

BRING MONROE BACK

Monroe County, New York
Recovery Plan

State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund
July 2026 Annual Report



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REPORTING DEADLINES

Recovery Plan funding is required to be reported regularly to the Treasury. Below is the timeline for funds to be reported.

Annual Report	Period Covered	Due Date
1	Award Date - July 31, 2023	August 31, 2021
2	July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2022	July 31, 2022
3	July 1, 2022 - June 30 2023	July 31, 2023
4	July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2025	July 31, 2024
5	July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2025	July 31, 2025
6	July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2025	July 31, 2026
7	July 1, 2026 - December 31, 2026	March 31, 2027

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The COVID-19 pandemic inflicted substantial damage on Monroe County residents, with far-reaching effects on health, economies and daily life that can be felt statewide and throughout the country. Yet despite the harms they themselves faced, when given the opportunity to invest federal money in the community through the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA), Monroe County's resilient local agencies and County departments developed innovative, thoughtful and transformational projects and interventions that aspired to make life better for a wide swath of the population.

The County's process for allocating and spending ARPA funding was community-driven and values-based. As ARPA funding ends at the close of 2026, County residents can be proud of the wide-ranging projects and myriad successes to date; several of which are highlighted in the report that follows. With the dedicated and enthusiastic partnership from all of the individuals involved in these projects—whether on the administration or service provision level, or as a recipient of one of the interventions funded by ARPA—we are unquestionably moving along the path to Bring Monroe Back.

THE AMERICAN RESCUE ACT OF 2021 (ARPA)

The American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) was signed into law on March 11, 2021, providing funds to address local harms created by the COVID-19 pandemic. This law allocated \$1.9 trillion in emergency relief and recovery to the American people, of which \$350 billion were designated to support state, local, territorial and Tribal governments. Through ARPA, Monroe County received \$144,080,127. This critical federal funding has supported Monroe County's "Bring Monroe Back" initiative, and presented a historic opportunity for the County to make deliberate and substantial investments in the local community. With four years of funding complete, and ARPA funding ending in December 2026, the County is seeing impressive results.

MONROE COUNTY FOCUS AREAS

Through extensive community outreach and input, Monroe County identified six key focus areas for community investment under the Bring Monroe Back initiative.

Public Safety

Projects in this area include violence and homicide prevention; investments in IT and emergency upgrades for 911; criminal, juvenile and parole and justice reform and diversion; investments in youth programs and jobs; alternatives to policing; and restorative justice resolution practices.

Public Health and Wellness

Grantees in this focus area have developed or expanded efforts to increase access for Monroe County residents to mental, physical and behavioral support; addiction and substance abuse support; increased access to and support for food pantries and other sources of food security; housing, rental and other services, including for individuals experiencing homelessness, veterans and the recently decarcerated; as well as expanded human services and COVID-19 support.

Economic Recovery

Efforts in this focus area include support for small businesses with special focus on Minority/Women-owned Businesses (MWBE); investments in arts, culture and tourism; industrial development concentrated on agriculture, an expansion of Downtown and the Tech Sector; and the recruitment and retention of Monroe County businesses.

Workforce Development

Programs in this area focus on job training and retraining for groups and individuals; recruitment to underserved workforce areas; lessening the digital divide; making access to childcare more readily available, providing access to language interpretation and support, transportation assistance; the development of scholarships, internships and mentorship programs; and an emphasis on finding ways to better serve Black and Indigenous People of Color (BIPOC), Minority/Women Owned Business Enterprises (MWBE), veterans and remote workers.

Infrastructure Improvements

This funding area supports water and sewer improvements; investments in high-speed internet/broadband; and County infrastructure improvements.

Sustainability

This final area focuses investments on renewable energies such as solar; clean water; improved and alternative transportation options; and the development of urban green space.



Monroe County's Strategy: Investing in Transformational Change

The ARPA legislation provided all localities, including Monroe County, with wide flexibility in determining its spending priorities. Rather than making unilateral top-down decisions, Monroe County took the opportunity to honor its values and engage with its residents in a series of collaborative conversations and public forums. These methods included:

- A community-wide survey of Monroe County residents regarding how ARPA funding should be distributed;
- In-person and virtual live public feedback sessions that addressed the focus areas of the Bring Monroe Back initiative;
- Written input from community organizations which identified specific County needs.

Thousands of residents participated in these information-gathering efforts, leading to the development of a full grant-making process which was the first of its kind in the County. Monroe County then used this opportunity to invest in transformational change, funding local agencies to help solve problems that residents themselves identified and prioritized in our community.

Over the course of the request for proposals (RFP) process, a total of 180 proposals were submitted for ARPA funding; 140 by local agencies and organizations, and 40 by internal Monroe County Departments. An important requirement of funding was that applications had to address specifically one (or more) of the priority focus areas identified by the County: Public Safety, Public Health and Wellness, Economic Recovery, Workforce Development, Infrastructure Improvements or Sustainability.

Monroe County received over \$2.2 billion in funding requests, far outstripping the \$144,080,127 the County was allocated for ARPA funding. Thus, the County could only fund about 4% of total ARPA dollars requested. Those projects that were funded met a very high bar, as each application went through

substantial vetting to ensure the project would meet the needs of multiple residents of Monroe County. Monroe County is a seedbed of people with good ideas, an understanding of the local community, and the work ethic to make change in their neighbor's lives.

In addition to the funding the County provided to grantees, two additional funding priorities were set by the ARPA legislation. First, each town in the County was granted funds based on population. Per the ARPA regulations, this money was earmarked for programming, services or support for senior citizens and youth- the two populations defined by the federal government as most negatively impacted by the pandemic. Second, the County allocated funding to community organizations based on their being in the County's highest poverty zip codes (also per the federal regulations).

By investing in community-designed and provided solutions to the problems identified by residents, the County demonstrated its trust in its people's skill set and knowledge base. This approach is providing substantial positive outcomes for County residents.

Data shows that Monroe County invested more of its ARPA funding in the areas of public health, community aid, and economic and workforce development as compared to its peers, and less of its ARPA funding on infrastructure or government operations than did other counties across the country, as shown in the following table:

Category	National Average/ all	National Average/ Counties	Monroe County
Government Operations	25%	38.6%	2.8%
Infrastructure	47.5%	16.2%	7.5%
Public Health	0.6%	11.2%	30.6%
Economic & workforce development	1.6%	5.8%	21.6%
Community aid	3.4%	11.2%	30.6%
Housing	3.5%	9.2%	9%
Public safety	18.4%	7.4%	7.1%

(source: <https://www.brookings.edu/articles/arpa-investment-tracker/> July7,2025)

That Monroe County's expenditure profile is different than the average county in the country should be a source of pride; Monroe County listened to its residents and invested ARPA funding in thoughtful ways guided by local priorities and community voices.

While ARPA funding is currently winding down, County grantee's successes continue to grow in a substantive, transformational way. The second half of this report provides a summary of each grantee's funding, project, approach, and results to-date.



Centering Community Engagement: Grantee/County Relationships

In order to ensure that Monroe County's ARPA grants fully comply with all federal and local legislation and regulations, each grantee is supported by a two-member team in the County's ARPA office. These teams provide individualized support for each grantee with respect to budgeting, invoicing, data reporting, and compliance issues. Thus, an unanticipated but positive outcome of this experience with ARPA funding was the development of strong, positive relationships between the County and its funded community organizations.

Community engagement in the ARPA process did not end with feedback from the community about how to spend ARPA funding. The County continues to rely on community engagement to ensure the success of grants. In addition to the teams supporting each grant, the ARPA Community Liaison has developed relationships within and among the grantees. Connections have been forged among folks from agencies that had never worked together before being connected by the ARPA team; these are all to the benefit of Monroe County residents and will persist long after the ARPA funding ends. For example, multiple community organizations are now invited to attend the Monroe County Engagement Network meetings. Most agencies are now also connected to between three and eight other ARPA-funded organizations serving similar populations (or who have related missions).

The County also hosts quarterly ARPA grantee meetings which provide an opportunity for Monroe County staff and project personnel to come together, network, share best practices, and engage in dialogue and learning opportunities. These meetings have proven to be a fertile ground for innovation and the development of new partnerships. By coming together in person, grantees learn about other agencies' objectives and successes. They learn from each other's problem-solving, and gain access to new resources.



ARPA Funding's Wide-ranging Impacts on Monroe County Residents

In addition to the new networks of practice facilitated by regular meetings with the Monroe County ARPA team, the funding has had a wide-ranging impact for many of our eligible residents and communities (specific eligibility criteria for services are outlined more fully in each ARPA project description). For example:

- ARPA funding has helped many Monroe County residents experiencing an emergency;
- Any time a resident of the County dials 911;
- When someone falls ill and has to call an ambulance, needs a defibrillator or CPR;
- When a resident in the hospital is waiting for a bed in a Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF);
- If a resident is assisted by a Monroe County Sheriff who has participated in supportive mental health training;
- When a resident, family member or friend is the victim of domestic violence;
- When a resident needs mental health services.

Some residents may notice the impact is close to home as ARPA funding improves community resources:

- Those who live in neighborhoods previously without high-speed internet;
- Residents wanting to take advantage of beautiful Rochester days can use one of the technology charging tables installed in local parks by the Monroe County Library system;
- Resident living on streets with vacant and abandoned properties that have been demolished or renovated.

ARPA-funded programs and services benefit many Monroe County residents in their daily lives:

- Anyone who has been involved in the criminal justice system and seeks support in obtaining an ID, job skills, housing, transportation or other life skills;

- Veterans needing transportation, training, community, or other kinds of support;
- Anyone utilizing or aspiring to enter the medical field, filling a huge need for training of the next generation of nurses, long-term care staff, EMTs and other medical professionals;
- Those who have a child or other member of the family who is intellectually delayed, and may be taught by a teacher whose specific skills have been updated;
- Those seeking assistance from a local food pantry;
- Some residents needing financial support to find an affordable car to get to work;
- Those seeking affordable housing, conflict management with their landlords, assistance maintaining or supporting the upkeep of their homes as well as lower-income residents seeking rental and/or first-time home buying assistance;
- Residents needing a COVID-19 vaccine.

Some are based on age:

- Youth and senior programming and support in the towns;
- Youth needing mentoring, academic support services, life-skills coaching, job training, mental health services, support in staying clear of the criminal justice system etc.;
- Students in the RCSD in need of a medical visit during the school day;
- Seniors seeking assistance to find and apply for available benefits, seeking community in their local towns, needing information about home health care services, computer literacy, or access to computer technology and more.

The County is hopeful that residents see the benefit in collaboratively addressing the needs identified by fellow residents and ARPA grantees and will take pride in the achievements detailed later in this report.



Beyond 2026: Long Term Impacts of ARPA Funding

In addition to widely expanded services such as the ones mentioned above, the ARPA funding supported tangible materials and intangible measures such as education and mentoring. The lifespan of the tangible materials varies, but the ARPA funding will continue to transform and support Monroe County for years to come with changes our community can see: buildings that have been purchased, renovated and expanded; new ambulances and CPR units that save lives; buses that bring locally-grown produce to city neighborhoods; and broadband networks that have been installed to bridge the digital divide.

The intangibles-the educational resources as well as the emotional, mental and moral supports for Monroe County residents dealing with a wide array of life circumstances -will have long-lasting ripple effects throughout the community and even beyond its borders. These impacts have wide-ranging and long-lasting effects on the individuals served as well as their loved ones. More, some impacts cannot be quantified: the number of patients who will be supported by newly-trained nurses, EMTs and paramedics; the structures built by new welders; the students and families impacted positively by teachers credentialed in working with intellectually delayed students.

Being part of the ARPA process helped many grantees add to their respective knowledge bases in terms of managing data collection, and adhering to the ARPA grants many legislative and regulatory requirements. For example, one grantee states that they received an additional \$2.5M in funding from other sources because of their successes with the ARPA grant. Another grantee indicates that they were able to use the data required by the ARPA office to create a proposal for additional funding.

The County expects these ripple effects to grow and look forward to reporting on more such outcomes in its final report, in April 2027.

Baden Street Settlement of Rochester, Inc.



Funding Amount:
\$4,000,000



Targeted Underserved Communities:
The African American Community, The Latinx Community



Community Goal:
Public Health and Public Safety

Project Name: Baden Street Settlement: Convening to Fill Mental Health Service Gaps for Black and Latinx Community Members

Project Description: Baden Street Settlement and its partners will vastly increase available behavioral health services in low-income communities of color, focused toward residents in the Crescent of Rochester. The project includes renovation of two facilities: 585 Joseph Street and 13 Vienna Street. The Joseph Street location will add a new mental health clinic and construct a 3300 sq. ft. addition to co-locate with their current SUD services. The newly renovated Vienna Street location will house Administration, the Senior Center, Emergency and Family Assistance, Youth and Adult Development services, and the newly created Peer Services Support Initiative. The Peer Services Support Program, led by Settlement House Foundation- a collaboration between Baden Street, Charles Street Settlement, Community Place, and Montgomery Neighborhood Center will serve over 300 Monroe County residents through 2026.

Project Successes and Impact: Baden Street Settlement has built on its long-standing and highly regarded presence in the Rochester community to develop robust, localized mental health services. This past year, Baden Street completed construction on the Mental Health Clinic at 585 Joseph Avenue. Throughout the construction process, Baden Street continued to serve individuals through the Substance Use Disorder (SUD) Clinic. Baden Street has also continued to staff their Peer Service Support Program, having served over 200 new clients during the past year.

Key Accomplishments and Future Actions

- Completed construction of the Mental Health Clinic at 585 Joseph Avenue
- Continued staffing the Peer Service Support Program and Mental Health Clinic
- Application for license to operate a stand-alone Mental Health Clinic is in process
- To date, over 765 individuals have been provided with mental health and/or peer support services in the outpatient Substance Use Disorder Clinic
- Provide bilingual services to Spanish and English-speaking clients

<https://badenstreet.org>

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Greater Rochester



Funding Amount:
\$491,766



**Targeted Underserved
Communities:**
Students



Community Goal:
Public Health and
Public Safety

Project Name: Youth Mentoring and Family Support in Monroe County

Project Description: Community demand for the Big Brothers Big Sisters (BBBS) mentoring programs has increased dramatically since the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic. The goal of this program is to expand to meet the needs of Monroe County youth and their families by providing a safe and accessible Mentoring Center and workspace. By hiring new staff, increasing their physical space, and increasing access to wraparound services, BBBS will serve 2,500 individuals throughout this 4-year project. Due to the delay in negotiations of a contract between Monroe County and Big Brother Big Sisters of Greater Rochester, the funding amount was reduced from the original award amount to appropriately reflect funding required for the time remaining for the project

Project Successes and Impact: BBBS Provides services to about 90 Littles consistently. While the number of mentees is still growing, as the need in the community is strong, BBBS is actively recruiting mentors (Bigs) to meet current demand for mentorship. In addition to providing mentorship experiences for youth, BBBS also hosts annual bookbag drives and has established and maintained an in-house Resource Room which provides gifts, clothing, hygiene products and offers resources to help families address food insufficiency. BBBS has also developed a plethora of partnerships with community entities to ensure they can provide unique programming to meet the needs of their Littles. Some of those relationships include Greece Central School District (GCSD), Memorial Art Gallery (MAG) and RochesterWorks.

Key Accomplishments and Future Actions:

- On average, 90 children are enrolled and matched with mentors on an ongoing basis
- 50 new Littles enrolled and matched with mentors to date
- Developed over 25 community partnerships and growing
- Family Resource Room has proven to be an indispensable resource:
 - Central location, which widens accessibility to Littles/families served
 - Frequently used as meeting space for Bigs/Littles,
 - Families in need have access to essentials like food and clothes
- Food pantry established with ARPA funds
 - Equipped with a refrigerator for cold food items
 - Stocked with food in partnership w/Foodlink

<https://www.beabig.org>

Brighton Fire District



Funding Amount
\$88,785



**Targeted Underserved
Communities:**
Monroe County Residents



Community Goal:
Public Health and
Public Safety

Project Name: Emergency Cardiac Care

Project Description: The Brighton Fire District will utilize ARPA funding to purchase 14 Automatic External Defibrillators (AEDs) to replace its current fleet, which is nearing the end of its useful life. The district will also purchase three LUCAS CPR devices, one for each of its response districts. The Brighton Fire District responds to about 1,000 emergency medical calls each year. As the result of the current EMS climate, most of these calls have some component of a cardiac emergency. The Brighton Fire District has AEDs strategically placed on their apparatuses and in their facilities, so they are available to provide life-saving aid to the citizens they serve. Early intervention with an AED can have a significant impact in the outcome of a cardiac emergency. Additionally, LUCAS CPR devices assist responders by providing mechanical chest compressions during a CPR event. This can help to improve patient outcomes, reduce fatigue to first responders, and reduce the number of responders necessary at a particular event. This program will benefit the 30,000 residents of the Brighton Fire District as well as those travelling to and through the community every day.

Project Successes and Impact: The Brighton Fire District has purchased the AEDs and LUCAS CPR devices. This project has enhanced the health of Monroe County by allowing the Brighton Fire District to provide a high level of emergency medical services by having modern functional equipment. This helps to improve patient outcomes, reduce fatigue for our first responders, and reduce the number of responders necessary at a particular event.

Key Accomplishments and Future Actions

- 14 Automatic External Defibrillators purchased
- 3 LUCAS CPR devices purchased, one for each of its response districts

<https://communityalternatives.org>

CBN Rochester, LLC



Funding Amount
\$4,218,711.87



Targeted Underserved Communities:
Monroe County Residents



Community Goal:
Infrastructure and Sustainability

Project Name: Broadband Infrastructure; Fixed Wireless

Project Description: CBN will construct a high speed, low-cost internet network to provide internet access to Eligible Housing Units and Unserved/Underserved business locations located in seven high need ZIP codes - 14604, 14605, 14608, 14611, 14613, 14614, and 14621.

Project Successes and Impact: As part of Monroe County's initiative to expand access to broadband internet services in the City of Rochester, CBN Rochester, LLC received ARPA funding to install a wireless community broadband network in underserved parts of the city. Providing city residents access to an affordable broadband network is essential for closing the digital divide, creating opportunity for personal development, and participating in modern daily life.

Key Accomplishments and Future Actions

- Completed set up of wireless canopy ("fixed wireless" network") over targeted City of Rochester neighborhoods
- Continue outreach efforts and collaborate with community anchors and fellow ARPA recipients, such as YMCA's Neighborhood Resource Centers and Trillium Health, to identify eligible City of Rochester residents.

Key Accomplishments and Future Actions

- Completed installation of network equipment on top of the former First Federal building
- Completed installation of network equipment on top of the Innovation Square building
- Completed installation of network equipment on top of the Seneca Tower Building
- Completed installation of network equipment on top of one or more Rochester Housing Authority facilities

cbn-cny.com

Center for Community Alternatives, Inc.



Funding Amount
\$2,855,467



Targeted Underserved Communities:
Students, Individuals Recently Released from Incarceration/ Justice Involved Individuals.



Community Goal:
Public Health and Public Safety

Project Name:

Promoting A Community Transformation: Nonviolence Project (PACT: Nonviolence Project)

Project Description: PACT supports kids, teens, and families in and around the criminal legal system, as well as those affected by gun violence, by aiding with housing and with emotional support services. The project also helps Rochester City School District (RCSD) students facing long-term suspension return to school. PACT provides a Justice Peer Program, pairing adult mentors who have experience in the juvenile justice system with court-involved youth. The Youth Advisory Board, made up of members aged 18-25, will advise and collaborate with project leadership.

Project Successes and Impact: Center for Community Alternatives (CCA) is a wide-reaching organization that partners with multiple community action agencies to turn around the lives of youth and their families who have been touched by violence. Its three-pronged approach of safe housing, advocacy and supports paired with mental health and peer groups aims to alleviate systems that are not adequately working for the youth they are intended to support. Within the scope of their ARPA project, CCA has hired and onboarded new staff, continued a Youth Advisory Board, connected with families and youth affected by gun violence, and set up parameters for youth who are looking to escape violence.

Key Accomplishments and Future Actions

- To date, 431 youth and families have been supported via safe housing
- 550 occurrences of emotional support have been provided to victims of violence
- 119 youth have been recruited and paired for the Justice Peer mentorship program
- The organization continues to develop and collaborate with the Youth Advisory Board's 45 members, which has expanded to 47 youth

<https://communityalternatives.org>

CHS Mobile Integrated Health Care, Inc.



Funding Amount:
\$283,391.68



**Targeted Underserved
Communities:**
Monroe County Residents



Community Goal:
Public Health and
Public Safety

Project Name: CHS Equipment Improvement Project

Project Description: COVID-19 put a significant strain on CHS Mobile Integrated Health Care, Inc. (CHS) and has exacerbated the challenges that all EMS agencies, including CHS, currently face - declining reimbursement, workforce shortages and supply chain interruptions. These challenges have led to exorbitant increases in costs for both durable and disposable medical equipment necessary to save lives. Over the past three years, CHS has responded to an average of 14,000 requests for service per year. This has led to an urgent need to replace aged equipment that is far past its serviceable life. CHS Mobile Integrated Health Care, Inc. will utilize ARPA funding to purchase 11 Stryker Power-PRO™ XT ambulance stretchers. This equipment will provide safe transport of Monroe County patients, reduce the potential for employee injury, and meet the needs of an increasingly obese patient population. ARPA funding will allow CHS to continue to focus on recruitment and retention initiatives while also securing the equipment that is critically needed to provide life-saving care for Monroe County residents.

Project Successes and Impact: CHS Mobile secured top-of-the-line ambulance equipment with ARPA funding. Moving gurneys - and the patients on them - is one of the leading causes of injuries, detracting from an already insufficient workforce attempting to meet increasing demands for EMS services. This specialized equipment will prevent injury to CHS staff which, will retain personnel, decrease potential liability from equipment failure, and ensure Monroe County patients are transported in a safe manner.

Key Accomplishments and Future Actions

- Purchased 11 Stryker Power-PRO™ XT ambulance stretchers

<https://chsmobilehealth.org/>

City of Rochester



Funding Amount:
\$1,862,000



**Targeted Underserved
Communities:**
Monroe County Residents



Community Goal:
Public Health and
Public Safety

Project Name: First Genesis Baptist Church, Inc.

Project Description: The City of Rochester will use ARPA funding for the construction of 22 single family homes in the Upper Falls neighborhood by Rochester Management, Inc. and First Genesis Baptist Church. The single-family homes will be sold to qualifying residents upon completion.

Organization History: With an interest in helping to stabilize the community on Rochester's Northeast side, First Genesis Development is involved in consulting, managing, and promoting low-income housing in the City of Rochester. Its mission is to assist underprivileged members in the community by way of affordable and sustainable housing, economic empowerment, employment programs, and healthy lifestyle education.

Key Accomplishments and Future Actions

- Construction for all 22 single family homes has begun
- Seven homes are more than 50% complete; Realtors have identified qualifying buyers for 5 of 7 properties; these five homes are under contract
- Six homes are approximately 40% complete
- Nine homes are between 15 – 30% complete

<https://www.firstgenesibaptist.org/>

Community Resource Collaborative, Inc.

On behalf of the Neighborhood Collaborative Project (NCP)



Funding Amount:

\$1,067,971.67



Targeted Underserved Communities:

The African American
Community, The Latinx
Community



Community Goal:

Public Health and
Public Safety

Project Name: Neighborhood Collaborative Project (NCP)

Project Description: The Neighborhood Collaborative Project (NCP) was a cooperative effort of long-standing, trusted non-profit Rochester neighborhood community groups geared toward addressing and reducing inaccessibility to systems, resources, and services for high-need individuals. Despite decades of effort to alleviate chronic poverty, the city of Rochester continues to rank among the highest across the nation. Through its network of neighborhood anchor agencies and support services, partners will create an agile, responsive system that empowers residents through walking outreach, corner pop-up events, food donation, hygienic product donation, and other wraparound services. Funding was suspended on February 7, 2024. This contract was terminated for cause on May 12, 2024.

Project Successes and Impact: The work of the Neighborhood Collaborative Project is a unique and powerful collaborative effort of 12 sub-awardees who came together with a clear vision – to serve the people of the community where they are and how they need it. Before this project, many of the participating agencies did not have a history of collaboration. But as a result of the ARPA investment, the members of the collaborative were able to find ways to create a collective inventory of services. These services support referral programs for people seeking assistance who may not be able to access these vital programs in the traditional point of entry.

Key Accomplishments and Future Actions

- Engaged with people 3,780 times during walking outreach—225 individuals then received significant interactions and support with needs assessment or service connections
- 52 people found housing
- 102 people received rental assistance, preventing 100 evictions
- The partner agencies held bi-monthly group meetings to share information and resources
- SWAN's security training program had waitlists and a close to 0% attrition
- 35 clients secured employment
- Cameron Barbershop doubled the number of cohorts in its training program
- New staff with similar lived experiences were hired to help community members seeking sobriety

Compeer Rochester, Inc



Funding Amount:

\$469,817



Targeted Underserved Communities:

Veterans



Community Goal:

Public Health and
Public Safety

Project Name: CompeerCORPS Vets-Driving-Vets

Project Description: Vets Driving Vets is a transportation service that assists local veterans in getting to medical and non-medical appointments and activities. Drivers are compensated as employees and use Compeer vehicles to increase access for Veteran riders to places like preventive medical appointments, recreational activities, personal appointments and grocery stores. The goal of CompeerCORPS is to help Veterans overcome challenges experienced in the transition from active deployment to civilian life.

Project Successes and Impact: CompeerCORPS Vets-Driving-Vets Program is a veteran-to-veteran program which uplifts, supports, and assists veterans in Monroe County. This service provides veterans door-to-door transportation for medical appointments, groceries, and other community focused events. Veterans are encouraged to create community via the relationships developed when receiving transportation.

Key Accomplishments and Future Actions

- Over 230 new Veteran Riders served
- Over 2,600 one-way rides provided

www.compeerrochester.org

Coordinated Care Services, Inc. (CCSI)



Funding Amount:
\$984,702



Targeted Underserved Communities:
Low- and
Moderate-Income Tenants



Community Goal:
Public Health and
Public Safety

Project Name: Housing Stability Initiative; Landlord Incentive Program

Project Description: The Landlord Incentive Program is part of the larger housing stability initiative, designed to create more affordable housing options for low- and moderate-income families, and to help remove barriers that prevent the rental of existing affordable housing in Monroe County. The Landlord Incentive Program will connect available housing resources to individuals searching for stability by incentivizing landlords to participate in the program. Those facing housing instability are the main beneficiaries of this program, as the project aims to make more units available to underserved or historically marginalized groups in the community.

Project Successes and Impact: Through the Landlord Incentive Program, CCSI is working to solidify community connections. They are also actively recruiting landlords to register on the Front Door NY website, a portal where landlords can list vacant properties for rent. CCSI has garnered over 90 landlords to list more than 100 units on the Front Door website in the first year of the grant. Landlords who successfully rent out apartments listed on this platform will receive a financial incentive, up to \$3,000 per year.

Key Accomplishments and Future Actions

- Invested in substantial upgrades to the Front Door NY website
- Over 90 landlords listed more than 100 available apartments on the Front Door NY website
- Over 400 people from over 250 households are living in incentive-supported housing to date
- More than 38 of the households served moved into new housing units
- Looking to grow the program through recruitment efforts and continue to assist clients on their search to find safe and affordable housing

www.cccsofrochester.org

Coordinated Care Services, Inc. (CCSI)



Funding Amount:

\$536,300



Targeted Underserved Communities:

Low- and
Moderate-Income Tenants



Community Goal:

Public Health and
Public Safety

Project Name: Landlord Tenant Mediation Program

Project Description: Landlord/Tenant Mediation is a specific intervention designed to peacefully resolve conflicts at the earliest possible stage in a safe space with a neutral third party. The goal of this ARPA project is to facilitate effective communication between landlords and tenants, problem-solve, and come to a resolution where both parties agree to the terms. In collaboration with the Center for Dispute Settlement, Coordinated Care Services, Inc. (CCSI) will recruit and train certified mediators, provide Mediation Services to landlords and tenants, and raise awareness of landlord/tenant mediation in Monroe County.

Project Successes and Impact: The program educates landlords and tenants to communicate more effectively, problem-solve, and come to a resolution where both parties agree to the terms. While this initiative has received over 300 referrals for mediation services, not all referrals proceed to a formal mediation. Many referrals are resolved through resource information and education on interpersonal communication for both the landlord and the tenant. Of the referrals that do proceed to a formal mediation, all mediations have resulted in tenants remaining housed due to practical and collaborative agreements that the tenant and landlord can realistically abide by, thereby allowing the tenant to remain an occupant. In the event an agreement resolution is not met, and the tenant may no longer remain an occupant, they will not have to go to eviction court. This is another unique benefit of this program as a record of evictions can be a huge barrier to housing stability for community residents.

Key Accomplishments and Future Actions

- Continued partnership with Center for Dispute Settlement (CDS) to provide mediation training
- Received over 550 referrals for mediation
- More than 250 collaborative agreements reached between landlord and tenant by way of mediations facilitated by CCSI
- Over 100 outreach events have been held resulting in significant partnerships and strong collaborations built with landlords, municipalities, and other community organizations

www.cccsofrochester.org

Consumer Credit Counseling Service of Rochester, Inc. (CCCSR)



Funding Amount:
\$429,491



**Targeted Underserved
Communities:**
The African American
Community, The Latinx
Community



Community Goal:
Workforce Development
and Economic Recovery

Project Name: Driven 2 Success

Project Description: The Driven 2 Success program will serve more than 1,000 low-to-moderate income (LMI) Monroe County residents each year through on-site group financial education as well as counseling. CCCS will also actively work with local banks and lenders to help 200 LMI residents get approved for affordable, quality auto loans. This program will aid Monroe County residents to learn savvy car-buying skills, increase access to reliable transportation, and ultimately improve overall quality of life by supporting expanded job growth and income opportunities through essential transportation access.

Project Successes and Impact: Lacking a personal vehicle limits the ability and flexibility of many Monroe County residents to secure jobs and maintain an income to support their families. This program has the goal of expanding income stabilization and growth opportunities. With ARPA funding, Driven2Success hired a counselor with deep knowledge of the auto loan approval process; this counselor works with clients to put them in the best position to qualify for a loan.

Key Accomplishments and Future Actions

- 1795 Monroe County residents educated on the loan approval process
- 969 clients provided with loan counselling
- 134 loans approved

www.cccsofrochester.org

Deaf Refugee Advocacy, Inc. (DRA)



Funding Amount:
\$2,000,000



Targeted Underserved Communities:
Individuals who are Deaf and Hard of Hearing, The Refugee Community



Community Goal:
Workforce Development and Economic Recovery

Project Name: Deaf Refugee Advocacy Community Connections

Project Description: Deaf Refugee Advocacy plans to serve 200 individuals living in Monroe County by providing workshops to deaf refugees, immigrants and asylees (RIAs) and their family members. The organization will present workshops on a variety of topics, such as American Sign Language (ASL), English, finance, independent living, job readiness, computer training, and citizenship courses. These workshops will offer RIAs the opportunity to improve their language fluency, gain technical skills, further develop cultural competencies, and improve their economic standing.

Key Accomplishments and Future Actions

- 250 Monroe County residents educated on the loan approval process
- Successful Digital Literacy Program supported by ARPA funding; received a 20k award from Deaf Organizations' Fund to continue efforts until 2027
- Increasing health care, financial, legal supports and quality of that access

www.deafrefugeeadvocacy.org/

Department of Pediatrics UR Medicine and Rochester Regional Health

**Funding Amount:**

\$1,000,000

**Targeted Underserved****Communities:**

Students

**Community Goal:**

Public Health and

Public Safety

Project Name: Enhanced Access to Behavioral Health (EACH) and Medical Care for All Rochester City School District Students

Project Description: Together with Rochester Regional Health, community partners and the Rochester City School District (RCSD), UR Medicine/Golisano Children's Hospital will establish a telehealth infrastructure for behavioral and mental health services at eleven schools. This will double the number of RCSD-based health centers and provide school-based telehealth, mental health consultation and capacity building at all RCSD schools. The project also aims to create a culture of health in schools where behavioral and mental health challenges are often seen as a critical part of health- without stigma, with hope for improvement, and return to health. Partially funded through Monroe County's ARPA dollars, this project will serve 1,100 students in RCSD with one planned year of activities and engagements.

Project Successes and Impact: Telemedicine with TytoCare units is currently operational in 20 Rochester City School District schools to date under the "1 system of care" model. ECHO sessions occur monthly from October-May to connect community-based partners with expert primary care clinicians for mentoring and specialty consultation services. Capacity-building Connecting 4 Kids sessions occur during the school year to bring together primary care teams, school teams, families, and community-based youth organizations.

Key Accomplishments Under Current Funding and Future Actions

- Over 950 students have received services as part of this grant program
- Currently, 22 Rochester City School District schools have their own telemedicine equipment with trained nurses to initiate visits with students
- Plans to provide telemedicine training and equipment to the remaining 16 elementary schools
- Expanded telemedicine into four Charter Schools
- Increased from nine school-based health and mental health clinics to 24 with plans to add 5 more in 2026

www.urmc.rochester.edu/pediatrics.aspx

Dress for Success Rochester

**Funding Amount:**

\$278,944.07

**Targeted Underserved
Communities:**

The African American
Community, The Latinx
Community

**Community Goal:**

Workforce Development
and Economic Recovery

Project Name: Dress for Success Rochester: Road to Recovery

Project Description: Dress for Success Rochester (DFSR) provided women with coaching, professional clothing, soft skills, and computer skills training to make their job search and entry into the workforce a success. The Dress for Success program is designed to support women who are (1) interviewing or new to employment and in need of appropriate attire and soft skills, (2) underemployed and in need of training and computer skills; (3) seeking to retain or grow in their jobs to advance in their career; and (4) overcoming cultural and educational barriers to employment and advancement. This contract was terminated for cause on March 17, 2025.

Project Successes and Impact: Dress for Success Rochester has utilized ARPA funding to provide services to participants at both its brick-and-mortar location in downtown Rochester and around Monroe County with the use of its Express Mobile Boutique. Services offered by Dress for Success have assisted participants in obtaining employment at a rate of 52%.

Key Accomplishments

- 475 unique individuals served
- 492 services provided
- 248 program participants reported having obtained employment

<https://rochester.dressforsuccess.org>

EnCompass: Resource for Learning, Inc.



Funding Amount:
\$5,681,809



Targeted Underserved Communities:
The African American Community, The Latinx Community, Students.



Community Goal:
Workforce Development and Economic Recovery

Project Name: Youth Workforce Consortium aka “The Hive”

Project Description: EnCompass will create “The Hive” Youth Workforce Consortium at its Lake View Park location, and over the next four years, will provide 14,000 teens with academic support, job training, and job placements. By partnering with Black Men Achieve, Boys & Girls Club of Rochester, Teen Empowerment of Rochester and Hub585, Inc., EnCompass will also offer behavioral health services for youth within the partner programs. With a year-round schedule of programming, The Hive aims to provide an accessible and flexible network of workforce activities for youth that will promote life skills and long-term career development.

Project Successes and Impact: Throughout 2025 the career pathways program expanded to include trade camps, technology/engineering camps, design camps, hospitality, healthcare camps, and various other opportunities, strengthening ongoing efforts to empower participants to become successful young adults.

Key Accomplishments and Future Actions

- In 2025, Hive partners such as the University of Rochester and Wegmans placed 640 youth into jobs
- The Hive continues to help provide academic support and internships, workplace tours, and camps, allowing students to further explore the 10 career pathways
- Thus far in 2026, 3,241 instances of workforce preparation services were provided, including academics, mentorship, employment education and placement opportunities, among other supports
- The Hive is on track to offer a series of summer camps in 2026

<https://educationsuccessfoundation.org/encompass/thehive>

Finger Lakes Performing Provider System (FLPPS)



Funding Amount:
\$6,500,000



**Targeted Underserved
Communities:**
Seniors



Community Goal:
Workforce Development
and Economic Recovery

Project Name: Complex Care Program

Project Description: The combination of critical workforce shortages, inadequate Medicaid reimbursement, and lack of skilled nursing facility (SNF) beds created a public health crisis in Monroe County during the COVID- 19 pandemic. Finger Lakes Performing Provider System (FLPPS) will serve 200 Difficult-to-Place (DTP) patients with their Complex Care program. The targets for this program are patients who are ready for discharge and awaiting nursing home placement but generally face barriers to discharge. The project will contain three parts:

1. A workforce development program will pay Skilled Nursing Facilities (SNFs) and Home Health Care Agencies (HHCAs) for the successful recruitment and training of certified nursing assistants (CNAs), home health aides (HHAs), licensed practical nurses (LPNs), and registered nurses (RNs), which will expand service capacity within the SNFs and HHCAs.
2. A Complex Care Program will provide block grant support to SNFs to aid with the excessive costs of complex SNF patients, who are more expensive to care for, and therefore not being accepted by SNFs.
3. A transportation program for those patients in need of transport to the SNF or home setting, so that they do not needlessly stay hospitalized unnecessarily.

Project Successes and Impact: The Complex Care Program helped to address this continuing crisis by transforming community care coordination between area hospitals including Strong Memorial, Highland, Rochester General, Unity and participating SNFs to alleviate the backlog of Difficult-To-Place complex care patients awaiting SNF placement. The initial grant program successfully concluded by using the ARPA funds to discharge 535 DTP patients from area hospitals to local SNFs.

Key Accomplishments

- With additional funds awarded in 2025, the program successfully discharged 54 DTP patients from area hospitals to local SNFs
- With additional funds awarded in 2026, the program successfully discharged 96 DTP patients from area hospitals to local SNFs

<https://flpps.org/system-transformation-projects>

Finger Lakes Performing Provider System (FLPPS)



Funding Amount:

\$1,171,544



Targeted Underserved Communities:

Low- and
Moderate-Income Tenants



Community Goal:

Public Health
and Public Safety

Project Name: Housing Stability Initiative; Housing Search Navigator and After Care Program

Project Description: This is a program that is part of the larger “Housing Stability Initiative” which is designed to create more affordable housing options for low and moderate-income families and to help remove barriers preventing the rental of existing affordable housing in Monroe County. The Housing Search Navigator and After Care Program will collaborate with four other community-based organizations to work in a culturally responsive manner to accept housing applications and match eligible households with available housing based on individual needs.

Project Successes and Impact: FLPPS has completed the infrastructure and staffing for this new housing stability initiative. Four partner organizations have been engaged: Community Place of Greater Rochester, Family Promise of Greater Rochester, Rochester Alliance of Communities Transforming Society, and Charles Settlement House. Four Navigators, one per community-based partner organization, and 2 After Care Managers have been hired. Workflows have been prepared for the pre-screening, eligibility/intake, reporting, and referral process. A standardized training and onboarding structure is in place, which includes cultural competency, trauma-informed care, mediation training, and mental health first aid. In the first year of the program, FLPPS provided housing services and support to 240 households.

Key Accomplishments

- 252 households, comprising 612 individuals, completed social needs screening
- Over 100 households, totaling 271 individuals, have secured housing
- 541 referrals have been made to community resources, including Health Home Care Management
- The team has completed more than 400 housing applications
- 1,223 after-care check ins were completed with households that secured housing through the program

<https://rochousing.org/>

Finger Lakes Performing Provider System (FLPPS)

In partnership with Monroe County Community College

**Funding Amount:**

\$11,000,000

**Targeted Underserved Communities:**

The African American Community, The Latinx Community, Students

**Community Goal:**

Workforce Development and Economic Recovery

Project Name: Transformational Community Care Coordination Project (TC3)

Project Description: In partnership with Monroe Community College, this program is geared toward enhancing the recruitment, training and retention of Monroe County CNAs, HHAs, LPNs and RNs working in Skilled Nursing Facilities (SNFs) and home health agencies. This project addresses workforce development in two ways: (1) the Long-Term Care (LTC) Workforce Program, which will serve 232 individuals, and (2) the Transforming Lives through Nursing Pathways Initiative (“Pathways Initiative”) which will serve 630 individuals. These programs will provide collaborative, strengthened, and connected educational pathways that will bridge nursing programs and create multiple educational entry points allowing for progressive student advancement in many different healthcare careers. LPN, CNA, HHA and clinical bridge programs will be enhanced to bolster academic and practical skills, preparing students for career-forward opportunities.

Project Successes and Impact: In order to address the public health crisis and shortage of healthcare workers in Monroe County, Finger Lakes Performing Provider System (FLPPS) and Monroe Community College (MCC) have implemented The Transformational Community Care Coordination Project (TC3): a program geared toward enhancing recruitment, training, and retention of Monroe County CNAs, HHAs, LPNs, and RNs working in Skilled Nursing Facilities (SNF) and home health care agencies. This program is establishing educational pathways for healthcare professionals, creating jobs and building recruiting/employment partnerships between training programs and Skilled Nursing Facilities (SNFs).

Key Accomplishments and Future Actions

- 725 CNAs have been trained in the LTC Workforce Program
- 56 RN candidates and 94 LPN candidates are currently participating in the LTC Workforce program
- Over 662 non-degree students have been trained to date in MCC Pathways Program
- Continue recruiting CNAs, HHAs, LPNs and RNs and build out training pipeline

<https://flpps.org>

Fire Department of the Village of Fairport



Funding Amount:
\$20,900



**Targeted Underserved
Communities:**
Monroe County Residents



Community Goal:
Public Health
and Public Safety

Project Name: Radio Communication Infrastructure Improvements

Project Description: The Fire Department of the Village of Fairport will use ARPA funding to upgrade existing radio communication infrastructure that will promote the effective response of volunteer firefighters in the Village of Fairport, Town of Perinton and the greater Monroe County community. The COVID-19 pandemic emphasized the importance of reliable and clear communications during emergencies. For the Fire Department of the Village of Fairport, consistent voice paging enables volunteers to be situationally aware and able to hear dispatch information and updates while responding to medical and non-medical emergencies.

The department will purchase 20 Unication G5 Digital Voice Pagers, and update radio communications equipment at its firehouses. During the pandemic, dispatch audio was not available, or speakers were ineffective in several areas of the firehouse. To further situational awareness and ensure all staff and volunteers receive important updates, ARPA funding will be used to purchase one radio speaker and upgrade several additional speakers. The department will also purchase 10 radio batteries and three digital scanners.

Project Successes and Impact: Fairport Fire Department has used ARPA funds to invest in upgraded communications equipment. These modern devices allow first responders to have fluid communication, which is critical when sharing time-sensitive messages. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, it has become increasingly important to hear dispatch information and updates while responding to medical emergencies, as well as other emergencies. The Fairport Fire Department has also updated radio communication equipment at its firehouses.

Key Accomplishments and Future Actions

- Investment of \$15,000 in audio upgrades, including 19 Unication G5 digital pagers and desktop chargers

www.village.fairport.ny.us/departments/fire_department/index.php

Foodlink, Inc.



Funding Amount:
\$2,306,608.60



**Targeted Underserved
Communities:**
Monroe County Residents



Community Goal:
Public Health
and Public Safety

Project Name: Expanding Food Access for Monroe County Families

Project Description: Foodlink anticipates serving quality, nutritious meals to 168,200 Monroe County residents through 2026 through its meal delivery truck service, and partnerships with YMCA's Center for Equity and Open Door Mission's Coldwater House. The extensive program will focus on food-insecure individuals and families in Monroe County, as well as the Towns of Gates, Greece and Irondequoit. The majority of those served will be low-income and under employed or unemployed.

Project Successes and Impact: Foodlink continues to provide meals to Monroe County residents across a range of locations. Such coverage is due to the operation of Foodlink's "Ice Cream Truck" model, which allows Foodlink staff to travel to different neighborhoods in the County in a large, marked food truck, stopping to provide meals on the spot when they see or are flagged down by individuals. Foodlink staff rotate which neighborhoods are visited to ensure the greatest amount of territory is serviced.

Key Accomplishments and Future Actions

- Over 113,000 meals served to date
- Expanded access to food for County families with second Meal Mobile purchased with ARPA funding, enabling the delivery of (record-breaking) 29,000 meals Summer 2025
- Foodlink is building on the ice cream truck model year-round
- Ensuring program quality by providing training and collaborative opportunities to community partners

<https://foodlinkny.org>

Gates Fire District



Funding Amount:
\$407,926.21



**Targeted Underserved
Communities:**
Monroe County Residents



Community Goal:
Public Health
and Public Safety

Project Name: Gates Fire District: Dispatch Center Update

Project Description: Since the Emergency Communication Department (ECD) 911 Center was formed in 1986, Gates Fire District (GFD) has served as the immediate back up dispatchers to the Fire and Emergency Medical Services (EMS) throughout the City and County. GFD will utilize ARPA funding to upgrade the GFD analog dispatch consoles to digital dispatch radio consoles. The upgrade is necessary to maintain the same dispatch radio technology that the ECD and Monroe County Radio Center has recently implemented throughout the City of Rochester and Monroe County. This project will be accomplished within a single year, but the new radios will allow this cooperative arrangement to continue well into the future. GFD provides services to over 32,000 Monroe County residents and responds to over 5,000 incidents per year.

Project Successes and Impact: GFD has invested in digital dispatch radios and warranty packages. Digital radios allow for better coordination and faster response times with the potential to increase the number of lives saved and reduction in incident severity. These systems can also improve first responders' ability to make informed decisions by providing real-time insight. These outcomes enhance the reliability of the public safety infrastructure for Monroe County residents.

Key Accomplishments and Future Actions

- All proposed activities and purchases remain ongoing

www.gatesfd.org/about/

Gates Volunteer Ambulance Service, Inc.



Funding Amount:
\$228,000



**Targeted Underserved
Communities:**
Monroe County Residents



Community Goal:
Public Health
and Public Safety

Project Name: Ambulance Upgrade – A Critical Need

Project Description: Gates Volunteer Ambulance Service, Inc. (GVAS) will replace an aging ambulance with a new, bariatric model that can do more to meet the needs of the EMS system and Monroe County residents. Historically, GVAS had needed to call on one of the two local commercial agencies with this specific type of equipment. Due to the high call demand in Monroe County, coupled with the number of providers who have left EMS pre-and post-COVID-19, the wait for a bariatric ambulance has been two to three hours on average. Having access to a bariatric ambulance on-site will allow GVAS to be more self-sufficient and will lower response times for Monroe County residents. GVAS will be able to provide self-care and transport residents in Gates, Ogden, Spencerport and Parma. This asset will be available to any EMS agency and resident in the City of Rochester and Monroe County.

Project Successes and Impact: GVAS replaced an aging ambulance (2014 Ford Marque) with a new model that can do more to meet the needs of the EMS system and Monroe County residents.

Key Accomplishments and Future Actions

- Bariatric ambulance purchased and put into service

www.gatesems.org

HCR Home Care (L. Woerner)



Funding Amount:
\$703,592



Targeted Underserved Communities:
The African American Community, Seniors



Community Goal:
Public Health and Public Safety

Project Name: Overcoming Healthcare Delivery Disparities Among African American Senior Citizens in the Greater Rochester Area

Project Description: L. Woerner, Inc. dba HCR Home Care (HCR) will work with Black churches and pastors to overcome historic and real-life barriers to the use of home care services. Pastors, leveraging their inherent trust and influence in the community, will serve as key advocates and ambassadors for the HCR program. This will result in a significant increase in awareness and utilization of home care services among Black churchgoers. Initially, HCR will establish connections with pastors through face-to-face meetings facilitated by its Diverse Care Team. These meetings will serve as the foundation for building rapport, sharing information about the program, and understanding the specific needs and concerns of each congregation. Pastors will play a pivotal role in disseminating information within their congregations. HCR will provide print and digital materials to pastors, such as membership packets and information videos. The membership packets will be customized to their respective churches and will provide educational materials on available home care services. Packets will also include a direct point of contact to an HCR Intake Coordinator that can guide participants through the enrollment process. The provided videos will feature a message for the pastor encouraging their congregation to seek home care services and will be used on both the church and HCR websites as well as social media platforms. HCR will present to 50 churches and make at least 420 new referrals for home care services.

Project Successes and Impact: HCR Home Care (L. Woerner) was founded with the intent of bridging the gap for caretakers with professional home health care staff. The ARPA funded project is focused on increasing access and awareness of home care services by developing strong partnerships with Black churches, their leaders and parishioners. The dedicated team at HCR Home Care has exceeded its engagement goals this year.

Key Accomplishments and Future Actions

- 234 health care service referrals made
- Currently exceeding reporting metrics for providing healthcare referrals, church engagement, and community outreach

<https://www.hcrhealth.com/>

Healthy Baby Network (Perinatal Network of Monroe County, Inc.)



Funding Amount:
\$2,165,224



**Targeted Underserved
Communities:**

The African American Community,
The Latinx Community, Individuals
Recently Released from Incarceration/
Justice Involved Individuals, Individuals
who Experienced Violence (Domestic,
Trafficking, Physical)



Community Goal:
Public Health and
Public Safety

Project Name: Making Meaningful Community Change

Project Description: Healthy Baby Network (HBN) will provide non-medical (doula) care for vulnerable pregnant birthing persons and expand their Fatherhood Program with a focus on reentry after jail time. Focused in the highest-need zip codes in the “Fatal Crescent” (14605, 14606, 14607, 14608, 14609, 14611, 14613, 14619, and 14621), doula services will be targeted towards vulnerable Black and Brown pregnant birthing persons who are at risk for adverse medical and birth outcomes. The goal of this project is to address escalating rates of Black maternal mortality and morbidity by facilitating much needed access to education and services that improve health outcomes and shift the culture of health services to build authentic autonomy and engagement for Black and Brown birthing persons. The Fatherhood Reentry services program will work with Black and Brown fathers with backgrounds that include criminal activity and/or incarceration to minimize recidivism, reengage with their children, find stability (in education, training and housing), and ultimately set growth and development goals for the future. Together, the programs will serve over 500 parents and families through 2026.

Project Successes and Impact: Through ARPA funding, HBN has expanded its Doula Care and Fatherhood Programs. So far, both programs have seen success, with over 200 pregnant participants enrolled in the Doula Program, and over 170 fathers enrolled in the Fatherhood Program.

Key Accomplishments and Future Actions

- Attained the highest certification level for community-based doula programming, making Healthy Baby Network’s Doula program the only accredited community-based doula program in Rochester, New York
- Maintains a 100% breast/chest feeding rate; a rare achievement not matched anywhere else in the country
- 208 birthing persons have received services through the doula program
- 191 fathers have received services through the Fatherhood Re-Entry program
- Actively supporting former participants with connections to community resources and peer mentoring opportunities

<https://www.healthy-baby.net/>

Honeoye Falls-Mendon Volunteer Ambulance, Inc. (HFMVA)



Funding Amount:
\$83,891.20



Targeted Underserved Communities:
Monroe County Residents



Community Goal:
Public Health and
Public Safety

Project Name: Mitigating the COVID-19 Past and Preparing HFMVA for the Future

Project Description: HFMVA will utilize ARPA funding to purchase two Stryker Powerload Systems. These systems enhance HFMVA's capacity to serve Monroe County residents with limited mobility, such as patients with increased body weight, elderly individuals and low-income patients with mobility deficits. HFMVA will also purchase four laptop computers and four pagers to upgrade its system to address patient needs and prepare patient records as quickly and efficiently as possible. Lastly, HFMVA will purchase six Prestan CPR Training Kits, with include an AED trainer as well as infant and adult mannequins with feedback. The equipment is needed to mitigate the high demand for CPR and AED training from the community since COVID-19 restrictions have lifted. These upgrades will improve both patient and crew safety and ultimately increase ambulance crew retention by reducing and eliminating injuries.

Project Successes and Impact: HFMVA has purchased two Stryker Powerload systems, for supporting medical transport to enhance the capacity to attend to Monroe County residents with limited mobility. HFMVA has also upgraded communication and training equipment utilized in medical responses

Key Accomplishments and Future Actions

- Purchased ambulance equipment, CPR training kits, ER communication devices, and laptops

www.hfmva.org/history

Ibero-American Action League



Funding Amount:
\$1,014,935



Targeted Underserved Communities:
Low- and
Moderate-Income Tenants



Community Goal:
Public Health and
Public Safety

Project Name: Housing Stability Initiative; Landlord Incentive Program

Project Description: The Landlord Incentive Program is designed to create more affordable housing options for low and moderate-income families and will help remove barriers preventing the rental of existing affordable housing in Monroe County. The Landlord Incentive Program assists individuals to obtain stable, affordable housing by connecting them with available housing resources and incentivizing landlords to participate in the program. Those facing housing instability are the main beneficiaries of this program, as the project aims to make more units available to underserved or historically marginalized groups in the community.

Project Successes and Impact: Ibero's Landlord Incentive program focused on creating partnerships with landlords who shared their commitment to supporting vulnerable populations and providing second chances to individuals and families facing housing barriers. Many of the program's clients had experienced homelessness for periods ranging from eight months to one year, often citing this was due to poor credit history or the inability to meet traditional income requirements such as double or triple the monthly rent. By working with landlords willing to look beyond conventional screening criteria, the IBERO team was able to remove significant barriers to housing access and provide second-chance opportunities for individuals and families in need. Overall, the program demonstrated meaningful impact by maximizing available resources, strengthening community partnerships, and improving housing outcomes for some of the most vulnerable members of the community.

Key Accomplishments and Future Actions

- In 2025, 43 clients were supported with rental assistance
- By prioritizing building strong and meaningful relationships with local landlords, Ibero placed 107 clients into safe, stable, and affordable housing
- In 2026, Ibero continues to actively promote the program and conduct community outreach, increasing landlord partnerships
- During the first part of 2026, of the units that were secured, 27 have been occupied, and landlord incentives have been paid out
- Between April and June 2026, Ibero paid a total of 26 housing incentives to support client housing placements, and rental arrears support assistance to 44 clients

www.iberro.org/

Irondequoit Ambulance, Inc.



Funding Amount:
\$236,000



**Targeted Underserved
Communities:**
Monroe County Residents



Community Goal:
Public Health and
Public Safety

Project Name: Ambulance Replacement and Ambulance Air and Surface Disinfection

Project Description: Throughout the COVID-19 pandemic, Irondequoit Ambulance received a steady increase in the requests for service (18% in 2022). Consequently, there has been a significant increase in wear and tear on emergency vehicles, resulting in more frequent needs for service and repair.

Irondequoit Ambulance will use ARPA funding to purchase an ambulance that matches the current fleet, so that there will be sufficient room to properly care for patients and provide good crew ergonomics. Irondequoit Ambulance will also purchase air and surface disinfection devices for their existing and on-order ambulance fleet. Properly disinfected equipment helps prevent disease transmission obtained inadvertently by coming in contact with contaminated surfaces, equipment and air. Irondequoit Ambulance will retrofit their ambulance fleet with UV-C decontamination systems.

These systems are installed in the patient compartment of the vehicles and are activated when the crew parks the ambulance at the Irondequoit ambulance base. The UV lights damage bacteria, viruses and fungi. The light will work on any exposed surface in the rear of the vehicle including the gurney, equipment, seats, counters, and nearly everything within the path of the light source. The cleaning is fully automated and does not damage equipment, drugs or other materials in the vehicles. Automated disinfection of vehicles and equipment will further protect Irondequoit Ambulance crews and Monroe County patients – especially those who are at risk for serious illness.

Project Successes and Impact : Irondequoit Ambulance has upgraded its ambulance fleet with the purchase of a new vehicle. The acquisition included the necessary air and surface disinfection units. Together, the new equipment positions Irondequoit Ambulance to successfully serve Monroe County residents.

Key Accomplishments and Future Actions

- New ambulance acquired
- Ambulance air and surface disinfection units acquired

www.irondequoitambulance.com/about-us .

Lake Shore Fire District



Funding Amount:
\$21,882



**Targeted Underserved
Communities:**
Monroe County Residents



Community Goal:
Public Health and
Public Safety

Project Name: Lake Shore Fire District IT Support for Community

Project Description: Throughout the COVID-19 pandemic, Lake Shore Fire District (LSFD) has experienced several technical challenges in creating a virtual presence to improve its service to the community. As a result, LSFD seeks to improve its internet infrastructure, replace staff computers, and work with IT services to improve website and internet presence.

LSFD will utilize ARPA funding to purchase 12 new virtual-meeting capable laptops, improved internet services and related hardware, and temporary IT support to improve the LSFD website and methods for sharing vital information and virtual events. This project will directly serve the over 13,000 people living in the Lake Shore Fire District and will impact neighboring municipalities with the ability to more readily access public safety information, events, and other community engagement efforts.

Project Successes and Impact: Lake Shore Fire District has upgraded critical components of its digital operation. These include securing laptops, updating its website, and maintaining internet services. These updates aid Lakeshore in continuing to provide reliable services for Monroe County residents.

Key Accomplishments and Future Actions

- All proposed activities and purchases remain ongoing

<https://www.lsfd.us/home>

Lifespan of Greater Rochester, Inc.



Funding Amount:

\$577,777



Targeted Underserved Communities:

Seniors



Community Goal:

Public Health
and Public Safety

Project Name: Improving Older Adults' Health, Safety and Economic Recovery Through Community-based Aging Services and Healthcare Integration

Project Description: Lifespan will work to improve older adults' health, safety and economic recovery by expanding its Community Care Connections program to increase access to healthcare and financial support services for vulnerable, medically-complex, underserved older adults (60+) in Monroe County. Lifespan will serve 2,500 Monroe County residents over the four years of the project by providing wraparound services and support to seniors to enhance access to healthcare.

The following services are included in this project:

- Scheduling transportation to and from medical appointments
- Evaluating and making referrals to mental health providers
- Scheduling preventative health care screens and vaccinations
- Evaluating participant's needs and making connections with Personal Emergency Response Systems (PERS), minor home modifications to prevent falls, community-based food program (SNAP), home-delivered meals and/or congregate meals
- Assisting with Medicaid enrollment, utility access, counseling (health insurance and financial benefits), bill paying/budgeting and/or legal services

Project Successes and Impact: Lifespan of Greater Rochester, Inc. has continued to utilize ARPA funding to expand its existing and successful Community Care Connections program to improve safety and increase access to health care and financial benefits for vulnerable, medically complex, underserved seniors. Further, the Community partnership between Lifespan and Monroe County Office for Aging and the Monroe County Veteran Service Agency (VSA) to establish satellite VSA offices has been met with continued success. Both satellite hubs offer residents an opportunity to receive guidance and information regarding veteran benefits and other services for older adults.

Key Accomplishments and Future Actions

- 1,345 Monroe County residents are currently enrolled in Lifespan's ARPA program and provided access to financial benefits and utilization of various medical services
- A quarterly average of 93 enrollees have been provided access to two preventative health screens, interventions, and/or mental health services
- A quarterly average of 120 enrollees have received food assistance
- A quarterly average of 121 enrollees have seen an increase in financial benefits

<https://www.lifespan-roch.org>

Mary Cariola Center, Inc.

**Funding Amount:**

\$1,930,037

**Targeted Underserved
Communities:**

Individuals With Disabilities

**Community Goal:**

Workforce Development
and Economic Recovery

Project Name: Cariola Workforce Development Program Supporting Careers in the Education and Support of Individuals with Complex Disabilities

Project Description: The Cariola Workforce Development Program will help Monroe County build and maintain a workforce that supports individuals with complex disabilities. Key components of this program include: (1) removing barriers to educational and employment opportunities in the field of disabilities for Monroe County residents, including housing and food insecurities, daycare, technology and transportation; (2) supporting equitable and inclusive professional growth opportunities resulting in job advancement and increased income for underserved communities; and (3) creating a replicable model for building organizational capacity to support a diverse and inclusive workforce supporting individuals with complex disabilities and Mary Cariola Center.

Project Successes and Impact: Within its ARPA project, the Mary Cariola Center has hosted an annual Career Development Academy conference with over 500 participants, developed a state-of-the-art training space, and holistically supported a large number of professionals to help them reach their next level NYS Teacher Assistant Certification.

Key Accomplishments and Future Actions

- 128 individuals have been certified with level 1 training within the field of providing assistance to individuals with complex disabilities
- 112 individuals have been certified with levels 2 and 3 training within the field of providing assistance to individuals with complex disabilities
- Reduced barriers to access for 364 individuals; providing assistance such as transportation, housing, and food
- Implemented more diversity, equity, inclusion, and belonging (DEIB) trainings for staff to create a more just and equitable program space for participants
- Establishing a new education space for students at the Elmwood site

www.marycariola.org

Monroe Community Hospital (MCH)



Funding Amount:
\$3,624,000



**Targeted Underserved
Communities:**
Monroe County Residents



Community Goal:
Workforce Development
and Economic Recovery

Project Name: Nurse Aid Training Program

Project Description: This program aims to expand and strengthen MCH's nurse aide workforce pipeline. Project funding was utilized to purchase training supplies and equipment, engage in a multi-year professional services contract for marketing, including launching a website targeted at potential students and CNA candidates, renovate and enhance classroom and lab-based training spaces, and classify and fund trainee positions to support recruitment and workforce development efforts.

Key Accomplishments and Future Actions

- In Fall 2025, MCH conducted its final internal training cohort
- Following this transition, MCH strategically shifted its focus to sustaining workforce development through continued educational support for individuals who completed the program internally, while establishing external partnerships to maintain a CNA pipeline
- Developed a collaborative effort with community organizations, including Rochester Works and Monroe Community College (MCC), to ensure continued access to nurse aide training. Through these partnerships, individuals may complete an approved NATP in the community while simultaneously entering employment at MCH as trainees, supporting both workforce entry and long-term retention.
- Currently, 164 individuals are enrolled in training; 96 have completed training; and 90 have completed certification

www.monroehosp.org/

Monroe County Department of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion



Funding Amount:
\$200,000



**Targeted Underserved
Communities:**
Monroe County Residents



Community Goal:
Workforce Development and
Economic Recovery

Project Name: Language Access Program

Project Description: The Monroe County Department of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion will utilize ARPA funding to upgrade access to language services, allowing for an increase in the quality-of-service delivery and the attraction and retention of diverse populations. The department will work closely with local educational institutions, like RIT and MCC, to get Monroe County residents and employees certified, trained and developed to deliver language access services in their respective departments or community organizations. DEI will also use a significant portion of the funding to purchase equipment and tools for interpretation services that can be borrowed by Monroe County departments and approved community partners. This program will focus on access, inclusion and equity for those with diverse language needs, thereby bridging health and safety gaps caused by communication barriers.

Key Accomplishments and Future Actions

- The project has completed APRA spending, purchasing and distributing 35 iPads with ProPio translation software with over 300 languages for interpretation services, including American Sign Language

www.monroecounty.gov/dei

Monroe County Department of Human Services: Transportation



Funding Amount:
\$1,276,437.67



Targeted Underserved Communities:
Monroe County Residents



Community Goal:
Public Health and
Public Safety

Project Name: Transportation Focused Job Skills Program for Monroe County Adults and Families: Project RIDE

Project Description: The Department of Human Services (DHS) created Project RIDE, a workforce development program that will serve low-income households through Monroe County who have significant transportation barriers. DHS recognizes the importance of reliable transportation and how the absence of this resource can often prevent underserved communities from reaching their employment goals. This project will provide holistic services and solutions for participants.

Project Successes and Impact: Project Ride is a transportation focused employment program for county residents with a gross household income under 80% of the Area Median Income (AMI), and where transportation is a primary barrier for meeting their employment goals. This program includes:

- Job Readiness/Skills Training: a 4–6-week program focused on obtaining skills required by employers for job entry and/or advancement in the workplace. This can include resume creation, interview skills, workplace expectations, life skills including time management, literacy skills, and math skills.
- Financial Literacy: developing financial goals and a monthly budget, banking access, credit repair, and savings creation.
- Addressing Transportation Barriers: creation of a transportation and financial profile for each participant to create a solution to barriers to employment. The program will cover solutions such as repair of a vehicle, purchase of equipment, purchase of used vehicle, driver's license fees, vehicle registration fees, and up to 6 months of insurance.

Key Accomplishments and Future Action

- Effective January 2025, DHS contracted with Consumer Credit Counseling Services for the remaining years of the project
- As of the end of 2025, 112 participants had enrolled and 102 graduated from the program
- In 2026, Project Ride is preparing for concurrent classes to accommodate varying schedules and a partnership with the Office of Mental Health that focuses on individuals who are preparing to re-enter the workforce after substance use recovery

www.monroecounty.gov/hs

Monroe County Department of Planning and Development



Funding Amount:
\$3,303,664



**Targeted Underserved
Communities:**
Monroe County Residents



Community Goal:
Public Health and
Public Safety

Project Name: HOME Investment Partnerships Program

Project Description: The HOME investment Partnerships Program will provide bridge funding gaps for existing housing programs to include affordable rental housing, acquisition rehabilitation/resale, and home improvement and home ownership for income-qualified residents. The funding will also support the development, creation and sustainability of affordable housing throughout Monroe County. The program targets low-income families and residents of Monroe County in need of safe and affordable housing.

www.monroecounty.gov/planning

Monroe County Land Bank Corporation from Monroe County Department of Planning and Development



Funding Amount:
\$1,000,000



Targeted Underserved Communities:
Monroe County Residents



Community Goal:
Public Health
and Public Safety

Project Name: Monroe County Land Bank

Project Description: Monroe County will partner with The City of Rochester to either expand the City's existing land bank or add an additional land bank to incorporate the twenty nine suburban towns and villages within Monroe County. ARPA funding will be used for the legal creation/administration of a land bank, acquisition of real property and demolition of dilapidated structures on the property. The establishment of a land bank will not only improve public health by eliminating potential health hazards in neighborhoods, but also improve public safety by converting abandoned structures that may be used for illicit purposes- which has been shown to decrease crime as well as increase neighborhood property values. The project would also provide revitalized homes for purchase by income-eligible homeowners throughout Monroe County, who are currently unable to purchase their first home due to the competitive housing market.

Key Accomplishments and Future Actions:

- Created and filled a Compliance & Grants Specialist position shared in partnership with MCIDC
- Acquired 4 properties from Monroe County Auction list
 - 2 properties in the Town of Gates
 - 2 properties in the Town of Greece
- Secured RFPs for Appraisal Services, Demolition and Modular Homes
- 3 out of 4 properties have had site work initiated
- 1 property has undergone complete demolition
- Modular homes have been customized for each site and are under construction with Cook Properties

www.monroecounty.gov/planning

Monroe County Department of Public Health



Funding Amount:
\$3,870,537



**Targeted Underserved
Communities:**
Monroe County Residents



Community Goal:
Public Health and
Public Safety

Project Name: ARPA Community Maternal Child Health Services

Project Description: The ARPA Community Maternal Child Health Services project will develop or enhance community-based programs that foster healthy activities in the community in order to improve health outcomes for families throughout the County. The program will conduct outreach in order to connect with mothers, newborns, and families to make relevant assessments, and to connect families to relevant and necessary services.

Project Successes and Impact: The project continues to make progress toward its goals of understanding the state of health of moms and babies in the community, and to develop strategies to improve health by removing barriers.

Key Accomplishments and Future Action

- The Mt. Hope Family Center has screened 15,302 moms and babies, and enrolled 62 for the Holistic Maternal Program.
- The UR Public Health Sciences Mother & Baby survey was sent to 4,100 families; 368 were completed; 108 added additional comments (qualitative data) in survey responses; six raffles were conducted, and 342 thank you gifts were sent.
- The expectation is that these surveys will provide a rich set of data on the health and well-being, and obstacles to thriving, of moms and babies in Monroe County.

www.monroecounty.gov/health

Monroe County Department of Public Health



Funding Amount:
\$3,729,000



**Targeted Underserved
Communities:**
Monroe County Residents



Community Goal:
Public Health and
Public Safety

Project Name: ARPA Safe Neighborhoods: Violence Prevention Services and Training for Violence Prevention

Project Description: The ARPA Safe Neighborhoods project will establish and administer programs that address rising gun violence in the community in order to build and sustain a safer and healthier community where families will thrive. In addition, the project will provide trainings using a curriculum and method with a demonstrated history of success in similar settings. Organizations will work alongside the Monroe County Department of Public Health to train local actors to equip them with the necessary skills, experience and knowledge to perform the trainings locally as part of the department's violence prevention efforts.

Project Successes and Impact: The cure violence effort supports sub-awardees: the Center for Youth, Coordinated Care Services, Inc., in addition to providing cure violence training. Each has completed substantial work in lessening risky behaviors, training youth in violence prevention, and supporting young men with educational and social support.

Key Accomplishments and Future Action

- Cure Violence has conducted eight training sessions to date, with additional session in process and planned through October 2026. Twenty-two local organizations have sent staff to training thus far, and an additional fifteen organizations have signed up for future sessions. A total of 122 individuals have been trained. In the standardized survey administered following each week-long training, participants have consistently rated the training very highly across all measures. Participants also reported strong confidence in applying the material to their professional roles and agreed that the training would have a positive impact on both their personal and professional lives.

www.monroecounty.gov/health

Monroe County Department of Public Health



Funding Amount:
\$3,286,325.84



**Targeted Underserved
Communities:**
Monroe County Residents



Community Goal:
Public Health
and Public Safety

Project Name: Monroe County Vaccinations

Project Description: To provide vaccinations to all Monroe County residents through the use of three fixed locations and several mobile clinic vehicles to serve homebound individuals. Use community ambassadors to serve underrepresented communities who have been more negatively impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. All actions are intended to address damage caused by the pandemic and mitigate further harm.

Project Successes and Impact: The County used community ambassadors, advocates, liaisons and leaders to develop relationships and trust between vaccination providers and populations most vulnerable to serious health issues.

Monroe County Industrial Development Corporation (MCIDC)



Funding Amount:
\$5,800,000



Targeted Underserved Communities:
The African American Community, The Latinx Community, Veterans



Community Goal:
Workforce Development and Economic Recovery

Project Name: Revolving Loan Fund

Project Description: Monroe County Industrial Development Corporation (MCIDC) will create and administer a revolving loan fund, primarily microloans up to \$50,000, for small and start-up businesses that would otherwise not have access to those kinds of funds or technical assistance. The goal of the program is not to replace funding but to serve as a gap-funding opportunity where capital is not available, or traditional financing does not fully meet a financing need. The focus will be on underserved communities and businesses as well as NY State and/or Monroe County certified Minority/Women Business Enterprises (MWBE) and Service-Disabled Veteran Owned Businesses in Monroe County.

Project Successes and Impact: Monroe County Industrial Development Corporation (MCIDC) is bridging funding gaps for small businesses by administering a revolving loan fund focused on underserved communities, with special focus on Minority and Women owned Business Enterprises (MWBE) and Veteran-owned businesses in Monroe County. These microloans provide access to capital and technical assistance not otherwise available to small and start-up businesses

Key Accomplishments and Future Actions:

- Over \$5,000,000 in loans have been distributed to Monroe County small businesses to date
- Of the 102 participants who received loans, 75 qualified as MWBE business owners

www.monroecounty.gov/planning-microloan

Monroe Community Library



Funding Amount:
\$3,165,984



**Targeted Underserved
Communities:**
Monroe County Residents



Community Goal:
Infrastructure and
Sustainability

Project Name: Digital Equity and Inclusion Programming

Project Description: This project aims to train over 1,000 Monroe County residents in various computer operations skills and bolster on-line literacy for underserved communities.

Project Successes and Impact:

The project is:

- Increasing the number of MiFi portable internet devices across the library system
- Providing Digital Literacy Navigators offering one-on-one computer assistance at 14 library locations.
- Establishing a county-wide computer training program that will provide a series of classes in a variety of topics, taught by up to 10 instructors. The library anticipates training up to 1050 Monroe County residents and providing those who complete their training courses with a computer to keep.
- Establishing a county-wide subscription to the Udemy self-directed learning database.
- Installing 10 solar-powered, MiFi-enabled charging stations/tables at selected sites throughout the county.

Key Accomplishments and Future Actions:

- In the first half of 2026, Library Digital bridge held 255 computer classes, distributed 419 Chromebook devices, and circulated Mi-Fis 7,993 times
- In the second quarter of 2026, 11 additional solar tables were installed at Monroe County parks, and two more on the canal, for a total of 23 tables
- Solar tables have used more than 22GB of data with more than 5,000 connections
- Provided 1:1 computer assistance to 427 individuals over 896 hours through Literacy Rochester

<https://roccitylibrary.org>

Monroe County Office for the Aging and Monroe County Veteran's Service Agency

**Funding Amount:**

\$1,767,668.49

**Targeted Underserved****Communities:**

Seniors and Veterans

**Community Goal:**

Public Health and
Public Safety

Project Name: Senior/Veteran Services Access Pilot Programming

Project Description: The project will provide one-stop benefits counseling and support services in offices on the east and west sides managed by the Monroe County Office for the Aging and the Monroe County Veterans Service Agency. This program is designed to target seniors and veterans who were disproportionately impacted by the pandemic. Offices are established in areas that these populations frequent which will create opportunities for access to providers that will screen for eligible services. The offices are located in accessible areas of the community and staffed by knowledgeable service providers who have direct access to programs and resources for which veterans and seniors are eligible.

Project Successes and Impact: These convenient, accessible offices (located at Greece Ridge Mall in the Town of Greece and Bay Towne Plaza in the Town of Webster) are open and available to Monroe County residents. As experts in aging services, Lifespan has staff available at each location to assist older adults and caregivers with guidance on supportive programs and services for the aging. This includes information on home care, housing, transportation, wellness programming, financial support, and much more.

Key Accomplishments and Future Goals

- To date, Lifespan employees embedded at both of VSA's Greece and Webster satellite locations have provided resources and assistance to a total of 153 Monroe County residents

www.monroecounty.gov/aging

Monroe County Office of Public Safety - OEM



Funding Amount:
\$400,000



**Targeted Underserved
Communities:**
Monroe County Residents



Community Goal:
Public Health and
Public Safety

Project Name: Family Reunification Crisis Centers

Project Description: The Family Assistance Center (FAC) and Family Reunification Center (FRC) project aims to provide the community with critical resources and information needed in response to a major event that requires reunification and assistance. It will provide trainings, supplies, and equipment needed to enable agencies to coordinate in response to victims and families in the event of a major disaster.

Project Successes and Impact: The Office of Public Safety has engaged a consultant to develop plans for an Emergency Management Family Assistance Center and a Family Reunification Center, and to conduct stakeholder trainings.

Key Accomplishments and Future Actions:

- In the first quarter of 2026, the Public Safety worked with a planning consultant who led two training sessions for internal and external stakeholders on the FAC and FRC plans
- Equipment purchases of first aid provisions and conference hardware were completed
- Van Upfitting: T&D Fleet Solutions installed an airlink, lights, sirens, and mobile radio equipment so the van is equipped for rapid response

www.monroecounty.gov/safety

Monroe County Office of Public Safety



Funding Amount:
\$681,000



**Targeted Underserved
Communities:**
Monroe County Residents



Community Goal:
Public Health and
Public Safety

Project Name: Project JEDI

Project Description: The Monroe County Department of Public Safety (DPS) will work closely with a subject matter expert and the Monroe County Department of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI) to advance its efforts for recruitment and retention of a diverse, inclusive and valued workforce. This program will serve more than 250 current DPS employees through retention programming, as well as outreach and recruitment efforts throughout our underserved communities. The goal of the project is to develop a DPS workforce that is supportive, inclusive, and reflective of the community in which it serves.

Key Accomplishments and Future Actions:

- Eight interns will be joining the summer 2026 cohort
- Ongoing projects include a recruitment video, job board monitors and community-facing outreach such as billboards

www.monroecounty.gov/safety

Monroe County Office of Public Safety



Funding Amount:
\$500,000



**Targeted Underserved
Communities:**
Monroe County Residents



Community Goal:
Public Health and
Public Safety

Project Name: Youth and Police Initiative

Project Description: The Monroe County Department of Public Safety (DPS) will use ARPA funding to focus on improving the relationship between police departments, youth, and other law enforcement representatives. The goal is to increase trust between the community and law enforcement and to develop youth leadership and advocacy skills. The program is meant to serve up to 100 at-risk youth and 40 Monroe County police officers through 2026.

Key Accomplishments and Future Action

- In 2025, 10 students graduated from the program; a ceremony was held where graduates received letters of congratulations from the County Executive
- YPI's first session of 2026 was held in January with 9 participants; in March there were 8 student participants; April session had 11 participants
- Senior YPI Trainings were held in January, March and April 2026
- Future Senior YPI trainings are scheduled for August and October of this year; 11 Probation Officers, including 2 Senior Probation Officers, have signed up as facilitators and will be trained in 2026

www.monroecounty.gov/safety

Monroe County Sheriff's Office



Funding Amount:
\$3,502,000



**Targeted Underserved
Communities:**
Monroe County Residents



Community Goal:
Public Health and
Public Safety

Project Name: Health and Wellness Program

Project Description: The Monroe County Sheriff's Office (MCSO) Health and Wellness Program addresses the mental and physical wellness of the staff of the Sheriff's Office. The program is designed to provide individualized support to all MCSO staff through a three-pronged approach: (1) a peer support program, (2) embedded clinicians for immediate contact/engagement, and (3) expanded wellness training and programming department-wide. In addition to these three primary components, a wellness dog has been added to the team to allow greater flexibility of response and engagement opportunities. The program aims to meet the needs of the deputies, both in response to incidents and to proactively maintain their mental wellness. Monroe County continues to make our deputies' well-being and mental health a top priority, as it directly correlates to the effectiveness of their duties and future police reform efforts.

Project Successes and Impact: This program is to benefit MCSO staff (sworn and civilian), focusing on mental health by responding to incidents and to proactively maintain mental wellness.

Key Accomplishments and Future Goals

- In the first half of 2026, sworn officers utilized 9,484 wellness services
- Eighteen total trainings were provided
- Clinician contacts for sworn and civilian staff increased by 11%

<https://www.monroecounty.gov/sheriff-about>

Mt. Olivet Baptist Church



Funding Amount:
\$417,225



**Targeted Underserved
Communities:**
The African American
Community



Community Goal:
Public Health
and Public Safety

Project Name: Mt. Olivet Church Active Shooter Preventative Action Plan

Project Description: When Mt. Olivet Baptist Church (MOBC) learned from federal, state, and local law enforcement officials that it was on the list of possible targets named by Buffalo's Tops Shopping Market mass shooter, it was advised to take steps to enhance the security of its property, congregation and the local community. To do this, Mt. Olivet Baptist Church will hire security guards, install security-grade doors, develop and active shooter plan, install privacy film, renovate space for safe rooms, and update internal and external emergency communication systems. This strategic and coordinated response will deter any future active shooters from targeting the MOBC congregation and its visitors.

Project Successes and Impact: Mount Olivet Baptist Church has been a pillar of strength on Clarissa Street and in the City of Rochester at large since its founding in 1910. Its members are proud of the church's legacy and its ability to provide an open and safe community space. Regrettably, several mass shootings have occurred at places of worship over the past few years. Unwilling to close its doors to the community it serves, Mt. Olivet, with the assistance of ARPA funding, has taken measures to enhance the interior and exterior security of the church and its surroundings. In doing so, Mt. Olivet will continue to serve as center for building and strengthening community.

Key enhancements completed and/or in progress include:

- Upgraded emergency egress routes
- Upgraded security camera system
- Upgraded exterior lighting
- Upgraded Internal and external alarm/communication systems
- Built out a safe/triage room
- Installed elevator to improve accessibility

<https://www.mt-olivetbaptistchurch.org>

Multicraft Apprenticeship Preparation Program, Inc. (M.A.P.P.)



Funding Amount:
\$1,200,000



Targeted Underserved Communities:
The African American Community, The Latinx Community



Community Goal:
Workforce Development and Economic Recovery

Project Name: MAPP / PROJECT PHOENIX

Project Description: The Multicraft Apprenticeship Preparation Program (MAPP) emphasizes sharpening existing transferable skills and aims to refine the work ethic of their participants, so that they can build careers in the construction trades. The MAPP model focuses on the crisis of poverty juxtaposed with the long-anticipated shortage of construction tradesmen and women across the building and construction trades. With the success of this model, MAPP has continually grown in demand for their services in the community. AT their current training center, MAPP employs both academic tutoring and hands-on projects to train participants in their Apprenticeship Readiness Program. ARPA funding will be used to secure a new training space so that the program can expand to serve more historically disadvantaged Monroe County residents and help fill the skilled trades pipeline. This project was terminated for cause on June 3, 2026.

Project Successes and Impact: MAPP dedicates its efforts toward lifting historically disadvantaged populations and/or marginalized communities out of poverty. MAPP provides training and education to prepare its students for a career in the Building and Construction Trades. With ARPA funding, MAPP is acquiring and renovating a property that will provide a stable location for increased job and workforce training in skilled trades.

Key enhancements completed and/or in progress include:

- Purchased the property at 400 Central Avenue to house the new training facility
- With the purchase of this property, the training facility will be moving from a 3,800 square foot space to a 54,000 square foot location
- The increased square footage will significantly increase the number of people who can be trained in one of 18 different union construction tradecrafts throughout the county

www.mappinc.org

Municipalities throughout Monroe County



Funding Amount:
\$5,999,999.99



**Targeted Underserved
Communities:**
Youth and Seniors



Community Goal:
Public Health and
Public Safety

Project Name: Youth and Senior Congregate Programming

Provide support to the municipalities in Monroe County with youth and senior congregate programming and purchasing related equipment. Such support includes upgrades to senior and youth facilities, subsidized meals and group activities, and funding for community classes.

Project Description: Municipalities have planned and enacted youth and senior congregate projects, improving their youth and senior gathering places, and utilizing ARPA dollars for youth and senior centered events. These projects incorporate a variety of means to facilitate youth and senior programs such as subsidized group outings and improving publicly available sports equipment.

Project Successes and Impact: Towns have utilized this funding in a variety of ways, including developing exercise classes for seniors, purchasing external defibrillators for local parks, organizing day trips to local attractions for seniors, and improving accessibility by purchasing a means of transportation (a van) for youth and seniors.

Non-Profit Organizations in Qualified Census Tracts



Funding Amount:
\$5,999,999.98



**Targeted Underserved
Communities:**
Monroe County Residents



Community Goal:
Public Health and
Public Safety

Project Name: Monroe County Non-Profit Beneficiary Project

Project Description: As part of its ARPA response, the County designated \$6,000,000 to assist non-profit organizations in Monroe County that have been disproportionately impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. Entities had to meet the following criteria to be eligible for grant funding:

1. Be a not-for-profit corporation authorized to do business in New York State;
2. Be registered with the New York Charities Bureau;
3. Have operated a physical location in a Qualified Census Tract in Monroe County from at least 2019 to the present;
4. Have at least 51% of its operations take place in Qualified Census Tracts in Monroe County from at least 2019 to the present; and
5. Filed a Form 990 in 2022 and 2023

Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Rochester	Goodwill Vision Enterprises, Inc.
Independent Living for Seniors, Inc. (dba ElderONE)	Education Success Network, Inc.
Anthony L. Jordan Health Corporation	The Child Advocacy Center of Greater Rochester
Action for a Better Community, Inc.	House of Mercy, Inc.
The Center for Youth Services, Inc.	AutismUp Inc.
Foodlink, Inc.	Charles Settlement House, Inc.
Medical Motor Service of Rochester and Monroe County, Inc.	Special Touch Bakery, Inc.
Baden Street Settlement of Rochester, Inc.	The Center for Teen Empowerment, Inc.
Urban League of Rochester, NY, Inc.	441 Ministries Beechwood, Inc.
EnCompass Resources for Learning, Inc.	Friends of the Garden Ariel, Inc.
YWCA of Rochester and Monroe County	Isaiah House, Inc.
Veterans Outreach Center, Inc.	Taproot Collective, Inc.
Community Design Center of Rochester, Inc.	

Pathstone - Housing Council



Funding Amount:
\$664,414.00



**Targeted Underserved
Communities:**
Low-Income Tenants



Community Goal:
Public Health and
Public Safety

Project Name: The Homeownership Assistance Program

Project Successes and Impact: The Homeownership Assistance Program uses ARPA funds to assist first time homebuyers at or below 80% AMI afford their first home by providing down payment assistance and closing costs, focusing on first generation homebuyer (self-attested), or households with school age children, or permanently disabled household member, or first generation American. Pathstone supports first time homebuyers through homebuyer education and individual counseling.

Key accomplishments and Future Actions:

- 25 clients have been accepted into the program
- Two client have closed on a home and 1 has an upcoming closing date

www.pathstone.org

Pathstone – Rural Housing



Funding Amount:
\$250,000.00



**Targeted Underserved
Communities:**
Low-Income Tenants



Community Goal:
Public Health and
Public Safety

Project Name: Home Improvement Project

Project Successes and Impact: Rural Housing Opportunities Corporation (“RHOC”) will utilize funding to assist 8 income-qualified homeowners in making necessary home repairs throughout Monroe County. RHOC, a subsidiary of Pathstone, will utilize the structure of their Home Improvement Program, which has operated in Monroe County for more than 30 years to enable this funding to be used for this purpose. RHOC will collect supporting documents, and income-qualify homeowners in accordance with HOME. RHOC will describe their engagement process and process for determining income-eligible homeowners and their process documenting eligibility for repair funding.

Key accomplishments and Future Actions:

- In the first quarter of 2026, five homes have been approved, with two to begin construction by end of quarter two. The remaining homes are in the process of completing pre-construction work.

www.pathstone.org

Rochester Housing Development Fund Corporation (RHDFC)



Funding Amount:
\$1,000,000.00



Targeted Underserved Communities:
Low-Income Tenants



Community Goal:
Public Health
and Public Safety

Project Name: HOME: Acquisition, Rehab/New Construction, and Resale of Single-Family Homes

Project Successes and Impact: RHDFC was awarded ARPA funds in 2025 to support its two Acquisition/Rehab/Resale programs: HOME Rochester and Make Monroe Home. Together, these programs will be adding much-needed inventory for low and moderate-income first-time homebuyers throughout Monroe County, including the City of Rochester.

Completed homes are rehabilitated to a high standard, sold with valid Certificates of Occupancy, certified completely asbestos free, and sold at an affordable price to ensure long-term affordability for the buyer. RHDFC has seven additional properties in various stages of rehabilitation that could also be sold during 2026 using ARPA funding.

RHDFC was featured in an article from the Spring 2026 publication Landmarks entitled “From House to Home: A Preservation Partnership on Rosewood Terrace” which outlined a property they had recently completed renovating. The article, which includes before and after pictures, outlined RHDFC’s collaboration with The Landmark Society to transform a foreclosed property into a stunning and safe home ready for a first-time homebuyer. By using ARPA funds for home rehabilitation, RHDFC has succeeded in helping to revitalize and stabilize neighborhoods in the City of Rochester where such funding opportunities are rare.

Key enhancements completed and/or in progress include:

- The program has completed spending on twelve properties and has added a 13th property, surpassing their original goal

<https://www.nyhrc.org/resource/rochester-housing-development-fund-corporation-rhdfc>

The Penfield Volunteer Emergency Ambulance Service, Inc.



Funding Amount:
\$347,065.97



**Targeted Underserved
Communities:**
Monroe County Residents



Community Goal:
Public Health and
Public Safety

Project Name: Penfield Ambulance Acquisition of an Outfitted Advanced Life Support (ALS) Capable Transporting Ambulance

Project Description: The Penfield Volunteer Emergency Ambulance Service, Inc. (PVA) will utilize ARPA funding to purchase an ambulance outfitted with a LifePak 15 device. This multi-functional device allows first responders to monitor multiple aspects of a patients' health, including SpO2 monitoring, Co2 monitoring, ECG monitoring, blood pressure and temperature monitoring. The vehicle will also include a power hydraulic-operated gurney for lifting a patient.

PVA currently has a fleet of six ambulances, but three of them are at or near 150,000 miles and at the end of their serviceable lives. The volume of calls for service in the Town of Penfield has been rapidly increasing since 2020. Over the past three years, PVA received 5,100 (2020), 5,400 (2021), and 7,100 (2022) calls for service. PVA also provided over 1,200 instances of aid to 16 other ambulance districts in 2022. Thus, this equipment is a critical need for PVA's COVID-19 response and will help to save lives in Monroe County now and in the future.

Project Successes and Impact: PVA has upgraded its fleet through the purchase of a new ambulance. It has also ensured continued operational equipment is available through the acquisition of an ambulance servicing contract. These upgrades position PVA to continue to provide continued services to Monroe County Residents.

Key enhancements completed and/or in progress include:

- \$178,000 invested in a new ambulance
- \$127,000 invested in an ambulance equipment service contract

www.penfieldambulance.org/

Pittsford Volunteer Ambulance, Inc.



Funding Amount:
\$3,371,024.90



**Targeted Underserved
Communities:**
Monroe County Residents



Community Goal:
Public Health and
Public Safety

Project Name: Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Workforce Training and Diversification

Project Description: Since the COVID-19 pandemic, EMS organizations have been struggling with workforce shortages that impact their ability to respond to a growing need for emergency medical care. Addressing the EMS workforce deficit and sustaining long-term demands requires a coordinated system to recruit, educate, and support the development of skilled EMS clinicians.

Recognizing this need in Monroe County, Pittsford Volunteer Ambulance, Inc. has developed an EMS workforce training that emphasizes diversification of the EMS workforce through recruiting, educational support and career pathway development. This approach will reduce barriers to entry by resolving traditional fiscal challenges, while also transforming the model for EMT and Paramedic classes to enhance career opportunities and improve retention within the EMS profession. In partnership with Monroe Community College, American Medical response, and Monroe Ambulance, Pittsford Volunteer Ambulance, Inc. will support training and wraparound services for 158 new EMTs and 50 new paramedics.

Project Successes and Impact: AMR-Rochester and Monroe Ambulance EMT classes as well as MCC EMT and Paramedic classes are all operational. Graduates of the program will be certified to begin working with an EMS agency, directly contributing to Monroe County's efforts to address the ongoing shortage of emergency medical personnel.

Key Accomplishments and Future Actions

As of the end of the first quarter of 2026, (numbers are approximate):

- 56 participants are currently enrolled in and/or completed MCC's EMT program
- 7 participants are currently enrolled in and/or completed MCC's Paramedic program
- 35 participants are currently enrolled in and/or completed AMR Rochester's EMT program
- 17 participants are currently enrolled in and/or completed Monroe Ambulances' EMT program

The project is continuing recruitment of participants for future EMT and Paramedic training programs.

<https://pittsfordambulance.org/about-us/history>

Providence Housing Development Corporation



Funding Amount:
\$1,044,399.35



Targeted Underserved Communities:
Individuals Who Experienced
Violence (Domestic, Trafficking,
Physical)



Community Goal:
Public Health
and Public Safety

Project Name: Door of Hope

Project Description: Door of Hope (DOH) is a rapid rehousing program (RRP) serving hearing or deaf individuals and families where the adult head of household is fleeing domestic violence (DV) or human trafficking (HT). DOH offers clients a better chance of maintaining housing stability by using a trauma-informed approach and having a robust set of services. Providence House provides permanent supportive housing and rental assistance for up to one year. Moving costs, childcare, language translation services, emergency/health services, employment services, and education to eligible participants and their households.

Project Successes and Impact: The Door of Hope project has continued providing RRP housing services to Monroe County residents, and connecting participants to additional support services. These include: increased access to and utilization of healthcare and increased connection to community support. Though the industry average number of days from intake to move-in is 60, DOH has helped program participants to obtain supportive housing in an average of just under 17 days.

Key Accomplishments and Future Actions

- Services provided to 142 individuals
- 37 adults received access to job training/trade programs
- 33 households reported an increase in their income
- 46 households reported increased access to and utilization of healthcare
- 34 school-age children regularly attending school

<https://providencehousing.org>

Reentry Association of WNY, Inc. (RAWNY)



Funding Amount:

\$4,517,843



Targeted Underserved Communities:

The African American Community,
The Latinx Community, Individuals
Recently Released from
Incarceration/Justice Involved
Individuals



Community Goal:

Public Health
and Public Safety

Project Name: Reentry One-Stop

Project Description: RAWNY will open a Reentry One-Stop that will allow anyone being released from incarceration in Monroe County to be connected to needed services and support, thereby increasing public safety, decreasing recidivism, and improving quality of life for the formerly incarcerated. The program will serve approximately 2,338 Monroe County residents with wraparound services including: employment, transportation, mental health, vocational training, legal services, housing and mentoring.

Project Successes and Impact: The work focuses on stabilizing basic needs, strengthening family and community connections, advancing workforce readiness, improving access to health and behavioral health care, and ensuring that both clients and staff are supported through trauma-informed, safe, and effective reentry practices. RAWNY's holistic approach to reentry recognizes that successful reintegration requires more than a single service. By addressing individuals' complex lives, RAWNY continues to reduce barriers, promote dignity, and create pathways to long-term stability for participants. By embedding partners on-site and strengthening referral pathways, RAWNY increases access to employment, healthcare, housing supports, and behavioral health services—key components of successful reentry and long-term stability.

Key Accomplishments and Future Actions

- Assisted 1,959 unique individuals to-date with wraparound services and support
- Secured permanent housing for over 220 individuals
- Provided food support for over 487 individuals
- Helped 189 previously incarcerated individuals find employment
- Provided legal resources for 100 individuals
- Processed documentation requests for over 400 previously incarcerated individuals to secure NYS ID and/or birth certificates required to find jobs and housing
- Transitioned to a walk-in intake model on-site and enhanced relationship with Grace House and the Federal Half Way House to increase the number of completed intake assessments
- Since inception of the ARPA program, hosted two annual "ReEntry Week" events including an all-day Reentry Conference, celebrating successful reentry of incarcerated individuals

<https://www.rawny.org/>

The Research Foundation of SUNY

On behalf of the State University of New York College at Brockport



Funding Amount:
\$1,317,950



Targeted Underserved Communities:
Students, Individuals Recently Released from Incarceration/ Justice Involved Individuals.



Community Goal:
Workforce Development and Economic Recovery

Project Name: Rochester Educational Opportunity Center (REOC) Mobile Welding Lab

Project Description: REOC will create a mobile, live welding training lab program to serve eligible at-risk youth ages 18-24, current inmates and ex-offenders who have significant barriers to employment. The project will register 120 students in the Mobile Welding Lab class through 2026 and retain 80% of participants in employment opportunities.

Project Successes and Impact: While known for academic excellence, SUNY Brockport has taken steps to further educational opportunities for community members interested careers in the skilled trades. ARPA funding allowed the university to open a mobile welding lab. The decision to build the lab surfaced because some of the top trade credentials attained in prisons involve welding. The lab will serve eligible at-risk youth and formerly incarcerated people who have significant barriers to employment.

The lab is housed in a large trailer with eight stations and provides students with the skills needed for entry-level work as welders. The 18-week hands-on training program introduces students to various components and equipment used in the welding trade through three new courses: Basic Shielded Metal Arc, Advanced Shielded Metal Arc, and Gas Metal Arc Welding.

Key Accomplishments and Future Actions

- As of June 2026, 47 students have been enrolled, 26 have completed the training, and at least 15 have secured employment in the welding industry
- The first cohort of the program had eight graduates, five of whom have secured employment
- The program established a partnership with Cornerstone Training Institute and relocated the Mobile Welding Lab to their facilities for the second cohort of nine students, seven of whom graduated and secured employment
- The third cohort was held at the Industry Residential Facility (Office of Children and Family Services), providing incarcerated youth with valuable skills training and a pathway to future opportunities, though not traceable employment due to information-sharing restrictions
- The fourth cohort returned to Cornerstone Training Institute with 7 students graduating, most of whom have secured employment in the welding industry

<https://reoc.brockport.edu>

Ridge Road Fire District



Funding Amount:
\$240,630.04



**Targeted Underserved
Communities:**
Monroe County Residents



Community Goal:
Public Health and
Public Safety

Project Name: Ridge Road Fire District Emergency Communications and PPE/ Community Outreach and Risk Reduction

Project Description: The Ridge Road Fire District (the District) will use ARPA funding to strengthen its response capabilities to public health emergencies by expanding and improving its emergency response communications equipment and Personal Protective Equipment (PPE). Additionally, the District seeks to improve its station alerting system that provides critical information to firefighters. Lastly, the District will purchase four additional sets of ballistic personal protective equipment to outfit its firefighters who respond as part of the Monroe County Rescue Task Force. This Task Force provides a critical emergency medical response to acts or threats of deadly violence.

The District is one of five Rescue Task Forces (RTF) in the County. By adding these additional sets of PPE, the District will increase its capability of ensuring an RTF unit is able to respond quickly and effectively to any crisis. The District will also utilize ARPA funding to increase and expand its community outreach and risk-reduction programs. As a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, many longstanding community programs were suspended or severely limited. Demand for community programs, however, remains high and has increased. The District will further develop community programs that target specific at-risk populations. This includes fall prevention classes, home assessments for the aging population, child safety car seat education, Naloxone (Narcan) education, DWI simulation drills at local high schools, and Life Safety Device (smoke and carbon monoxide alarms) installation.

Project Successes and Impact: The District has upgraded significant portions of its operational equipment. These upgrades include new alerting software, updates to communication equipment, and new PPE.

Key Accomplishments and Future Actions

- Purchases complete for alerting software, mobile radios, portable radios, and helmets and body plates
- Continuing outreach for community programming and upgrading of operational equipment

<https://rrfd.org/>

Rochester Area Community Foundation



Funding Amount:
\$850,000



**Targeted Underserved
Communities:**
Monroe County Residents



Community Goal:
Infrastructure and
Sustainability

Project Name: Rochester ENergy Efficiency and Weatherization (RENEW)

Project Description: RENEW strives to make homes throughout Monroe County more energy-efficient, healthier, and safer (aging in place) which positively affects the social, economic, and environmental barriers that lead to health disparities. Their work in Monroe County neighborhoods builds wealth, prevents home foreclosure, reduces greenhouse gas emissions, and creates improved health outcomes for families. RENEW will assist up to 200 income-qualified homeowners and up to 800 residents living in those homes to complete projects that promote energy-efficiency, health, and/or safety goals.

Project Successes and Impact: RENEW has weatherized a total of 179 homes. Not only do these renovations help with short term housing costs, but they also reduce fuel costs and carbon emissions, and aid in safer conditions for home residents with health issues that can be negatively affected by the issues that sometimes arise in older homes.

Key Accomplishments and Future Actions

- To date, 179 Monroe County homes were renovated
- Continuing to provide energy efficiency renovation grants to Monroe County homeowners
- Analyzing utility bill data for potential fuel cost savings and carbon emissions reductions per client reporting

www.racf.org/collaborations/rochester-energy-efficiency-and-weatherization/

Spectrum Northeast, LLC



Funding Amount:
\$1,817,176



**Targeted Underserved
Communities:**
Monroe County Residents



Community Goal:
Infrastructure and
Sustainability

Project Name: Broadband Infrastructure; Last Mile Projects

Project Description: Spectrum will utilize ARPA dollars to extend its FTTP EPON network to provide fiber internet access to underserved residential units and unserved businesses in Monroe County.

Project Successes and Impact: As part of Monroe County's initiative to expand access to broadband internet, Spectrum Northeast, LLC received ARPA funding to install wire line connections in underserved areas of the county. Providing rural county residents access to affordable broadband network is essential for closing the digital divide, creating opportunity for personal development, and participating in modern daily life.

Key Accomplishments and Future Actions

- Spectrum finished its ARPA project, completing 100% of planned installations

www.spectrum.com

St. Joseph's Neighborhood Center, Inc.



Funding Amount:
\$2,758,595



Targeted Underserved Communities:
The African American Community,
The Latinx Community



Community Goal:
Public Health and
Public Safety

Project Name: Health Transformation through Education, Outreach and Engagement

Project Description: St. Joseph's Neighborhood Center (SJNC) is offering a comprehensive outreach and engagement program to reach uninsured or under-insured individuals in Monroe County who need affordable, affirming, and cost-effective primary and specialty health care, mental health and support services. SJNC's program will provide 29,751 services to 10,244 individuals through 2026.

Project Successes and Impact: St. Joseph's Neighborhood Center has been a pillar in the Rochester community for over 30 years, serving our communities most vulnerable population. Their unique approach to holistic healthcare ensures that the uninsured and the underinsured receive wraparound healthcare, no matter their status in life.

St. Joseph's has continued providing medical services to Monroe County residents at low or no cost to patients. In addition, over the course of their ARPA project thus far, the Center has put on successful DEIB trainings to equip staff to care for diverse populations, improved infrastructure to better serve the community, and hired new staff to keep up with growing demand.

Key Accomplishments and Future Actions

- To date, served over 2,240 clients with over 14,000 units of service
- Continuing to scale up operations and modernize existing space to meet increased community demand for accessible medical and behavior health services

<https://sjncenter.org>

Trillium Health, Inc.



Funding Amount:
\$4,908,546



Targeted Underserved Communities:
LGBTQ+ Identified Individuals, The African American Community, The Latinx Community



Community Goal:
Public Health and Public Safety

Project Name: Project ACCESS

Project Description: Trillium Health (TH) will utilize ARPA funding to enhance existing programs that specifically address Monroe County's post-COVID community needs. Trillium will serve over 5,000 individuals at their food pantry, refer at least 3,150 residents to health support services, and increase the number of individuals that utilize behavioral health services by 350%.

Project Successes and Impact: TH understands that better public health outcomes start with stronger links between community wellness, mental health and public safety. It does this by using its Point of Entry (POE) programs such as its Food Cupboard, Harm Reduction and Syringe Exchange Program, Primary Health Clinic, and the Mobile Access Clinic. The POE programs connect clients to healthcare and supportive services across Monroe County. Using ARPA funds, TH has expanded engagement capacity at its POEs by providing Medical Case Managers and Outreach Specialists who work on site to identify, enroll and refer individuals in need of healthcare and supportive services to TH's primary, specialty and behavioral health clinic.

Key Accomplishment and Future Actions

- To date, Trillium has served over 9,090 clients as part of the Project ACCESS project
- Continues to deploy case workers on site at POE programs to identify and evaluate needs of program recipients for health care and supportive services
- Completed over 1,500 distributions from its expanded Food Pantry operations to meet increased demand for food access
- Currently exceeding its anticipated reporting metrics for providing access to healthcare, food security, and behavior health services

www.trilliumhealth.org

Urban League of Rochester, NY, Inc.



Funding Amount:
\$3,448,882.93



Targeted Underserved Communities:
The African American Community,
The Latinx Community, Individuals
Recently Released from
Incarceration/ Justice Involved
Individuals



Community Goal:
Workforce Development and
Economic Recovery

Project Name: Urban League of Rochester Workforce Development Program for Under and Unemployed Individuals

Project Description: Urban League will provide access to vocational training opportunities and assistance with job placement within environmental abatement and remediation and associated skilled trades to individuals who are underemployed or unemployed. Program recruitment will focus on areas of concentrated poverty and violence, with emphasis on those previously or currently justice involved. Participants will receive free and subsidized training and career development services at the Cornerstone Training Institute (CTI) and the Rochester Construction Training Center (RCTC). Participants who successfully complete the trainings will earn certifications in Mold Abatement, Asbestos Handling, Lead Abatement, OSHA 30, and construction training. Staff will employ a strengths-based, trauma-informed case management approach to ensure participant retention and success. Urban League will also support participants by offering transportation to and from training sites, work attire, enrollment in GED programing, and stipends for living expenses and/or training related expenses based on need. Over the course of four years, Urban League will serve over 350 individuals with this program.

Project Successes and Impact: The Urban League is offering free and subsidized job training to unemployed/underemployed individuals in distressed zip codes including Commercial Carpentry, Mold Abatement Workers, Asbestos Handlers, Lead Abatement Workers, Cosmetology, and Security certifications. They also offer OSHA certification and assistance with job placement. This program has given individuals the tools and support they needed to overcome barriers to employment such as transportation, credentials, and financial assistance helping them obtain meaningful and sustainable careers. Through this project, Urban League has facilitated better employment pathways by improving relations with local companies and organizations.

Looking into the future, the Urban League strives to

- Enrolled over 482 participants for training
- Helped 345 participants secure employment
- Most recently expanded skilled trades training include cosmetology and security certifications

www.urbanleagueroc.org/

Veterans Outreach Center, Inc.



Funding Amount:
\$2,513,306



**Targeted Underserved
Communities:**
Veterans



Community Goal:
Public Health and Public
Safety

Project Name: Veteran Housing and Services Project (VHSP)

Project Description: The Veterans Outreach Center's Veteran Housing and Services Project (VHSP) will complete the renovation and expansion of their transitional housing complex for homeless male veterans at Richards House. VOC will add 16 new beds to the complex, totaling 54 available beds upon completion. In addition, the VOC will provide residents with wraparound services and programmatic support such as intensive case management, employment training, legal services, peer support groups, and crisis intervention.

Project Successes and Impact: With support from the ARPA program, the VOC successfully remodeled and expanded the number of individual living units for homeless veterans. There, Veterans feel a sense of stability and belonging, surrounded by their fellow veterans and the VOC's team of support specialists as they work to get back to a better place and on with their lives. The organization also continues to provide non-residential Veterans with supportive services, including behavioral health support, food access, and employment and job training.

Key Accomplishments and Future Actions

- Provided over 1,596 employment services and 318 veteran job placements
- Provided over 15,073 instances of behavioral health services
- Provided over 15,607 instances of food access through the food pantry
- Provided supportive housing to an average of 54 residents per quarter since the start of the ARPA program

<https://veteransoutreachcenter.org>

Villa of Hope

**Funding Amount:**

\$3,826,591

**Targeted Underserved
Communities:**

Students

**Community Goal:**

Public Health and
Public Safety

Project Name: Hope on the Horizon

Project Description: Hope on the Horizon is a drop-in space to support the mental health, substance use, educational support, professional development, violence reduction and social needs of local youth. This comprehensive program will target youth ages 13-21 in Monroe County with severe needs by helping them to advance their social determinants of health, rebuild their educational and vocational career paths, and reducing violence and trauma in the community. Villa of Hope will increase education and vocational opportunities for Monroe County's most vulnerable youth by leveraging its experience as one of the community's leading behavioral experts. Villa of Hope will expand access to mental health and substance use services, utilizing a trauma-informed and racial equity approach to reduce violence and increase safety. The program will serve 1,600 participants through 2026 and will continue to impact Monroe County residents well into the future.

Project Successes and Impact: Villa of Hope is providing services through Hope on the Horizon. Using ARPA dollars, Villa of Hope has successfully enrolled and served youth with behavioral health treatment plans, developed workforce skills, and facilitated community connections.

Key Accomplishments and Future Actions

- Served over 900 youth to-date
- Completed over 300 new intakes
- Collaborative programming with community partners such as Catholic Charities Family and Community Services, Center for Youth, Ibero and RCSD increased youth access to behavioral health, substance use counselling and trauma informed care for at-risk youth
- Provided participants with workforce development opportunities through partnership with Career Start, Rochester Construction and RochesterWorks
- Operating a youth-led podcast
- Executed "The Talented 20" initiative where participants demonstrated measurable improvement in academic performance and school attendance due to intentional and collaborative support of case managers, clinicians, educators, mentors, and probation officers
- Art therapy programming now includes group sessions, optional private sessions and open studio

www.villaofhope.org/

Volunteers of America of Western NY, Inc.



Funding Amount:

\$1,282,500



Targeted Underserved Communities:

Seniors, Students



Community Goal:

Infrastructure and Sustainability

Project Name: VOA's Hydroponic Farm

Project Description: Volunteers of America of Western New York (VOA) will build an urban hydroponic farm in the northwest quadrant of Rochester to provide nutritious produce to families experiencing homelessness, formerly homeless households, seniors, and low-income households. The goal of this transformative effort is to provide low-income households with fresh produce and to increase food security in Monroe County. The farm will also be used for agritherapy, vocational training opportunities, nutritional programming, and mental health resources for underserved individuals. Annual outcomes anticipated include:

- 2,500 people (600 households) will receive free or reduced-price produce on a regular basis
- 25 veterans will participate in the agritherapy program
- 15 individuals will participate in workforce development and be trained in hydroponic farming
- 100 children will engage in educational programs at the farm

Project Successes and Impact: VOA Upstate NY empowers and supports people as they move out of systemic poverty into their fullest potential. For their ARPA project, VOA has set out to build an urban hydroponic farm to provide nutritious produce to underserved families as described above. The VOA has recently launched a second farm to keep up with growing demand.

Key Accomplishments and Future Actions

- Distributed food to over 21,000 individuals
- Provided an education space for 307 children
- Provided agritherapy services to 57 veterans
- Served 86 people in their workforce development program
- Continues to distribute fresh produce to Monroe County residents
- Secured purchase of a Dodge Ram, which supports the transport of hydroponic project supplies and workforce development participants
- Successfully operates two fully functional hydroponic growing farm trailers supported by ARPA funding

www.voaupny.org

Willow Domestic Violence Center



Funding Amount:
\$1,965,505.65



**Targeted Underserved
Communities:**
Individuals Who Experienced Violence
(Domestic, Trafficking, Physical)



Community Goal:
Public Health
and Public Safety

Project Name: Launching a Multi-Disciplinary Family Justice Center in Monroe County

Project Description: Willow Domestic Violence Center of Greater Rochester, Inc. (Willow), in collaboration with other community partners, will use ARPA funding to provide innovative, long-term, and trauma-informed solutions for survivors of domestic violence in Monroe County. Willow will establish a Multi-disciplinary Family Justice Center (FJC). The FJC will provide counseling services and support groups, housing, emergency health services, court advocacy and legal services, childcare services, language translation services, and other necessary resources to survivors of domestic violence. Having multiple providers under one roof allows Willow to strengthen behavioral health supports, reduce survivor recantation and increase public safety through stronger prosecution of offenders. This coordinated community effort will streamline communication between law enforcement, healthcare and other resource agencies to facilitate seamless wraparound care for survivors.

Project Successes and Impact: Willow's Family Justice Center (FJC) supports domestic violence survivors to achieve goals spanning safe and permanent housing, employment, healthcare, transportation, food, education, legal services, and so much more. Willow launched STRIVE (Statewide Targeted Reductions in Intimate Partner Violence) which has helped in the development of the Domestic Violence High Risk Team. This team manages cases utilizing a newly-created email distribution list for enhanced information sharing between STRIVE partners. By dedicating specialized personnel to Intimate Partner Violence cases, the goal is to improve case outcomes and increase offender accountability. FJC staff provides crisis intervention, counseling services and support groups, housing services, emergency/health services, court advocacy and legal services, childcare services, language translation services, and other trauma-informed resources to survivors of domestic violence in Monroe County.

Key Accomplishment and Future Actions

- In 2025, Willow served over 477 survivors of domestic violence
- The permanent location of Willow's Family Justice Center at Skyview on the Ridge is set to open in September 2026
- Willow continues to strengthen relationships with our onsite FJC partners
- In the first part of 2026, Willow Family Justice Center (FJC) enrolled 83 new survivors of domestic violence during the quarterly reporting period, exceeding their performance goal of 50 new clients
- In the second quarter of 2026, FJC served 56 survivors of domestic violence, exceeding their goal of 55 new clients

<https://willowcenterny.org/>

YMCA of Greater Rochester



Funding Amount:
\$1,531,544



Targeted Underserved Communities:
Students, Seniors, The African American Community, The Latinx Community



Community Goal:
Public Health and Public Safety

Project Name: Neighborhood Resource Centers

Project Description: The YMCA will expand three Neighborhood Resource Centers (NRC): one at the Maplewood Family Branch, one at the Thurston Road Family Center, and one at the Lewis Street Neighborhood Center. The primary goal of each NRC is to engage neighbors and community partners in identifying the needs within, and supports and resources available to their immediate community. The YMCA will leverage the resources of the greater association and strategic community partnerships to ensure participants have access to identified resources. Programs include: financial literacy, social, emotional and character development, and access for New American community members. The YMCA anticipates providing service to over 2,700 Monroe County residents through 2026.

Project Successes and Impact: The YMCA has expanded its NRC as proposed, and has provided substantive and important programming and services for its membership. The YMCA has developed and implemented programming for youth, senior citizens, and new Americans.

Key Accomplishments and Future Actions

Approximately 2,700 unique individuals have been served to date, including:

- over 2,100 instances of youth activities/programming
- over 1,500 instances of senior activities/programming
- over 60 instances of new American services/programming
- over 10,000 instances of food support, in partnership with Foodlink

<https://rochesterymca.org/>

TABLE EXPENSES BY EXPENDITURES BY CATEGORY

Category		Total Obligations	Cumulative expenditures to date (\$)	Amount spent since last Annual Report
1	Expenditure Category: Public Health - TOTAL	\$ 51,732,176.97	\$ 37,966,985.55	\$ 19,178,526.30
1.1	COVID-19 Vaccination	\$ 3,286,325.84	\$ 3,286,325.84	\$ 0
1.11	Community Violence Interventions	\$ 14,666,040.65	\$ 4,660,634.46	\$ 4,293,533.96
1.12	Mental Health Services	\$ 8,502,000.00	\$ 7,143,197.82	\$ 4,472,674.17
1.13	Substance Use Services	\$ 4,908,546.00	\$ 3,782,030.28	\$ 1,702,973.14
1.14	Other Public Health Services	\$ 20,369,264.48	\$ 14,801,263.19	\$ 8,709,345.03
2	Expenditure Category: Negative Economic Impacts - TOTAL	\$ 80,486,322.17	\$ 54,784,538.66	\$ 24,157,952.20
2.1	Household Assistance: Food Programs	\$ 2,306,668.60	\$ 1,027,893.85	\$ 338,726.29
2.10	Assistance to Unemployed or Underemployed Workers (e.g. job training, subsidized employment, employment supports or incentives)	\$ 31,447,276.57	\$ 19,070,810.81	\$ 8,994,729.43
2.15	Long-Term Housing Security: Affordable Housing	\$ 5,166,125.00	\$ 1,884,911.64	\$ 1,884,911.64
2.16	Long-Term Housing Security Services for Unhoused persons	\$ 2,513,306.00	\$ 1,951,237.37	\$ 406,525.33
2.18	Housing Support: Other Housing Assistance	\$ 4,751,880.35	\$ 3,094,854.54	\$ 2,683,656.22
2.2	Household Assistance: Rent, Mortgage, and Utility Aid	\$ 850,000.00	\$ 850,000.00	\$ 185,305.16
2.22	Strong Healthy Communities Neighborhood Features that Promote Health and Safety	\$ 8,882,015.67	\$ 6,029,783.35	\$ 2,861,947.33
2.23	Strong Healthy Communities: Demolition and Rehabilitation of Properties	\$ 1,000,000.00	\$ 309,375.00	\$ 309,375.00
2.25	Addressing Educational Disparities Academic Social and Emotional Services	\$ 6,173,575.00	\$ 4,779,240.10	\$ 1,981,099.98
2.29	Loans or Grants to Mitigate Financial Hardship	\$ 5,800,000.00	\$ 5,793,894.32	\$ 2,160,049.91
2.34	Assistance to Impacted Nonprofit Organizations (Impacted or Disproportionately Impacted)	\$ 5,999,999.98	\$ 5,999,999.98	\$ 0
2.37	Economic Impact Assistance: Other	\$ 2,429,491.00	\$ 1,830,933.46	\$ 707,373.44
2.4	Household Assistance: Internet Access Programs	\$ 3,165,984.00	\$ 2,161,604.24	\$ 1,644,252.47

Category		Total Obligations	Cumulative expenditures to date (\$)	Amount spent since last Annual Report
3	Expenditure Category: Services to Disproportionately Impacted Communities – TOTAL	\$ 1,958,472.10	\$ 1,637,087.09	\$ 1,057,717.13
3.4	Public Sector Capacity Effective Delivery	\$ 1,958,472.10	\$ 1,637,087.09	\$ 115,167.17
4	Expenditure Category: Premium Pay - TOTAL	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
5	Expenditure Category: Infrastructure - TOTAL	\$ 6,048,575.00	\$ 3,200,397.86	\$ 0
5.19	Broadband Last Mile projects	\$ 6,048,575.00	\$ 3,200,397.86	\$ 2,838,906.58
	Expenditure Category: Revenue Replacement - TOTAL	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
7	Administrative and Other - TOTAL	\$ 3,854,580.76	\$ 2,856,334.40	\$ 1,571,721.30



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