Presentation to Nonprofit Montgomery
by County Council President Tom Hucker
President Biden signed into law the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) on March 11, 2021.

ARPA is a $1.9 trillion economic recovery package to support the country’s recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic.
American Rescue Plan: What’s in it for Montgomery County?

- The County Government will receive $204.1 million in two equal tranches
  - One tranche received in June 2021
  - Second tranche expected May or June 2022
American Rescue Plan

ARPA funds can be spent on the following:

1. To respond to the public health emergency or its negative economic impacts
2. To respond to workers performing essential work during the COVID-19 public health emergency
3. For the provision of government services to the extent of the reduction in revenue due to the COVID-19 public health emergency
4. To make investments in water, sewer, or broadband infrastructure
● As part of the FY22 budget process, the Council supported and approved the Executive’s recommendation to use $127.69 million in ARPA funding in FY21 and FY22.
Pandemic Relief Efforts

Allocated $260 million to help residents impacted by COVID

- $80 million in support to restaurants and small businesses

- Emergency food assistance, grants for nonprofits, child care providers, and more.

COVID-19: Resources for Businesses

Local, State and Federal Business Assistance Programs

Montgomery County encourages local businesses to explore all forms of Federal and State assistance that may be available.

Resources to assist in this search include:
- Overview of COVID-19 Business Assistance Programs (active and closed)
- Maryland Relief Wizard
- Montgomery County Economic Development Corporation
Working Families Income Supplement

- The Working Families Income Supplement provides financial assistance to low-income working families in Montgomery County.

- The County, through the NDA, reimburses the State for the cost of the refund and related administrative expenses.
FY2022 Recovery Budget

- FY22 Operating Budget prioritizes reopening and recovery
- Allocated funding to support businesses, nonprofits, local economy

Montgomery County's Fiscal Year 2022 Reopening, Recovery, and Revitalization Budget

- **$2.78 Billion** - $40.4 Million above the state’s Maintenance of Effort level
- **$21.3 Million** - Blueprint for Maryland’s Future
- **$312.6 Million** - No increase in tuition rates or fees for students
- **$363 Million** - Department of Health and Human Services
  - $3.6 Million to open a wellness center at the newly constructed Seneca Valley High School
- **$46.47 Million** - Recreation Department
  - $290,000 for additional Summer Fun Centers and enhanced summer camp programs
- **$152.9 Million** - M-NCPPC
  - 5.9% increase
  - Added funding for maintenance and infrastructure upgrades to meet greenhouse gas emissions target
- **$232.7 Million** - Fire & Rescue Service
  - 3.4% increase
- **$283 Million** - Department of Police
  - Cut 27 sworn positions, including 5 K9 positions
- **$4.317 Billion** - Capital Improvements Program
  - County's effective property tax rate flat with $692 property tax credit for homeowners
- **$92.1 Million for OPEB**

**EDUCATION**
- Montgomery County Public School System
- $2.78 Billion
- $40.4 Million above the state’s Maintenance of Effort level

**COMMUNITY**
- **$1 Million** - Office of Social Equity and Social Justice
- **$9.6 Million in nonprofit community grantsawards**
- Restored multi-year funding for the Public Arts Trust
- **$42.7 Million** - Department of Public Libraries
- Funding restored for the 21st Century Library Enhancements Level of Effort

**CHILDREN, YOUTH, & FAMILIES**
- **$11 Million** - Montgomery County Early Care and Education Initiative
- **$45 Million** - Working Families Income Supplement

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & HOUSING**
- **$89 Million** - Housing Initiative Fund
- **$3 Million in funding that provides assistance with home ownership**

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**RECREATION & PARKS**
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**TRANSPORTATION & ENVIRONMENT**
- **$228.6 Million** - Department of Transportation
- Extended Ride On Fare Holiday to September 2021
- Extended Senior Ride-Fe Free Program (starts in July)
- Doubled funding for Safe Routes to School Program
- **$134.1 Million** - Department of Environment Recycling and Resource Management
- $20.5 Million for the Water Quality Protection Fund (WQPF)

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