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June 7, 2024

Senator Jonathan Dismang, Co-Chair
Representative Frances Cavanaugh, Co-Chair
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.

1. Department of Education – Office of Early Childhood – Child Care Development Block Grant \$3,000,000

Pursuant to Section 36 (02) 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.

2. Department of Parks, Heritage and Tourism – Parks and Tourism Division – State Park Improvements – Plan Change Only \$0

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'J. L. Hudson'.

James L. Hudson
Secretary

Attachment(s)

**AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT OF 2021 PROGRAM APPROPRIATION
AND PERSONNEL AUTHORIZATION REQUEST
SECTION 37 OF ACT 199 OF 2022**

C.1.a FY24

Agency: ADE - OEC Business Area Code: 0500
 Program Title: Child Care Development Block Grant
 Granting Organization: Admin for Children and Families CFDA #: 93.575
 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):
 Arkansas Department of Education Office of Early Childhood is requesting appropriation to return ARPA Child Care Stabilization Funds. Funding was transferred to ADE from DHS during the transition of the Office of Early Childhood.

American Rescue Plan Act Program Funding

Func. Area: EDUC Fund Code: FRP5009 Direct Funding: X
 Funds Center: BW7 Internal Order/WBS Element: _____ State: _____
 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: Refunds/Reimbursements	3,000,000
Other:	
Total	\$ 3,000,000

Anticipated Duration of Federal Funds: 9/30/23

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DFA IGS State Technology Planning Date

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Positions to be established: (list each position separately)

* unclassified positions only

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Approved by:



 Cabinet Secretary/Agency Director Date

Robert Brech 06/06/24

 Office of Budget Date

 Office of Personnel Mgmt Date

CH 5/13/24



Recipient Information

- 1. Recipient Name**
Arkansas
700 Main Street
PO Box 1437 S-140

LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS 72203
- 2. Congressional District of Recipient**
*See Remarks
- 3. Payment Account Number and Type**
*See Remarks
- 4. Employer Identification Number (EIN)**
1716007389A2
- 5. Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS)**
024720901
- 6. Recipient's Unique Entity Identifier**
*See Remarks
- 7. Project Director or Principal Investigator**
Grant Administrator
- 8. Authorized Official**
*See Remarks

Federal Agency Information

- 9. Awarding Agency Contact Information**
Christopher Felton
Grants Management Officer
christopher.felton@acf.hhs.gov
617-565-2443
- 10. Program Official Contact Information**
Ellen Wheatley
Office of Child Care
ellen.wheatley@acf.hhs.gov
202-401-4558

Federal Award Information

- 11. Award Number**
2101ARCSC6
- 12. Unique Federal Award Identification Number (FAIN)**
2101ARCSC6
- 13. Statutory Authority**
American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) 2021 [P.L. 117-002]
- 14. Federal Award Project Title**
*See Remarks
- 15. Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) Number**
93.575
- 16. CFDA Program Title**
Child Care and Development Block Grant
- 17. Award Action Type**
New
- 18. Is the Award R&D?**
*See Remarks

Summary Federal Award

- 19. Budget Period Start Date** 10-01-2020
- 20. Total Amount of Federal Funds Obligated by this Action**
20a. Direct Cost Amount
20b. Indirect Cost Amount Administrative Offset
- 21. Authorized Carryover
- 22. Offset
- 23. Total Amount of Federal Funds Obligated this budget period
- 24. Total Approved Cost Sharing or Matching, where applicable**
- 25. Total Federal and Non-Federal Approved**
- 26. Project Period Start Date** 10-01-2020 -
- 27. Total Amount of the Federal Award including Approved Cost Sharing or Matching

Financial Information

- End Date** 09-30-2023
- \$286,085,126.00**
- *See Remarks
- *See Remarks
- *See Remarks
- *See Remarks
- \$286,085,126.00**
- *See Remarks
- *See Remarks
- End Date** 09-30-2023
- *See Remarks

- 28. Authorized Treatment of Program Income**
*See Remarks
- 29. Grants Management Officer – Signature**

Footnotes

Christopher Felton
Grants Management Officer

This award is for ARP Child Care Stabilization Funds.



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Arkansas
700 Main Street
PO Box 1437 S-140
LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS 72203
Employer Identification Number (EIN): XXXXXXXXXXXXX
Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS): 024720901
Recipient's Unique Entity Identifier: *See Remarks
Object Class: 41.15

Financial Information

<u>Appropriation</u>	<u>CAN</u>	<u>Allotment</u>	<u>Award this action</u>	<u>Cumulative Grant Award to Date</u>	<u>Document Number</u>	<u>Funding Type</u>
75-21-1515	2021,G990238		\$286,085,126.00	\$286,085,126.00	2101ARCSC6	Discretionary

Terms and Conditions



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Administration for Children and Families
Office of Child Care (OCC)

CHILD CARE STABILIZATION FUNDS
AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN (ARP) ACT
Child Care and Development Fund Grants
Assistance Listing No. [93.575]

APPLICABLE LEGISLATION, STATUTE, REGULATIONS

1. The administration of this program is subject to:
 - Statutory requirements of the American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act of 2021 [P.L. 117-2] (<https://www.congress.gov/117/bills/hr1319/BILLS-117hr1319enr.pdf>).
 - Child Care and Development Block Grant (CCDBG) Act and related regulations
 - a. The CCDBG Act is codified at 42 U.S.C. §9857 et seq.,
 - b. Implementing program regulations are located at 45 CFR Part 98 and 99 (<https://ecfr.federalregister.gov/current/title-45/subtitle-A/subchapter-A/part-98> and <https://ecfr.federalregister.gov/current/title-45/subtitle-A/subchapter-A/part-99>).
 - Provisions of the current approved CCDF State, Territory, or Tribal plan, as applicable, including all approved amendments or revisions.
2. As noted in the Information Memorandum on Child Care Stabilization funds available under the ARP Act (available on the OCC website at www.acf.hhs.gov/occ) these funds are subject to all CCDF Discretionary requirements, except as noted. Lead Agencies may use Child Care Stabilization to award subgrants to qualified child care providers based on the amount of the provider's stated current operating expenses. A qualified child care provider may use the funds for at least one of the following activities:
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 - Personal protective equipment, cleaning and sanitization supplies and services, or training and professional development related to health and safety practices.
 - Purchases of or updates to equipment and supplies to respond to the COVID-19 public health emergency.
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 - Mental health supports for children and employees.
3. The Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for HHS Awards is located under 45 CFR Part 75. In accordance with 45 CFR §75.101(d), only limited portions of Federal regulations at 45 CFR Part 75 are applicable to the CCDF programs.
 - Subpart A, "Acronyms and Definitions," remains applicable.
 - Subpart B, "General Provisions," remains applicable.
 - Subpart C, "Pre-Award Requirements," Not Applicable except §75.202 remains applicable to the Federal awarding agency.
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 - Subpart F, "Audit Requirements," remains applicable (replaces the provisions of OMB Circular A-133).
4. In accordance with 45 CFR 87.2(b), the provisions of Federal regulations at 45 CFR Part 87 are not applicable to the CCDF programs in their entirety.
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6. Funds shall be used to supplement and not supplant other Federal, State, and local public funds expended to provide child care services for eligible individuals.
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FINANCIAL REPORTING AND REQUIREMENTS

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Remarks

* This field is intended to be included in the standardized Notice of Award and will be displayed in subsequent quarters.



ADMINISTRATION FOR
CHILDREN & FAMILIES

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**AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT OF 2021 PROGRAM APPROPRIATION
AND PERSONNEL AUTHORIZATION REQUEST C.1.b. FY24 - State
SECTION 36 OF ACT 796 OF 2023**

Agency: Arkansas Department of Parks, Heritage, and Tourism Business Area Code: 0900

Program Title: State Park Improvements

Granting Organization: American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 CFDA #: _____

Effective Date of Authorization: Beginning: 6/01/2024 Ending: 6/30/2024

Purpose of Grant / Reason for addition or change (include attachments as necessary to provide thorough information):
State Parks Improvements at Delta Heritage Trail, Queen Wilhemina, Pinnacle Mountain, and Petit Jean

ADPHT - State Park Projects		
Project	July 2023 Approved Budget	June 2024 Proposed Budget Revision
Delta Heritage Trail - 3 miles of Trail - Arkansas County - Construction	\$ 3,000,000.00	\$ 300,000.00
Delta Heritage Trail - 1.1 miles of Trail - Desha County - Construction	\$ -	\$ 6,200,000.00
Queen Wilhelmina - Trails at Mena - Construction	\$ 3,000,000.00	\$ -
Queen Wilhelmina - Trails at Mena - Design	\$ -	\$ 700,000.00
Pinnacle Mountain - Pedestrian and Cycling Improvements - Construction	\$ 2,000,000.00	\$ 1,802,000.00
Petit Jean, Mt. Magazine - Park-wide recreational improvements - Construction	\$ 1,850,000.00	\$ 800,000.00
Petit Jean, Mt. Magazine - Park-wide Design and Master planning	\$ 150,000.00	\$ -
	\$ 10,000,000.00	\$ 9,802,000.00

American Rescue Plan Act Program Funding

Func. Area: REC Fund Code: FRP9003 Direct Funding: _____
Funds Center: BJ9 Internal Order/WBS Element: _____ State: X
Continuation: _____

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Professional Fees	0
Capital Outlay	
Data Processing	
Grants and Aid (CI: 04)	
Other: Construction (CI:05)	0
Other:	
Total	\$ 0

Anticipated Duration of Federal Funds: 12/30/2026

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Approved by:  6.4.24
Cabinet Secretary/Agency Director Date

Robert Brech 06/06/24
Office of Budget Date
JEVIII 06/05/2024

Office of Personnel Mgmt Date **10**



Sarah Huckabee Sanders
Governor
Shea Lewis
Secretary

June 4, 2024

The Honorable Jonathan Dismang, Co-Chair
The Honorable Frances Cavanaugh, Co-Chair
Performance Evaluation & Expenditure Review Committee
Arkansas Legislative Council
One Capitol Mall
Little Rock, AR 72201

Dear Co-Chairs:

The Department of Parks, Heritage, and Tourism (Department), State Parks Division (State Parks), is seeking to reallocate American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding within our current total appropriation of \$10 million, previously approved the Arkansas Legislative Council (ALC) in July of 2023. Delays involved with federal review processes associated with construction funding for Delta Heritage Trail State Park and for federal use authorization of the Trails at Mena collaborative development with the City of Mena, Ouachita National Forest, and Queen Wilhelmina State Park have resulted in our request to rebalance project funding and specific elements within our previously approved total award. Note that State Parks is not seeking any additional funds beyond those previously approved by ALC.

In July 2023, ALC approved funding for construction of three (3) miles of trail in Arkansas County. Due to the above-mentioned delay, State Parks is requesting to add funding for 1.1 miles of trail development in Desha County, in conjunction with previously stated development efforts in Arkansas County. This reallocation would also rebalance ARPA funding within the \$10 million allocation for State Park improvements to include a total of \$6.5 million for the overall Delta Heritage Trail project effort. Secondly, last July, ALC also approved funding for construction of trail and recreation related infrastructure and facility development in conjunction with the Trails at Mena Master Plan. Similarly, the above-mentioned delay has not allowed construction efforts to commence, thus we are requesting a rebalancing of funding to support the design of planned improvements.

Peer Request ARPA June 2024

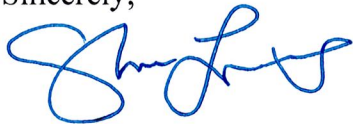
June 4, 2024

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Overall, the goal of State Parks and our Department is to see the timely completion of these priority projects, which are aligned with the recommendations of the Natural State Initiative, to showcase Arkansas as a premier outdoor destination. With these requested reallocations, we can ensure funds are obligated by the Dec. 31, 2024, U.S. Treasury deadline to fund these State Park improvements in Arkansas.

The attached form provides additional financial details regarding our authorization request and does not include a request for funds obligated in FY2024 for Pinnacle Mountain State Park improvements (\$198,000). We respectfully ask for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Shea Lewis

Secretary

Director of Arkansas State Parks

SL:jk

cc: Suzanne Grobmyer, Chief of Staff
Jami Fisher, Chief Fiscal Officer
Marty Ryall, Director, Legislative Affairs and Division of Heritage
Jeff King, Deputy Director, State Parks Division