

Potential Funding Initiatives - American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLFRF)

PUBLIC HEALTH RESPONSE

This category supports the County's on-going COVID-19 public health response and prevention efforts, while also addressing various healthcare needs exacerbated by the pandemic.

Vaccine Clinics

Funding for the Health Department to continue COVID vaccination efforts. Efforts will continue on vaccinating the unvaccinated and also begin preparing for the potential need for booster vaccinations.

Health Equity Through Local Health Improvement Planning

The Frederick County Health Care Coalition will execute a project to conduct a community health needs assessment. This will lead to the creation of a new LHIP for Frederick County and the unique opportunity to utilize these resources to systematical address health equity and reduce disparities over the next 3 years.

Health Disparity and Data Collection Study

Project will be led by the Frederick County Health Department to focus on Black pregnancies and birth outcomes in Frederick County. Data will give evidence of where improvements are needed and will allow for outcomes to be monitored over time.

Strategic Community Health Improvement Plan

Project would provide funding for strategic community health improvement to improve maternal and infant outcomes. This projects would follow the health disparity study. The goal would be to improve engagement and health outcomes for these populations through educational communication to providers and improvements to the health services access and engagement continuum.

Frederick Community Health Equity Project

This project focuses on three health aspects: access improvements for vulnerable populations, expanding the use of telehealth technology, and workforce development for marginalized communities especially hard hit by the pandemic.

Crisis Stabilization Center

Funding for a 24/7 program that will divert people who are in crisis and/or under the influence of a substance away from emergency departments and provide stronger links to community-based behavioral health care for individuals who have not been engaged well by the behavioral health system.

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Service Coordination and Home Based Medical Care for Low-Income Seniors

The proposed funding would begin to reorient current systems of care for low-income seniors in Frederick County to 1) reduce and resolve the loss of care and support experienced by seniors as a result of the ongoing COVID pandemic; 2) help low-income seniors age in place in their current homes; 3) lower and better manage the county's emergency management service costs related to senior care and the costs to the overall health care system and public support system; and 4) maintain and improve the quality of life for low-income and frail seniors in the community.