

Section	Criteria	Definition	Not Present (0 Points)	Adequate (1 Point)	Good (2 Points)	Great (3 Points)
American Rescue Plan Act Intent (30%)	Community Need	<i>The work and goals of the project respond directly to a clear community need.</i>	Submission does not provide enough information to show community need and/or how the project responds to that need.	Submission provides some information to show the need in the community and how the project will respond to that need.	Submission provides a sufficient amount of information to show the need in the community and how the project will respond to that need.	Submission provides significant information to show the need in the community and how the project will respond to that need.
	Response to Impacts of the COVID-19 Pandemic	<i>The project responds to impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic and/or to community issues made more severe by the pandemic.</i>	Submission does not show how the project responds to impacts of the pandemic or to issues made more severe by the pandemic.	Submission provides some information to show how the project responds to the impacts of the pandemic and/or to community issues made more severe by the pandemic.	Submission provides sufficient information to show how the project responds to the impacts of the pandemic and/or to community issues made more severe by the pandemic.	Submission provides significant information to show how the project responds to the impacts of the pandemic and/or to community issues made more severe by the pandemic.
	Operational Sustainability	<i>The submission includes a plan for how the project will be maintained after Pandemic Recovery Funds are expended</i>	The submission does not address how the project will be sustained after Pandemic Recovery Funding (PRF).	The submission provides minimal information on how the project will be maintained post-PRF, or relies on significant unsecured funding for long-term sustainability.	The submission provides sufficient information on how the project will be maintained post-PRF, and may rely on minor unsecured funding for long-term sustainability.	The submission provides significant information on how the project will be maintained post-PRF that may include secured funding commitments, or the project does not need funding past the PRF project period.
Project Viability (20%)	Project Feasibility and Implementation	<i>The project plan (goal, activities, and milestones) is clear and feasible to implement in the timetable submitted.</i>	The submission does not provide a project plan and/or does not provide enough information to evaluate its feasibility, or the project plan is not feasible to be completed in the timetable submitted.	The submission provides some information on the project plan and enough information to evaluate the project feasibility. The project plan is likely feasible to be completed in the timetable submitted.	The submission provides sufficient detail on the project plan. The project plan is feasible to be completed in the timetable submitted.	The submission provides significant detail on the project plan. The project plan is feasible to be completed in the timetable submitted.
	Budget Reasonableness	<i>The budget includes reasonable costs, based on industry standards and/or supporting documentation that justifies the proposed costs.</i>	The proposed costs are not reasonable according to industry standards and no supporting documentation is provided to justify costs.	The proposed costs are somewhat reasonable according to industry standards and/or supporting documentation is provided to justify some costs.	The proposed costs are mostly reasonable according to industry standards and/or supporting documentation is provided to justify most costs.	The proposed costs are reasonable according to industry standards and/or supporting documentation is provided to justify all costs.
	Monitoring Progress and Measuring Impact	<i>The project has a clear plan for monitoring progress throughout the project period, addressing setbacks, and for measuring overall impact.</i>	The submission does not provide a plan for monitoring progress throughout the project period, for addressing setbacks, and/or for measuring overall impact.	The submission includes some information on how progress will be monitored throughout the project period, how setbacks will be addressed, and how overall impact will be measured.	The submission includes sufficient information on how progress will be monitored throughout the project, how setbacks will be addressed, and how overall impact will be measured.	The submission includes significant information on how progress will be measured throughout the project period, how setbacks will be addressed, and how overall impact will be measured.

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County Priorities (50%)	Focus on Impacted or Underserved Communities	<i>Project is specifically targeted to address the needs of historically underserved groups or groups impacted by the pandemic. Submission clearly explains how this group will be targeted by the project and how the project will address the group's unique needs.</i>	Project is not targeted to meet the needs of a historically underserved group or group impacted by the pandemic, and/or the submission does not explain how the group will be targeted, and/or the submission does not address how the project will address the group's unique needs.	Project is specifically targeted to address the needs of a historically underserved group and/or a group impacted by the pandemic. The submission provides some detail on how this group will be targeted by the project and how the project will address the group's unique needs.	Project is specifically targeted to address the needs of a historically underserved group and/or a group impacted by the pandemic. The submission provides sufficient detail on how this group will be targeted by the project and how the project will address the group's unique needs.	Project is specifically targeted to address the needs of a historically underserved group and/or a group impacted by the pandemic. The submission provides significant detail on how this group will be targeted by the project and how the project will address the group's unique needs.
	Projects Led by and Engaging Impacted or Unserved Communities	<i>Project is led by members of the historically underserved or impacted group targeted by the project. The project provides meaningful, regular opportunities for additional members of the targeted group to participate in the project design and implementation.</i>	Project is not targeted to serve an underserved/ impacted group. Or, project targets an underserved/ impacted group but the project is not led by members of the same group(s), and/or does not provide regular and meaningful opportunities for members of the targeted group to participate in the project design and implementation.	Project targets an underserved/ impacted group and the project may be led by members of this group. The project includes some regular and meaningful opportunities for members of the targeted group to participate in the design and/or implementation of the project.	Project targets an underserved/ impacted group and the project may be led by members of this group. The project includes regular and meaningful opportunities for members of the targeted group to participate in the design and implementation of the project.	Project targets an underserved/ impacted group and the project is led by members of this group. The project includes regular, meaningful opportunities for additional members of the targeted group to participate in the design and implementation of the project.
	Transformative Impact	<i>Project addresses root causes or systemic barriers to achieving economic opportunity or overall well-being for historically underserved communities or communities impacted by the pandemic. The project provides a meaningful means to address this root cause issue or systemic barrier at a neighborhood, community, or broader level.</i>	Project does not address root cause issues or systemic barriers to economic opportunity or well-being for these groups.	The submission provides some description of the root cause or systemic barrier the project aims to address. The proposed solution may be unclear on how it will address this issue, or proposes to address the issue at an individual rather than neighborhood, community, or broader level.	The submission provides a sufficient description of the root cause or systemic barrier it aims to address. The project provides some description of how the solution proposed will address this root cause issue or systemic barrier. The proposed solution is being implemented at a neighborhood, community, or broader level.	The submission provides a clear description of the root cause or systemic barrier it aims to address. The project provides a clear description of how the solution proposed will meaningfully address this root cause issue or systemic barrier. The proposed solution is being implemented at a neighborhood, community, or broader level.
	Community-Identified Priorities	<i>Project addresses a priority issue for Pandemic Recovery Funds identified by a significant number of community members and organizations: (1) Affordable Housing, (2) Mental Health/Behavioral Health, (3) Childcare, (4) Emergency Response, and (5) Digital Access</i>	Project does not address a community priority of affordable housing, mental health/behavioral health, childcare, emergency response, or digital access.	-----	-----	Project addresses a community priority of affordable housing, mental health/behavioral health, childcare, emergency response, or digital access.