

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE



FOR INFORMATION CALL

January 23, 2023

Ald. Milele A. Coggs
(414) 286-2994

Residents are the heart of MKE and city officials want to hear their input throughout February

Residents are being asked to share their love for Milwaukee by sharing their input on how they think the remaining \$92.7 million in federal **American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA)** funding should be spent – **during three upcoming public input meetings** in February.

Alderwoman Milele A. Coggs, chair of the city's **ARPA Funding Allocation Task Force**, said residents should attend one or more of the following public input meetings:

- **Saturday, February 4** from 10:00 a.m.-noon
- Riverworks, 526 E. Concordia Ave.
- **Saturday, February 11** from 10:00 a.m.-noon
- Mitchell Street Library, 906 W. Historic Mitchell St. *Bilingual Spanish Session*
- **Wednesday, February 22** from 5:30-7:30 p.m.
- **Virtual** meeting: bit.ly/ARPA2023

Alderwoman Coggs said members of the public are invited to provide testimony on what they would like to see ARPA funds used for to solve issues and improve their neighborhoods, and noted that testimony may be limited in duration at the discretion of the task force.

Additionally, members of the public are invited to also provide input via an online survey as follows:

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Listening sessions/ADD ONE

https://engagemke.com/arp/survey_english/

https://engagemke.com/arp/survey_spanish

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“This once-in-a-generation funding has included money for unemployment assistance, child care help, small businesses, health care and more -- especially for those communities hardest hit by the crisis that was brought on by the (COVID-19) pandemic,” the alderwoman said. “These input meetings will provide a prime opportunity for residents to provide ideas and priorities for how the city should spend this important remaining tranche for ARPA funding.”

A quorum of ARPA Funding Allocation Task Force members may or may not be present. In the event of no quorum, no action other than information gathering will be taken.

Reasonable accommodations provided for persons with disabilities upon request. Call 414-286-3475 or email ADACoordinator@milwaukee.gov.

Love My Milwaukee & ARPA Update

COMMUNITY MEETINGS

Our residents are the **heart** of this city and we want to hear from you throughout February.

In celebration of **Valentine's Day**, tell us the priorities you care about and what matters most to you in Milwaukee.



WEAR THE LOVE

In-person meeting attendees will receive a free lapel pin!

Refreshments will also be available.

While supplies last.

How you can help and share the love:

The City of Milwaukee has received millions from the federal government to help our community. Learn more about how ARPA (American Rescue Plan Act) dollars are working for you. We'd also like to hear your thoughts on how you think the City's remaining dollars should be spent. How would you like to see ARPA funds used to solve issues and improve your neighborhood?

Get updates and give us your input! Join us at an in-person meeting or attend a virtual meeting:

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Take the online survey now:

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Post on social media with #LoveMyMKE:

- Share **your own photos** or the **digital Valentine graphics** (available for download online).
- Tell us what you love about Milwaukee and what's working right.
- Or tell us what we're lacking and needs improvement.
- Share your ideas on how we can all work collectively to enjoy a brighter future together!
- Valentines and photos posted on social media using the hashtag will be shared with the mayor and local council members to help **raise awareness** about the importance of funding city government services with community input.



Actualización de Amo Mi Milwaukee y ARPA

REUNIONES COMUNITARIAS

Nuestros residentes son el **corazón** de esta ciudad y queremos saber de Ud. durante todo febrero.

En celebración del **Día de San Valentín**, cuéntenos las prioridades que le importan y lo que más le importa en Milwaukee.



Cómo puede ayudar y compartir el amor:

La Ciudad de Milwaukee ha recibido millones del gobierno federal para ayudar a nuestra comunidad. Obtenga más información sobre cómo los dólares ARPA (Ley del Plan de Rescate Estadounidense) están funcionando para Ud. También nos gustaría escuchar sus opiniones sobre cómo cree que se deberían de gastar los dólares restantes de la Ciudad. ¿Cómo le gustaría que se usaran los fondos de ARPA para resolver problemas y mejorar su vecindario?

¡Reciba actualizaciones y denos su opinión!
Únase a nosotros en una reunión en persona o asista a una reunión virtual:

- sábado **4 de febrero** de 10:00 am a 12:00 pm
- Riverworks, 526 E. Concordia Avenida
- sábado **11 de febrero** de 10:00 am a 12:00 pm
- Biblioteca de la Calle Mitchell, 906 W. Historic Mitchell Calle *Sesión bilingüe en español*
- miércoles **22 de febrero** de 5:30 pm a 7:30 pm - Reunión virtual: bit.ly/ARPA2023

Realice la encuesta en línea ahora:

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Publique en las redes sociales con #LoveMyMKE:

- Comparta sus propias fotos o los gráficos digitales de San Valentín (disponibles para bajar en línea).
- Díganos qué es lo que le gusta de Milwaukee y qué es lo que está funcionando bien.
- O díganos qué es lo que nos falta y qué se necesita mejorar.
- ¡Comparta sus ideas sobre cómo podemos trabajar todos juntos para disfrutar juntos de un futuro mejor!
- Los regalos de San Valentín y las fotos publicadas en las redes sociales con el hashtag se compartirán con el alcalde y los miembros del concejo local para ayudar a crear conciencia sobre la importancia de financiar los servicios del gobierno de la ciudad con aportes de la comunidad.

