



Town of Old Saybrook American Rescue Plan Act Application

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PURPOSE:

The *American Rescue Plan Act Application* will help to equitably distribute funding to community-based organizations, nonprofits, businesses, and Town of Old Saybrook Government Services (departments/boards/commissions) for eligible reimbursements, programs, services and capital investments that address the negative impacts of the COVID-19 public health emergency and create new, transformative opportunities for Old Saybrook residents. Program funds are not intended to replace other federal, state, or local town assistance programs; applicants may not receive program funding for project expenses that were funded through other federal, state, or local grants/programs.

BACKGROUND:

The American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) will provide more than \$2.9 million in State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLRF) to the Town of Old Saybrook (Town) to assist in the recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic. SLRF payments are intended to be prospective and used to address an economic need that has arisen from the pandemic. All funds must be obligated by the Town of Old Saybrook by December 31, 2024, and all funds must be spent by grantees no later than December 31, 2026.

The Town can only use SLRF to:

- Provide for government services up to the amount of SLRF received by the Town of Old Saybrook,
- Respond to public health and negative economic impacts as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic,
- Provide premium pay to workers performing essential work, and
- Invest in Water/Sewer/Broadband infrastructure.

For more information on the ARPA, refer to:

- <https://home.treasury.gov/system/files/136/SLFRF-Final-Rule.pdf>.
- A summary of major rule provisions (Final Rule) and a simplified user guide is available at:
<https://home.treasury.gov/system/files/136/SLFRF-Final-Rule-Overview.pdf>
- https://www.ccm-ct.org/Portals/CCM/ARP_Toolkit_v2_0%20Final_1.pdf

The Town of Old Saybrook has established an ARPA Ad Hoc Committee to gather community input, establish a process to apply for eligible grant funding, and to make grant funding recommendations to the Board of Selectmen, who reserve the right to accept or reject any proposals as deemed in the best interest of the town of Old Saybrook. The ARPA Committee is seeking community input and suggestions on transformative projects that will have a community-wide impact.

The Town of Old Saybrook American Rescue Plan Application is **not** for “Assistance to Individuals or Families.” Individuals or families in need of assistance, please contact Old Saybrook Social Services at 860-395-3188 for specific guidance.

APPLICATION DUE DATE AND SUBMISSION

Applications will be accepted and considered on a rolling basis.

****THE APPLICATION IS IN THE FORM OF A FILLABLE PDF. PLEASE BE SURE TO SAVE A COPY OF YOUR APPLICATION BEFORE FORWARDING IT TO THE COMMITTEE. IF YOU DO NOT SAVE A COPY, THE INFORMATION YOU ADD TO THE FORM WILL NOT BE SAVED.**

Applications may be submitted one of three ways:

1. By email to arpa@oldsaybrookct.gov
2. Delivered to the First Selectman’s Office during office hours.
3. By mail to (must be received September 1 regardless of postmark):

Office of the First Selectman
Town Hall
302 Main Street
Old Saybrook, CT 06475

Application review and award schedule can be found at:

<https://www.oldsaybrookct.gov/american-rescue-plan-act-arpa>

QUESTIONS REGARDING THE APPLICATION:

Please email arpa@oldsaybrookct.gov or call Jennifer Donahue at 860-395-3139.

Answers to questions will also be featured in an FAQ section on the Town of Old Saybrook’s website at <https://www.oldsaybrookct.gov/american-rescue-plan-act-arpa>.