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KANKAKEE COUNTY RECOVERY PLAN PERFORMANCE REPORT

**AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA)
STATE AND LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUNDS**



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Executive Summary

The American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) was established by the federal government in 2021 to support recovery efforts from the COVID-19 pandemic. In July of 2021, Kankakee County introduced **Kankakee County's Respond, Revitalize and Reinvest (KCR3)** initiative to plan and guide the allocation of ARPA funds in Kankakee County. The KCR3 [launch report](#) originally outlined Kankakee County's targeted deployment plan.

Kankakee County ARPA funds will be used to respond to the COVID-19 emergency, address its negative effects, provide services affected by a revenue reduction related to the pandemic, and make investments in infrastructure related to the pandemic and current/future mitigation. Furthermore, KCR3 funds will be allocated for qualified businesses, not-for-profit entities, projects or direct to individuals based upon the ARPA rules, location, need, impact, and equity. To learn more about the steps that the Kankakee County Board took in 2021, watch this [video update](#) produced in September of 2021. The following report outlines Kankakee County's initial work during the first year of the American Rescue Plan Act.



COVID-19 Response

Since the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic, Kankakee County has been committed to protecting the overall health and safety of the public, and identifying resources throughout Kankakee County.

Prior and ongoing COVID-19 efforts include:

- Establishing the Healthy Business Alliance in 2020 with local hospitals, businesses, government, and residents.
- Providing information on COVID-19 resources.
- Supporting proper COVID-19 mitigation efforts by promoting and adopting policies aimed at fighting the spread of COVID-19.

ARPA funds will continue to support Kankakee County's efforts in response to the pandemic. In June of 2021, a group of sub-committees were formed to help develop the framework for the deployment of the ARPA funds.

The following initial sub-committees were created to address these key areas in response to the COVID-19 pandemic:

- **RESPOND: Public Safety**
- **RESPOND: Courts**
- **RESPOND: Other projects (General)**
- **REVITALIZE: Workforce**
- **REVITALIZE: Business**
- **REVITALIZE: Other projects (General)**
- **REINVEST (County infrastructure and services)**

KCR3 Policies

The sub-committees laid the foundation where immediate needs were identified for future allocations. A Committee of the Whole was later established to pass policies to further guide the ARPA process.

The overarching policies adopted by the Kankakee County Board guides the process and deployment of ARPA funds by considering the following:

- As practicable, deploy two years of ARPA funds on initiatives that have a long-term (ten to twenty-year) impact.
- Where applicable, utilize Special/Internal funds before ARPA funds.
- Access grant funds instead of ARPA funds when possible.
- Identify and support communities that were unable/ineligible to participate in the CURES/PPP/CARES programs.
- Build a consensus for regional projects, solicit public involvement and deliver the same exceptional transparency exemplified by all other Kankakee County Administration processes.
- **Where applicable, grantees must demonstrate access to operational funding post-ARPA (no county funding).**
- Grantees with programs that overlap in terms of geography and/or scope-service area will be encouraged to partner and coordinate.
- Priority will be given to locally-owned business and employees/students.
- The Kankakee County Board adopts a policy that supports initiatives, infrastructure improvements, and grant opportunities that address the effects of the pandemic on the Kankakee County Government. This policy is designed to reduce the future burden upon taxpayers and addresses County infrastructure needs.

American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funding and Lost Revenue Funding

Kankakee County was allocated \$21.3 million in recovery funding, and received half in 2021. The second half will be received in 2022. Kankakee County separated American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) dollars into two funds, the ARPA fund and Lost Revenue fund. While ARPA funds specifically address negative economic impacts due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Lost Revenue funds help replace lost County revenues due to the pandemic.

ARPA FUND

\$2,225,879



LOST REVENUE FUND

\$2,164,512



**This chart represents allocations as of January 1, 2022. Fund allocations may change based on local revenue and federal regulations. Allocations are calculated on a yearly basis.*

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To quickly get funds into the hands of local entities, two capped funds were established by the Kankakee County Board in August of 2021. \$250,000 was allocated for local businesses and nonprofits in Kankakee County. A quarter of a million dollars was also allocated for Non-covered Governmental Units (NCGU) that did not receive ARPA funding such as park districts and fire protection districts.

- **Small businesses and nonprofits: \$250,000**
- **Non-covered governmental units: \$250,000**
 - Fire protection districts
 - Park districts

Kankakee County encourages a 50% match of ARPA funds with the municipality where the business or organization is solely located. For example, if a Kankakee business or organization operating solely within the City of Kankakee requested ARPA funds from the County, the County Board would encourage the applicant to also apply for City of Kankakee ARPA funds. An amount of up to \$10,000 in ARPA funding could be approved by the Kankakee County Board.

For NCGU's, the max available is \$20,000. The County suggests a 50% match from the corresponding municipality if the NCGU operates in a municipality that received ARPA funds directly.

For a full list of ARPA allocations in Illinois to view municipality amounts, visit the [master list](#).

Use of Funds

The U.S. Department of Treasury continues to release information on the eligible and ineligible uses of ARPA funding. In the Spring of 2021, Kankakee County administration began to review uses of funds. An outline was determined how decisions will be made over the next three years to have a lasting impact on the community.

According to the U.S. Treasury's guidelines, eligible uses of funds include:



SUPPORT PUBLIC HEALTH RESPONSE AND COVID-19 MITIGATION EFFORTS



ADDRESS NEGATIVE ECONOMIC IMPACT DUE TO THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC



REPLACE LOST PUBLIC SECTOR REVENUE IN GOVERNMENT SERVICES



STABILIZE THE WORKFORCE, HOUSEHOLDS, AND SMALL BUSINESSES



INVEST IN CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE

For more information on uses for ARPA funds, visit the [Interim Final Rule](#). According to the U.S. Treasury's guidelines, ineligible uses of funds include:

- Putting funds toward pensions
- Changes that reduce net tax revenue
- Other restrictions may apply to eligible uses

Role of Kankakee County Administration

Kankakee County residents rely upon County services such as county records, elections, the courts (States Attorney, Public Defender, Probation, Circuit Clerk, bailiffs, security, jury assembly), corrections, roads, assessments, rural transportation, Planning and Zoning, County Treasurer, Administration, Recorder, Veterans Affairs, and Coroner, as well as the infrastructure that supports all of these activities. The County Board manages the taxpayer's money to ensure the sufficient delivery of County services.

Countywide Inclusion

Kankakee County Board continues to seek partnerships and resources to improve services being provided throughout the county. Kankakee County puts an emphasis on community outreach and communication to under-represented areas.

Transparency

Kankakee County continues to be transparent through the website at www.k3county.net. Updates are also shared on the County's social media platforms. Visit <https://www.k3county.net/kcr3.html> for ARPA applications, updates, and additional resources. Future applicants may also pick up a copy of the ARPA application on the 5th floor of the County Administration Building located at 189 East Court Street in Kankakee, Illinois.

Kankakee County's Respond, Revitalize, and Reinvest video series highlight ARPA and Lost Revenue allocations as another way to demonstrate transparency and help applicants tell their story. Videos can be viewed on Kankakee County's YouTube channel, website, and other social media platforms.

All ARPA requests are discussed and debated in the monthly Finance Committee meeting and approved in full board meetings. The meetings are also broadcasted live on the county's YouTube channel [here](#). Committee meeting schedules can be found on Kankakee County's website by viewing the calendar.

Approved Applicants

Kankakee County Board approved and allocated \$4,390,392 as of January 1, 2022. Approved applicants completed the application, submitted supporting documentation and demonstrated a negative financial impact due to the COVID-19 pandemic under U.S. Treasury's ARPA requirements.

*The numbers are a general overview of allocations for approved applicants in Kankakee County including local businesses, nonprofit organizations, non-covered governmental units, and internal departments to better serve the public. The following information will be updated in future reporting.

Approved Applicants *Non-covered Governmental Units*

Applicant	Approved Amount
Bourbonnais Township Park District	\$9,853
Bourbonnais Fire Protection District	\$8,253
Manteno Fire Protection District	\$20,000
Limestone Fire Protection District	\$10,000
Momence Park District	\$10,000
Pembroke Township critical infrastructure	\$156,855

Approved Applicants

Local Businesses

Applicant	Approved Amount
Tracy's Pet Styling	\$7,052
Lax Mortuary	\$7,350
City News Taylor Publications	\$10,000
Chatterbox Café	\$5,000
A Better Cut Lawn Care	\$5,000
D & D Distributors (Off the Wall)	\$5,000

Approved Applicants

Local Businesses

Applicant	Approved Amount
Chiropractic Associates of Kankakee	\$5,000
McElroy Communications	\$5,000
Dunlap Vision	\$5,000

Approved Applicants

Nonprofits

Applicant	Approved Amount
Pledge for Life Partnership	\$10,000
Kankakee County Humane Foundation	\$10,000
Garden of Prayer Youth Center	\$10,000
Harbor House	\$10,000
Options Center for Independent Living	\$10,000
Good Shepherd Manor	\$10,000

Approved Applicants

Nonprofits

Applicant	Approved Amount
Child Network	\$9,229
Merchant Street Art Gallery	\$10,000
Camp Shaw-Waw-Nas-See	\$10,000
3D Wildlife Rescue and Rehab	\$1,401
Sunrise Center	\$2,624
Kankakee Valley Theatre Association	\$10,000

Allocation Highlights: Approved ARPA Funding

ARPA funds

The KCR3 program launched with a focus on getting resources to businesses in need, not-for-profit organizations, and non-covered governmental units as quickly as possible. If a documented financial impact exists (via audit or tax returns for 2019 and 2020), applicants are eligible for funding. The County Board will continue to approve future requests in 2022 and the following years until funds are expanded.

The following approved ARPA requests are just a few examples in the year of 2021 in response to:

- Low COVID-19 vaccination rates
- Increased domestic violence cases
- Increased substance abuse during the pandemic
- Increased need for childcare centers and youth shelters
- Enhancing accessibility for residents in their homes
- Support for local businesses following shutdown



COVID-19 Vaccine Advertisement Series

Beginning in October of 2021, Kankakee County invested in a vaccination campaign with City News (Taylor Publications) to effectively target communities of color in Kankakee County. The desired outcome of this campaign was to increase vaccination awareness in Kankakee County. Community leaders and young people from target communities volunteered to connect the message to the public.

FUNDING AMOUNT: \$10,000

ARPA CLASSIFICATION: 1.1 (COVID-19 vaccination) and 1.8 (Other COVID-19 public health expenses including communications)

SETTING AN EXAMPLE.

HOME FOR THE HOLIDAYS.



“ I chose to become vaccinated because I am a college student. I am living in a high populated area where COVID-19 is rolling in at very high rates. I want to make sure when I come home, I am safe and my family is safe.

If I was not vaccinated, I could risk the potential of not coming home to my family and not seeing them for the holidays. I would never want to risk their lives due to me being irresponsible.

As a college student and young leader, I want to set a standard for the youth who look up to me. I want them to make the right decision when it comes to their healthcare and to truly understand the extremities of this virus. ”

- Micah Thomas
Kankakee High School Graduate
Class of 2021

Freshman at Spelman College in Atlanta, GA



The Kankakee County Health Department is encouraging vaccinations ahead of the holidays.

Walk-ins are welcome every Thursday at the Kankakee County Health Department for first time COVID-19 vaccinations and boosters for ages 5 and up from 9:00 AM -3:30 PM.

Tuesdays are by appointment only.

Call (815) 802-9449 to make an appointment.

For the most up-to-date information, or to locate mobile vaccination events, visit www.kankakeehealth.org, and click on "View All Upcoming Events."



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Kankakee County Health Department
2390 West Station Street
Kankakee, IL 60901



WHY I CHOSE TO PROTECT MYSELF AND MY LOVED ONES



“ I know how difficult it is to make the decision to get vaccinated in light of the history of harm imposed on African-Americans and other minority communities in the past. My family and friends debated for a while around whether or not to get vaccinated. After my sister, Dr. Rosiland Harrington, was vaccinated and explained the benefits, we took the risk. Many of us (families and friends) slowly began to decide to get vaccinated. I can't completely control COVID-19 and its impact on my health, but I can control what I do to lessen the possible harm from the virus by getting vaccinated. I later took my son, nephew and sister who is disabled. It has given me a little more confidence in a world of uncertainty. ”

- Dr. Genevra Walters
Kankakee School District #111
Superintendent

First time vaccinations and boosters are available at the Kankakee County Health Department.

Pfizer and Moderna booster shots must follow at least six months after the first dose. The Johnson and Johnson booster is approved to be received two months after the dose.

Call (815) 802-9449 to make an appointment.

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RESULTS: As of October 2021 when the vaccine ad series kicked off, the Kankakee County Health Department reported 18,200 COVID-19 cases in Kankakee County. Nearly 44% of the county was reported to be vaccinated. 32% of the African American population and 38% of the Hispanic population were reported to be vaccinated.

As of December of 2021, 46.4% of Kankakee County was reported to be vaccinated. 36% of the African American population and 42% of the Hispanic population were reported to be vaccinated.

***Source:** *Kankakee County Health Department*

12.5%

Increase of vaccinations among African American population following vaccine series.

10.5%

Increase of vaccinations among Hispanic population following vaccine series.

Recipient Project: Increased Domestic Violence Response

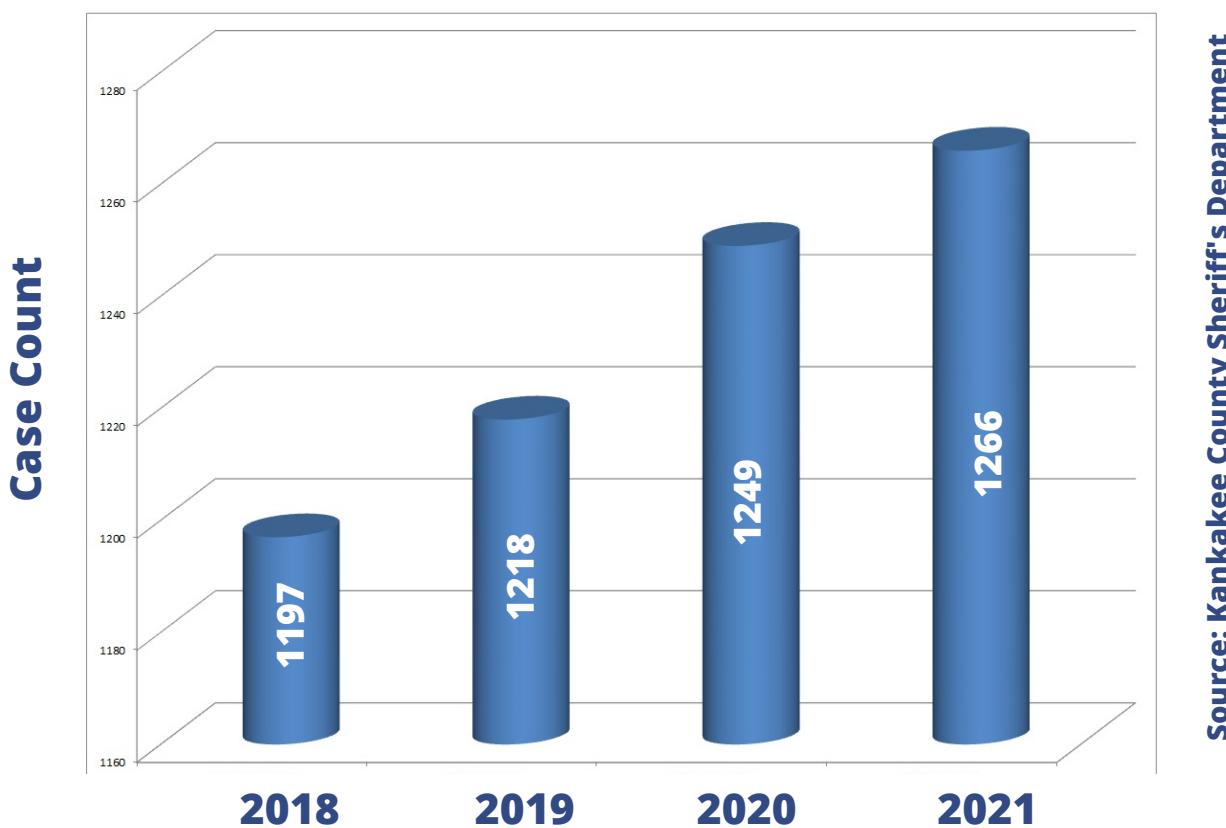
Partner with Harbor House to address increased domestic violence cases following the COVID-19 pandemic. Financial stress and increased isolation during the COVID-19 pandemic have been cited as leading factors which created an environment where victims and aggressors cannot easily separate themselves. The result is increased domestic violence. In Kankakee County, domestic violence cases have doubled according to latest reports.

Harbor House, who provides critical services to domestic violence survivors, will utilize ARPA funding to train members of the Domestic Violence Task Force to better address the increased cases. The task force will be comprised of law enforcement throughout the county, a Harbor House advocate, State's Attorney, and an assistant State's Attorney.

FUNDING AMOUNT: \$10,000

ARPA CLASSIFICATION: 1.12 (Other public health services)

Increased Domestic Violence Cases



Source: Kankakee County Sheriff's Department

Recipient Project: Prescription Drugs Lock Box Initiative

Assist Pledge for Life Partnership in addressing increased substance abuse during the COVID-19 pandemic by providing funding to the Lock Box Initiative.

Securing prescription drugs could be the single most effective way to prevent poisonings resulting in overdose, medicine theft, and misuse that could lead to prescription drug addiction or suicide. To learn more about these efforts, watch the video update [here](#).

FUNDING AMOUNT: \$10,000

Applicant demonstrated financial impact from 2019-2020

ARPA CLASSIFICATION: 1.11 (Substance abuse services)



Recipient Project: Kankakee County youth shelter & childcare center(s)

Grant Garden of Prayer funding for a new youth shelter to serve in Kankakee County. During the COVID-19 pandemic, youth were misplaced, and lacked the proper resources or support. Other services provided include childcare, foster care, group home placement, education services, and mentorship.

FUNDING AMOUNT: \$10,000

Applicant demonstrated financial impact from 2019-2020

ARPA CLASSIFICATION: 2.10 (Aid to nonprofit organizations)



Recipient Project: Kankakee County Ramp Assistance Program

Options Center for Independent Living helps those in the community with disabilities who choose to live independently. Options currently helps residents receive mobile ramps among other critical services. They identified there is an unmet need for residents outside of City of Kankakee limits and in rural parts of Kankakee County. Lack of safe home accessibility may force a resident to move into a long-term care facility prematurely, further exposing them to COVID-19 risks. By partially funding the Ramp Assistance Program, a person with a mobility impairment can continue to live in their own home independently and safely.

FUNDING AMOUNT: \$10,000

Applicant demonstrated financial impact from 2019-2020

ARPA CLASSIFICATION: 2.10 (Aid to nonprofit organizations)



Financial assistance for qualifying small businesses in Kankakee County

During the COVID-19 pandemic, many small businesses were forced to cut back or shut down making it difficult to stay in business or provide a service. Kankakee County administration discussed immediate solutions for financial assistance by creating a grant program. Small businesses were eligible to receive a need-based grant of up to \$10,000.

Many local business owners credited the ARPA funding as a critical resource to get back on track with expenses, getting staff back to work, and to recover from overall lost revenue.

Approved applicants demonstrated a negative economic impact as a result of the pandemic. Refer to the table of applicants previously in this report to see local allocations. Hear from one [local business owner](#) who shared their story following the pandemic.

FUNDING AMOUNT: Approved applicants can receive up to \$10,000 grant

*50% match will be encouraged if local business resides in a municipality who also received ARPA funding. Refer to page 5 of this report. A total of \$54,402 was awarded as of January 1, 2022.

ARPA CLASSIFICATION: 2.9 (Economic Assistance)

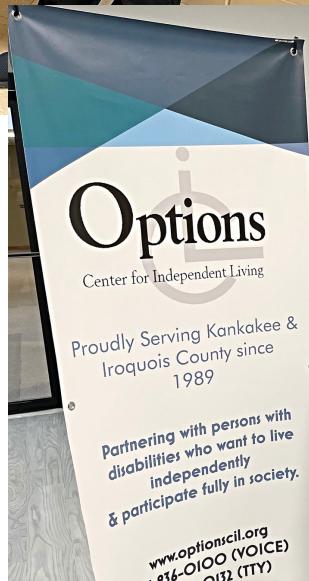


Pictured left to right: Bather Avery York, Kankakee County Board Member Roger Hess, Assistant Groomer Kelly Dumontelle, Owner of Tracy's Pet Styling Tracy Albers, and Kankakee County Board Member Colton Ekhoff.

KCR3 PHOTOS



Pictured left to right: Kankakee County Board Member Sam Payton, Garden of Prayer Youth Center Executive Director Michael Maloney, and Kankakee County Board Member Stevie Hunter.



Pictured left to right: Christy Slaby, Dr. Ande Wegner, Kankakee County Board Member Tinker Parker, Director of the Kankakee County Humane Foundation Jordan Chapman, and Kankakee County Board Member Carol Webber.

KCR3 PHOTOS



Pictured left to right: Fire Chief Scott O'Brien, Firefighter Joe Gordon, Lt. Adam McCurdy, Firefighter Josh Swartzentruber, and Battalion Chief Bill Perkins

Pictured left to right: Forensic Interviewer Samantha Woodmaster, Executive Director of Child Network Kristin Jackson, Volunteer Coordinator Erica Erickson, Kankakee County Board Member Tinker Parker, and Kankakee County Board Member Raymond Fairfield.



Pictured left to right: Pledge for Life Director of Life Education Center Programs Brenda Wetzel, Drug-free Communities Grant Project Coordinator Jim Schreiner, Kankakee County Board Member Carol Webber, Pledge for Life Board President Sarah Winkel, Kankakee County Board Member Craig Long, and Administrative Assistant Megan Froehner.



Pictured left to right: Kankakee County Board Member Steve Liehr, and Executive Director of the Bourbonnais Township Park District Hollice Clark.



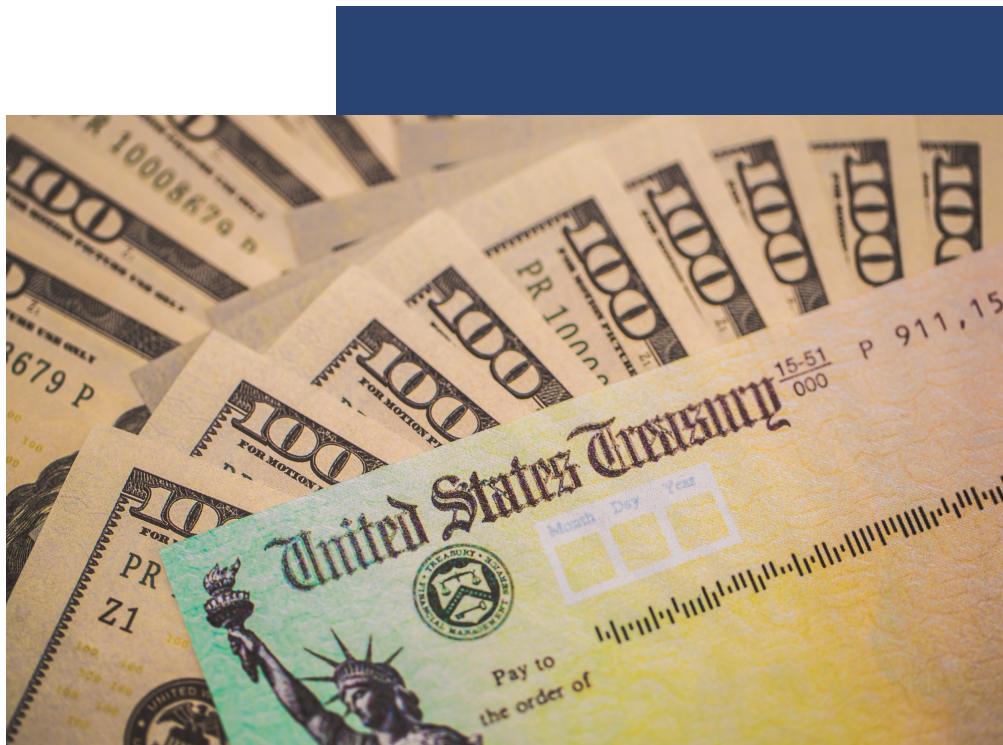
Pictured left to right: Kankakee County Board Member Roger Hess, Momence Park District Manager Ann Cobb, and Kankakee County Board Member Colton Ekhoff.

Allocation Highlights Approved for Public Safety, Wastewater, and Providing Government Services

Lost Revenue funds

The following allocations were approved using Lost Revenue funds:

- Enhanced accessibility for local government and services
- Continuing need to address public safety
- COVID-19 readiness and future response
- Water and sewer infrastructure
- Increasing communication tools and community outreach
- Voting solutions



Kankakee County Courthouse Renovations

Kankakee County serves more than 100,000 residents, the majority of which are within the Kankakee County Courthouse. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, offices and courtrooms were closed, resulting in months of backlog. More cases are being brought to trial, and staff and the public were also unable to properly socially distance due to limited space. Courthouse renovations are underway to address the needs and better serve the public resulting in a long-term impact. Mobility and ADA accessibility also remains a priority. To learn more about the Kankakee County Courthouse renovation project, watch the video update [here](#).

FUNDING AMOUNT: Estimated \$350,000

ARPA CLASSIFICATION: 1.7 (Capital investments to public facilities that respond to the COVID-19 public health emergency)



Public Safety

The ongoing need to address public safety in Kankakee County remains a priority. Lost revenue purchases such as drones and license plate readers in the Kankakee County Sheriff's Department are additional enhanced technology tools aimed to help curb and solve crime. To learn more about public safety efforts, watch the video update from the Kankakee County Sheriff's Department [here](#).

FUNDING AMOUNT: Estimated \$1,957,913

ARPA CLASSIFICATION: Various (See list below)

- Monitors, webcams, and computers (1.8)
- Evidence management system (1.7)
- Dedicated ARPA legal counsel (7.1)
- Drug and alcohol programs (1.8)
- License plate readers (1.8)
- Software upgrades (1.8)
- Sheriff vehicles (6.1)
- Scanners (1.8)
- Drones (1.8)

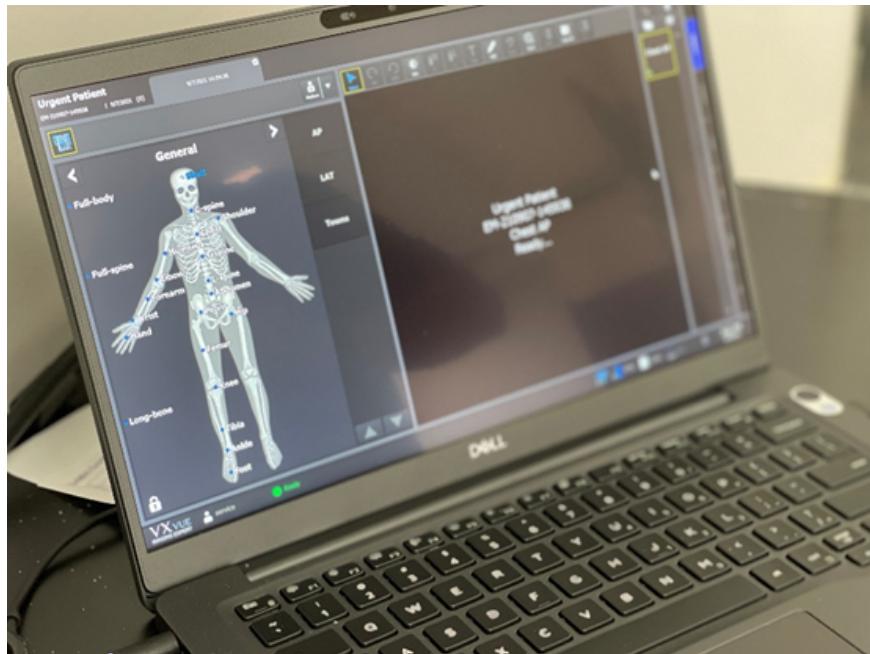


Kankakee County Coroner

Enhanced technology and supplies were approved for the Kankakee County Coroner's Office. Lost revenue purchases such as a new x-ray machine and other associated equipment are critical in daily work conditions. Staff experienced an increased census during the pandemic and needed additional freezer space. Learn more about these technology upgrades in the Coroner's Office [here](#).

FUNDING AMOUNT: Estimated \$140,000

ARPA CLASSIFICATION: 1.7 (Capital investments to public facilities that respond to the COVID-19 public health emergency)

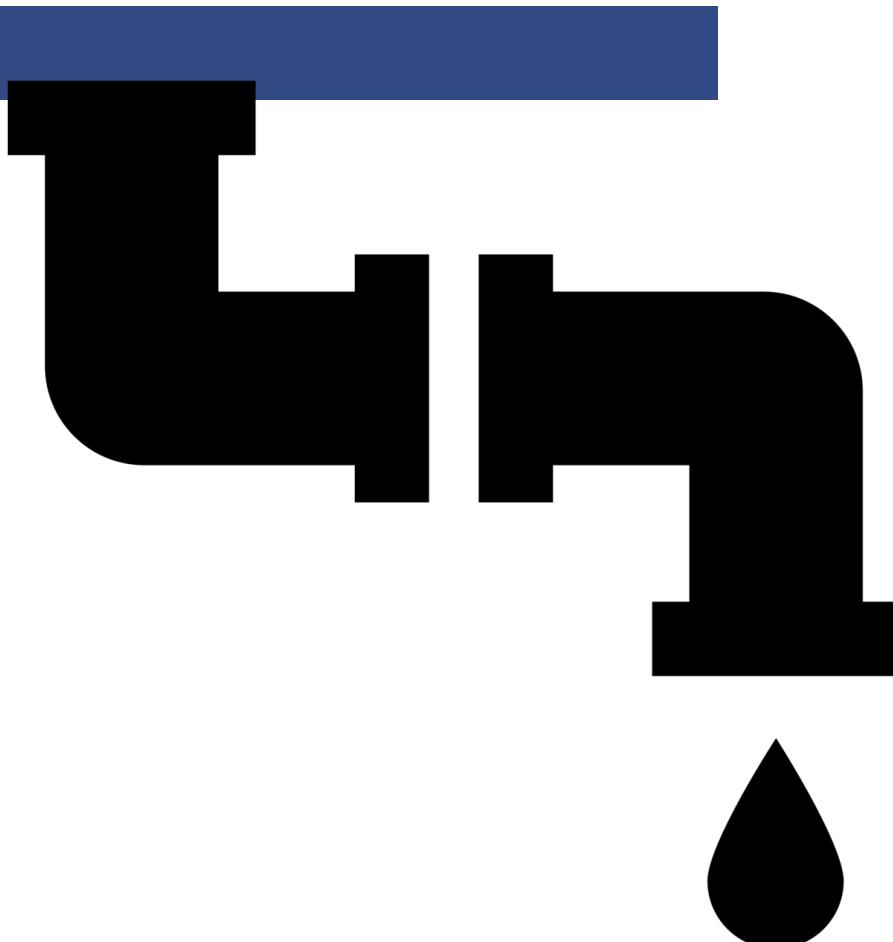


Repair Pumping Station in Pembroke Township

Pembroke Township, a rural community in Kankakee County, will be upgrading their sewer and pump station following a system failure and backup into homes.

FUNDING AMOUNT: Not to exceed \$156,855

ARPA CLASSIFICATION: 5.4 (Clean Water: Combined sewer overflows)



Enhanced Communication Tools through New Kankakee County Website

The COVID-19 pandemic revealed a need to adapt to new ways the people search for and engage content. In an evolving world of technology, data shows more people access information on the go and access County services remotely. According to analytics.usa.gov, 55% of the public interact with government websites by cellphones, 43% on their desktop and 2% on their tablet. While the world shut down, governments did not. Access to important information quickly adapted through various forms of communication tools such as an increase in social media use, virtual livestreams, Zoom meetings, and more.

The Kankakee County Board also understood the need for local government to be more accessible after business hours. The goal is to enhance the ability for more online services and increase communication efforts. A new Kankakee County website was approved in September of 2021, and Kankakee County administration is actively working to develop the new site. Residents will be able to choose how they receive their communication updates, alerts, and can customize their user experience. Anticipated launch is set for mid-2022. Learn more about this project [here](#).

FUNDING AMOUNT: \$49,950

ARPA CLASSIFICATION: 5.17 (Broadband: Other projects)

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Voting Solutions

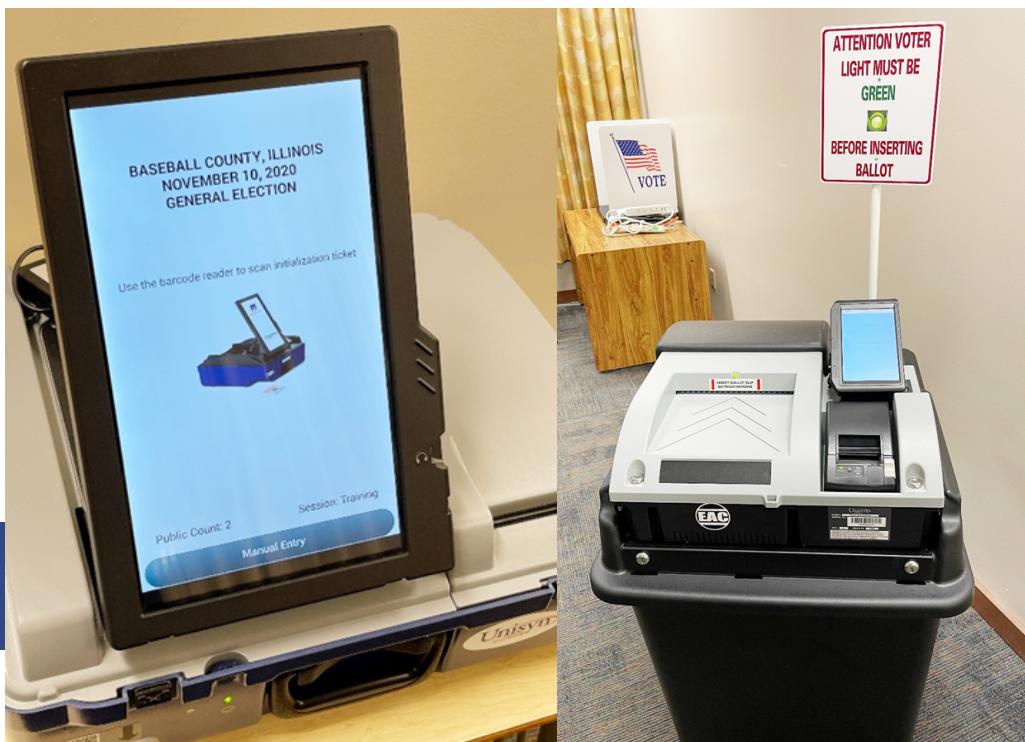
In Kankakee County, there are approximately 40,000 ballots casted per year on average. In 2021, the software Kankakee County utilized was no longer supported, requiring the County to purchase new voting equipment. This expense was paid for with federal funds, thus saving local taxpayers over a million dollars.

Comprehensive election solutions include:

- Ballots
- Test Ballots
- Precinct Kits – 66 per election
- Election Coding
- Lock & Load
- Early Voting Setup
- Public Test Support
- Election Day Support
- Equipment Maintenance

FUNDING AMOUNT: \$1,280,000

ARPA CLASSIFICATION: 6.1 (Provision of government services)



American Rescue Plan Act Allocations by Category in 2021

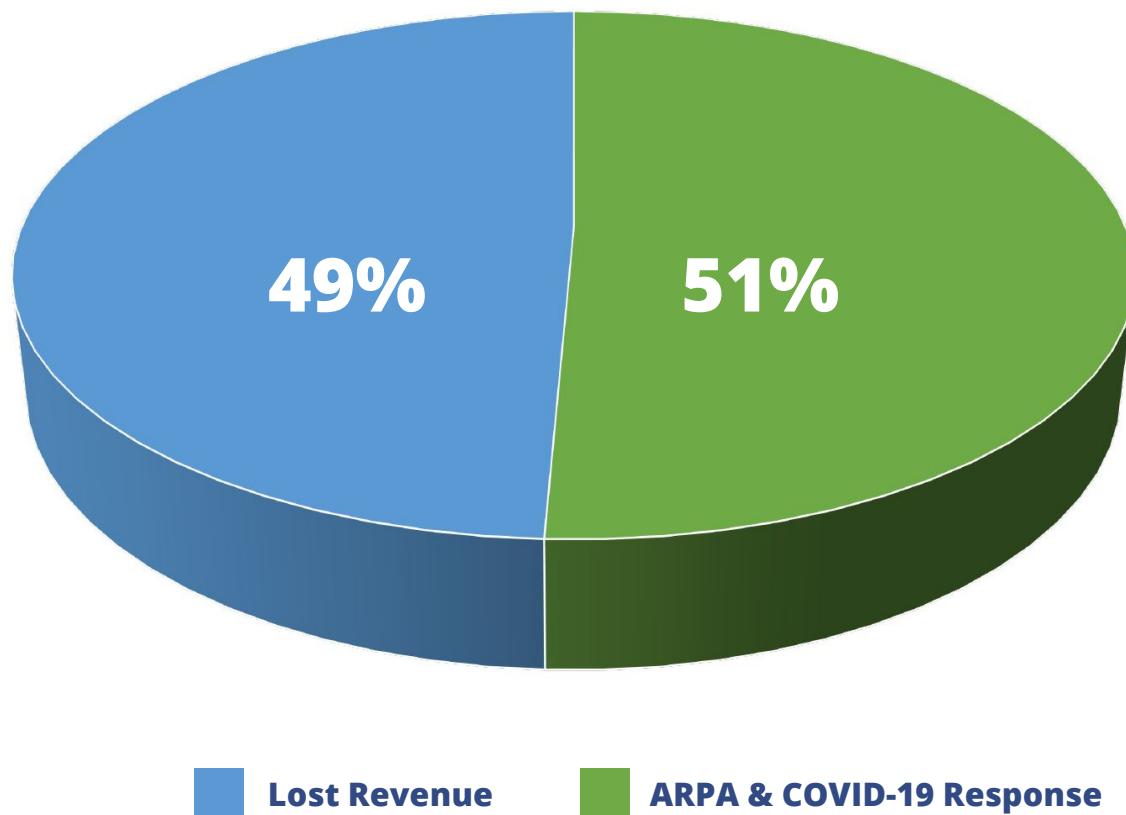
As of January 1, 2022, approximately \$4,390,392 has been allocated to date. The following charts reflect various categories to better communicate allocations.

The categories listed below are:

- American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) and COVID-19 response
- Lost revenue

The following chart does not represent future allocations.

2021 Approved Allocations



Additional projects will continue to be underway to better serve the public and to be further prepared for any future crisis. Lost revenue funds will continue to drive impactful outcomes at no cost to taxpayers.

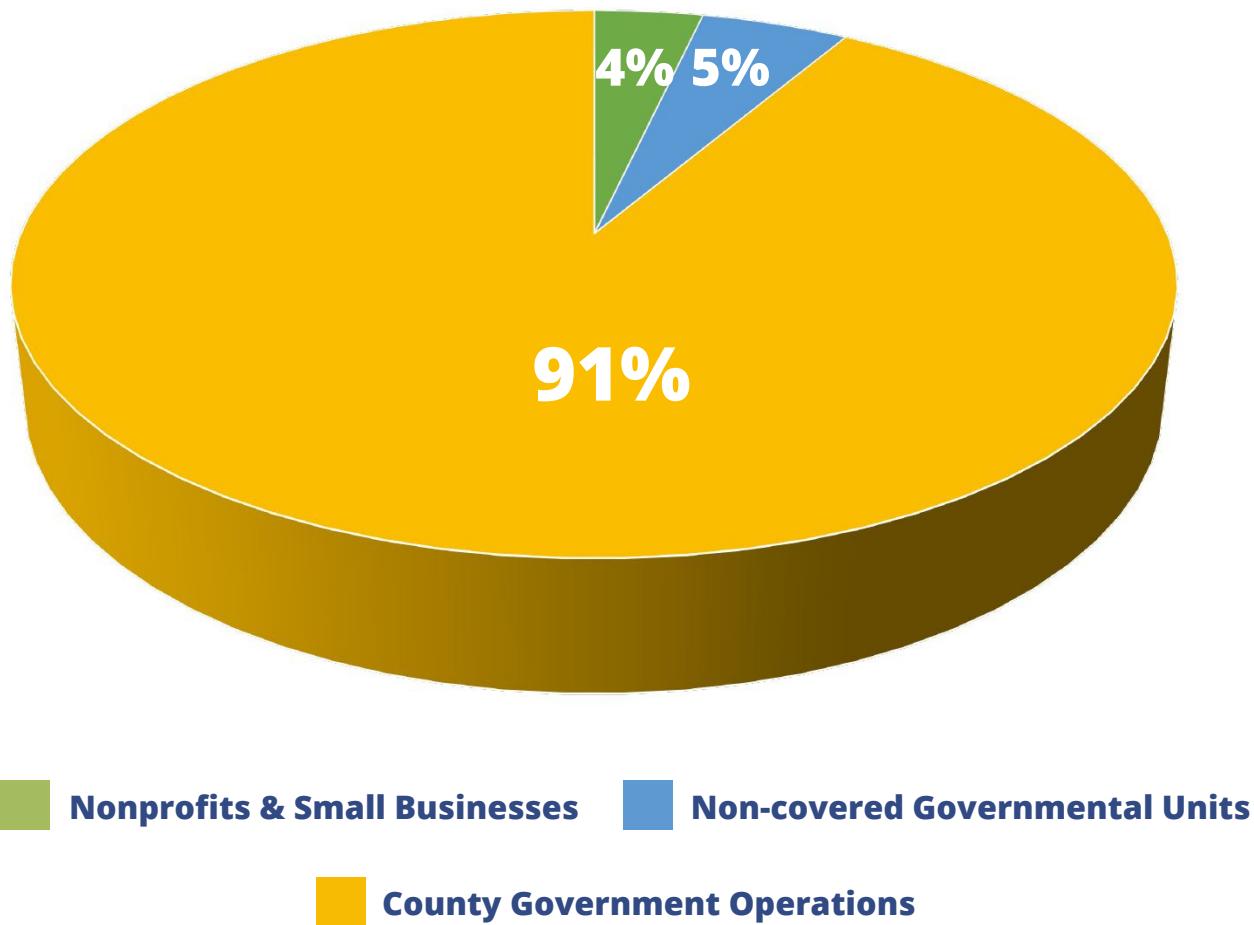
American Rescue Plan Act Allocations by Category in 2021

The categories listed below are:

- County government operations
- Non-covered governmental units
- Nonprofits and small businesses

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2021 Approved Allocations



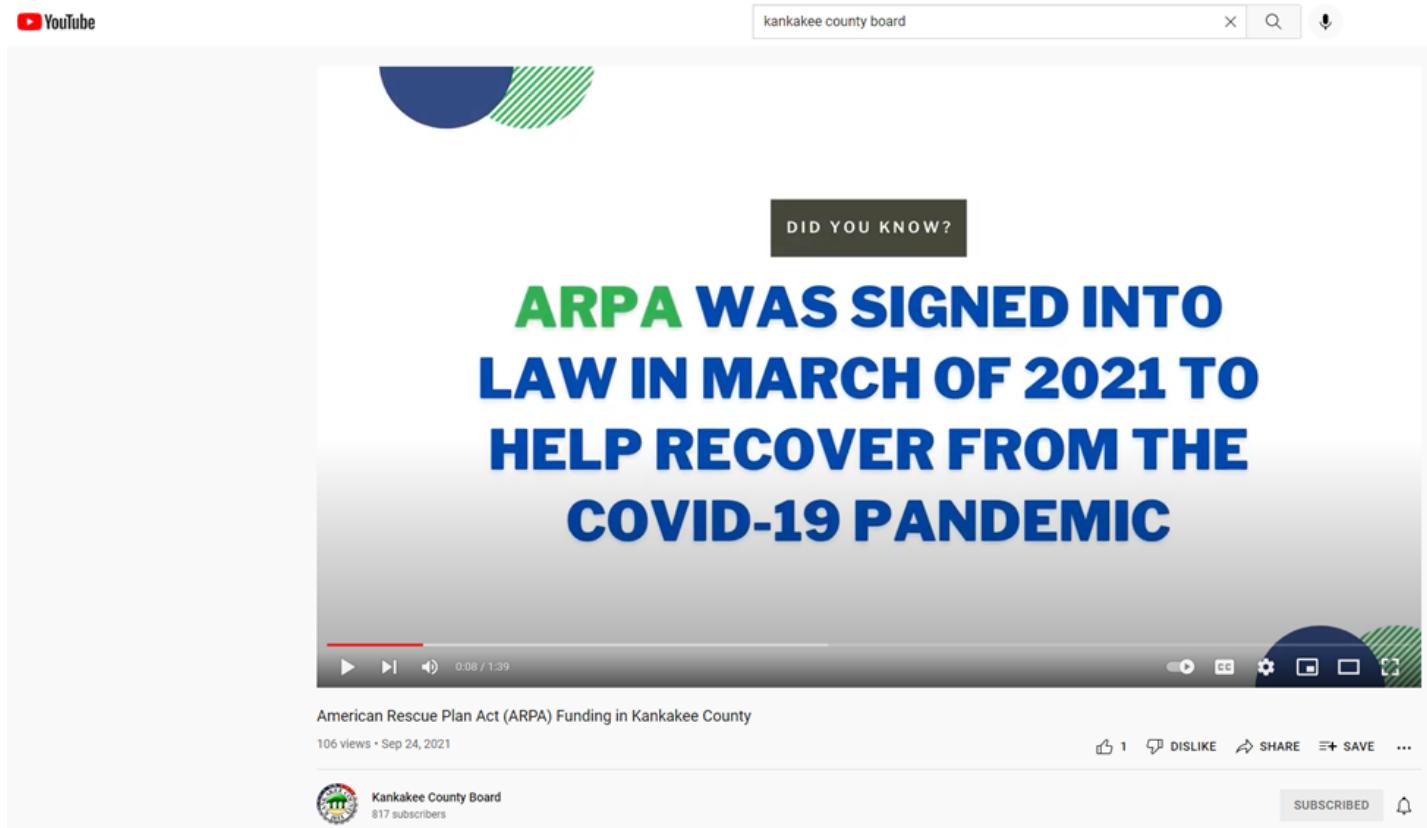
Additional ARPA funds will be allocated until funds are expanded.

Community Engagement Plan

In March of 2021, the Kankakee County Board Chairman began to meet with communities of color and other stakeholders, businesses, nonprofits, and residents to discuss the implementation of ARPA funds throughout Kankakee County. The public is still highly encouraged to provide feedback or public comment during the ongoing process.

The County engages the public via:

- Public comment at board meetings
- County committee meetings
- Share updates and resources on the website and social media platforms
- Gather feedback from applicants and future applicants
- Distribute materials throughout Kankakee County
- Attend community outreach meetings
- Produce informational videos
- Produce videos sharing approved applicants' stories
- FAQ's for Kankakee County ARPA funds



Future community engagement includes but is not limited to:

- Additional materials and handouts
- Informational handouts broken into categorized groups
- Presenting during community outreach meetings
- Conducting public surveys



The image features the KCR3 logo at the top, which includes the Kankakee County seal with the year 1853, the text "KCR3", and the words "RESPOND ■ REVITALIZE ■ REINVEST". Below the logo is a photograph of six diverse individuals (three men and three women) sitting on the floor against a teal wall, looking at laptops and tablets, suggesting a collaborative or community engagement setting. At the bottom, a grey box contains the text: "TARGETED DEPLOYMENT OF AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA) FUNDING IN KANKAKEE COUNTY".

**This report is to reflect the year of 2021 for Kankakee County American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding and Lost Revenue funding. Future reports will be provided as more allocations continue until funds are appropriated. Funds must be allocated by 2024 and spent by 2026.*

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