FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

What does beneficiaries within Jasper County mean?

Companies or organizations must have their legal address in the boundaries of Jasper County. Or they must provide a service for people that reside or work within the county boundaries.

What is meant by Period of Performance?

The period of time during which the grantee is expected to complete the grant activities and to incur and expend approved funds. Under the SLFRF program, funds must be obligated by December 31, 2024, and expended by December 31, 2026.

What is a prior project approval method?

This means that the awardee is required to submit a project prior to executing it, to check for allowability and for award potential. Jasper County will review applications for projects submitted and approve them prior to funding to ensure allowability.

What documentation will I need to attach within the system to submit an application?

The following can be included as optional attachments: most recent IRS Form 990, most recent audit, and/or documentation of non-profit status. If the applicant is chosen for funding, said documentation will need to be submitted at that time.

What is meant by Eligible Use Category?

The State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLFRF), through the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA), purpose is to provide support to communities through six expenditure categories, five of which the County will accept applications for: Administrative, Infrastructure, Negative Economic Impacts, Public Health, or Services to Disproportionally Impacted Communities.

Within those categories are expenditure category details: ***Administrative:*** Administrative Expenses, Evaluation and Data Analysis, Transfers to Other Units of Government, Transfers to Non-entitlement Units (States and territories only) ***Infrastructure:*** Broadband: "Last Mile" projects, Broadband: Other projects, Clean Water: Centralized Wastewater Treatment, Clean Water: Centralized Wastewater Collection and Conveyance, Clean Water: Combined Sewer Overflows. Clean Water: Decentralized Wastewater, Clean Water: Energy Conservation, Clean Water: Nonpoint Source, Clean Water: Stormwater, Clean Water: Water Conservation, Clean Water: Other Sewer Infrastructure, Drinking water: Treatment, Drinking water: Transmission & Distribution, Drinking water: Transmission & Distribution: Lead Remediation, Drinking water: Source, Drinking water: Storage, Drinking water: Other water infrastructure. ***Negative Economic Impacts***: Aid to Nonprofit Organizations, Aid to Tourism, Travel, or Hospitality, Aid to Other Impacted Industries, Contributions to UI Trust Funds, Household Assistance: Cash Transfers, Household Assistance: Eviction Prevention, Household Assistance: Food Programs, Household Assistance: Internet Access Programs, Household Assistance: Rent, Mortgage, and Utility Aid, Job Training Assistance (e.g., Sectoral job-training, Subsidized Employment, Employment Supports or Incentives), Rehiring Public Sector Staff, Small Business Economic Assistance (General), Unemployment Benefits or Cash Assistance to Unemployed Workers, Other Economic Support. ***Public***

Health: Capital Investments or Physical Plant Changes to Public Facilities that respond to the COVID-19 public health emergency, COVID-19 Vaccination, COVID-19 Testing, COVID-19 Contact Tracing, Prevention in Congregate Settings (Nursing Homes, Jails, Dense Work Sites, Schools, etc.), Personal Protective Equipment, Medical Expenses (including Alternative Care Facilities), Other COVID-19 Public Health Expenses (including Communications, Enforcement, Isolation/Quarantine), Mental Health Services, Substance Use Services, Other Public Health Services, Payroll Costs for Public Health, Safety, and Other Public Sector Staff Responding to COVID-19. ***Services to Disproportionately Impacted Communities:*** Education Assistance: Early Learning, Education Assistance: Aid to High-Poverty Districts, Education Assistance: Academic Services, Education Assistance: Social, Emotional, and Mental Health Services, Education Assistance: Other, Healthy Childhood Environments: Child Care, Healthy Childhood Environments: Home Visiting, Healthy Childhood Environments: Services to Foster Youth or Families Involved in Child Welfare System, Healthy Childhood Environments: Other, Housing Support: Affordable Housing, Housing Support: Services for Unhoused Persons, Housing Support: Other Housing Assistance, Social Determinants of Health: Other, Social Determinants of Health: Community Health Workers or Benefits Navigators, Social Determinants of Health: Lead Remediation, Social Determinants of Health: Community Violence Interventions.

What is a Qualified Census Tract?
 Low-Income Housing Tax Credit Qualified Census Tracts must have 50 percent of households with incomes below 60 percent of the Area Median Gross Income (AMGI) or have a poverty rate of 25 percent or more. Difficult Development Areas (DDA) are areas with high land, construction, and utility costs relative to the area median income and are based on Fair Market Rents, income limits, the 2010 census counts, and 5-year American Community Survey (ACS) data. Maps of Qualified Census Tracts and Difficult Development Areas are available at: huduser.gov/sadda/sadda_qct.html.

What is an Expenditure Start Date?
The date upon which work was incurred or is expected to occur. Requests for reimbursements will not be approved, applications are for future projects only. Under the SLRF program, funds must be obligated by December 31, 2024, and expended by December 31, 2026.

What is a micro purchase threshold?
The micro-purchase threshold is set for purchases of commercial goods and services that do not require a competitive quote process. The Non-Federal entity's micro-purchase threshold is at or below $50,000 2 CFR 200.320 (1)(iv) if the company/organization is a low-risk auditee. The federally set micro-purchase threshold is set at or below $10,000 (2 CFR 200.67 and 2 CFR 200.320).