

ORDINANCE NO. 2021-19

An ordinance to amend Chapter 270 of the Monroe County Code by adding Section 73 to Chapter 270, which establishes the American Rescue Plan Act Fund

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WHEREAS, it is necessary to establish a new fund in the Auditor's Office into which the proceeds of the ARP are to be deposited;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MONROE COUNTY, INDIANA THAT:

270-73 American Rescue Plan Act Fund

1. There is created a new fund with the Auditor's Office that shall be entitled "American Rescue Plan Act Fund", and the Auditor has issued a fund number of 8950 with respect to these funds and such funds shall be non-reverting.
2. The purpose of the funds is to be used for only the following reasons as set forth in §603(C) of the ARP in accordance with US Treasury Guidance:
 - A. To respond to the public health emergency with respect to the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) or its negative economic impacts, including assistance to households, small businesses, and nonprofits, or to aid the impacted industries such as tourism, travel and hospitality;
 - B. To respond to workers performing essential work during the COVID-19 public health emergency by providing premium pay to eligible workers of the county that are performing such essential, or by providing grants to eligible employers that eligible workers who perform essential work;
 - C. For the provision of government services to the extent of the reduction in revenue of the county due to the COVID-19 public health emergency relative to revenues collected in 2019; or
 - D. To make necessary investments in water, sewer or broadband infrastructure as approved by the US. Treasury.
3. The funds shall be appropriated by the County's fiscal body before use.
4. All expenditure of funds shall be approved by the Board of Commissioners with any and all claims to be paid from the County's ARP fund.

5. The Board of Commissioners, in collaboration with the County's fiscal body and others, will establish the plan, conditions, and rules upon which the funds are to be requested and used.
6. Any unused funds shall be paid back to the United States Treasury when required.
7. The Auditor shall keep accurate and complete financial records of the receipt and expenditure of any and all funds deposited and paid from this new Fund.
8. No money received in the ARP fund shall be used for any type of deposit into any pension fund.

Duly adopted by the following vote of the members of the Monroe County Commissioners, this 5th day of May, 2021.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF MONROE COUNTY

"AYES"

Not Present

Julie Thomas, President

Lee Jones

Lee Jones, Vice President

Penny Githens

Penny Githens, Commissioner

"NAYS"

Julie Thomas, President

Lee Jones, Vice President

Penny Githens, Commissioner

ATTEST: May 5th, 2021

Catherine Smith

Catherine Smith, Auditor