



**Tacoma Pierce County Coalition to End Homelessness
American Rescue Plan Act Priorities
Adopted April 9, 2021**

Goal: Invest in long term housing and organizational assets and meet immediate needs.
Priority: Households below 30% AMI; organizations with operating budgets below \$1M/year.
Note: All expenses must be COVID-19 related and meet federal ARPA requirements.

Housing

1. Acquisition of 1000 existing units of housing @\$100K/unit - \$100M
2. 250 hotel rooms for five months - FEMA Public Assistance - B - \$0* (Not ARPA)
3. Forward rent for 500 homeless households @\$10K/household - \$5M
4. Set up 20 self-managed encampments \$1M
5. 100 Safe Parking sites - \$1M
6. Develop 500 rooms in a shared housing model that are certified at code and follow all tenant protections. \$1M
7. Prioritize new Housing Choice Vouchers for households below 30% AMI
8. Inspect, upgrade, replace HVAC systems in all congregate shelters - \$2M
9. Move in expenses for each new voucher - TBD
10. Money to pay off judgements in eviction cases - TBD
11. Ensure relocation of low-income tenants in any acquisition is covered - TBD

Health

1. Scheduled weekly testing and vaccinations at each congregate shelter and encampment of 20 or more people.
2. Training and support for 50 Street Medics for encampments - \$500K
3. Materials for on-going outreach testing and vaccination campaigns - \$24K
4. Increase mobile and Telehealth services especially for women's health clinics and federally qualified health care centers - TBD
5. Fund complete hygiene services, bathrooms, hand washing showers, showers, garbage, hazardous waste, access to laundry for all encampments - TBD

Services

1. Vehicle repair, licensing, insurance for 100 homeless households - \$500K
2. Transportation: bus vouchers, gas cards - TBD
3. Technology: access to broadband, cell phones, tablets - TBD
4. Increase funding for Human Trafficking Prevention - TBD
5. Provide secure storage to all sheltered and unsheltered people - TBD

Staff Support

1. Housing benefit for 100 staff below 50% AMI - \$1M @\$10K/household
2. Hazard pay for 200 full time shelter and outreach staff below \$20/hour - \$1.6M
3. Individual financial counseling especially re the "benefit cliff." - TBD

Organizational Sustainability for 501c3 Nonprofits

1. Financial management support for contracting with local jurisdictions to handle federal funds. Priority to organizations with pre-COVID operating budgets of \$1M or less. 100 nonprofit organizations @\$10K@ - \$1M
2. Cover interest on cash flow loans for reimbursable government contracts - \$1.5M
3. Ensure adequate back office support for small nonprofits - TBD
4. Bridge loans providing cash for execution of reimbursable government contracts - TBD