



How Would  
You Spend  
\$144 Million?

# YOUR VOICE MATTERS.

You can help us shape how we invest \$144 million in Monroe County.

Dear Monroe County Community Leader:

Monroe County has the rare opportunity to invest \$144 million in American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds received from the Federal Government and we want to know what matters most to you. Thanks to the work of Congressman Joe Morelle and Senators Chuck Schumer and Kirsten Gillibrand in securing these vital dollars, we have an opportunity to make a meaningful difference in our community.

These funds are time-critical so we need to spend them accordingly. We do not have to start from scratch as we have several existing strategic community reports, authored by non-profit organizations, government and business leaders that detail the needs of our County. In reviewing these documents, we have identified six priority focus areas: Economic Recovery, Infrastructure Improvements, Public Health and Wellness, Public Safety, Sustainability, and Workforce Development. Bring Monroe Back, Monroe County's Recovery Agenda, will base its funding strategy upon your feedback and the well-researched recommendations of our community leaders and local experts.

This last year and a half has been difficult for all of us, but we are continuing to move toward recovery. Together, we have an incredible opportunity to fund areas of need, reinforce what is working, embrace equity and invest in our community so that all can benefit. Your voice matters in helping Monroe County prioritize our needs. Thank you for sharing your insight and suggestions.

Sincerely,



Adam J. Bello  
Monroe County Executive

All responses should include the name of the individual submitting the statement, and if applicable, the organization they represent, their employment title, the address of the organization. Responses should not exceed two (2) pages, and should outline the following:

Using at least one of the six priority focus areas outlined in *Bring Monroe Back*, or identifying an alternate focus area, please share how you feel ARPA funding could best be used to help with Monroe County's recovery efforts. You may want to consider: what program(s) would bring be the most essential in recovery efforts, what program or service would do the most good in the immediate and/or long-term, or how a program or service may impact a specific population that was negatively impacted by the pandemic.

*Responses should be sent to [BringMonroeBack@monroecounty.gov](mailto:BringMonroeBack@monroecounty.gov) and must be submitted by December 31, 2021.*



**ADAM J. BELLO**  
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**BRING  
MONROE  
BACK**  
Monroe County, NY Recovery Plan