

AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT FUNDING ANNOUNCEMENT

The \$25 million Economic Recovery Fund supports Baltimore nonprofits, artists, hotel and lodging providers, small businesses, and childcare providers

The COVID-19 public health emergency has disproportionately affected small businesses, nonprofits, local artists, families and children, and the tourism and hospitality industries. Baltimore will use funding from the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) to provide relief to these communities and help Baltimoreans hit hardest by the COVID-19 public health emergency. This investment demonstrates the partnership the Mayor's Office continues to build with city agencies, quasi-city agencies, and nonprofit organizations across the City through ARPA funding.

Five organizations have been selected to serve as fiscal agents to facilitate recovery, technical assistance, and capacity building. Baltimore Development Corporation (BDC); Baltimore Civic Fund (BCF); Visit Baltimore; the Family League of Baltimore; and, the Baltimore Office of Promotion & the Arts (BOPA).

The fiscal agents will advance capacity building, technical assistance, and relief grants to small businesses, nonprofits, local artists, and hospitality and childcare focused entities.

Budget Snapshot:

Baltimore Development Corporation	\$11,700,000
Baltimore Civic Fund	\$8,300,000
Visit Baltimore	\$2,500,000
Family League	\$2,000,000
Baltimore Office of Promotion and Arts	\$500,000
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Total Budget for FY22	\$25,000,000

SUMMARY:

- The Economic Recovery Fund will support some of the communities hardest hit by the COVID-19 public health emergency.
- BDC's investment will support technical assistance and provide an estimated 330+ grants for small business relief.
- BCF's investment will aid 300+ nonprofit organizations
- Visit Baltimore's investment will aid 40+ hotels and B&Bs.
- Family League's investment will grant relief for an estimated 160 Child Care Providers.
- BOPA's investment will support grants to 100+ individual local artists

For more information about the Mayor's Office of Recovery Programs and for updates on ARPA Funding, please visit arp.baltimorecity.gov

