontepd.org)>, Rigoberto Gutierrez <[rgutierrez@elmonteca.gov](mailto:rgutierrez@elmonteca.gov)>, Kristen Enomoto <[kenomoto@elmonteca.gov](mailto:kenomoto@elmonteca.gov)>  
**Subject:** Re: 2023 EMPD ITEMS

Rigo and Kristin this is along the lines of the report I requested please have this ready for all the departments next week to do an entire staffing needs assessment thank you!

Alma K. Martinez  
City Manager  
City of El Monte  
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On Dec 29, 2022, at 2:41 PM, Fisher, Jake <JFisher@elmontepd.org> wrote:

Ms. Martinez,

The below list is still a work in progress as we move forward with a new management team, needs assessment report, and the constant flux and unpredictability of police department needs by its very nature. It is not necessarily in order of importance.

1. Reinstatement of 3<sup>rd</sup> Captain Position
2. Reinstatement of Police Records Manager Position
3. Increase of Sworn Officer Compliment to 132 (+10)
4. Implementation of Hiring Financial Incentives
5. Drone Investment for Patrol Operations (Asset Forfeiture)
6. Increase in Budget for JL Group – Internal Affairs investigations due to vacant Internal Affairs sergeant position
7. Purchase of additional police cars beyond budgeted allotment due to lack of purchase for the past several years
8. Increase Training Budget (it was reduced during COVID and never corrected) to \$150,000 (+\$100,000)
9. Community Relations Increase – Reinstate TORCH program and address “vacant” SRO positions.
10. Purchase 2<sup>nd</sup> Armored vehicle (Grant(?)/Asset Forfeiture)
11. With increased staffing add personnel to Traffic Safety Bureau due to large increase in fatal traffic accidents.

**JAKE FISHER**  
**CHIEF OF POLICE**  
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**Cc:** [Alma Martinez](#); [Betty Donovanik](#); [Bruce Foltz](#)  
**Subject:** RE: ALPR/ Raven Gunshot Detection Devices (ARPA Purchase)  
**Date:** Monday, March 27, 2023 11:50:52 AM  
**Attachments:** [image003.png](#)  
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Mr. Foster,

Please contact me at your earliest convenience we have several projects we need to prepare for, but that require input/review from your company.

Regards,

Jake

**JAKE FISHER**  
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**Sent:** Tuesday, March 21, 2023 5:26 PM  
**To:** 'bfoster@hdlcompanies.com' <bfoster@hdlcompanies.com>; Buckhannon, Michael <MBuckhannon@elmontepd.org>; Luna, Richard <RLuna@elmontepd.org>  
**Cc:** Alma Martinez <amartinez@elmonteca.gov>  
**Subject:** FW: ALPR/ Raven Gunshot Detection Devices (ARPA Purchase)

Mr. Foster,

If you will recall we met on a zoom meeting with City Manager Alma Martinez a couple weeks ago regarding public safety use of ARPA funds and the desire of the city to move forward with such projects that is within the bounds of ARPA protocols. Ms. Martinez would like for us to work with you to best develop these staff report proposals as we move forward. Attached is a first draft staff report submitted by Captain Buckhannon regarding FLOCK cameras. Please review when you can

and advise of your opinion on the matter and/or any changes that should be made to move forward on this. We are also working on the other projects to bring to you. If another phone call/zoom would work better, just let me know.

Regards,

Jake

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**Cc:** Buckhannon, Michael <[MBuckhannon@elmontepd.org](mailto:MBuckhannon@elmontepd.org)>  
**Subject:** ALPR/ Raven Gunshot Detection Devices (ARPA Purchase)

As requested Fish....



**Michael “Shane” Buckhannon**  
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**From:** [Fisher, Jake](#)  
**To:** ["Barry Foster"; Bruce Foltz](#)  
**Cc:** [Alma Martinez](#)  
**Subject:** RE: ARPA Meeting  
**Date:** Thursday, March 30, 2023 9:44:22 AM  
**Attachments:** [STAFF REPORT - Bearcat 2023.docx](#)  
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[image006.png](#)  
[image007.png](#)  
[image008.png](#)

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Mr. Foster:

Thank you so much for the email response last night regarding the FLOCK cameras and gunshot GPS locators. We are excited to be able to move forward with this project as it will greatly benefit the community we serve. Please see the attached proposed Staff Report for the Bearcat. While it is not yet decided if this project would proceed, I think it is best to get a determination from your firm based on the content within this report so our City Manager and potentially City Council can have all this information going forward. I too looked at the La Verne report and was rather shocked as to the lack of content, I think you will enjoy reading this report as it is far more in-depth.

Additionally, we are making some adjustments to the NVG and Drone reports previously sent to you based on some of the lacking information particularly in terms of the "technology" components of these items that make better arguments under ARPA. These will be sent to you this afternoon. The one proposed report regarding a "Commercial Enforcement Vehicle" will be pulled from consideration under this funding source on our end as I think we can agree it does not meet the criteria.

Thank you again for the communication and I look forward to your response on the attached report.

Jake

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**From:** Barry Foster <BFoster@hdlcompanies.com>

**Sent:** Wednesday, March 29, 2023 6:30 PM

**To:** Fisher, Jake <JFisher@elmontepd.org>; Bruce Foltz <bfoltz@elmonteca.gov>

**Cc:** Alma Martinez <amartinez@elmonteca.gov>

**Subject:** FW: ARPA Meeting

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Wanted to follow up on our zoom meeting of March 6 where we discussed the three possible expenditures from ARPA funds for 1) drones, 2) license plate readers and 3) an armored vehicle. On the zoom meeting (and as explained below) we determined that a case could be made for eligibility for the drones and the license plate readers, but that more information was necessary from the police department on exactly how these would be used and how they could be tied to reducing crime in El Monte and thereby making arguments to use ARPA funds, including providing crime stats to illustrate this. We checked with city of La Verne and they could not provide detail or explanation on why an armored vehicle would be eligible expense under ARPA rule and we still firmly believe this would not be an eligible expense. We still haven't not received any follow up from the city of El Monte providing the information we discussed on March 6. If this still of interest to El Monte, please provide the information for our review.

Thanks and look for your response.

**Barry Foster** Principal/Managing Director

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**From:** Barry Foster <[BFoster@hdlcompanies.com](mailto:BFoster@hdlcompanies.com)>

**Sent:** Saturday, February 25, 2023 2:19 PM

**To:** Bruce Foltz <[bfoltz@elmonteca.gov](mailto:bfoltz@elmonteca.gov)>

**Subject:** ARPA Meeting

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Bruce

Sorry but I am traveling up north on Monday till Wednesday of next week for work. Flying into San Jose Monday morning early and then down to Monterey/Pacific Grove Monday afternoon till Wednesday and then flying back out of San Jose late Wednesday afternoon. Can do a zoom or teams meeting with you and Alma Thursday afternoon 3/2. Please let me know a time that can work for U folks.

Both Ken Duran (of my staff) and I did some preliminary research on the issue of using ARPA funding for the Climate Action Plan, as well as several Police Department related expenditures. Below are our preliminary thoughts.

- Climate Action Plan – We reviewed the staff report that was presented to Council on February 7<sup>th</sup>. The staff report describes the need for the Climate Action Plan and bid process for recommending the consultant award. The only reference to ARPA is in that the funding source would be ARPA funds. There is no reference that would draw a nexus to use of ARPA funds. Without further information that would provide that nexus, it would appear that this is most likely not an ARPA eligible expense. The only exception is if El Monte wishes to use Revenue Loss funds, which in that case it would be eligible.
- Police Department expenditures – There is a category in the ARPA Guidelines that allow for eligible ARPA funding for some public safety, especially in this case technology related, expenses. More detailed information on why the upgrades are needed and how they will be used would be needed to make a full determination on eligibility. We think the case can be made for the drones and license plate readers but not the armored car. Below are excerpts from the ARPA Guidelines that may relate to these items:

## **FINAL RULE**

*Treasury Response: Treasury recognizes the importance of comprehensive approaches to challenges like violence. The final rule includes an enumerated eligible use for community violence intervention programs in all communities, not just the disproportionately impacted communities eligible under the interim final rule. Given the increased rate of violence during the pandemic, Treasury has determined that this enumerated eligible use is responsive to the impacts of the pandemic in all communities. The final rule incorporates guidance issued after the interim final rule on specifically types of services eligible, including:*

- *Evidence-based practices like focused deterrence, street outreach, violence interrupters, and hospital-based violence intervention models, complete with wraparound services such as behavioral therapy, trauma recovery, job training, education, housing and relocation services, and financial assistance; and*
- *Capacity-building efforts at community violence intervention programs like funding more intervention workers, increasing their pay, providing training and professional development for intervention workers, and hiring and training workers to administer the programs.*

*Public Comment:*

*Some commenters sought further clarification on whether some of the enumerated eligible uses are considered responsive to all crime, violent crime, or gun violence.*

*Treasury Response: Enumerated eligible uses that respond to an increase in gun violence may be pursued in communities experiencing an increase in gun violence associated with the pandemic, specifically: 1) hiring law enforcement officials – even above pre-pandemic levels – or paying overtime where the funds are directly focused on advancing community policing strategies for gun violence, 2) additional enforcement efforts to reduce gun violence exacerbated by the pandemic, including prosecuting gun traffickers, dealers, and other parties contributing to the supply of crime guns, as well as collaborative federal, state, and local efforts to identify and address gun trafficking channels, and 3) investing in technology and equipment to allow law enforcement to more efficiently and effectively respond to the rise in gun violence resulting from the pandemic, for example technology to assist in the identification of guns whose serial numbers have been damaged.*

## **OVERVIEW**

*Preventing and responding to violence. Recognizing that violence – and especially gun violence – has increased in some communities due to the pandemic, recipients may use funds to respond in these communities through:*

- *Referrals to trauma recovery services for victims of crime;*
- *Community violence intervention programs, including:  
Evidence-based practices like focused deterrence, with wraparound services such as behavioral therapy, trauma recovery, job training, education, housing and relocation services, and financial assistance;*
- *In communities experiencing increased gun violence due to the pandemic;*
- *Law enforcement officers focused on advancing community policing;*
- *Enforcement efforts to reduce gun violence, including prosecution;*
- *Technology & equipment to support law enforcement response.*

Hope this provides some helpful preliminary information.

**Barry Foster** Principal/Managing Director

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**To:** [Alma Martinez](#)  
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**From:** Alma Martinez <amartinez@elmonteca.gov>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 12, 2022 8:11:50 PM  
**To:** Lowry, Benjamin <BLowry@elmontepd.org>  
**Subject:** Re: Getty Art Festival Tony Arceo Park

Approved, asset forfeiture?

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On Jul 12, 2022, at 6:29 PM, Lowry, Benjamin <BLowry@elmontepd.org>  
wrote:

Boss,

I assume you are aware of this event. Even though they did not ask for our assistance, I would feel better if we hired 2 officers each day to patrol the park. We can do extra patrols for free...but with the name "J. Paul Getty" in our City, I'd prefer we have our officers on site to be on top of anything that even starts to look sketchy (we have a lot of homeless that may be disrespectful or disruptive). Do you have a preference? Let me know.

Thanks  
Ben

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**From:** Buckhannon, Michael <MBuckhannon@elmontepd.org>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 12, 2022, 4:27 PM  
**To:** Lowry, Benjamin <BLowry@elmontepd.org>; Fisher, Jake <JFisher@elmontepd.org>  
**Cc:** Cobian, Roger <RCobian@elmontepd.org>  
**Subject:** Getty Art Festival Tony Arceo Park

## About this event

On Saturday, July 16, 2022 (1100-1800) and Sunday, July 17, 2022 (1100-1800), In celebration of the Getty Center's 25th Anniversary, J. Paul Getty Trust is partnering up with neighborhoods across Los Angeles to produce ten custom-made community-centric festivals that embrace the local community and showcase Getty-inspired programming. The dates listed are the dates the festival will be held in El Monte. During the two-day event, the host will provide their own security. Sergeant Cobian attended a planning meeting for the event last week. They did not request staffing from our agency. Did you have a desire to hire additional staffing for additional staffing or did you want an "Extra Patrol" request distributed?



# EL MONTE

**Michael Shane Buckhannon**  
**El Monte Police Lieutenant**  
Support Services Commander  
11333 Valley Blvd.  
El Monte, CA 91731  
(626) 580-2103 Office

**From:** [Eric Thronson](#)  
**To:** [Alma Martinez](#); [Betty Donovanik](#)  
**Cc:** [Michelle Solorzano](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Pioneer Park Earmark  
**Date:** Monday, March 13, 2023 1:48:51 PM  
**Attachments:** [image001.png](#)  
[Draft Support Letter Napolitano CEM.docx](#)

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Please find attached a draft letter of support from the Mayor for our federal earmark request for funding for Pioneer Park.

I need it signed and back to me by Thursday this week in order to submit it to Congresswoman Napolitano.

I also found your draft submission for Senator Feinstein last year for this project. I can turn it around and resubmit it to her office today with updated request amount and details and with the promise of the letter of support later and see if she will accept it. Her portal closes tonight at 7pm. Can't hurt to try!

**Eric Thronson**  
Townsend Public Affairs, Inc.  
O: 916-829-7285  
M: 512-826-0648

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**From:** Alma Martinez <[amartinez@elmonteca.gov](mailto:amartinez@elmonteca.gov)>  
**Sent:** Monday, March 13, 2023 1:26 PM  
**To:** Betty Donovanik <[bdonavanik@elmonteca.gov](mailto:bdonavanik@elmonteca.gov)>  
**Cc:** Eric Thronson <[ethronson@townsendpa.com](mailto:ethronson@townsendpa.com)>; Michelle Solorzano <[msolorzano@elmonteca.gov](mailto:msolorzano@elmonteca.gov)>  
**Subject:** Re: Pioneer Park Earmark

Thank you Betty. I asked Eric to also look for grants to assist in our contaminated sites clean up. Is there a list of those properties for Eric to look into?

Additionally: Eric will be modifying the ask for the Maclaren federal ear mark. Please make sure we have those in time for the March 17th deadline.

Alma K. Martinez  
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On Mar 13, 2023, at 1:22 PM, Betty Donovanik <[bdonavanik@elmonteca.gov](mailto:bdonavanik@elmonteca.gov)> wrote:

Hi Eric,

It was nice meeting you in person at last week's City Council meeting. I would like to submit for funding request for Pioneer Park design and construction.

On August 2, 2022, the City Council approved a Construction Contract with Innovation Construction Solutions (ICS) as the lowest responsive bidder for the Pioneer Park/ Gateway Parcel 3 remediation for a contract amount not-to-exceed \$4,366,550. The remediation project is budgeted under the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding for the Gateway Parcel 3 (Pioneer Park) Remediation Project – Capital Improvement Project (CIP) No. 841. The remediation project commenced on January 30, 2023 and is anticipated to be complete in June 2023. Upon completion of the remediation, final reporting will be completed by the contractor, construction manager and DTSC and the Notice of Completion will follow.

The City requests funding in the amount of \$2,000,000 for park design and construction. The funding will include procuring an architect to design the park, extensive public outreach, preparation of environmental studies and due diligence, and preparation of construction plans.

Please let me know if you need additional information or have any questions.

Thank you,  
Betty

**EL MONTE****Betty Donovanik**

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**From:** [Michelle Solorzano](#)  
**To:** [Alma Martinez](#); [Bruce Foltz](#); [Anne Blakeley](#)  
**Cc:** [John Nguyen](#)  
**Subject:** RE: SLFRF FAQ Updates and New SLFRF Affordable Housing Guidance  
**Date:** Wednesday, July 27, 2022 2:26:57 PM

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ARPA Team,

I am ready to review/update the ARPA budget materials at any time. Please contact me via email or on my cell phone at (626) 807-0451.

Best,

Michelle

----- Original message -----

**From:** Alma Martinez <[amartinez@elmonteca.gov](mailto:amartinez@elmonteca.gov)>  
**Date:** 7/27/22 14:23 (GMT-08:00)  
**To:** Bruce Foltz <[bfoltz@elmonteca.gov](mailto:bfoltz@elmonteca.gov)>, Michelle Solorzano <[msolorzano@elmonteca.gov](mailto:msolorzano@elmonteca.gov)>, Anne Blakeley <[ablakeley@elmonteca.gov](mailto:ablakeley@elmonteca.gov)>  
**Cc:** John Nguyen <[jnguyen@elmonteca.gov](mailto:jnguyen@elmonteca.gov)>  
**Subject:** Fwd: SLFRF FAQ Updates and New SLFRF Affordable Housing Guidance

Please send me the status of the ARPA reporting. Also, please prepare an updated ARPA budget for my review by cob tomorrow.

Thank you,

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**Date:** July 27, 2022 at 9:47:41 AM PDT  
**To:** Alma Martinez <[amartinez@elmonteca.gov](mailto:amartinez@elmonteca.gov)>  
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The U.S. Department of Treasury (Treasury) has released updates to the [frequently asked questions](#) (FAQs) of the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLFRF) Final Rule, authorized by the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021.

This update includes a number of new and revised FAQs. Today, Treasury is specifically highlighting revisions to FAQs 2.14 and 4.9, which enable state, local, and tribal governments to use SLFRF funds for the full value (including the principal) of long-term affordable housing loans including low-income housing tax credit (LIHTC) loans, and expands presumptively eligible uses for affordable housing. Alongside this guidance, Treasury is releasing an [Affordable Housing How-To Guide](#), a simplified summary of SLFRF guidance on affordable housing and examples of how recipients can layer funds with federal resources.

Details for webinar briefings on the final rule FAQs, including one specifically on the topic of affordable housing development, will be forthcoming in the following weeks. Treasury will update the final rule FAQs periodically in response to questions received from stakeholders. For overall information about the program, please see [The State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds website](#). For general questions, please email [SLFRF@treasury.gov](mailto:SLFRF@treasury.gov).

State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds  
U.S. Department of the Treasury

**From:** [Alma Martinez](#)  
**To:** [Betty Donavanik](#)  
**Cc:** [Diane Cotto](#)  
**Subject:** Re: Submission Deadline for all HOME-ARP Allocation Plans  
**Date:** Friday, November 18, 2022 10:28:45 AM

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Yes! Just forwarding you the info

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On Nov 18, 2022, at 10:18 AM, Betty Donavanik <[bdonavanik@elmonteca.gov](mailto:bdonavanik@elmonteca.gov)> wrote:

Hi Alma,  
Thanks for forwarding this. The HOME ARP plan was approved by City Council on November 15th. Diane is working to finalize and submit to HUD very soon. We will be well ahead of the deadline.

Thanks,

Betty Donavanik  
Community & Economic Development Director  
City of El Monte

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**From:** Alma Martinez <[amartinez@elmonteca.gov](mailto:amartinez@elmonteca.gov)>  
**Sent:** Friday, November 18, 2022 9:35 AM  
**To:** King, Nathaniel R <[Nathaniel.R.King@hud.gov](mailto:Nathaniel.R.King@hud.gov)>  
**Cc:** Diane Cotto <[dcotto@elmonteca.gov](mailto:dcotto@elmonteca.gov)>; Dela, Ester F <[Ester.F.Dela@hud.gov](mailto:Ester.F.Dela@hud.gov)>; Rendon, Rosa Maria N <[RosaMaria.N.Rendon@hud.gov](mailto:RosaMaria.N.Rendon@hud.gov)>; Betty Donavanik <[bdonavanik@elmonteca.gov](mailto:bdonavanik@elmonteca.gov)>  
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Thank you, Diane Cotto will follow-up with you.

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Respectfully,

Rufus Washington, Director  
Office of Community Planning and Development

Regards,

**Nathaniel King III**

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[nathaniel.r.king@hud.gov](mailto:nathaniel.r.king@hud.gov)

**From:** [Betty Donavanik](#)  
**To:** [Jessica Ancona](#); [Alma Martinez](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Submission Deadline for all HOME-ARP Allocation Plans  
**Date:** Tuesday, November 29, 2022 2:29:02 PM  
**Attachments:** [image001.png](#)

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Thank you, Mayor. We are working on submitting the HOME ARP Plan that was approved by the City Council on November 15<sup>th</sup>. We will be ahead of the deadline.

Thank you,  
Betty



**EL MONTE**

**Betty Donavanik**

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**From:** Jessica Ancona <[jancona@elmonteca.gov](mailto:jancona@elmonteca.gov)>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, November 29, 2022 1:31 PM  
**To:** Alma Martinez <[amartinez@elmonteca.gov](mailto:amartinez@elmonteca.gov)>; Betty Donavanik <[bdonavanik@elmonteca.gov](mailto:bdonavanik@elmonteca.gov)>  
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Received this. FYI.

**Ms. Jessica Ancona**

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**From:** "Udit, Laurie E" <[Laurie.E.Udit@hud.gov](mailto:Laurie.E.Udit@hud.gov)>  
**Date:** November 29, 2022 at 12:54:44 PM PST  
**To:** Jessica Ancona <[jancona@elmonteca.gov](mailto:jancona@elmonteca.gov)>  
**Cc:** "Washington, Rufus" <[Rufus.Washington@hud.gov](mailto:Rufus.Washington@hud.gov)>  
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Respectfully,

Laurie Udit

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**To:** [King, Nathaniel R](#)  
**Cc:** [Diane Cotto](#); [Dela, Ester F](#); [Rendon, Rosa Maria N](#); [Betty Donovanik](#)  
**Subject:** Re: Submission Deadline for all HOME-ARP Allocation Plans  
**Date:** Friday, November 18, 2022 9:35:24 AM  
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Fantastic. Thanks

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**To:** [King, Nathaniel R](#); [Alma Martinez](#)  
**Cc:** [Dela, Ester F](#); [Rendon, Rosa Maria N](#); [Betty Donovanik](#); [Stephanie Ruiz-Fender](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Submission Deadline for all HOME-ARP Allocation Plans  
**Date:** Monday, November 21, 2022 8:22:33 AM  
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Hello Nathaniel,

Thank you for the notice. We are aware of the deadline to submit our HOME ARP Allocation Plan and are on track to upload and submit this document into IDIS by December 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Should you have any further questions or concerns please contact me.

Sincerely,

Diane Cotto



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**Diane Cotto**

Housing Manager

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**From:** [Betty Donovanik](#)  
**To:** [Alma Martinez](#)  
**Cc:** [Diane Cotto](#)  
**Subject:** Re: Submission Deadline for all HOME-ARP Allocation Plans  
**Date:** Friday, November 18, 2022 10:18:01 AM

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Hi Alma,  
Thanks for forwarding this. The HOME ARP plan was approved by City Council on November 15th. Diane is working to finalize and submit to HUD very soon. We will be well ahead of the deadline.

Thanks,

Betty Donovanik  
Community & Economic Development Director  
City of El Monte

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**From:** Alma Martinez <amartinez@elmonteca.gov>  
**Sent:** Friday, November 18, 2022 9:35 AM  
**To:** King, Nathaniel R <Nathaniel.R.King@hud.gov>  
**Cc:** Diane Cotto <dcotto@elmonteca.gov>; Dela, Ester F <Ester.F.Dela@hud.gov>; Rendon, Rosa Maria N <RosaMaria.N.Rendon@hud.gov>; Betty Donovanik <bdonavanik@elmonteca.gov>  
**Subject:** Re: Submission Deadline for all HOME-ARP Allocation Plans

Thank you, Diane Cotto will follow-up with you.

Alma K. Martinez  
City Manager  
City of El Monte  
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On Nov 18, 2022, at 9:31 AM, King, Nathaniel R <Nathaniel.R.King@hud.gov> wrote:

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Respectfully,

Rufus Washington, Director  
Office of Community Planning and Development

Regards,

**Nathaniel King III**

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**To:** [Griselda Contreras](#); [Leticia Aguilar](#)  
**Cc:** [Alma Martinez](#)  
**Subject:** TITLES FOR AGENDA FOR 9/6  
**Date:** Thursday, September 1, 2022 11:16:35 AM

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Hi Gris,

Here are the remaining two (2) titles for the agenda for 9/6:

CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF THE PURCHASE OF AN R66 HELICOPTER FROM ROBINSON COMPANY IN SUPPORT OF THE EL MONTE POLICE DEPARTMENT AIR SUPPORT PROGRAM

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE CITY COUNCIL:

1. Consider and approve the purchase of an R66 helicopter platform from Robinson Helicopter Company;
2. Appropriate \$1,000,000 from the Asset Forfeiture funds for this purchase;
3. Appropriate \$250,000 from SLESA funds for this purchase; and
4. Appropriate \$1,050,000 from General Fund Reserves for this purchase.

CONSIDERATION AND ADOPTION OF AN AMENDMENT (AMENDMENT #2) TO THE AMERICAN RECOVERY PLAN ACT (ARPA) BUDGET

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE CITY COUNCIL:

1. Consider and adopt of an amendment (Amendment #2) to the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) fund budget; and
2. Direct staff to submit the amended budget spending plan and quarterly report to the United States Department of the Treasury on or before the next reporting deadline (October 30, 2022).

**From:** [slfrp@treasury.gov](mailto:slfrp@treasury.gov)  
**To:** [Alma Martinez](#)  
**Subject:** Update from the Deputy Secretary on the Status of Treasury's Recovery Program Operations  
**Date:** Friday, September 23, 2022 7:51:27 AM

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Dear Recovery Program Recipients:

Thank you for the work that you do every day to support families across the country, including through your work on programs administered by the U.S. Department of the Treasury. We are writing to provide an update on the status of Treasury's operations regarding the recovery programs that it administers.

As you know, Congress gave Treasury the important responsibility of overseeing a range of recovery programs, including those funded by the American Rescue Plan. Over the past two years, Treasury has worked hard to fulfill that responsibility alongside dedicated state, local, territorial, and Tribal partners. And we have seen the impact, from the over 7 million payments made under the Emergency Rental Assistance Program to the over 50,000 projects undertaken by state, local, territorial, and Tribal governments in response to the COVID-19 pandemic through a variety of innovative and impactful approaches. We know that many of our recipients have had to significantly increase their capacity to administer these recovery funds, creating or expanding programs that have helped Americans across the country recover from the pandemic.

Just as many of you have had to expand your capacity, Treasury has also worked to build a dedicated team to oversee these funds, many of whom you know through our webinars, outreach calls, technical assistance, email, call center operations, and more. In particular, we have prioritized building the capacity necessary to answer questions from the 30,000 states, territories, cities, counties, towns, and Tribes that are navigating our programs. We have focused our efforts on ensuring that recipients can both swiftly access funds and responsibly use them, whether by engaging directly with smaller Tribes and localities who are new to working with the Federal government, adjusting our guidance as needed to ensure program rules are compatible with recipient needs, or developing—with the support of the audit community—an alternative compliance examination for certain recipients that will reduce burden and yet still provide accountability for the funds.

However, Treasury is facing constraints that will put our ability to continue this level of support to recipients at risk – with the greatest impact likely felt by the smallest jurisdictions and Tribal governments, who often rely on more in-depth engagement with Treasury.

Congress appropriated funding to Treasury to administer recovery programs, and some programs were given more than enough funding to cover their operations. But in the case of several other programs, the available funding is insufficient to allow Treasury to maintain the current levels of administrative support. These programs include the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLFRF), the Coronavirus Capital Projects Fund, the Emergency Rental Assistance Program, the Homeowner Assistance Fund, and the Local Assistance and Tribal Consistency Fund.

Treasury has been working with Congress to seek flexibility in how administrative funds can be used across programs, which would preserve our ability to provide support across these

programs without affecting any of the Department's operations. These changes would not require any additional funds to be appropriated by Congress, but instead would permit Treasury to repurpose some funds from other pandemic programs that are in later stages of implementation to American Rescue Plan programs with significant outstanding needs.

However, pending those changes, these funding shortfalls will have significant effects on Treasury's ability to provide support to recipients of its programs. We are writing to let you know that Treasury is preparing to adjust its operations in ways that may have an impact on how you interact with the Department. In particular, for the programs listed above, Treasury is in the process of:

- Ending our call center support, which has provided an entry point for questions from recipients facing issues, including around payments and reporting. This shutdown will begin going into effect in October.
- Sharply curtailing our e-mail response operations, limiting our ability to respond to most questions that arrive in the inbox. As you know, our call center, e-mail response, and other recipient communications efforts have provided critical support to the 30,000 states, territories, cities, counties, towns, and Tribes participating in programs like SLFRF, helping to answer questions around how to access funds and understand the rules of the programs.
- Reducing our reporting and recipient monitoring footprint, slowing Treasury's responses to incoming questions from jurisdictions and potentially impacting resolution of Single Audits.
- Instituting a hiring freeze of Federal staff for these programs, limiting Treasury's ability to participate in direct engagement with recipients or resolve ongoing policy questions that arise.

Beyond these preliminary steps, without the necessary funding flexibility, Treasury will have to undertake more significant steps to reduce staffing and service in the weeks ahead. In addition, while we will continue to do everything that we can to promptly make payments, there is some risk that these operations will slow based on capacity constraints. As we engage in these steps, we will, of course, continue to prioritize using available funds to assist grantees as effectively as possible – and we will do what we can to provide self-service resources for commonly asked questions that can substitute for direct engagement and response. But we recognize that these changes to our operations may create challenges for you, and we wanted to communicate in advance as we plan for them.

We want to reiterate our sincere appreciation for your continued partnership in these important programs. Thank you again for all that you do, and we look forward to continuing to work with you to provide vital support to communities and families in need across the country.

Sincerely,

Adewale O. Adeyemo  
Deputy Secretary of the Treasury