



Summary of Missouri House-Passed American Rescue Plan Spending Bill

As approved by the Missouri House of Representatives, April 7, 2022

The Missouri House approved its version of the state budget bills this week, including a plan for spending the \$2.68 billion in state aid provided through the federal American Rescue Plan (ARPA). Missouri policymakers must obligate these funds by the end of 2024 and spent them by the end of 2026.

The federal government's response to COVID – including financial support for state services and direct assistance to individuals, families, businesses, and nonprofits – has bolstered Missouri's economy and state budget through what otherwise would have been an economic crisis.¹ As a result, our state does not need to use ARPA funding to fill state budget holes in order to simply maintain basic services.

Rather, ARPA resources provide a critical opportunity for Missouri to make transformative investments that can address the health and economic consequences of the pandemic AND build toward a better and more equitable future for all Missourians.²

The House-approved spending plan takes steps toward that end, making key investments to improve health and economic outcomes for all Missourians, including:

- Expansion of broadband and improved IT infrastructure, which will increase access to education, work, telehealth, and state safety net services when needed.
- Workforce development, training initiatives, and improvements in higher education infrastructure to enhance learning.
- Funding for the Department of Health and Senior Services to construct a state-of-the-art laboratory to support public health, agriculture and animal health, and environmental quality.
- Grants for local community development projects, which could allow communities to develop much-needed affordable workforce housing.
- Grants to support capital improvements at Missouri's community health and behavioral health clinics.
- Grants to nonprofits, small businesses, child welfare organizations, arts organizations and more.

While there is a lot of potential in the bill, there is room for improvement:

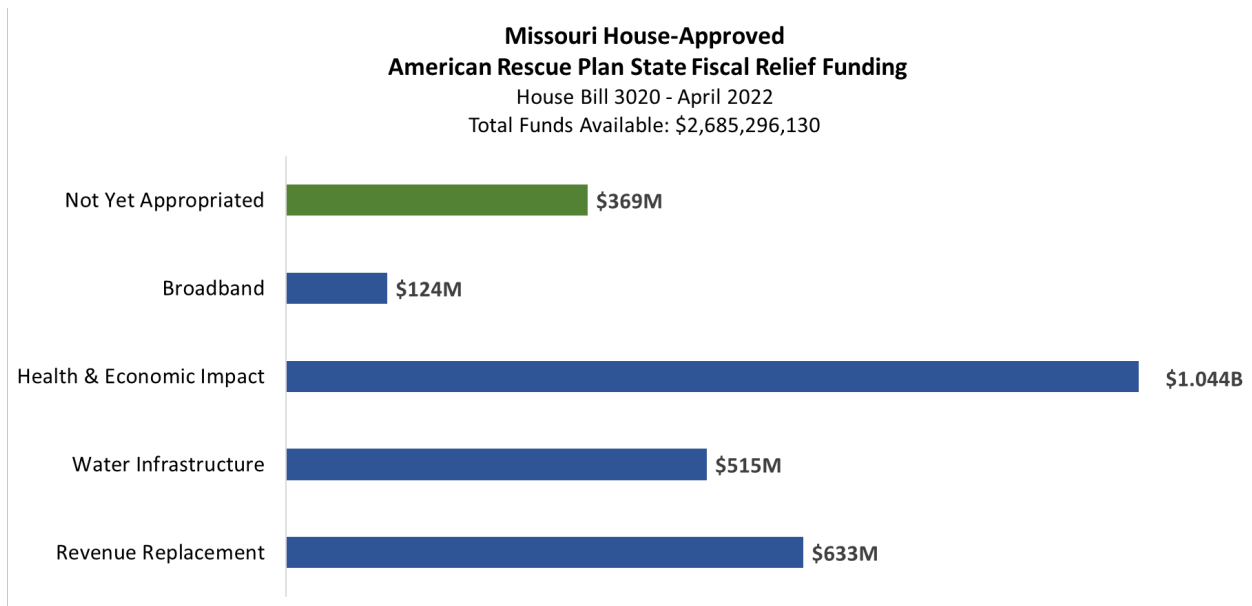
- For example, the bill does not include direct cash support for Missourians who have been most impacted by COVID, such as those who were living paycheck-to-paycheck prior to the pandemic and are still struggling to get back on their feet.
- Further, the House version of the spending plan does not use all the fiscal relief funding allocated to Missouri, leaving funds available for other proposals as the bill moves over to the State Senate.

Although states have considerable flexibility in determining how to spend ARPA funds, they must be used for a few general purposes, including responding to the pandemic or its economic effects, providing services, and improving infrastructure.

When the Missouri House of Representatives laid out its ARPA spending plan in [House Bill 3020](#), legislators allocated funds in four designated spending categories:

- Addressing the Health and Economic Consequences of COVID,
- Developing Broadband,
- Improvements in Water Infrastructure, and
- Revenue replacement (general purpose state budget needs).

This summary includes the section number for each appropriation (indicated as 20.XXX) and separates them according to these spending categories.



¹ See “Federal COVID Relief is Driving the State’s Economy and Budget ‘Surplus,’” available at: <https://www.mobudget.org/federal-covid-state-surplus/>

² See “Targeted Investments of American Rescue Plan Funding Can Build a Stronger Missouri for Generations to Come,” available at <https://www.mobudget.org/targeted-investments-of-american-rescue-plan-funding-can-build-a-stronger-missouri-for-generations-to-come-2/>

Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery - Health and Economic Impact Fund

Bill Section	Description	Amount	Notes
20.005	MOEXCELS Workforce Development Initiatives	\$10,000,000	
20.010	Technology Upgrades at Job Centers	\$250,000	
20.013	Department of Transportation Grants to Port Authorities	\$50,000,000	
20.025	State Building HVAC Projects	\$5,000,000	
20.026	Children's Trust Fund Home Visiting	\$500,000	
20.030	Technology Upgrades Department of Commerce and Insurance	\$21,000,000	
20.055	Broadband Cell Towers	\$20,000,000	
20.065	Community Development Grants to Localities	\$50,000,000	Allowable uses include developing affordable workforce housing; 1:1 match required
20.070	Grants to Cities & Counties for Industrial Site Development	\$50,000,000	1:1 match required
20.075	Grants to Small Businesses	\$10,000,000	First Round Priority given to Minority and Women-Owned Businesses
20.085	Grants to Nonprofits	\$7,500,000	
20.090	Workforce Development	\$5,000,000	Training, etc.
20.095	Tourism Marketing	\$5,000,000	
20.100	Local Tourism Grants	\$10,000,000	1:1 match required
20.105	Grants to Arts, Museums, Entertainment Venues	\$5,000,000	
20.106	Grants through the Humanities Council	\$1,000,000	Preference given to programs and venues negatively impacted by Pandemic
20.115	GIS System to Support Next Generation 911 Services	\$38,000,000	

20.120	Addition to Missouri Statewide Interoperability Network (MOSWIN) to extend coverage	\$4,000,000	Department of Public Safety portable radio communication coverage Jefferson City, Cole and Callaway Counties
20.125	State Emergency Management Agency	\$100,000,000	COVID Response including PPE, Monoclonal Antibody Sites, Hospital Staffing, etc.
20.135	Building State Crime Lab	\$104,662,200	Improvements needed to enhance forensic examinations, provide for DNA processing and sexual assault kits, new protocols/equipment to avoid exposure to dangerous contaminants such as fentanyl.
20.140	Technology Grants to Local Law Enforcement Training Centers	\$10,500,000	
20.145	Crime Labs Sexual Assault Kit Testing	\$1,125,000	
20.150	Grants to Local First Responder Entities	\$5,187,034	Capped at \$20,000 per entity and requires 5% match
20.165	Renovation of Department of Mental Health Operated Cottages and Group Homes	\$6,987,195	
20.170	Renovation of Department of Mental Health - Fulton State Hospital	\$15,999,999	
20.175	Timekeeping System for Department of Mental Health	\$600,000	
20.180	Department of Mental Health Technology Upgrades to Support New 988 Crisis Hotline	\$1,081,500	
20.185	Grants to Community Health & Mental Health Clinics for Capital Improvements	\$149,513,118	Requires 1:1 match
20.195	Nursing Home and Assisted Living Initiatives	\$10,000,000	Can reimburse assisted living facilities for COVID related costs including payroll increases and bonuses
20.196	Aid to Local Public Health Agencies	\$2,300,000	
20.205	Aid to Medicaid Providers in Rural Counties to Increase Access to Telehealth	\$8,500,000	

20.210	Construction & Operation of a new Day Treatment Facility for At-Risk Youth	\$5,953,333	
20.311	Department of Agriculture Grants for Innovative Projects		Promote Agriculture in Urban/Suburban Communities
20.326	Filtration and Remediation of Lead in Water in Schools	\$27,000,000	Buildings that house early childhood, elementary and secondary education programs
20.705	East Central College Capital Improvements	\$6,500,000	Requires 1:1 Match
20.710	Jefferson College Capital Improvements	\$1,821,265	Requires 1:1 match
20.715	Metropolitan Community College Capital Improvements	\$10,000,000	Requires 1:1 match
20.720	Mineral Area College Capital Improvements	\$5,000,000	Requires 1:1 match
20.735	Ozarks Technical Community College Capital Improvements	\$5,000,000	Requires 1:1 match
20.740	St. Charles Community College Capital Improvements	\$18,000,000	Requires 1:1 match
20.745	St. Louis Community College Capital Improvements	\$20,000,000	Requires 1:1 match
20.750	State Fair Community College Capital Improvements	\$5,000,000	Requires 1:1 match
20.760	State Technical College of Missouri Capital Improvements	\$20,000,000	Requires 1:1 match
20.765	University of Central Missouri Capital Improvements	\$19,900,000	Requires 1:1 match
20.775	Missouri State University Capital Improvements	\$30,000,000	Requires 1:1 match
20.780	Lincoln University Capital Improvements	\$20,000,000	Requires 1:1 match
20.795	Missouri Southern State University Capital Improvements	\$15,000,000	Requires 1:1 match

20.800	Missouri Western State University and North Central Missouri College Capital Improvements; specifically, the collaborative Convergent Technology Alliance Center	\$4,747,458	Requires 1:1 match
20.805	Harris-Stowe State University Capital Improvements	\$15,500,000	Requires 1:1 match
20.815	University of Missouri - Columbia Capital Improvements	\$104,500,000	Requires 1:1 match
20.900	Office of Administration staffing and equipment to administer funded programs	\$1,287,568	

Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery – Broadband

Bill Section	Description	Amount	Notes
20.320	State Parks Broadband and Public WIFI	\$9,566,600	
20.370	Broadband Expansion	\$53,262,456	
20.371	Broadband Provider Reimbursement for Costs to remove and replace utility poles as necessary to expand broadband coverage in the state	\$25,000,000	
20.375	Department of Economic Development Staffing of Broadband Oversight Office	\$8,484,488	Will oversee Broadband Development and Funding
20.380	Broadband Subsidy Program	\$20,000,000	Subsidies for families with incomes up to 300% of the federal poverty level to access broadband. Preference given to families with school-age children
20.400	Department of Corrections Broadband	\$6,221,625	Currently the demand for video visitation, virtual/distance academic and vocational education services, virtual/distance substance-use treatment, telemedicine, video court proceedings, and video legal visitation continue to exceed the department's broadband infrastructure.
20.900	Department of Economic Development staffing and equipment to administer funded programs	\$1,213,069	

Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery - Water Infrastructure

Bill Section	Description	Amount	Notes
20.310	Stormwater Project at Missouri State Fairgrounds	\$33,624,500	
20.325	Water Infrastructure Grants and Lead Service Line Inventories	\$410,686,234	Requires 1:1 Match
20.330	Water and Wastewater Improvements at Parks and Historic Sites	\$41,356,291	
20.335	Missouri Hydrology Information Center	\$9,926,210	
20.390	Water Infrastructure & Utility Connections National Guard and Veterans Homes	\$5,312,270	Sites include St. James Veterans Home, Camp Clark, Kansas City Airport (MCI)
20.405	Renovate Water Infrastructure at Corrections Institutions	\$14,105,101	

Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery - Revenue Replacement

Bill Section	Description	Amount	Notes
20.500	Grants to Vocational Education Programs	\$20,000,000	Through DESE, Requires 1:1 Match
20.505	Grants to Higher Education Institutions for Agriculture Innovation and Workforce Programs	\$10,000,000	
20.510	State IT Systems Transformation	\$117,689,000	
20.520	Department of Agriculture Grain Regulatory Licensing System Replacement	\$337,290	
20.525	Department of Social Services - Updating the Automated Child Support System	\$25,750,000	
20.540	Department of Agriculture - Emergency Response to Migratory Bird Disease	\$2,500,000	
20.550	Rock Island Trail Development	\$69,296,711	
20.560	Broadband In and Around the State Capitol Complex	\$12,326,602	
20.570	Increased Capacity of Public Safety MOSWIN	\$3,100,000	MOSWIN (Missouri Statewide Interoperability Network)
20.571	Construction of Law Enforcement Academy	\$88,000,000	
20.572	Funding for use of force training for all law enforcement officers	\$1,000,000	Training will be provided through a POST-certified non-profit
20.580	Department of Corrections Video Security System	\$11,683,519	
20.585	Department of Corrections Radio System	\$4,652,237	

20.610	Department of Health - Multi-Agency Health Laboratory Campus and Equipment	\$72,335,920	
20.625	Department of Social Services - Case Management System	\$7,000,000	For the Division of Youth Services
20.630	Grants to Organizations Serving Victims of Crime	\$24,000,000	Department of Social Services to replace Victims of Crime Grant Funding reductions
20.650	Upgrades for the Missouri Supreme Court Case.net system	\$4,000,000	
20.700	Crowder College Capital Improvements	\$3,978,000	Requires 1:1 Match
20.725	Moberly Area Community College Capital Improvements	\$1,489,148	Requires 1:1 match
20.730	North Central Missouri College Capital Improvements	\$1,166,667	Requires 1:1 Match
20.755	Three Rivers College Capital Improvements	\$1,000,000	Requires 1:1 Match
20.770	Southeast Missouri State University Capital Improvements	\$11,000,000	Requires 1:1 Match
20.785	Truman State University Capital Improvements	\$10,517,500	Requires 1:1 Match
20.790	Northwest Missouri State University Capital Improvements	\$8,500,000	Requires 1:1 Match
20.820	Missouri University of Science and Technology Capital Improvements	\$41,250,000	Requires 1:1 Match
20.825	University of Missouri - Kansas City Capital Improvements	\$40,000,000	Requires 1:1 Match
20.830	University of Missouri - St. Louis Capital Improvements	\$40,000,000	Requires 1:1 Match
20.900	Department of Natural Resources staffing & equipment to administer funded programs	\$770,974	