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# TO: HONORABLE MAYOR & CITY COUNCIL

- SUBJECT: American Rescue Plan Act: Submission of State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds 2023 Recovery Plan
- FROM: Erin Roseman, Director of Finance

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### **INFORMATION**

The attached report has been prepared in response to reporting requirements established by the U.S. Department of the Treasury for recipients of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLFRF). It addresses the City's SLFRF expenditures between July 1, 2022 and June 30, 2023 and confirms the use of these funds to replace revenue losses experienced during the COVID19 global pandemic. As directed by the Council on June 24, 2021, \$68,002,540 in SLFRF funds were used to support general governmental services during this period.

The attached plan documents the City's use of SLFRF funds and is required to be disclosed on the public website of organizations receiving these allocations. It will be updated periodically as required by the U.S. Treasury.

Respectfully submitted,

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Attachments (1)

• State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds 2023 Recovery Plan

# City of Oakland Recovery Plan

# State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds 2023 Report

### City of Oakland

### 2023 Recovery Plan

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#### **GENERAL OVERVIEW**

#### **Executive Summary**

The City of Oakland has committed its allocation from the State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund to revenue replacement. The City's finances are supported by many economically sensitive revenues which experienced severe declines during the pandemic. In order to assure the City's continued ability to meet the needs of its residents, State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund revenues will be used to address pandemic revenue losses and support general governmental services.

#### **Uses of Funds**

The City of Oakland's adopted budget prioritizes many of the same values cited by the US Treasury in its guidance on State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds. Guiding principles for the City of Oakland's budget include

- Advancing racial equity by ensuring service impacts create a net benefit for historically under-invested, low-income communities of color;
- Preserving services and staffing by minimizing service reductions, restoring vacancies, and preventing layoffs; and
- Protecting the City's long-term financial health by addressing unfunded retirement liabilities and deferred maintenance, maintaining positive credit ratings, and not adding new ongoing liabilities without new ongoing revenues.

Oakland's City Council has also approved four policy and budget priorities based on the values of equity, transparency, and effectiveness:

- Affordable housing and homelessness solutions;
- Public safety and violence prevention;
- Good jobs and vibrant economy; and
- Clean, healthy, sustainable neighborhoods.

The City of Oakland's commitment of State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds to replace revenue losses experienced during the pandemic extends these principles and priorities to its use of these critical federal funds.

In addition to State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds the City of Oakland has also received ARPA funding for Emergency Rental Assistance and, as a subrecipient to the State of California, from the Homekey Program. These funds have been targeted to homelessness prevention through rent relief programs and to the acquisition of affordable housing.

#### Promoting equitable outcomes

Equity is an explicit guiding principle for the City of Oakland's budget development process and all policy proposals are reviewed with an equity lens. Detailed descriptions of policy adjustments and related equity impacts in Oakland's FY 2021-23 Adopted Policy Budget can be found online at: <u>https://stories.opengov.com/oaklandca/published/2053-Vkqy</u>.

#### **Community Engagement**

Oakland's budget process prioritizes public input and community engagement. Details on this process can be found online at: <u>https://stories.opengov.com/oaklandca/published/HVhEzql7o</u>.

#### **Labor Practices**

The City of Oakland has a long track record of strong relations with its labor partners but is not proposing to use ARPA funds for infrastructure.

#### Use of Evidence

The City of Oakland is not proposing to use ARPA funds for evidence-based interventions and/or projects.

#### **Performance Report**

The Revenue Replacement project will be assessed on the basis of its support for general governmental services and impacts on the City's fiscal sustainability. No new activities or metrics are proposed as all funds will be used to replace revenue losses experienced during the pandemic.

#### PROJECT INVENTORY

#### **Revenue Replacement Project**

<u>Project 1</u>: Revenue Replacement, FYE 6/30/23 <u>FY23 funding amount</u>: \$68,002,540 <u>Cumulative funding through 6/30/23</u>: \$188,081,700 <u>Cumulative and anticipated funding through 6/30/24</u>: \$188,081,700 Project Expenditure Category: 6, Revenue replacement

#### Project overview

• Funds will be used to replace general governmental revenues

#### Use of Evidence

• Not applicable

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