

Illinois NEU Allocations from ARPA: Planning for Eligible Uses of SLFRF



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IL ARPA: SLFRF Timeline Overview

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ARPA

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Plan

Implement & Report

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Now - 2024 /2026

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Register: Reminder, Deadline is September 30th!

The following outlines the process for an IL NEU to <u>receive</u> an ARPA allocation:



Review & Prepare

• Review US Treasury Guidance, collect required information



Register

• Submit required information via NEU Portal by September 30th



Certify

• Certify and acknowledge all assurances and terms and conditions



Payment

• After portal registration completion, receive funds within 30 days



Planning Process

Steps to Consider:

- Identify <u>any remaining CRF funds</u> to be spent before December 31, 2021
- Review your community's needs, such as unfunded budget requests
- Initial review, identify if the funding priorities may align to the core eligibility categories
- Establish funding priorities for eligible uses of funds
- Begin to track priorities (e.g., projects), establish cost estimates
- Review reporting requirements, including programmatic data
- Determine what resources are necessary
 - Engineering assessments
 - Administrative needs to track and report
- Engage with other key stakeholders, such as public works engineers, community groups, etc.



Planning Process: Recap of SLFRF Eligible Uses



To respond to the public health emergency or its negative economic impacts, including assistance to households, small businesses, and nonprofits, or aid to impacted industries such as tourism, travel and hospitality



To respond to workers performing essential work during the COVID-19 public health emergency by providing premium pay to eligible workers



For the provision of government services to the extent of the reduction in revenue due to the COVID-19 public health emergency relative to revenues collected in the most recent full fiscal year prior to the emergency



To make necessary investments in water, sewer, or broadband infrastructure



Planning Process: SLFRF Expenditure Categories

Types of projects your jurisdiction needs funded to support the recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic and economic downturn within the following Expenditure Categories (EC)

- 1. Public Health (EC 1)
- 2. Negative Economic Impacts (EC 2)
- 3. Services to Disproportionately Impacted Communities (EC 3)
- 4. Premium Pay (EC 4)
- 5. Water, sewer, and broadband infrastructure (EC 5)
- 6. Revenue Replacement (EC 6)
- 7. Administrative (EC 7)



Planning Process: SLFRF Expenditure Sub-Categories

Each Expenditure Category has an associated list of sub-categories, such as:

- 1. Public Health (EC 1)
- 2. Negative Economic Impacts (EC 2)
- Services to Disproportionately Impact
- 4. Premium Pay (EC 4)

- COVID-19 Contact Tracing
- Public Safety & Health Payroll
- Mental Health Services

- 5. Water, sewer, and broadband infrastructure (EC 5)
- Clean Water: Stormwater
- Drinking Water: Storage
- Broadband: "Last Mile" projects



Planning Process: Project Tracking

Using a table or excel, map each project and list the amount of funds used to an eligible Expenditure Category (EC):

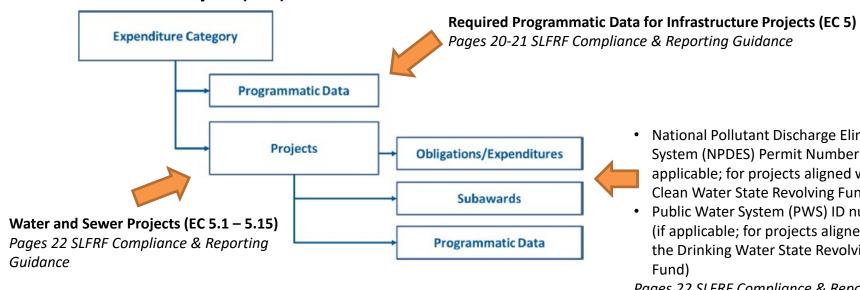
Category		Estimated Total Cost	Amount Expended
5	Infrastructure	\$500,000	
5.1	Clean Water: Centralized wastewater treatment	\$250,000	
5.2	Clean Water: Centralized wastewater collection and conveyance	\$250,000	
6	Revenue Replacement	\$ -	
6.1	Provision of Government Services		

^{*}For each project, you will need to track obligations and expenditures



Planning Process: Understanding Programmatic Data Reporting Requirements

Infrastructure Projects (EC 5)



National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit Number (if applicable; for projects aligned with the

Public Water System (PWS) ID number (if applicable; for projects aligned with the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund)

Clean Water State Revolving Fund)

Pages 22 SLFRF Compliance & Reporting Guidance



Planning Process: Project Tracking / Inventory

Below is an example of how to document project data, which incorporates project details as well as programmatic data and performance measure information

Example Project

Project Name

Funding Amount

Project Expenditure Category

Project Overview

Required Programmatic Data



Planning Process: Upcoming Reporting Requirement

Table 2: Reporting requirements by recipient type

Recipient	Interim Report	Project and Expenditure Report	Recovery Plan Performance Report
States, U.S. territories, metropolitan cities and counties with a population that exceeds 250,000 residents	By August 31, 2021, with expenditure summary by category	By October 31, 2021, and then 30 days after the end of each quarter	By August 31, 2021, and annually thereafter by July 31 10
Metropolitan cities and counties with a population below 250,000 residents which received more than \$5 million in SLFRF funding	3	thereafter9	Not required
Tribal Governments Metropolitan cities and counties with a population below 250,000 residents which received less than \$5 million in SLFRF funding		By October 31, 2021, and then annually thereafter ¹¹	
NEUs	Not required		

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Resources

Join Us! Virtual Office Hours:

Monday, September 20th @ 10am Central

Monday, September 27th @ 10am Central

https://crowe.zoom.us/j/96048614581?pwd=Mk8vU2pXRWtWYStiSGtpU3pEN09Gdz09&from=addon

IL DCEO Link to US Treasury Quick Guides

https://www2.illinois.gov/dceo/CURENEU/Pages/TreasuryResources.aspx

US Treasury Link to Coronavirus SLFRF NEU Info:

https://home.treasury.gov/policy-issues/coronavirus/assistance-for-state-local-and-tribal-governments/state-and-local-fiscal-recovery-fund/non-entitlement-units



Questions? Contact a member of the NEU Support Team:





For program information, please visit:

http://illinois.gov/dceo/neu

