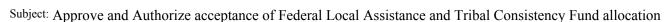
To: Board of Supervisors

From: Monica Nino, County Administrator

Date: October 11, 2022





Contra Costa County

## **RECOMMENDATION(S):**

APPROVE and AUTHORIZE the County Administrator, or designee, to apply for and accept American Rescue Plan Act, Local Assistance and Tribal Consistency Fund allocation in an amount not to exceed \$100,000 for the provision of local government services at the direction of the Board of Supervisors.

#### **FISCAL IMPACT:**

\$100,000; 100% Federal American Rescue Plan Act, Local Assistance and Tribal Consistency Fund allocation. Funds are distributed by the U.S. Treasury to the County in two, equal allocations of \$50,000. The first allocation will be made immediately upon acceptance of the grant award by the County with the second allocation to be made after the start of calendar year 2023.

# **BACKGROUND:**

According to official guidance released by the U.S. Treasury (Treasury), the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) appropriated \$2 billion to Treasury across fiscal years 2022 and 2023 to provide payments to eligible revenue sharing counties and eligible Tribal governments for use on any governmental purpose except for a lobbying activity. Eligible

| <b>✓</b> APPROVE  | OTHER  |
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| ▼ RECOMMENDATION OF CADMINISTRATOR  | RECOMMENDATION OF BOARD COMMITTEE  |
| Action of Board On: 10/11/2022  | ✓ APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED ☐ OTHER  |
| Clerks Notes:   |  |
| VOTE OF SUPERVISORS   |  |
| AYE: John Gioia, District I Supervisor Candace Andersen, District II Supervisor Diane Burgis, District III Supervisor Karen Mitchoff, District IV Supervisor Federal D. Glover, District V Supervisor | I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of an action taken and entered on the minutes of the Board of Supervisors on the date shown.  ATTESTED: October 11, 2022  Monica Nino, County Administrator and Clerk of the Board of Supervisors  By: Laura Cassell, Deputy |
| Contact: Timothy Ewell, (925)   | by. Laura Cassell, Deputy  |

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recipients must submit a request for funding to receive their payments, and further instructions can be found on the Treasury website. There is no pre-approval process for projects funded by the program. Recipients must submit periodic reports to Treasury on their expenditures.

The purpose of the

## BACKGROUND: (CONT'D)

Local Assistance and Tribal Consistency Fund (LATCF) program is to serve as a general revenue enhancement program. Many eligible revenue sharing counties and eligible Tribal governments have historically experienced fluctuations in their revenues, and this program is designed, in part, to supplement existing federal programs that augment and stabilize revenues for these communities. In providing support to these communities, allocations under this program consider the economic conditions of recipients.

Under this program, recipients have broad discretion on uses of funds, similar to the ways in which they may use funds generated from their own local revenue sources. Specifically, recipients may use these funds on any governmental purpose other than a lobbying activity. Recipients may maintain or expand public services – such as health, educational, housing, and public safety services – to their communities with these funds. Recipients may also invest in infrastructure – from roads and bridges to water infrastructure – to facilitate economic development, improve health outcomes, or transition their communities to clean energy. Recipients may also invest in restoring and bolstering government capacity, such as increasing the size of their government workforce or investing in improvements in service delivery, like technology infrastructure and data analysis resources, that will improve delivery of services to their communities for years to come.

Based on methodology developed by Treasury, Contra Costa County is eligible for a non-competitive allocation of \$100,000 over a two year period for broad use on local government projects (with the exception of lobbying as stated above). The County Administrator's Office plans to seek direction from the Board on how best to allocate these funds at the scheduled November 8, 2022 ARPA quarterly update.

## CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

The County will not be able to accept its allocation of Local Assistance and Tribal Consistency Fund allocation.