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February 2, 2024

Senator Jonathan Dismang, Co-Chair
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 Performance Evaluation & Expenditure Review Committee
 Arkansas Legislative Council
 State Capitol Building
 Little Rock, AR 72201

RE: FY 24 American Rescue Plan Act Request

Dear Co-Chairs:

Pursuant to Section 36 (01) of Act 796 of 2023, I am forwarding the attached American Rescue Plan Act request(s) that have received my approval as Chief Fiscal Officer of the State.

- University of Arkansas at Monticello-Arkansas Forest Health Research Center \$16,800,000

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- Department of Finance and Administration - Disbursing Officer - University of Arkansas at Monticello - Forestry DNA Center \$16,800,000
- Department of Finance and Administration - Disbursing Officer - CARTI B Dorado • \$7,000,000
- Department of Finance and Administration - Disbursing Officer- Mercy Fort Smith \$12,000,000
- Department of Finance and Administration - Disbursing Officer - Nursing Program Support \$6,000,000
- Department of Human Services - Medical Services Division - Mental Health and Substance Abuse \$30,000,000
- Department of Commerce - Economic Development Commission - Revision of Previously Approved Plan \$0
- Department of Public Safety - Law Enforcement Standards - Revision of Previously Approved Plan \$0



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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'J. L. Hudson', is written over the word 'Sincerely,'.

James L. Hudson
Secretary

Attachment(s)

**AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT OF 2021 PROGRAM APPROPRIATION
AND PERSONNEL AUTHORIZATION REQUEST
SECTION 36 OF ACT 796 OF 2023**

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Agency: University of Arkansas at Monticello Business Area Code: 0155
 Program Title: Forestry DNA Center
 Granting Organization: American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 CFDA #: State Fiscal Recovery Funds
 Effective Date of Authorization: Beginning: 2/2/2024 Ending: 6/30/2024

Purpose of Grant / Reason for addition or change (include attachments as necessary to provide thorough information):
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Func. Area: UNIV Fund Code: 208ARPA Direct Funding: XX
 Funds Center: D58 Internal Order/WBS Element: _____ State: _____
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Approved by: Reagan Doos 2-2-24 Robert Brech 01/29/24
 Cabinet Secretary/Agency Director Date Office of Budget Date

Office of Personnel Mgmt Date **1**



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experts have so far garnered \$4.4 million in funding to support forestry workforce recruitment and training and market development. The funding it has generated represents a 265% return on the state's investment in the AR Center for Forest Business. Furthermore, the Center for Forest Business has assisted AEDC on five named recruiting projects and five local economic development agency projects since its inception. Safeguarding the state's forests through the Arkansas Forest Health Research Center dovetails well with the Arkansas Center for Forest Business's efforts to promote the state's forests for investment in traditional and innovative markets.

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Rationale

Forests of the Natural State are integral to the state's economy and quality of life. Forests cover 54% of the state's land, and forestry provides \$6 billion annually to the state's economy. Forest-based activities of hunting, fishing, and outdoor recreation contribute another \$10 billion to its economy through resident and tourist spending.

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Total Cost \$20,527,150: Arkansas Forest Health Research Center Facility

The cost estimate is based on consultation with design professionals familiar with similar facility construction. Components included in the total cost of the AFHR Center include:

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- Salary and fringe for technicians and student workers
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SECTION 36 OF ACT 796 OF 2023**

Agency: DFA Disbursing Officer Business Area Code: 0620

Program Title: ARPA - University of Arkansas at Monticello - Arkansas Forest Health Research (AFHR) Center

Granting Organization: US Treasury CFDA #: 21.027

Effective Date of Authorization: Beginning: 2/1/2024 Ending: 6/30/2024

Purpose of Grant / Reason for addition or change (include attachments as necessary to provide thorough information):
The purpose of this grant is to allow the University of Arkansas at Monticello to build a new Arkansas Forest Health Research (AFHR) Center within its College of Forestry, Agriculture, and Natural Resources. This Center will consist of laboratories capable of species identification of diseases and insects. The Center will also be capable of using leading-edge technologies for sensing changes in forest conditions through satellites and drones, analyzing spread patterns and causal factors through geospatial analyses and artificial intelligence, and breeding of disease-resistant tree genotypes. The AFHR Center will support the workforce in South Arkansas and rural areas, in addition to providing necessary support to the Forestry industry in Arkansas.

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Funds Center: NEW

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Agency: Department of Finance and Administration - Disbursing Officer Business Area Code: 0620

Program Title: ARPA - CARTI El Dorado

Granting Organization: US Treasury CFDA #: 21.027

Effective Date of Authorization: Beginning: 2/1/2024 Ending: 6/30/2024

Purpose of Grant / Reason for addition or change (include attachments as necessary to provide thorough information):
This grant will support facility expansion and enhance existing service offerings to provide additional treatment and detection modalities for those in Southern Arkansas. This grant to CARTI will allow more access to Cancer care services in South Arkansas communities.

American Rescue Plan Act Program Funding

Func. Area: ADMN Fund Code: NEW Direct Funding: _____
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Approved by: 
Cabinet Secretary/Agency Director Date

Robert Brech 01/29/24
Office of Budget Date

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EXPANDING CANCER CARE

For over 25 years CARTI has provided quality cancer care to the El Dorado community. Recently, we invested the initial **\$12 million, two-thirds** of the overall project, in Phase I of a new cancer center to provide cancer care for our patients. The total project cost is **\$19 million**, and we are working to complete this vision with Phase II.

As the only cancer provider in El Dorado, CARTI seeks to enhance existing service offerings to provide additional treatment and detection modalities for those in southern Arkansas. These improvements will serve the increased volume of patients who either postponed or neglected recommended screenings and/or treatments during the COVID-19 pandemic. With the final step in the overall project expected to cost **\$7 million**, CARTI is asking for support. The available 7,100 sq. ft. space inside CARTI Cancer Center in El Dorado will include:

RADIATION THERAPY CLINIC

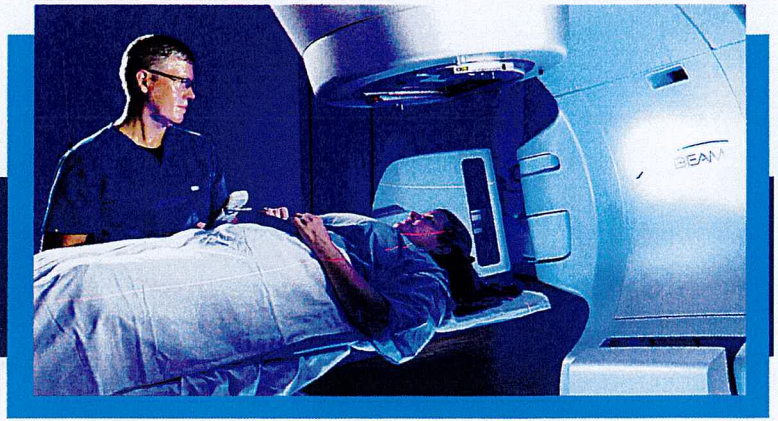
- Radiation therapy vault with leading-edge equipment
- CT Scanner in a leaded CT room
- Physician offices, nurses' station, physicist, and dosimetry offices
- Three patient changing/sub-waiting rooms
- Three patient exam rooms

BREAST CENTER

- One mammography room with 3D screening and 2D diagnostic mammography equipment
- Ultrasound room, which will also be used for breast needle biopsies
- Two changing rooms
- Breast radiology reading room
- Patient waiting room
- Tech workspace



THE PLAN



Currently, there is only one radiation therapy provider in El Dorado, and it does not provide the same comprehensive level of care as CARTI. There are no other radiation therapy providers from Texarkana to Lake Village. With your support, we will improve access to care, meet the growing need for screenings and treatment, support local community providers and improve the lives of our state's constituents.

PROJECTED COST BREAKDOWN

The total projected cost is approximately \$7,000,000. This includes:

- \$3.67M for the construction and finish-out of the 7,100 square-foot space
- \$1M for Breast Center equipment, including diagnostic and screening mammography equipment, and an ultrasound machine
- \$1M for Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI)
- \$950,000 for the radiation therapy vault
- \$110,000 for radiation therapy equipment software
- \$100,000 to relocate the existing CT scanner and linear accelerator from Little Rock
- \$90,000 for a Power Conditioner for the linear accelerator and a Power Injector for CT Scanner
- \$80,000 for physics equipment
- \$70,000 for laser systems for the CT and radiation therapy



Balan Nair, M.D.



Derek Middleton, M.D.



Howard Morgan, M.D.



Kayla Williams, APRN

OUR PROVIDERS

**AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT OF 2021 PROGRAM APPROPRIATION
AND PERSONNEL AUTHORIZATION REQUEST
SECTION 36 OF ACT 796 OF 2023**

Agency: Department of Finance and Administration - Disbursing Officer Business Area Code: 0620

Program Title: ARPA - Mercy Fort Smith

Granting Organization: US Treasury CFDA #: 21.027

Effective Date of Authorization: Beginning: 2/1/2024 Ending: 6/30/2024

Purpose of Grant / Reason for addition or change (include attachments as necessary to provide thorough information):
The purpose of the grant is to secure funding for the construction of a state-of-the-art Cancer Center as part of Mercy Fort Smith's expansion project in the River Valley. The grant is intended to support Phase II of the initiative, which involves building a modern, free-standing Cancer Center, while providing access to Cancer care services in the growing River Valley area. Every year, more than 5,000 River Valley residents are newly diagnosed with cancer. This project will double patient capacity while broadening the array of providers and service.

American Rescue Plan Act Program Funding

Func. Area: ADMN Fund Code: NEW Direct Funding: _____ State: X
Funds Center: NEW Internal Order/WBS Element: _____ Continuation: _____

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| Regular Salaries | |
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| Personal Services Matching | |
| Operating Expenses | |
| Conference & Travel Expenses | |
| Professional Fees | |
| Capital Outlay | |
| Data Processing | |
| Grants and Aid (CI: 04) | 12,000,000 |
| Other: | |
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| Total | \$ 12,000,000 |

Anticipated Duration of Federal Funds: 12/31/2026

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Cabinet Secretary/Agency Director Date

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\$286M Revitalization Project for Critical Care and Cancer Care at Mercy Fort Smith

Executive Summary / December 2023

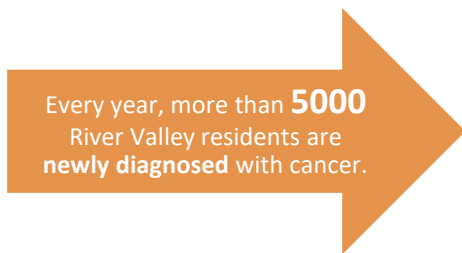
- Mercy Fort Smith serves nearly a half-million people, providing medical services for a significant portion of Western Arkansas and Eastern Oklahoma.
- Since 2008, Mercy has invested more than \$200M in the Fort Smith region including the creation of Mercy Clinic, completion of the Mercy Orthopedic Hospital, acquisition of Cooper Clinic, construction of the Mercy Rehabilitation Hospital and more—all to grow medical access in a significantly underserved region.
- In 2022, Mercy Fort Smith broke ground on Phase I of our latest infrastructure investment, a new \$186M ER/ICU tower. This project is desperately needed as we currently care for nearly double the number of patients for which our existing facilities were designed (i.e. ER designed for 35,000 annual visits serves around 60,000). This new facility will accommodate more than 70,000 patient visits each year and prepare us to handle the highest ER patient volume in the State of Arkansas.
- Phase II of the project is a modern, free-standing, state-of-the-art, \$100M+ Cancer Center. More than 5,000 River Valley residents are diagnosed with cancer each year. Thirty to forty percent of these patients leave our service area for cancer care, most due to limitations of access, with many leaving the state. As other cancer care providers in the region have reduced their capacity, Mercy Fort Smith has grown access almost three-fold so that we now provide over 25,000 patient visits annually. The result is that cancer care is spread over four locations on our campus and our physical capacity is essentially maxed out. A Cancer Center would consolidate almost all our oncology services in one location, allow us to essentially double patient access, and provide convenient, cutting-edge cancer care.
- Mercy is prepared to invest \$70M additional dollars in the Fort Smith region to build a Cancer Center, bringing Mercy's total investment in Phase I and Phase II to \$256M. But we need the aid of our community to get the job done. Mercy Health Foundation Fort Smith is looking for partners who can help us with philanthropic support of at least \$30M to close the funding gap and get us to the \$100M needed to build a Cancer Center that can serve the needs of our region. Support toward either phase of the project will ensure that both the ER/ICU and Cancer Center are completed.
- Mercy Health Foundation Fort Smith has begun the philanthropic work and has raised just over \$9M for the Cancer Center to date (as of 12/11/23). This includes an \$8M gift from the Cherokee Nation which is focused on creating better oncological access for their citizens, 200,000+ of whom live in eastern Oklahoma. We are currently having discussions with numerous other individuals and entities who might join us in this effort, and we ask the State of Arkansas to consider any means to support this incredibly important project as well.

Reimagining Cancer Care In the River Valley



Continuing our long history of compassionate care – embracing a future of innovation. Mercy will deliver *predictive, proactive* and *personalized* care through education, prevention and modernized solutions.

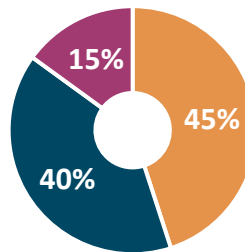
River Valley Cancer Incidence



Enhanced Deliverables

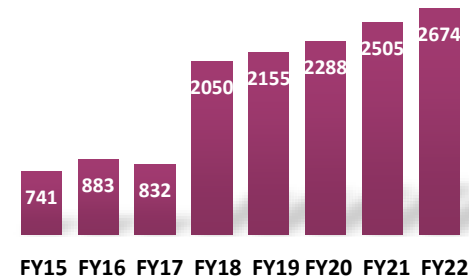
- Expanded Access
- Cutting Edge Technology
- Early Detection
- Comprehensive Treatment
- Better Outcomes

Cancer Care in the River Valley



■ Mercy ■ Outmigration ■ Other

Mercy Fort Smith Medical Oncology New Patient Growth



Proposed Cancer Facility at Mercy Fort Smith

- ❖ 110,000 sqft, \$100M+ modern facility with state-of-the-art technology and housing most all of Mercy Fort Smith’s oncology services in a single, convenient, free-standing location.
- ❖ More than doubling our current capacity to facilitate 50k+ patient visits annually.
- ❖ Broadening our array of oncological providers and services to include as many as 9 medical oncologists, radiation oncologist, multiple specialty oncologists (i.e. colorectal, gynecological, etc.), multiple surgical oncologists (i.e. breast, head and neck, general, etc.), genetic testing, navigation and more!

**AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT OF 2021 PROGRAM APPROPRIATION
AND PERSONNEL AUTHORIZATION REQUEST
SECTION 36 OF ACT 796 OF 2023**

Agency: Department of Finance and Administration - Disbursing Officer Business Area Code: 0620

Program Title: ARPA - Nursing Program Support

Granting Organization: US Treasury CFDA #: 21.027

Effective Date of Authorization: Beginning: 2/1/2024 Ending: 6/30/2024

Purpose of Grant / Reason for addition or change (include attachments as necessary to provide thorough information):
The demand for nursing has increased since COVID-19 due to a surge in healthcare needs, pandemic response efforts, staff shortages, and heightened awareness of health issues. Factors such as telehealth expansion, retirements, and pandemic preparedness initiatives have further contributed to the growing need for a larger nursing workforce. This grant will support equipment purchases, facility expansion, and other program support for Harding University, John Brown University, and Ouachita Baptist University.

American Rescue Plan Act Program Funding

Func. Area: ADMN
Funds Center: NEW

Fund Code: NEW
Internal Order/WBS Element: _____

Direct Funding: _____
State: X
Continuation: _____

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| Operating Expenses | |
| Conference & Travel Expenses | |
| Professional Fees | |
| Capital Outlay | |
| Data Processing | |
| Grants and Aid (CI: 04) | 6,000,000 |
| Other: | |
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| Total | \$ 6,000,000 |

Anticipated Duration of Federal Funds: 12/31/2026

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Approved by: 
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One-Time Nursing Education Investment = More Nurses for Arkansas

The pandemic exacerbated Arkansas' nursing shortage, leading to fewer nurses (State of Nursing Workforce in Arkansas report, 2022). It's especially affected Arkansans in rural and underserved areas. The solution requires more nurses.

Harding University (HU), John Brown University (JBU), and Ouachita Baptist University (OBU), located in different areas, enroll up to two thirds of their students from Arkansas, 20% of their students are first-generation and/or Pell-eligible, and they have leading graduation rates.

HU, JBU, and OBU are the state's three private colleges with a Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) program. Together, they enroll 450 students, freshmen to seniors, pursuing a BSN degree; partner with 89 healthcare providers; and have high nursing exam pass rates.

Collectively, they have invested \$28 million in nursing education facilities. They led the state by being in-person during the 2020-21 pandemic year and since then have invested \$34 million in operating their nursing education programs – for a combined \$62 million investment in nursing.

As a result, HU/JBU/OBU are committed to increasing their BSN enrollment by 25% to address Arkansas' nursing shortage. To do so, they request a one-time historic investment, using ARPA funds of \$6 million (\$2 million per university) for one-time costs toward nursing education.

Harding University:

\$2 million in funds would be used for simulation equipment, an educational medication dispensing system, equipment found in acute care units, targeted scholarships with a service component to practice in Arkansas, and faculty and preceptors for pre-licensure students.

John Brown University:

\$2 million in funds would be used to add an additional simulation lab, computer lab, and other instructional space. Existing simulation equipment would be upgraded, and new simulation lab equipment would be acquired. Funds would be available for targeted scholarships with a service component to practice in Arkansas.

Ouachita Baptist University:

\$2 million in funds would be used to add a clinical skills lab, an addition of instructional space, and for simulation, instructional, and medical equipment.

**Due to restrictions on funding housed at OSD, these groups cannot utilize those funds for these purposes.*

**AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT OF 2021 PROGRAM APPROPRIATION
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SECTION 36 OF ACT 796 OF 2023**

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Agency: Arkansas Department of Human Services Business Area Code: 0710
 Program Title: DHS Mental Health & Substance Abuse ARPA
 Granting Organization: American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 CFDA #: State Fiscal Recovery Funds (SFRF)
 Effective Date of Authorization: Beginning: 7/1/2023 Ending: 6/30/2024

Purpose of Grant / Reason for addition or change (include attachments as necessary to provide thorough information):
 The purpose of this grant is to address the gaps in mental health and substance abuse services across the state of Arkansas. The funding will support the development of different options and types of services needed for healthcare delivery. For children, facilities and services will be developed for community reintegration and residential substance abuse treatment. For young adults, supportive living will be developed to serve children leaving DCFS and DYS. For adults, therapeutic communities for individuals with Intellectual Disabilities (IDD), residential substance abuse and supported living facilities and services will be developed. Finally, the funding will support the beginning of a statewide crisis response system. The objectives for all this funding are listed below:

- Improve diversion from high-cost settings
- Reduce ASH spending
- Reduce HDC spending
- Improve care coordination and quality
- Invest in children and at-risk populations
- Minimize waste and unnecessary utilization

Func. Area: HHS Fund Code: FRP7180 Direct Funding: _____
 Funds Center: New Internal Order/WBS Element: New State: X
 Continuation: _____

| | Program Funding Amount |
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| Regular Salaries | |
| Extra Help | |
| Personal Services Matching | |
| Operating Expenses | |
| Conference & Travel Expenses | |
| Professional Fees | 10,000,000 |
| Capital Outlay | |
| Data Processing | |
| Grants and Aid (CI: 04) | 20,000,000 |
| Other: | |
| Other: | |
| Total | \$ 30,000,000 |

Anticipated Duration of Federal Funds: 9/30/2024

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Approved by: [Signature] 11/25/24 Robert Brech 01/29/24
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Mental Health & Substance Abuse ARPA-

Mental Health & Substance Abuse Continuum of Care

Objectives:

- Improve diversion from high-cost settings
- Reduce ASH spending (\$55 million annually, 100% SGR)
- Reduce HDC spending (\$143 million annually)
- Improve care coordination and quality
- Invest in children and at-risk populations
- Minimize waste and unnecessary utilization

Grants & Aid:

1. Community Reintegration for Kids

- Community reintegration facilities provide step-down support from high-cost, in-patient psychiatric care.
- We currently have one existing facility in the state (Ft. Smith). However, we have 500 psychiatric, residential treatment facility (PRTF) beds in the state for kids.
- \$5 million would create 4-5, 16-bed units.
- Most of these beds would be used by foster kids. DHS believes there is demand for 7-8 facilities. Medicaid would pay for these services.

2. Therapeutic Communities for Adults with IDD

- Therapeutic community beds provide step-down support from high-cost, in-patient psychiatric care.
- We currently have 0 therapeutic community beds in Arkansas for adults with intellectual or developmental disabilities, including those with low IQ/autism plus mental illness. We have 15 facilities for non-IDD, BH clients.
- DHS estimates there are 500 clients with IDD + behavioral health needs.
- ID, BH clients currently receive care in high-cost settings, mainly ASH, HDC.
- \$3 million would build 2-3, 10-bed units.

3. Residential Substance Abuse Treatment Facilities for Youth

- While we have residential mental illness treatment facilities for kids, we do not have residential substance abuse treatment placements for them. We only have outpatient therapy. Judges currently send kids with drug problems to DYS because we do not have placements.
- These funds could be used to construct new facilities or convert existing facilities.
- DHS cannot estimate demand for a service that hasn't been provided. But they believe there is demand.

4. Residential Substance Abuse Treatment Facilities for Adults

- These facilities provide 30-60-day treatment programs for adults struggling with substance abuse disorders.
- We have these facilities across AR, but primarily in central and western AR.
- These funds could be used to construct new facilities or improve existing facilities (asbestos removal, facility upgrades, etc.)

5. Supportive Living Units for Young Adults

- Kids that age out of group homes, foster care, or DYS generally struggle to transition into adulthood. They lack family support and struggle with employment.
- These funds would provide transitional living and life skills for kids aging out of DYS & DCFS. They would purchase homes or apartment complexes to house approximately 60 beds. Private operators would be contracted to manage the facilities.

6. Supportive Living Units for Adults

- Adults struggling with mental illness who transition from secure Therapeutic Communities often need additional interventions and supervision for employment, medication compliance, etc.
- These funds would provide group homes or apartments to purchase 50-60 beds. Private operators would be contracted to manage the facilities as landlords. They would also be able to bill for certain services.
- The goal would be to stabilize these patients, secure employment, and pay a small rent.

Professional Fees:

7. Statewide Crisis Response System

- Problem: we do not have a coordinated system of care for children or adults in crisis. This leads to individuals “pinging” our healthcare system across multiple touchpoints and going without appropriate care.
- Early identification and intervention can minimize high-cost, downstream care.
- **Crisis Call Hub**
 - 24-hour contractor that will connect with clinicians with tablets
 - Tablets for first responders
 - Goal is to stabilize people and have them stay at home
 - Conduct an assessment of existing needs at local level (training/technology)
- **Crisis Software Hub**
 - Bed registry coordination with TraumaComm (CSUs could participate)
 - PASSE information, Medicaid eligibility, private insurance, jail information, patient follow-up
 - Metrics to evaluate cost-savings/efficacy/outcomes
- **Crisis Training**
 - Ambulance, police, first responders training for de-escalation, telehealth, patient evaluation
- **Crisis Teams**
 - Telehealth consults
 - Mobile response paraprofessional
 - 80 – 100 paraprofessionals - social workers

Gaps in Current Mental Health System

NO COORDINATED STATEWIDE CRISIS

Problem: AR does not have a coordinated crisis response system for children or adults. This leads to incarceration (including in DYS) and high-cost care.

LACK OF OR OLD INFRASTRUCTURE

Problem: If we do not create infrastructure, there are limited places for people to get lower-cost home- and community-based services.

GAPS IN HCBS FOR KIDS AND ADULTS

Problem: A lack of home- and community-based services leads to unnecessary and longer stays in high-cost settings.

GAPS RESULT IN USE OF HIGH-COST INSTITUTIONS

Problem: Last year, the State spent more than \$475 million to pay for these settings, and the costs have been growing annually.

NO SUPPORTIVE HOUSING

Problem: A lack of housing options where HCBS can be provided leads to longer and unnecessary stays in high-cost settings.

NO YOUTH RESIDENTIAL SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREATMENT

Problem: Judges say they are placing teens with substance abuse issues in DYS custody because they have no alternatives.



Current Cost to Treat Behavioral Health Crisis

Arkansas State Hospital: \$55,784,606*

Human Development Centers: \$143,801,383

Hospital Inpatient: \$261,225,198†

Emergency Departments: \$14,500,577

Total Spending (annual): \$ 475,311,764

**All funds for Arkansas State Hospital are State General Revenue (SGR) without the opportunity for Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP).*

†\$16,790,954 is DCFS state general revenue and includes Psychiatric Residential Treatment Facilities & Psychiatric Hospitals)

Mental Health and Substance Abuse Continuum of Care

ARPA Investment

STATEWIDE CRISIS RESPONSE & HUB

Problem: AR does not have a coordinated crisis response system for children or adults. This leads to incarceration (including in DYS) and high-cost care.

THERAPEUTIC COMMUNITIES

Problem: AR does not have therapeutic community beds for adults with I/DD or mental health needs. This leads to institutional and high-cost care.

COMMUNITY RE-INTEGRATION FOR CHILDREN

Problem: AR has only one community re-integration for children. This leads to children staying in institutional settings longer than necessary.

YOUTH SUBSTANCE ABUSE RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT

Problem: AR does not have a youth substance abuse residential treatment program. This leads to kids being sent to juvenile detention and DYS custody.

ADULT SUBSTANCE ABUSE RESIDENTIAL

Problem: AR lacks adequate infrastructure to serve adults who need residential substance abuse treatment.

SUPPORTIVE HOUSING FOR ADULTS

Problem: AR does not have any supportive housing for adults. This leads to homelessness, incarceration, and institutionalization.

SUPPORTIVE HOUSING FOR DCFS/DYS

Problem: AR does not have any supportive housing for kids leaving DCFS/DYS custody. This leads to homelessness, incarceration, and institutionalization.

\$30 MILLION

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Agency: COMMERCE - ARKANSAS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION Business Area Code: 0790

Program Title: American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, Arkansas Rural Connect Program

Granting Organization: U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY CFDA #: 12.027

Effective Date of Authorization: Beginning: 7/01/2023 Ending: 06/30/24

Purpose of Grant / Reason for addition or change (include attachments as necessary to provide thorough information):
To utilize funding provided under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, for continuation of the Arkansas Economic Development Commission's rural broadband program, grant awards, operations, purchase of equipment and construction expenses necessary to assist in the deployment or Improvement of broadband infrastructure into unserved or improvement to unserved communities in Arkansas; cost of infrastructure equipment required to provide broadband network service; regular salaries and personal services matching for staff; fees for management consultants and strategic program design advisory services, including customizable software services and program management support; engineering costs for project design; legal costs related to the acquisition of real estate rights or easements; costs of media, electronics, cabling, and communications equipment; make ready costs for utility pole attachments; boring and splicing cost for infrastructure construction; educational related expenses to educate and teach citizens how to use and utilize broadband services; for a grant award to Brightspeed to provide fiber internet connectivity to the residents and businesses of Coal Hill and Hartman, which includes 581 individual locations reflected in the attached project footprint. This request updates the previously approved plan for Coal Hill and Hartman project, attached for review. This is a zero dollar request, utilizing excess appropriation and refunds from projects completed under budget.

American Rescue Plan Act Program Funding

Func. Area: COMM Fund Code: FRP7900 Direct Funding: _____
Funds Cen.: A13 Internal Order/WBS Element: A.0790.ARP21019ARARP21 State: X

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Anticipated Duration of Federal Funds: 07/01/2021-12/31/2026

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DFA IGS State Technology Planning Date
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Positions to be established: (list each position separately)

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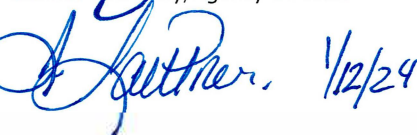
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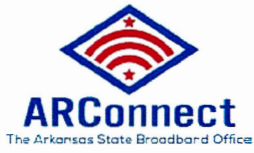
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Senator Jonathan Dismang, Co-Chair
Representative Frances Cavanaugh, Co-Chair
Performance Evaluation and Expenditure Review Committee
Arkansas Legislative Council
State Capitol Building
Little Rock, AR 72201

Re: Requested Appropriation for ARC Grant

Dear Senator Dismang and Representative Cavanaugh,

The Arkansas State Broadband Office (ARConnect) formally requests approval of the Arkansas Rural Connect (ARC) Grant Program application submitted by Brightspeed to provide fiber internet connectivity to the residents and businesses of Coal Hill and Hartman.

The grant request will be funded through the American Rescue Plan Act's (ARPA) State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLFRF). This project is intended to bring fiber internet connectivity to 581 individual locations in the project footprint, for a total grant request per location of \$809.90. The project footprint, along with grant request details, are presented on enclosed attachment.

This project will be subject to the terms and conditions of the relevant state-promulgated rule guiding SLFRF-funded projects within the ARC Grant Program, as well as federal law, regulations, and guidance issued by the U.S. Department of the Treasury.

It should be noted that this request is not for newly appropriated funds, as this project will be funded with SLFRF refunds returned to the Arkansas State Broadband Office from prior ARC Grant Program awardees.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

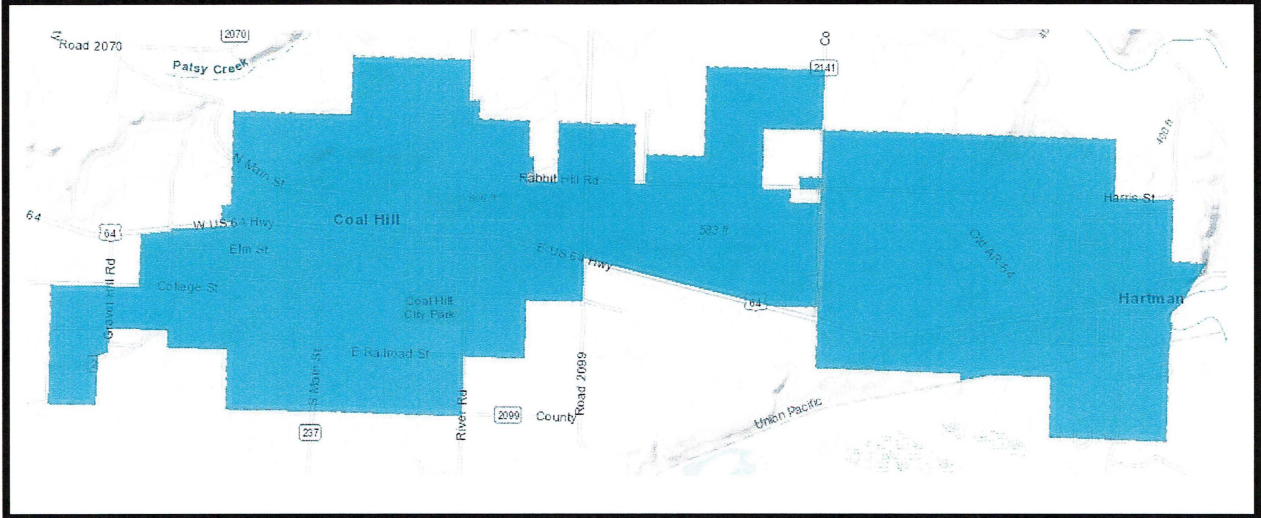
Kindest regards,

Glen E. Howie, Jr.
State Broadband Director

Naturally connected.

Project: Coal Hill / Hartman

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| Top Applicant ISP: | Brightspeed | Grant Request Amount: | \$470,551.76 |
| Number of Households: | 581 | Grant Cost Per Household: | \$809.90 |



**AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT OF 2021 PROGRAM APPROPRIATION
AND PERSONNEL AUTHORIZATION REQUEST
SECTION 36 OF ACT 796 OF 2023**

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Agency: DPS - Division of Commission on Law Enforcement Standards & Training Business Area Code: 0950

Program Title: Commission on Law Enforcement Standards and Training Construction and Equipment Upgrades

Granting Organization: American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 CFDA #: State Fiscal Recovery Funds

Effective Date of Authorization: Beginning: 9/1/2023 Ending: 6/30/2024

Purpose of Grant / Reason for addition or change (include attachments as necessary to provide thorough information):
The Department of Public Safety - Division of Law Enforcement Standards and Training is requesting to reallocate \$150,000 in American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA) funding. This reallocation will allow the agency to purchase 3 Dodge Durango's, pay sales tax on the Durango's, and purchase equipment for the vehicles (light bars, radios, etc.) The vehicles being replaced are high mileage and require constant maintenance. These vehicles are driven all over the state to teach classes, conduct inspections or attend meetings and currently are not reliable. This is a reallocation of funds only.

American Rescue Plan Act Program Funding

Func. Area: SFTY
Funds Center: BW2

Fund Code: FRP9500
Internal Order/WBS Element: _____

Direct Funding: _____
State: X
Continuation: _____

| | Program Funding Amount |
|------------------------------|------------------------|
| Regular Salaries | |
| Extra Help | |
| Personal Services Matching | |
| Operating Expenses | |
| Conference & Travel Expenses | |
| Professional Fees | |
| Capital Outlay | |
| Data Processing | |
| Grants and Aid (CI: 04) | |
| Other: 590:00:46 | |
| Other: | |
| Total | \$ - |

Anticipated Duration of Federal Funds: 12/31/2026

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DFA IGS State Technology Planning **Date**
Items requested for information technology must be in compliance with Technology Plans as submitted to DFA IGS State Technology Planning.

Positions to be established: (list each position separately)

* unclassified positions only

| Org Unit | Pers Area | Pers SubArea | Cost Center | Position Number | Cmnt Item | Position Title | Class Code | Grade | Line Item Maximum * |
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State funds will not be used to replace federal funds when such funds expire, unless appropriated by the General Assembly and authorized by the Governor.

Approved by:

C. J. ... 1/24/2024
Cabinet Secretary/Agency Director Date

Robert Brech 01/29/24
Office of Budget Date
dy 1/25/2024

Office of Personnel Mgmt Date



COL. MIKE A. HAGAR
Secretary

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Governor Sarah Huckabee Sanders

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

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January 24, 2024

Jim Hudson, Secretary
Department of Finance and Administration
Office of the Secretary
1509 West 7th Street, Suite 401
Little Rock, AR 72203-3278

Dear Secretary Hudson:

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Consideration of this request is greatly appreciated. Should any questions arise, please contact my office at (501) 618-8333.

Sincerely,

Colonel Mike Hagar
Secretary



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August 31, 2023

Jim Hudson, Secretary
Department of Finance and Administration
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1509 West 7th Street, Suite 401
Little Rock, AR 72203-3278

Dear Secretary Hudson:

The Arkansas Department of Public Safety – Division of Commission on Law Enforcement Standards and Training is requesting release of a portion of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA) to address the following requests:

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|------------------|---------------|---|
| Camden Campus | 11,961,000.00 | Update current facility, last update was in 1969 |
| Northwest Campus | 9,409,000.00 | Update current facility, last update was in 2002 |
| Shared Needs | 435,000.00 | Update AWIN equipment, update training equipment, and purchase IT equipment |
| Total Request | 21,805,000.00 | |

Sincerely,

Colonel Mike A. Hagar
Secretary