# **Approved Projects**

Project #	<b>Project Description</b>	Approved amount	Spent to date	% completion
2022-001	<b>CARES Act Financial Management</b>	\$ 700,000.00	\$ -	0.00%
2022-002	Child Development Center Roof	360,000.00	5,750.00	1.60%
2022-003	Parks Fund	1,000,000.00	1,320.00	0.13%
2022-004	<u>Food Bank</u>	400,000.00	-	0.00%
2022-005	Johnson Senior Center	640,000.00	-	0.00%
2022-006	DPW Paving	2,000,000.00	2,000,000.00	100.00%
2022-007	Stormwater - Feasibility Study	113,000.00	-	0.00%
2022-008	Stormwater - Capital Fund	1,000,000.00	-	0.00%
2022-009	Stormwater - Vacuum Truck	487,000.00	-	0.00%
2022-010	Stormwater - Problem Areas	1,400,000.00	-	0.00%
2022-011	Recycling and Re-use Center	1,000,000.00	-	0.00%
2022-012	<u>Child Pedestrian Safety</u>	459,541.00	48,825.96	10.62%
2022-013	Broadband Access: Library	100,000.00	-	0.00%
2022-014	City Hall Windows	650,000.00	-	0.00%
2022-015	Fire Districts: Allingtown	1,025,000.00	-	0.00%
2022-016	Fire Districts: Center District	1,025,000.00	-	0.00%
2022-017	Fire Districts: West Shore District	1,025,000.00	-	0.00%
2022-018	Boardwalk Monitoring Cameras	1,000,000.00	-	0.00%
2022-019	Police Retention Fund	2,400,000.00	2,400,000.00	100.00%
2022-020	Youth Employment Fund	100,000.00	-	0.00%
2022-021	Painter Park Field House	1,000,000.00	-	0.00%
2023-001	EMS Premium Pay	1,030,000.00	-	0.00%
Total		\$ 18,914,541.00	\$ 4,455,895.96	23.56%

# **Reserved or Proposed Projects**

Status	Project Description	Proposed Amount		
Reserved	Housing Crisis Grant Fund	\$	1,000,000.00	
Reserved	<u>Library Site Development</u>		1,000,000.00	
Reserved	Public Health Outreach		680,000.00	
Reserved	Aid to Small Businesses		1,000,000.00	
Proposed	Arts Center Phase II Construction		3,500,000.00	
Proposed	Broadband Access: Other		485,000.00	
Total		\$	7,665,000.00	
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GRAND TOTALS	\$ 26,579,541.00	\$ 4,455,895.96	16.76%

## 2022-001 CARES Act Financial Management

This project designates funds for the monitoring and accounting oversight of ARPA and other COVID-19 related CARES Act grants and fiscal support. The funds enable the Mayor to create a three-year contract position for a Staff Accountant/Assistant Grand Coordinator, and funds third party legal and accounting oversight to audit and review purchasing processes, expenditures, and documentation. These positions will support the Director of Finance, Purchasing Agent, and Grants Coordinator with their City Charter mandated responsibilities to manage these funds, and will also provide capacity for project management of the fund expenditures. The Mayor has also established a volunteer citizen review panel, modeled on the School Building Committee, which is charged with review of financial activities associated with these funds and to publish the oversight activities.

The funds for this project are allowable under the Final Rule Expenditure Category 7.1 *Administrative Expenses*. On page 4450 of the final rule, under section 35.6 Allowable uses, the guidance states of allowable costs, "Costs associated with addressing administrative needs of recipient governments that were caused or exacerbated by the pandemic." ARPA funds and their additional administrative burden are a direct result of the pandemic, and as such, these costs fall within this category.

### 2022-002 Child Development Center Roof

This project designates funds for the renovation of the roof over the Child Development Center. The roof is nearly 40 years old and has begun to leak. This roof serves the wing of the building occupied by a not-for-profit day care center that serves lower income families. The new roof will add R30 insulation to drastically reduce heating and cooling expenses. This project also enables the installation of new energy efficient HVAC equipment scheduled for the ESCO project, and a solar electric system designed to reduce electrical expenses.

The funds for this project are allowable under the Final Rule Expenditure Category 3.4 *Public Sector Capacity: Effective Service Delivery*. On page 4450 of the final rule, the guidance states of allowable uses, "Expenses to support public sector capacity and workforce, including: ... Costs to improve the design and execution of programs responding to the COVID-19 pandemic and to administer or improve the efficacy of programs addressing the public health emergency or its negative economic impacts." This project meets this criterion by addressing administrative needs, specifically by addressing increased repair or maintenance, or capital expenditure needs, to adapt the operations of the Child Development Center to the negative economic impacts of the pandemic.

#### 2022-003 Parks Fund

This project designates funds for to provide grant matching funds and second capital improvement funds for landscaping and hardscaping improvements at the City's numerous open space parks and Neighborhood Pocket Parks. This will include open space trail properties such as 100 Plainfield community garden, Hubbard Park, Sandy Point, 1 Palace Street, Marginal Drive Bike Trail, and other nature sanctuaries. The project will also supplement grant funding for Urban Forest Renewal (tree planting) city wide. Infrastructure plans include renovation of the Coast Guard Building, 1 Kimberly Avenue (City/CT Tech High School cooperative project) for future tenant use, creation of the Kimberly Avenue fisherperson's park, and street scape improvements to solve blight in this gateway to West Haven.

The funds for this project are allowable under the Final Rule Expenditure Category 2.22 Strong Healthy Communities: Neighborhood Features that Promote Health and Safety. On page 4449 of the final rule, the guidance states of allowable uses, "A program, service, capital expenditure, or other assistance that is provided to a disproportionately impacted household, population, or community, including: ... Investments in communities to promote improved health outcomes and public safety such as parks, recreation facilities, and programs that increase access to healthy foods." This project meets this criterion by providing investment in community parks.

#### 2022-004 Food Bank Support Fund

This project designates funds to support community kitchens and food and clothing bank operations that serve the City of West Haven. Funds will be made available via sub-grants to charitable organizations to provide goods and services or invest in infrastructure improvements that address their mission. Community agencies will be invited to submit proposals for funding.

The funds for this project are allowable under the Final Rule Expenditure Category 2.1 *Household Assistance: Food Programs*. On page 4449 of the final rule, under section 35.6 *Allowable uses*, the guidance states, "Responding to the negative impacts of the public health emergency for purposes including: (A) Assistance to households and individuals, including: (1) Assistance for food; emergency housing needs..." This project meets the criteria by providing assistance for food to households and individuals.

#### 2022-005 Johnson Senior Center

This project designates funds to remodel the Johnson Senior Center and relocate it to the main floor. The project will include space programming, reconfiguration of space, refurbishment of the elevator, and other modernizations to update the facility in line with modern Senior Center activities and purposes.

The funds for this project are allowable under the Final Rule Expenditure Category 3.4 *Public Sector Capacity: Effective Service Delivery*. On page 4450 of the final rule, the guidance states of allowable uses, "Expenses to support public sector capacity and workforce, including: ... Costs to improve the design and execution of programs responding to the COVID-19 pandemic and to administer or improve the efficacy of programs addressing the public health emergency or its negative economic impacts." This project meets this criterion by addressing administrative needs, specifically by addressing increased repair or maintenance, or capital expenditure needs, to adapt the operations of the Johnson Senior Center to the negative economic impacts of the pandemic.

#### 2022-006 Department of Public Works Infrastructure Paving and Improvements

This project designates funds to cover funding for paving projects that were scheduled for 2022 but completed in 2021 at discounted pricing. The City was warned by its vendors to expect substantial price increases due to rising oil prices and reduced industry capacity to meet government infrastructure demand in 2022. Therefore, the City took advantage of that warning and accelerated paving plans at a considerable cost savings.

The funds for this project are allowable under the Final Rule Expenditure Category 6.1 *Provision of Government Services*. Under the Revenue Loss rules, any activity that can be defined as a government service can make use of ARPA funds up to the amount established as lost revenues due to COVID-19. The City has elected to use a portion of the standard allowance of \$10 Million of lost revenue to fund this project.

# 2022-007 Stormwater Management – Feasibility Study

This project designates funds to conduct a feasibility study, begin engineering planning, and establish a legal storm water utility district. The project, along with other stormwater manage ment projects, seeks to answer the very loud public call to address localized flooding issues that are not necessarily mapped in Special Flood Hazard Areas, such as the railroad underpasses where the City has experienced flooding fatalities and areas of town where older subdivision infrastructure was not designed for the rain events the City currently experiences.

The funds for this project are allowable under the Final Rule Expenditure Category 5.6 *Clean Water: Stormwater*. On page 4451 of the final rule, under section 35.6 *Allowable uses*, the guidance states, "A recipient may use funds to make the following investments in water, sewer, and broadband infrastructure...(ii) Additional stormwater projects. Projects to manage, reduce, treat, or recapture stormwater or subsurface drainage water regardless of whether such projects would improve water quality if such projects would otherwise meet the eligibility requirements of section 603(c)(5) of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1383 (c)(5))." This project meets the criteria by managing stormwater and subsurface drainage water.

### 2022-008 Stormwater Management - Capital Fund

This project designates funds to establish a capital fund to maintain stormwater infrastructure spending at consistent levels through lean budget years. The project's fund will provide for ongoing maintenance of the other projects under the Stormwater Management heading. The project, along with other stormwater management projects, seeks to answer the very loud public call to address localized flooding issues that are not necessarily mapped in Special Flood Hazard Areas, such as the railroad underpasses where the City has experienced flooding fatalities and areas of town where older subdivision infrastructure was not designed for the rain events the City currently experiences.

The funds for this project are allowable under the Final Rule Expenditure Category 5.6 *Clean Water: Stormwater*. On page 4451 of the final rule, under section 35.6 *Allowable uses*, the guidance states, "A recipient may use funds to make the following investments in water, sewer, and broadband infrastructure...(ii) Additional stormwater projects. Projects to manage, reduce, treat, or recapture stormwater or subsurface drainage water regardless of whether such projects would improve water quality if such projects would otherwise meet the eligibility requirements of section 603(c)(5) of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1383 (c)(5))." This project meets the criteria by providing funds to manage stormwater and subsurface drainage water. The funds in this project are subject to allowable use criteria that mandates that the funds be encumbered by December 31, 2024 and fully spent by December 31, 2026.

### 2022-009 Stormwater Management - Vacuum Truck

This project designates funds to purchase an advanced technology vacuum truck to replace services that are currently contracted out at great expense. The truck will be purchased and owned by the Department of Public Works and be operated under contract by the Sewer Commission. The expectation for the truck is that it will be utilized 50% of the time to maintain sanitary sewers and 50% of the time to maintain stormwater infrastructure. The project will also help the City comply with MS-4 Regulations where it is currently deficient, avoiding the associated compliance fines.

The funds for this project are allowable under the Final Rule Expenditure Category 5.6 *Clean Water: Stormwater*. On page 4451 of the final rule, under section 35.6 *Allowable uses*, the guidance states, "A recipient may use funds to make the following investments in water, sewer, and broadband infrastructure...(ii) Additional stormwater projects. Projects to manage, reduce, treat, or recapture stormwater or subsurface drainage water regardless of whether such projects would improve water quality if such projects would otherwise meet the eligibility requirements of section 603(c)(5) of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1383 (c)(5))." This project meets the criteria by providing funds to manage stormwater and subsurface drainage water.

# 2022-010 Stormwater Management – Problem Areas

This project designates funds to enable the City to pursue other infrastructure grants and funding sources to leverage outside funding, and also to immediately address problem areas affecting residents. The project, along with other stormwater management projects, seeks to answer the very loud public call to address localized flooding issues that are not necessarily mapped in Special Flood Hazard Areas, such as the railroad underpasses where the City has experienced

flooding fatalities and areas of town where older subdivision infrastructure was not designed for the rain events the City currently experiences.

The funds for this project are allowable under the Final Rule Expenditure Category 5.6 *Clean Water: Stormwater*. On page 4451 of the final rule, under section 35.6 *Allowable uses*, the guidance states, "A recipient may use funds to make the following investments in water, sewer, and broadband infrastructure...(ii) Additional stormwater projects. Projects to manage, reduce, treat, or recapture stormwater or subsurface drainage water regardless of whether such projects would improve water quality if such projects would otherwise meet the eligibility requirements of section 603(c)(5) of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1383 (c)(5))." This project meets the criteria by providing funds to manage stormwater and subsurface drainage water.

### 2022-011 Recycling and Re-use Center

This project designates funds to address long-term inequities that urban residents face in disposing of non-household waste and the issue of illegal dumping, blight, and the cost to cleanup illegal dumping sites. This project will provide the capital funding to adapt city owned land at Helm Street to create a recycling center to promote re-use of discarded items, enhance recycling, and enhance compost operations. This project will not be a dump site, but rather a professionally managed recycling transfer station where discarded items will be neatly separated into appropriate containers. This project would help eliminate the blight and expense of city-wide bulk trash pickup, and provide a permanent location for residents to recycle non-household waste. Additionally, the site would have room for a re-use collection similar to Goodwill or Habitat for Humanity re-use centers and a revenue producing bottle return center.

The funds for this project are allowable under the Final Rule Expenditure Category 6.1 *Provision of Government Services*. Under the Revenue Loss rules, any activity that can be defined as a government service can make use of ARPA funds up to the amount established as lost revenues due to COVID-19. The City has elected to use a portion of the standard allowance of \$10 Million of lost revenue to fund this project.

#### 2022-012 Child Pedestrian Safety

This project designates funds to install new sidewalks and crosswalks on City streets around school facilities, provides continuity for existing partial sidewalks at parks, playgrounds, pocket parks, and similar places to promote walking to school. The project has the added benefit of reducing the reliance on buses and cars.

The funds for this project are allowable under the Final Rule Expenditure Category 2.22 Strong Healthy Communities: Neighborhood Features that Promote Health and Safety. On page 4449 of the final rule, the guidance states of allowable uses, "A program, service, capital expenditure, or other assistance that is provided to a disproportionately impacted household, population, or community, including: ... Investments in communities to promote improved health outcomes and public safety such as parks, recreation facilities, and programs that increase access to healthy foods." This project meets this criterion by providing investment in sidewalks to enhance public safety.

#### 2022-013 Broadband Access Library Program

This project designates funds for micro-grants to provide assistance to households facing negative economic impacts due to COVID-19, including digital literacy training and other programs that promote access to the internet. This program will allow income qualified households to apply for and receive either a loaned wireless connection point or a wired broadband account subsidy.

The funds for this project are allowable under the Final Rule Expenditure Category 6.1 *Provision of Government Services*. Under the Revenue Loss rules, any activity that can be defined as a government service can make use of ARPA funds up to the amount established as lost revenues due to COVID-19. The City has elected to use a portion of the standard allowance of \$10 Million of lost revenue to fund this project.

#### 2022-014 City Hall Improvements – Windows

This project designates funds to replace the windows in City Hall. The City has long put off replacing the antiquated windows, which leak air badly, contributing to the extraordinary heating and cooling expenses. Further, the fixtures that secure the windows in place are deteriorating and they have become dangerous as these heavy windows can fall suddenly, endangering occupants and pedestrians below. Additionally, during wind driven rain events, the windows experience leaking water, which is compromising the structure and endangering wiring and other surfaces. The Administration f eels duty-bound to replicate the architectural detailing of the windows, and will engage an Architect to work with a contractor to replicate the trim. The modernized windows will employ the latest in energy efficiency technologies, working locks, and insect screens to promote natural ventilation.

The funds for this project are allowable under the Final Rule Expenditure Category 3.4 *Public Sector Capacity: Effective Service Delivery*. On page 4450 of the final rule, the guidance states of allowable uses, "Expenses to support public sector capacity and workforce, including: ... Costs to improve the design and execution of programs responding to the COVID-19 pandemic and to administer or improve the efficacy of programs addressing the public health emergency or its negative economic impacts." This project meets this criterion by addressing administrative needs, specifically by addressing increased repair or maintenance, or capital expenditure needs, to adapt the operations of city hall to the negative economic impacts of the pandemic.

#### 2022-015 Fire District Capital Projects: Allingtown

This project designates funds to advance the fire house design to shovel-ready status to leverage other grant funds. Designs will include sleeping quarters for men and women, and separate berths for airborne infection separation and improved air quality. An additional amount will be available immediately under this project to install UV air filtration units to improve air quality in the current dormitory and habitation spaces.

The funds for this project are allowable under the Final Rule Expenditure Category 3.4 *Public Sector Capacity: Effective Service Delivery*. On page 4450 of the final rule, the guidance states of allowable uses, "Expenses to support public sector capacity and workforce, including: ... Costs to improve the design and execution of programs responding to the COVID-19 pandemic and to administer or improve the efficacy of programs addressing the public health emergency or its negative economic impacts." This project meets this criterion by addressing administrative needs, specifically by addressing increased repair or maintenance, or capital expenditure needs, to adapt the operations of the fire department to the pandemic.

### 2022-016 Fire District Capital Projects: Center District

This project designates funds to advance the fire house design to shovel-ready status to leverage other grant funds. Designs will include sleeping quarters for men and women, and separate berths for airborne infection separation and improved air quality. An additional amount will be available immediately under this project to install UV air filtration units to improve air quality in the current dormitory and habitation spaces.

The funds for this project are allowable under the Final Rule Expenditure Category 7.2 *Transfers to Other Units of Government*. On page 43 of the *Coronavirus State & Local Fiscal Recovery Funds: Overview of the Final Rule*, the guidance states, "Recipients may undertake projects on their own or through subrecipients, which carry out eligible uses on behalf of a recipient, including pooling funds with other recipients or blending and braiding SLFRF funds with other sources of funds." This project meets this criterion by transferring funds to another unit of government (the fire district) in an effort to pool and leverage other grant funds.

## 2022-017 Fire District Capital Projects: West Shore District

This project designates funds to advance the fire house design to shovel-ready status to leverage other grant funds. Designs will include sleeping quarters for men and women, and separate berths for airborne infection separation and improved air quality. An additional amount will be available immediately under this project to install UV air filtration units to improve air quality in the current dormitory and habitation spaces.

The funds for this project are allowable under the Final Rule Expenditure Category 7.2 *Transfers to Other Units of Government*. On page 43 of the *Coronavirus State & Local Fiscal Recovery Funds: Overview of the Final Rule*, the guidance states, "Recipients may undertake projects on their own or through subrecipients, which carry out eligible uses on behalf of a recipient, including pooling funds with other recipients or blending and braiding SLFRF funds with other sources of funds." This project meets this criterion by transferring funds to another unit of government (the fire district) in an effort to pool and leverage other grant funds.

# **2022-018** Boardwalk Monitoring Cameras

This project designates funds to address a priority need as identified by the Commissioner of Public Works and the Police Chief. It would provide the police department with real-time viewing and forensic data of certain areas that require frequent police attention, concentrated on the boardwalk area. Additionally, these cameras will provide additional public safety monitoring of remote areas frequented by pedestrians. (Note: Broadband project required to implement this project.)

The funds for this project are allowable under the Final Rule Expenditure Category 6.1 *Provision of Government Services*. Under the Revenue Loss rules, any activity that can be defined as a government service can make use of ARPA funds up to the amount established as lost revenues due to COVID-19. The City has elected to use a portion of the standard allowance of \$10 Million of lost revenue to fund this project.

#### 2022-019 Police Personnel Retention Fund

This project designates funds to address the City's ongoing issues with retention of newly trained police officers, exacerbated by the COVID-19 pandemic. This project seeks to provide a cash incentive of \$10,000 to each sworn officer for two fiscal years. The City will budget this as a raise for future years, but the immediate project is designed to address the attrition of City trained officers that are ultimately recruited by other towns for higher pay and pension plans. The project allows the City to compete for and retain the best officers available to serve the community.

The funds for this project are allowable under the Final Rule Expenditure Category 6.1 *Provision of Government Services*. Under the Revenue Loss rules, any activity that can be defined as a government service can make use of ARPA funds up to the amount established as lost revenues due to COVID-19. The City has elected to use a portion of the standard allowance of \$10 Million of lost revenue to fund this project.

## 2022-020 Youth Employment Fund

This project designates funds to employee youth residents in the City through the Board of Education. The youth residents have been employed for a number of tasks including general office work, maintenance and custodial work, camp counseling, tour guides, tutoring, translating, supervising sport courts, and more. The project provides a safe environment and employment opportunities and experience to youth residents of the City.

The funds for this project are allowable under the Final Rule Expenditure Category 2.37 Economic Impact Assistance: Other. On page 4449 of the final rule, under section 35.6 Allowable uses, the guidance states, referring to responses to the negative impacts of the public health emergency, "A program, service, capital expenditure, or other assistance that is provided to a disproportionally impacted household, population, or community, including:...(iii) Investments in communities to promote improved health outcomes and public safety such as parks, recreation facilities, and programs that increase access to healthy foods." This project meets these criteria as all children in West Haven qualify for food assistance programs (establishing a disproportionally impacted population), and the investment in youth employment promotes improved health outcomes and public safety.

#### 2022-021 Painter Park Field House

This project designates funds for a 5,500 square foot field house, bathrooms, and indoor sports facility to support the Parks and Recreation activities and summer camps. The field house would also provide shelter in rain storms and help extend season sports activities. The building will be designed with expansion in mind in future budget years, but this project will provide the base bathrooms, utilities, site work, and at least one indoor sports space.

The funds for this project are allowable under the Final Rule Expenditure Category 6.1 *Provision of Government Services*. Under the Revenue Loss rules, any activity that can be defined as a government service can make use of ARPA funds up to the amount established as lost revenues due to COVID-19. The City has elected to use a portion of the standard allowance of \$10 Million of lost revenue to fund this project.

#### 2023-001 EMS Premium Pay

This project designates funds for Premium Pay for EMS workers for duties performed during the COVID-19 pandemic. Payment will be made in the form of a onetime stipend of hazardous pay to Emergency Medical Services personnel employed by the City, or one of its independent fire districts, who were regularly involved with in-person interactions during the peak of the pandemic emergency response. Eligible workers, for this project, means the rank of Fire Captain and down to entry level rank, and assumes that all full-time firefighter/EMT or Firefighter/Paramedics serving for the work period beginning March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2020 through March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2021 are eligible.

The funds for this project are allowable under the Final Rule Expenditure Category 4.1 *Public Sector Employees*. On page 4450 of the final rule, under section 35.6 *Allowable uses*, the guidance states "a recipient may use funds to provide premium pay to eligible workers of the recipient who perform essential work…during the COVID-19 public health emergency." This project meets these criteria as the City's "eligible workers" are properly limited to front line EMS personnel. Payments under this expenditure category are subject to certain limitations by the final rule, and the City will perform the necessary analysis to ensure compliance.