

TOWN OF BURLINGTON
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT

The Burlington Board of Selectmen will hold a Public Hearing on the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) for approval and distribution of funds on Monday, September 19, 2022 at 7:00 PM in the Town Hall Auditorium.

Doug Thompson

First Selectman

Burlington's American Rescue Plan Act "ARPA" procedure

- Senior accountant is designated as Burlington's ARPA coordinator.
- Burlington Town Departments, Burlington community organizations, Burlington businesses and Burlington residents may request ARPA funds. ARPA Purchase Request Forms will need to be filled out for any requests.
- The ARPA coordinator will keep a log of all requests.
- The ARPA coordinator will review and investigate all claims and make recommendations with the input of the First Selectman and anyone else deemed necessary.
- Applicants are expected to cooperate fully with the ARPA coordinator.
- The Board of Selectman will review the log of requests and the recommendations of the ARPA coordinator. The Board of Selectmen will be responsible for approving requests for ARPA funds.
- The Board of Selectmen may request additional information from the ARPA coordinator before making a decision regarding any requests.
- The Board of Finance will approve the transfer of funds from the ARPA account.
- The First Selectman will approve requests that are deemed critical and time sensitive. Examples include costs associated with emergency management activities, State or Health district mandates or recommendations and other items deemed necessary by the First Selectman and Emergency Management coordinator. The First Selectman will report any expenditures approved in this manner to the Board of Selectmen at their next regular meeting.
- All ARPA funds need to be appropriated by December 2024 and expended by December 2026

Suggested Distribution of Funds. Subject to actual need and participation.

- Emergency Management (Fire & Safety Apparatus, Staffing levels) 55%
- Public / Business / Community 5%
- Health & Infrastructure (Building improvements air quality) 20%
- Recreational Activities (Parks and Recreation, Library, Patrols) 5%
- Emergency Response (Immediate needs and response) 5%
- Lost Revenue / Discretionary (Any governmental purpose not excluded by ARPA rules) 10%