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FAIRFIELD COUNTY COMMISSIONERS ANNOUNCE OVER \$30 MILLION IN AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN FUNDING GRANTS

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LANCASTER, OH- Today, the Fairfield County Commissioners are pleased to announce significant new subgrants and projects that will be funded utilizing the bulk of the \$30,606,000 received from the American Rescue Plan (ARP). These 20 projects, along with others previously funded, were chosen to meet the mission of the ARP to promote workforce, housing, community safety, and aid businesses and non-profits impacted by the pandemic.

“We’re moving Fairfield County forward to meet the needs of our citizens through responsible, sustainable projects that continue Fairfield County’s conservative stewardship of public funds,” said Commissioner Steve Davis.

Potential projects were further aligned with the pillars of the Fairfield County strategic plan: infrastructure, social services, housing, workforce development, economic development, and improvement of county operations. As part of the strategic planning and award process, numerous meetings took place with community stakeholders. The Commissioners also held multiple workgroup meetings with groups to ensure projects aligned with plan goals and impacted the community in a positive and meaningful way.

“We’ve worked diligently to align and promote projects that work within the ARP rules, meet the needs of the County strategic plan, and touch as many people in Fairfield County as possible,” said Jeff Fix, President of the Commission. “These projects change lives and build our tomorrow.”

Projects and subgrants will begin in the coming months and will need to be completed by December 31, 2026.

“The approved projects and sub-grants provide an excellent roadmap to addressing the critical needs of Fairfield County citizens and will allow the County to build upon this start for a better future,” said Commissioner Dave Levacy.

Further questions may be directed to County Administrator, Aundrea Cordle, at 740-652-7890.

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Highlights of awards and projects:

Housing:

\$3,000,000 subgrant to ADAMH and Lutheran Social Services to expand the homeless shelter and build supportive housing.

\$610,000 subgrant to Habitat for Humanity to build houses affordable housing in Fairfield County.

\$48,000 contract with Southeast Ohio Legal Services for pandemic related eviction assistance.

\$40,000 contract for Housing Coalition strategic plan to address homelessness and affordable housing.

Workforce Development and Economic Development:

\$2,000,000 for expansion of the Fairfield County Workforce Development Center to allow for the creation of additional programs to support the need for a robust workforce with advanced skills in trades and technology.

\$200,000 for Smart Growth plan for Fairfield County.

\$150,000 for business consulting service to improve recruitment and retention for Fairfield County businesses.

\$500,000 subgrant to Fairfield County Agricultural Society to improve fair operations.

\$100,000 grant writing assistance for cities, townships, and villages.

Social Services and Aid to non-profits:

\$501,000 to the Fairfield County Juvenile Court for the creation of a community-based truancy program to enhance intervention with parents and youth.

\$500,000 subgrant to Salvation Army to offset costs of the adult daycare program which was impacted by closure during the pandemic.

\$100,000 to the Lighthouse domestic violence shelter to aid operations impacted by the pandemic.

\$252,643 for child protection case management services.

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Community Safety and County Operations:

\$520,000 to build upgrade for a new MARCS emergency responder radio tower for the Lancaster area allowing improved radio communications for first responders.

\$560,000 for new emergency response dispatch consoles.

\$5,000,000 for purchase and renovation of the Fairfield Center located in northwest Fairfield County which allows for an expanded sheriff substation in the Pickerington/Violet Township area, an upgraded title office with drive through service and other government service offerings for the northwest area.

\$400,000 to Fairfield County Clerk of Court for upgrade to allow for electronic case filing.

\$1,149,327 for public health and public safety payroll support.

\$ 2,000,000 for computer aided dispatch software for Sheriff's Office.

Infrastructure:

\$659,000 subgrant to Village of Pleasantville for critical water tower refurbishment.

\$613,000 subgrant to Village of Baltimore for critical waterline replacement.

\$750,000 subgrant to Walnut Creek Sewer District for critical expansion of wastewater treatment plant.

\$139,000 to Hunter's Run Conservancy District for infrastructure study.

\$3,000,000 to Fairfield County Utilities for critical infrastructure improvement in water and sewer.

\$500,000 for Broadband support.

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