

RESOLUTION # 17-2022

Resolution to Request Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund (CLFRF) allocated to Oneida County through the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) for the Purpose of CDBG CLOSE Grant Administration Services, General Engineering Company.

Resolution approved for presentation to the Oneida County Board by the Supervisors of the Administration Committee

Resolved by the Board of Supervisors of Oneida County, Wisconsin:

WHEREAS, The American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) amends Title VI of the Social Security Act by adding Sections 602 and 603 establishing the Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund (CLFRF); and

WHEREAS, Oneida County receives funds through CLFRF to assist the County in responding to the public health emergency or its negative economic impacts; to provide premium pay to eligible workers; to make necessary investments in infrastructure; and/or to provide government services; and

WHEREAS, certain restrictions of the use of these funds are determined by the United States Treasury (UST) Department including the prohibition of depositing the funds into any pension fund; directly or indirectly offsetting tax revenue; and does limit the amount of CLFRF funding to be used for "government services" to a not-to-exceed revenue reduction cap; and

WHEREAS, the County established the Funding Opportunities Committee (FOC) to provide direction and guidance on the use of the CLFRF; and

WHEREAS, the FOC developed an Oneida County Relief Funding Plan dated September 27, 2021 which ranked certain requests as "high" indicating the project or program resolves long-term, pressing issues; and / or addresses serious health and public safety risks; and / or has a widespread impact; and / or addresses a financial burden on the County; and / or has well-defined ancillary benefits; and

WHEREAS, the FOC, after thoughtful consideration of USTF regulations, further recommends County program funding thresholds by CLFRF category as follows: Public Health / Economic Development \$2,000,000; Premium Pay \$0; Infrastructure \$1,700,000; Government Services \$3,000,000; and Contingency of \$200,000; and

WHEREAS, due to the administrative burden of tracking and reporting expenditures under the program only those projects or programs with an aggregate value over a three-year period of \$100,000 is considered; and

WHEREAS, only those projects or programs which are "shovel-ready" or set to commence, if funded, upon approval of this Resolution are entertained at this stage to ensure UST requirements of funding obligation no later than December 31, 2024 and fully expended by December 31, 2026; and

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WHEREAS, The Administration Committee has reviewed the guidance issued by the UST, given consideration to the request from the Finance, Forestry and Buildings & Grounds Departments, and supports funding the CDBG CLOSE Grant Administration Services, General Engineering Company under the Public Health / Economic category, and

WHEREAS, in order to properly complete the CDBG program to update and enhance certain public buildings and facilities in Oneida County using federal funding, and the costs of administration of this program is not included in the CDBG funding allocation, a request for \$55,000 in CLFRF funds is presently made and detailed in the attached CLFRF Fiscal Impact form to permits the underlying projects will aggregate value of federal and local funds in excess of \$1 million to be completed; and

WHEREAS, the Administration Committee Committee is in agreement and recommends this project / program be funded using CLFRF funds; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Oneida County Board of Supervisors that effective on January 18th, 2022 this project / program be funded using CLFRF funds; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Oneida County Board of Supervisors that by Adoption of this resolution the project / program will be reevaluated annually as part of the budget process to determine need and available funding for future years.

Vote Required: Majority = _____ 2/3 Majority = 3/4 Majority = _____

The County Board has the legal authority to adopt: Yes No _____ as reviewed by the Corporation Counsel, _____, Date: 1.11.22

Approved for presentation to the County Board by the Administration Committee this 10th day of January, 2022.

Consent Agenda Item: _____ YES _____ NO

Offered and passage moved by:

[Signature]
Supervisor
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Dave Hintz - via zoom TAA
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Bob Mott - via zoom TAA
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_____ Ayes

_____ Nays

_____ Absent

_____ Abstain

_____ Adopted

by the County Board of Supervisors this this 18th day of January, 2022.

_____ Defeated

Tracy Hartman, County Clerk

David Hintz, County Board Chair



Oneida County
Administration Committee
Relief Funding Fiscal Impact Form
American Rescue Plan
Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund (SLFRF)

Project Overview		
Project Title	CDBG CLOSE Grant Administration Services, General Engineering Company	
County Department(s)	Finance, Forestry, Buildings & Grounds	
Project Manager(s)	Tina Smigielski, Finance Director	

Category Overview	
SLFRF Use of Funds Category	PUBLIC HEALTH / ECONOMIC IMPACT
Select Public Health / Economic Impact Sub-Category ->	Assistance to households

Please provide a detailed explanation of the project including estimated timeline. If applicable attach bid or proposal to this form.

In March 2021, the County entered into a sub-award agreement with the State of Wisconsin Department of Administration (DOA). This agreement allocates federal funds via the State of Wisconsin to Oneida County for the benefit of the County, Minocqua, Newbold, Three Lakes and Rhinelander for certain American with Disability Act (ADA) improvements to public properties and buildings. The total award is \$770,946.16 and is made on a reimbursement basis. The expenditures associated with this agreement must comply with the procurement and reporting requirements of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program. This includes mandatory project administrator training, federal procurement and contracting rules, environmental project requirements, semi-annual and annual reporting requirements, enhanced audit requirements, and specific public meeting protocols. Due to the lack of in-house expertise to ensure compliance with all aspects of this CDBG program, and the shortening timeline to accomplish the projects, a consultant may be retained to assist in the overall administration of the program including soliciting bids from qualified contractors, maintaining pertinent records, and handling required reporting. Unfortunately, as confirmed by DOA, there were no requests made at the time the March 2021 agreement was negotiated for engineering or administrative costs; therefore, any fees paid to a consultant for grant administration will not be reimbursable from the CDBG funds. Therefore a request for Relief Funding to ensure this program is properly executed is requested presently.

Describe how this project resolves long-term, pressing issue; addresses serious health/public safety risk; has a widespread impact; addresses financial burden on County; and / or has well-defined ancillary benefits.

This CDBG CLOSE project will upgrade public buildings and facilities in order to make them ADA compliant. This includes the Courthouse entry way, and certain facilities at County Forest parking lots / paths, Minocqua Torphy Park, and several parks in Rhinelander. It is important to note that these upgrades directly impact outdoor recreation opportunities and access to public buildings. Ensuring public spaces are ADA compliant is a way to make the County's residents and visitors feel welcome, respected, and enhance overall health and well-being.

Year	SLFRF Funding	Other Funding Source	Total Funding Required
2022	\$ 55,000.00	\$ -	\$ 55,000.00
2023	-	-	-
2024	-	-	-
TOTAL	\$ 55,000.00	\$ -	\$ 55,000.00

Please use this space for additional information or narrative.

The County's direct share is \$25,000 for administration for the total countywide program plus \$12,500 for Forestry projects, and \$12,500 for Buildings & Grounds projects. An amount of \$5,000 is set aside for contingencies such as federally required engineering or other matters.

TO BE COMPLETED BY FINANCE, BUDGET TRANSFER INFORMATION		
	Description	Budget Code Amount
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