

LARIMER COUNTY BUDGET OFFICE



AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT UPDATE

December 15, 2021



AGENDA

1. District Attorney Request
2. Larimer Recovery Collaborative Update
3. Fiscal Recovery Fund (FRF) Expenses & Allocations Year-to-Date
4. Immediate Needs grant application update
5. Next Steps
6. Questions and Discussion

DISTRICT ATTORNEY REQUEST

- FRF funds eligible to “respond to increased violence due to pandemic¹”
 - Dramatic rise in fentanyl seizures
 - Domestic violence cases already above 2020
 - Increase in financial crimes
 - Violent crime up – 34 Criminal Impact Unit cases year-to-date vs. 8 in 2021

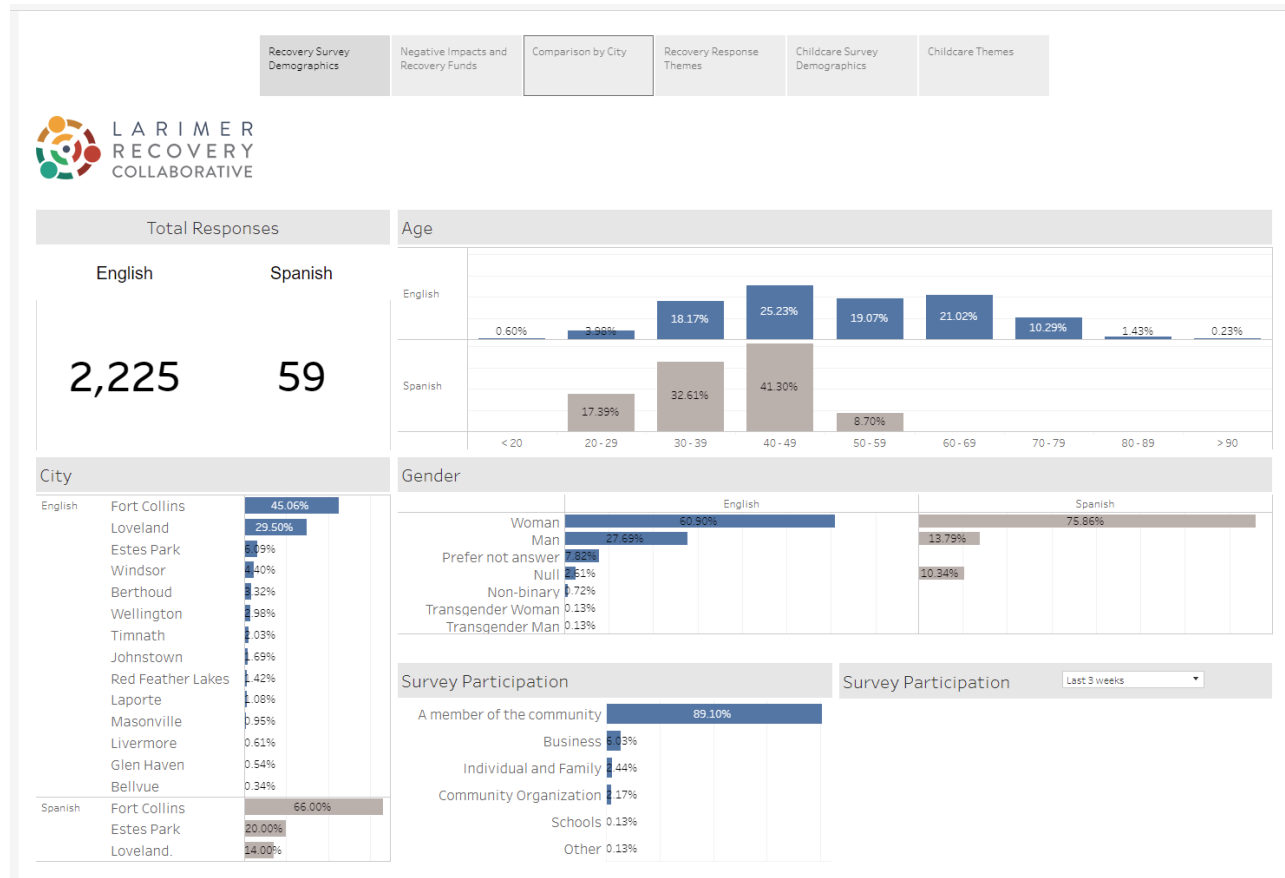
¹ = U.S. Treasury Fiscal Recovery Funds Frequently Asked Questions as of 11/15/2021, section 4.8

DISTRICT ATTORNEY REQUEST

- Proposal: Create 1.0 FTE Complex Case Attorney (Deputy District Attorney III position)
- Estimated 2022 payroll cost: \$130,650
- Possibly fund through 2024 with FRF
- Consider adding to District Attorney base budget (General Fund) in future years
- Utilize Internal County Short-Term Needs Bucket in 2022.

LARIMER RECOVERY COLLABORATIVE UPDATE

Public Outreach Data Dashboard Overview



LARIMER RECOVERY COLLABORATIVE UPDATE

Larimer County Alignment Group Background:

- Initially started with coordination between OEM & LCDHE regarding equity-focused COVID outreach & engagement
- At Larimer County, this type of outreach and engagement is happening more frequently, and it demonstrated the need for us to be better aligned
 - Coordination improves trust, minimizes duplication, and keeps us from overtaxing historically underserved communities in Larimer County
 - Ensures that we are using best practices, and avoids repetitive mistakes that contribute to marginalization or lack of trust

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Current Department Membership:

- Health Department
- Office of Emergency Mgmt.
- Public Affairs
- Economic & Workforce Development
- Climate Smart
- Working with Public Affairs to recruit other departments who conduct or are interested in conducting equity engagement work

Initial Goals of Group

- Supportive staff entity to newly established EDI Advisory Board & IAC
- Coordination Group on Equity Best Practices, Community Engagement, and Relationship Building
- Potential Mentorship Network

LARIMER RECOVERY COLLABORATIVE UPDATE

Review of Operating Principles Document

- First product created by group to support work moving forward
 - Recovery implementation creates an opportunity to apply these principles & values

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Values

- Flexibility
- Humility & Simultaneous Work
- Timeliness
- Communication & Clear Expectations

Principles

- Just Implementation of Prioritized Projects
- Collaboration

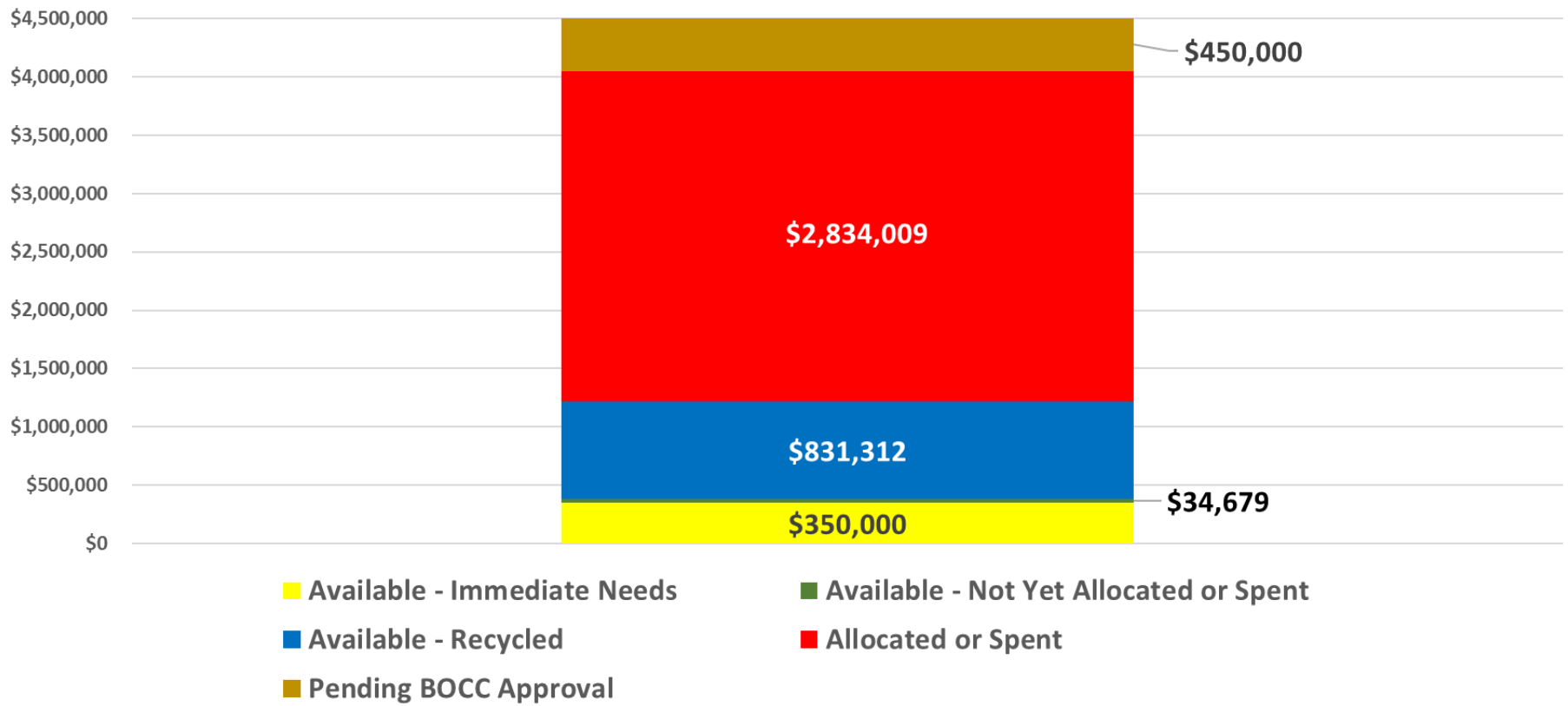
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Next Steps:

- First Round of Immediate Needs Grants in process
 - Review to determine outcomes of this and future needs
- Regional ARPA Project Discussion - Dec. 17th
 - Application Process - Identify what projects will go through
 - Evaluate other opportunities for funding (i.e. Infrastructure)
- BOCC consider which priority areas they want to start thinking about for recovery

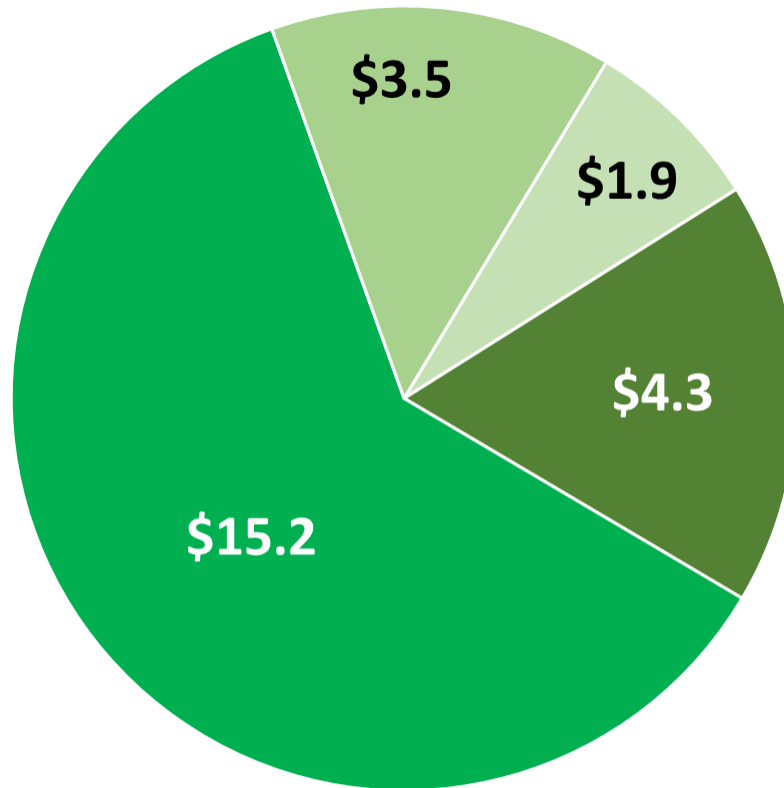
FRF EXPENSES YTD

Bucket D - County Needs (Internal)



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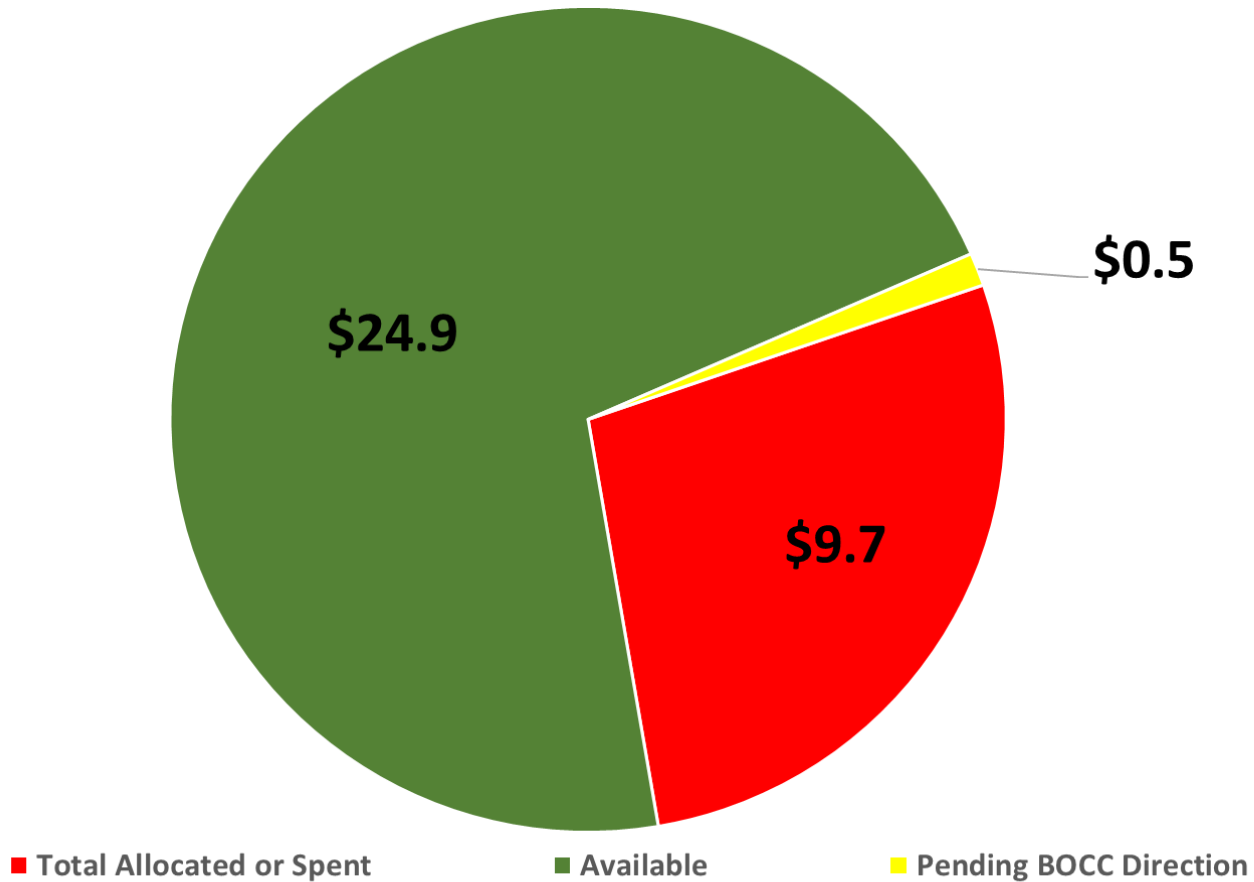
Larimer County First Half FRF Allocation - Available Funds - \$24.9 million



■ Available - Immediate Needs ■ Available - Recycled ■ Available - Not Yet Allocated or Spent ■ Set Aside

FRF EXPENSES YTD

Larimer County First Half FRF Allocation Status - \$35 Million



IMMEDIATE NEEDS GRANTS UPDATE

- 106 requests received
 - 60 Economic Recovery
 - 28 Health Needs
 - 16 Infrastructure
 - 2 County offices/departments
- 82 requests forwarded to Subject Matter Experts
 - 46 Economic Recovery
 - 25 Health Needs
 - 9 Infrastructure
 - 2 County offices/departments

IMMEDIATE NEEDS GRANTS UPDATE

- \$12 million total requested
- \$7.95 million in total requests forwarded to Subject Matter Experts
- Subject Matter Experts (SMEs) scored requests based on criteria specific to category (economic impact, infrastructure, etc.)
- Fiscal Steering Committee to review SME evaluations on December 15
- Fiscal Steering Committee to make recommendations to BOCC in first half of January 2022
- Grant agreement compliant with federal guidance being developed

NEXT STEPS

- First FRF Project and Expenditure Report now due January 31, 2022.
- Still waiting on a template or more information related to FRF reporting requirements
- Awaiting FRF Final Rule from U.S. Treasury
- HR 5735 – Flexibility Act: No update, still in committee
- Coronavirus Relief Fund (CVRF) Reserve Application: Has been accepted by DOLA – Response expected?

QUESTIONS AND DISCUSSION

- Thank you!