

# AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT FUNDING ANNOUNCEMENT

## Mayor Scott Announces Partnership with Baltimore's HBCUs to Launch \$4 Million ARPA-Funded Fellowship Program

Mayor Brandon M. Scott announced a partnership with Baltimore Corp and Baltimore's two Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs), **Coppin State University and Morgan State University**, to launch the Mayor's **HBCU Fellowship Initiative**. The \$4 million ARPA-funded HBCU Fellowship Initiative is designed to create a pipeline for HBCU graduates to enter public service careers in local government.

For this partnership, the **Department of Human Resources** identified vacancies across key government agencies like the **Baltimore City Health Department, Department of Finance, Department of Housing and Community Development, Department of Transportation, and others** that would potentially benefit from recent graduates from both under-graduate and graduate programs.

### PROGRAM INFORMATION

#### ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- **Who?**
  - 25 recent graduates from either **Coppin State University** or **Morgan State University**
- **What?**
  - Applicants with a Bachelor's or graduate degree and an interest or experience in education, public health and safety, engineering, nursing, and political and social sciences.
- **When?**
  - Applicable degree must be completed within the last two years

#### COMPENSATION

- **Salary and Benefits**
  - Fellows with Bachelor's Degrees will be paid at a rate of \$50,000 annually with benefits
  - Fellows with Graduate Degrees will be paid at a rate of \$65,000 annually with benefits
- **Stipends**
  - Housing Transition Stipend: one-time payment of \$1,000 for rental assistance or down payment assistance
  - Transportation Stipend: one-time payment of \$500

#### PROGRAM YEAR

The nine-month fellowship will span from September 2024 through May 2025.



## APPLY:

Fellows will undergo a rigorous application and interview process that will match them with city government agencies based on their interests, skill set, and needs of the agency.

**Application portal coming soon!**

For more information about the Mayor's Office of Recovery Programs and for updates on ARPA Funding, please visit [arp.baltimorecity.gov](http://arp.baltimorecity.gov)

