ARPA TO GENERAL FUND:
Leveraging Today’s Capital for Tomorrow’s Savings

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INTRODUCTIONS

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California cities got $8.4 billion in direct, flexible dollars dedicated to pandemic recovery.
TIMELINE FOR USE OF ARPA DOLLARS

MARCH 3, 2022: Funds must be used for costs incurred after this date

DECEMBER 31, 2024: Deadline for costs to be obligated

DECEMBER 31, 2026: Deadline for jurisdictions to spend funds
MARKET VARIABLES

Supply Chain

Labor & Construction

Inflation
INVESTMENT TRENDS

- Deferred Maintenance
- Park Upgrades
- Fiber Optic
- Loss of Revenue
SANTA CLARITA INVESTMENT TRENDS

Wellness & Immediate Response

Infrastructure projects

Economic Development
CEC PROGRAM TRENDS: ENERGY & TRANSPORTATION INVESTMENTS

**LIGHT-DUTY BLOCK GRANTS**
- CALeVIP 2.0
- Communities in Charge

**BUILD**
- Incentives for electric affordable housing

**ENERGY COMMISSION ASSISTANCE ACT**
- Low interest loan program for tribes and local governments that will finance energy efficiency, renewables, storage and EV charging stations
CASE STUDY: SANTA CLARITA

ARPA fund utilization $35.1 Million

• Buildout of Central Park
• Citywide Fiber Optic Cable Upgrade
• Replenishing of General Fund Due to COVID-19 Sales Tax Losses
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BENEFITS

• Long-Term Financial Solvency
• Meeting Strategic Plan Goals
• General Fund Relief

CHALLENGES

• Changing Timeline of Strategic Plan to Use Funding
• Eligibility/Justification for the Use of Restricted Funds
• Maintaining the Pace of Work with Labor and Supply Constraints
COMMON CITY THEMES

COVID-19 Response
Public Sector Revenue Loss
Technology Infrastructure
Economic Recovery
MORE CA CITY CASE STUDIES

LA MIRADA - $11.5 MILLION
- Energy Conservation and Infrastructure Modernization Program
- Social Services, Mortgage Assistance, Restaurant Assistance, COVID 19 Tests

EL SEGUNDO - $3.9 MILLION
- Civic Center Maintenance
- Recreation Park Restroom Rehabilitation
- Public Safety Operations

SAN LEANDRO - $18.6 MILLION
- Small Businesses Relief Grants
- Nimitz Motel & Project Home Key
- Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) & Audit of Library Materials
KEY TAKE AWAYS

Cities have a unique opportunity to leverage one-time funding that can help them:

1. Generate Savings While Enriching Their Communities
2. Respond to Community Needs
3. Get Involved: Empower Innovation
EMPOWER INNOVATION

$13.1B
AVAILABLE FUNDING

251
OPPORTUNITIES

842
ORGANIZATIONS

3,003
MEMBERS

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QUESTIONS?