

City of Flint

American Rescue Plan Act
Community Webinar

February 2, 2023

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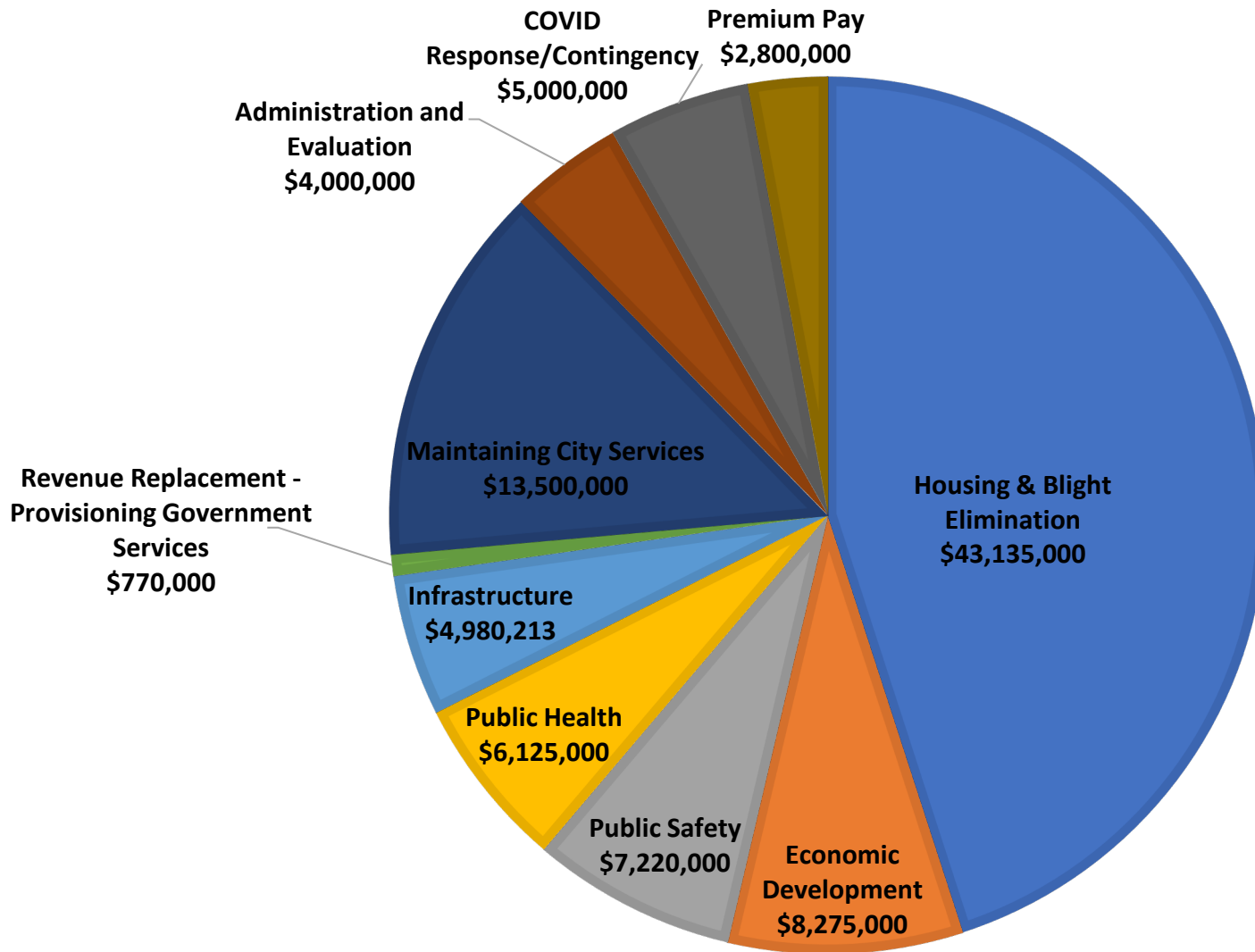
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Total ARPA Funding

TOTAL \$94.7 MILLION ARPA FUNDING CATEGORIES



ARPA Funding Obligated as of 12/2022

Project	Amount
Demolition of condemned properties with Genesee County Land Bank	\$ 16,000,000.00
Industrial site development - Buick City	\$ 3,250,000.00
City Clean Up - Blight Removal Equipment	\$ 58,394.23
Gap Financing for residential and mixed uses projects - Clark Commons	\$ 2,000,000.00
Residential Water Credit	\$ 8,600,000.00
Improvement to Parks and Community Centers - St Johns Memorial Park	\$ 250,000.00
Improvement to Parks and Community Centers - Bennan Senior Center and Hasselbring Senior Center	\$ 300,000.00
Improvement to Parks and Community Centers - Berston Field House	\$ 1,500,000.00
Police and Fire hiring bonuses	\$ 500,000.00
Speed humps	\$ 74,570.00
Food Access and Food Support - Food Banks	\$ 450,000.00
Miller Road Water Main	\$ 2,173,634.27
Dump Truck	\$ 150,000.00
Loader (Macqueen)	\$ 196,579.00
Witness Protection Program	\$ 50,000.00
Administration	\$ 1,150,650.00
Premium Pay	\$ 2,769,712.00
Public Health Office	\$ 121,249.25



Grant Opportunity Overview

Public Health

- Healthcare Equity, Access & Research
- Increase Food Access
- Mental Health Referrals and Services Support
- Youth Wellness (education, leadership, recreation)

Housing & Blight Elimination

- Neighborhood Clean Up
- Homeowner Education
- Home Repairs & Improvement Grants
- Gap Financing for Residential and Mixed-use Projects

Economic Development

- Youth Job Training
- Small Business Grant Program



Healthcare Equity, Access & Research

Funding Available: \$2,000,000

Maximum Award Amount: \$1,000,000

Who is eligible to apply:

Healthcare providers, non-profit organization and academic institutions that are located in and primarily serve the Flint population

Overview of Opportunity:

Improve healthcare access and equity and support research within organizations that serve people who have been infected with COVID-19, have been a caregiver of someone who was infected with COVID-19 or are experiencing post-COVID symptoms or syndrome.

This funding takes an equity approach by looking at populations that were disproportionately impacted by COVID-19, particularly low-income and BiPOC communities, and ensuring that organizations serving them have adequate support to meet their ever-changing needs. This is especially true with Long-COVID, as we are only just beginning to understand its impact on individuals, families, the workforce and society. This funding should both support the patients and caregivers, as well as the individuals and systems that contribute to a web of care. The outcomes of the funding should be, sharable, scalable, replicable and have value beyond this opportunity.

Examples Key Performance Indicators:

Increase in number of clients served
Increase in clients reporting improved physical and mental health
Replicability of intervention applied or studied



Increase Food Access

Funding Available: \$1,000,000

Maximum Award Amount: \$250,000

Who is eligible to apply:

Open to non-profits and established community-based organizations located in and serving the Flint community

Overview of Opportunity:

Address the lack of access to fresh, healthy food in currently underserved areas of the city by funding community organizations that experienced decreased funding, participation and other barriers due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Examples can include providing incentives, policy changes and development of grocery stores and additional farmers markets.

This funding is to improve access to healthy, affordable food for Flint residents, with a focus on communities who have faced historical and present-day racism and disinvestment. Increasing access should lead to environments where healthy choices are the easiest choices to make. Individual health outcomes include higher nutrient and lower processed food intake, including less saturated and trans-fat and fewer overall calories, lowering the risk of obesity and the development of chronic diseases. At the community level, life expectancies would increase and racial equity in health outcomes improve.

Examples Key Performance Indicators:

Increase in residents with proximity to healthy food

Increase in availability of healthy food

Increase in access to affordably healthy food



Mental Health Services & Support

Funding Available: \$1,000,000

Maximum Award Amount: \$250,000

Who is eligible to apply: Open to any entity that has provided mental health services to the Flint community for at least five (5) years and has mental health clinicians on staff.

Overview of Opportunity:

This funding allows organizations to look closely at their own services and identify where they can increase capacity, best meet the needs of a population diverse in race, ability, gender identity, sexual orientation, political affiliation, religion, income, nationality, veteran status, language and more. This funding will also improve equity by serving the unique needs of individuals with intersecting identities. If successful, the needs of the people who face the most barriers to services can enjoy the highest quality care and treatment. Ultimately, city- and county-level data would show improvements in self-reported well-being and organizations would report higher utilization, improved treatment outcomes and greater satisfaction with care.

Provide services and support to address mental health concerns exacerbated by the COVID-19 pandemic among city residents and workers through increased capacity, accessibility, acceptability, inclusion, and cultural competency.



Mental Health Services & Support (Continued)

Examples Key Performance Indicators:

Decrease in wait times to see a clinician.

Increase in diversity of clinical staff to better reflect the population served.

Improved staff retention rates.

Increase in acceptance of and follow-through with referrals.

Increase in patient satisfaction.

Increase in percentage of consumers from vulnerable and marginalized populations.



Youth Wellness (education, leadership, recreation)

Funding Available: \$500,000

Maximum Award Amount: \$100,000

Who is eligible to apply:

Open to any entity that has provided youth wellness services in the Flint community for at least five (5) years.

Overview of Opportunity:

Neighborhood and organization-level data and input from the target population should drive the programmatic approaches to youth development that the funding supports. Focusing on risk and protective factors aligns with decades of primary prevention research on reducing substance use, delinquency and multiple forms of violence. These can be measured at the individual level through validated assessment tools. At the community and city levels, other metrics, including novel approaches, can be used.

Apply evidence-based strategies to increase protective factors and reduce risk factors for health and wellness among youth who have experienced social isolation, loss of a caregiver, interruptions in education or other negative consequences of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Examples Key Performance Indicators:

For direct services, success is measured by a validated assessment tool specific to program goals.



Grants for Alternative Uses of Vacant Lots

Funding Available: \$500,000

Maximum Award Amount: \$25,000

Who is eligible to apply:

Eligible applicants are community organizations or nonprofits.

Overview of Opportunity:

Grants to community organizations and neighborhood associations for sustainable uses of vacant lots, such as urban agriculture, flower gardens, rain gardens, "parklets", tree planting, recreation (passive or active) and more. Program will operate citywide, but priority will be given to neighborhood groups who have gone through the neighborhood planning process and developed a plan identifying vacant lot reuse as an implementation project.

Examples Key Performance Indicators:

Number of vacant lots repurposed
Acres of urban farms and gardens
Property values in targeted neighborhoods



Neighborhood Clean Up

Funding Available: \$1,210,000

Maximum Award Amount: \$50,000

Who is eligible to apply: Eligible applicants will be organizations who have experience in neighborhood cleanup activities. Examples include neighborhood groups or nonprofits.

Overview of Opportunity:

Grants to neighborhood groups to make resources available to conduct neighborhood cleanups and comprehensive blight removal, including brush chipping, tree removal, weed/trash removal, dumping, and other blight concerns. This program will operate citywide. Priority will be given to neighborhood groups who have gone through the neighborhood planning process and developed a plan that identified blight as a concern.

Examples Key Performance Indicators:

Increase in surveillance cameras to monitor illegal dumping

Decrease in illegal dumping complaints

Increase in tons of debris removed



Homeowner Education

Funding Available: \$50,000

Maximum Award Amount: \$50,000

Who is eligible to apply: Eligible applicants will be nonprofits who currently operate homeowner education programs in the City of Flint.

Overview of Opportunity:

Grants to community development organizations with demonstrably successful programs to help residents understand path to homeownership and how to manage a home. Programs should include information about maintenance and home repairs, the cost of deferred maintenance, budgeting, tax/insurance requirements, mortgage process and documentation, and records retention.

Examples Key Performance Indicators:

Increase in the number of participants who successfully complete financial literacy training

Percentage of participants reporting that they plan to purchase a home

Increase in the city's homeownership rate



Home Repair & Improvement Grants

Funding Available: \$5,000,000

Maximum Award Amount: \$2,000,000

Who is eligible to apply: Eligible organizations will be nonprofits who currently operate home repair and improvement programs in the Flint region.

Overview of Opportunity:

Grants to aid residents in the restoration and rehabilitation of their homes. The grants will improve housing conditions, health outcomes and mental health while decreasing the migration of people out of Flint. Grants may include lead abatement, weatherization, increased accessibility for seniors, mechanical and other system repair or replacement. Program will be citywide, but assistance for low- and moderate-income households will be prioritized.

Grants to aid residents in avoiding foreclosure processes including back taxes and obtaining insurance. Foreclosure grants will allow people to qualify for other home improvement grants.

Eligibility guidelines for the successful grantee should include residents receiving support through this program must meet the following eligibility criteria:

- Residency for (1) year at the dwelling. Residency can be proven with a copy of the deed and current utility bill.
- Be below ARPA Household Income Limit – Low to Moderate Income (LMI) (at or below 300% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines). Documentation of income is required.
- Current on all property taxes and water fees or have a completed Michigan Homeowner Assistance Fund (MIHAF) application number.
- Due to limited funds, priority for support will be based on lowest income and/or need.



Home Repair & Improvement Grants Cont.

Examples Key Performance Indicators:

Increase in homeowners who can take advantage of owner-occupied rehab programs

Decrease in annual number of County Treasurer foreclosures

Increase in the number of insured households in the city



Gap Financing for Residential and Mixed-use Projects

Funding Available: \$1,400,000

Maximum Award Amount: \$500,000

Who is eligible to apply: Eligible applicants are nonprofit and for-profit developers focusing on residential and mixed-use projects in the City of Flint.

Overview of Opportunity:

Several proposed residential and mixed-use projects require gap financing to become a reality. This project would award gap financing grants on a competitive basis to proposals with the greatest potential to attract and retain residents.

Examples Key Performance Indicators:

Increase in the number of new residential units built

Increase in new units occupied

Increase in the city's population



Youth Job Training

Funding Available: \$2,500,000

Maximum Award Amount: \$500,000

Who is eligible to apply: Non-profits, inclusive of non-public schools.

Overview of Opportunity:

The COVID-19 pandemic erased much of the progress in lowering the number of Opportunity Youth, or those 16 to 24 who are not working, in school or in job training. Although all age groups experienced high rates of unemployment during COVID-19, youth lag behind others in rebounding. Youth who are caregivers, BiPOC, low-income and have disabilities have fared worse. Targeted support for these groups can help with employment, assist employers in filling positions and lead to improved economic recovery for this and future generations.

Funding to provide services directly to youth (16 to 24), youth-serving organizations and employers. Initiatives and activities should target youth who experienced disruption of education, work, or other programming due to the COVID-19 pandemic, with consideration for meeting the needs of those with disabilities, are BiPOC, live in low-income households or identify as LGBTQ+, through:

- Wrap-around support services, such as housing, childcare, etc.
- Support for human resources in developing policies and implementing training to be more inclusive of youth
- Provide incentives for hiring youth
- Subsidizing the costs of job training in certificate and other programs not traditionally covered by financial aid
- Paid internships
- Programs to support youth entrepreneurs
- Outreach to youth who have completed high school, but are otherwise unengaged
- Programs to connect high school youth to community-based employers toward meaningful employment



Youth Job Training Cont.

Examples Key Performance Indicators:

- Baseline and post-intervention demographics on ability to reach populations most at-risk
- Increase in youth participation in job training/employment post-intervention
- Increase in workforce diversity by age and other intersecting underrepresented demographics
- Increase in professional development, improved DEI policies and implementation
- Increase in vulnerable youth served by non-degree training programs
- Increase in the number of youth served by paid internships
- Increase of youth entrepreneurs served by program
- Increase in number of opportunity youth connected to programming through outreach efforts



Small Business Grant Program

Funding Available: \$500,000

Maximum Award Amount: \$500,000

Who is eligible to apply: Eligible organizations will be nonprofits who have experience administering grants to Small Businesses.

Overview of Opportunity:

A grant program to help small businesses recover from the pandemic and invest in growth plans that create jobs.

Funding may be used to mitigate financial hardships caused by the pandemic including but not limited to decreased revenues, increased costs, financial insecurity, operating costs, costs to increase social distancing and ability to retain employees. In addition, funding can be used for business development including but not limited to commerce infrastructure, or marketing. Funding may also be used for eligible capital expenditures. To be eligible capital expenditures must be detailed in the application and must directly respond to the pandemic and be proportional to the demonstrated impact.

Examples Key Performance Indicators:

Increase in the number of new businesses assisted

Increase in the number of jobs created

Percentage of assisted businesses still operating in Flint two years after grant given



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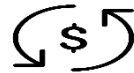


Grant Process Overview

- Applications must be submitted the website at grants.cityofflint.com. No paper applications will be accepted.
 - Individuals are not eligible to apply for any grant programs in this portal.
- After receipt and review of the written application, the Community Advisory Committee will make a grant funding recommendation to the Mayor. After receiving the recommendations, the Mayor's Office will make final decisions on grants to put forward as resolutions to the Flint City Council for approval. At any point in the review process the Community Advisory Committee or the City of Flint may request additional clarifying information from applicants to aid in the review and funding recommendation process.
- ARPA Community Advisory Committee is made up of Flint residents and the committee will be broadly representative of Flint's neighborhoods and diversity. Committee members will have knowledge of the City of Flint, subject matter expertise, community involvement, and knowledge of the ARPA program areas.



Project Evaluation Rubric



Score	Eligibility	Timeline/Feasibility	Alignment with Program Goals	Sustainability	Collaboration	Capability	Equity	Outcomes/Evidence
0	Does not meet ARPA guidelines	Low confidence that funds can be obligated by Dec. 2024 expended by Dec. 2026	The project does not align or aligns weakly with the program scope	Project does not leverage other resources and has no plans to continue post-ARPA	The project does not include community partners	Organization does not demonstrate sufficient capacity and capability to execute the proposed project	Project does not promote equity or potentially exacerbates inequities	Outcomes of the project are not well defined or measurable
2	Likely meets ARPA guidelines; may require modifications	Medium confidence that funds can be obligated by Dec. 2024 expended by Dec. 2026	The project aligns partially with the program scope	Project leverages other resources or has a plan to continue post-ARPA, but not both	The project includes partners, but they are not small community organizations	Organization appears able to execute the project, but may need technical assistance	Project generally promotes equity, but does not achieve specific equitable outcomes	Outcomes of the project are defined but not backed by strong evidence
4	Clearly meets ARPA guidelines	High confidence that funds can be obligated by Dec. 2024 expended by Dec. 2026	The project aligns strongly with the program scope	Project leverages other resources and has a plan to continue post-ARPA	The project includes strong partnerships with small community organizations (Double points)	Organization demonstrates strong capacity and capability to execute proposed project	Project promotes specific equitable outcomes (Double points)	Outcomes of the project are clearly defined and backed by strong evidence (Double points)



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Preparing To Apply

Applications opened: January 23, 2023

Application deadline: March 27, 2023

Where to apply:

[Grants.cityofflint.com](https://grants.cityofflint.com)



Preparing To Apply

City of Flint ARPA Grant Programs Application Requirement

- Michigan Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs Business Filing (Certificate of Good Standing)
- A copy of your certificate of good standing can be obtained from [Michigan's Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs \(LARA\) corporate filing website](#).
- IRS Exemption Determination Letter (Non-profit Organizations only)
 - Instructions on how to download the copy of your IRS Exemption Determination Letter can be found on the [IRS website](#).
- Federal Tax Return
 - Most recent Federal Tax Return with all schedules, as filed with the IRS, with proof of filing (eg. Taxpayer signature, a paid preparer's TIN, or evidence of that tax return was successfully filed with the IRS). Alternatively, you can provide a copy of the tax transcript form which can be downloaded from the IRS' website.
- Most recent audit or certified financial statements for most recent fiscal year (or equivalent)
- Fiscal year 2021 and/or 2022 approved organizational budget



Preparing To Apply

City of Flint ARPA Grant Programs Application Requirement

- Government Photo ID
 - Michigan Driver's License, Michigan State Identification, US Passport
- Federal Tax Identification Number (EIN)
 - If you have lost or misplaced your organizations EIN the [IRS provides guidance on how to locate it.](#)
- Signed, completed W9 (required for payment)
 - The City of Flint will require a new W-9 to be provided for ARPA funds (even if you already have a W-9 on file. The most recent W-9 form can be found on the [IRS website.](#)
- Federal Unique Entity Identifier (UEI) from SAM.gov (replaces DUNS number)
 - UEI is not required to apply for the grant however is required to receive payment
- Optional: Any additional relevant documents regarding project/program (i.e., letters of support, brochures, pamphlets, logic models, assessment tools, etc.)



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Grantee Responsibilities – Federal Funding

- The source of this funding was granted as part of the allocation of the American Rescue Plan Act and qualifies as a federal grant.
- ARPA related funding is highly regulated under Title 2 of the Code of Federal Regulations.
- Compliance with these requirements is required and all of the funding is subject to reporting and potential audit.



2 C.F.R. 200 – What is it?

Federal grant funding in the US is highly regulated under 2 CFR 200

- Uniform administrative requirements, costs principles and audit requirements for federal awards
- Streamlines and consolidates government requirements for receiving and using federal awards so as to reduce administrative burden and improve outcomes

We are ALL required to comply with 2 CFR 200



Grantee Responsibilities

- Recipients must comply with the following:
 - Set up a System for Award Management account
 - Any entity that would like to do business with the federal government, or needs to report subcontract information, must register on the System for Award Management (SAM)
 - This rule applies to you and your subrecipients
- Recordkeeping
 - Must maintain records and financial documents for five (5) years after expenditure of funds
- Civil Rights Compliance
 - Treasury will request information on recipients' compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964
- Funds available for use must be obligated by December 31, 2024, and expended by December 31, 2026



Reporting Schedule

Annual Report	Year	Quarter	Period Covered	Due Date
6	2023	1	January 1 – March 31	April 30, 2023
7	2023	2	April 1 – June 30	July 31, 2023
8	2023	3	July 1 – September 30	October 31, 2023
9	2023	4	October 1 – December 31	January 31, 2024
10	2024	1	January 1 – March 31	April 30, 2024
11	2024	2	April 1 – June 30	July 31, 2024
12	2024	3	July 1, 2023 – September 30	October 31, 2024
13	2024	4	October 1 – December 31	January 31, 2025
14	2025	1	January 1 – March 31	April 30, 2025
15	2025	2	April 1 – June 30	July 31, 2025
16	2025	3	July 1 – September 30	October 31, 2025
17	2025	4	October 1 – December 31	January 31, 2026
18	2026	1	January 1 – March 31	April 30, 2026
19	2026	2	April 1 – June 30	July 31, 2026
20	2026	3	July 1 – September 30	October 31, 2026
21	2026	4	October 1 – December 31	March 31, 2027



Fiscal Sponsorship

- If an organization needs assistance meeting the federal requirements, they can use fiscal sponsor to apply.
- The goals of the fiscal sponsor should align with the goals of the non-profit partner.
- A sample fiscal sponsorship agreement will be available on the ARPA and application website.



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810-219-9515
- **The Power Initiative**
Claricha Evans
coordinator@thepowerinitiative.org
313-405-7624
- **Social Impact Philanthropy & Investment (SIPI)**
Steve Wolbert
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Flint ARPA Website

For the most up to date information on Flint's ARPA plan please visit:

www.cityofflint.com/ARPA

For additional assistance contact:

ARPA@cityofflint.com



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