

**Bertie County**  
**Project Ordinance – 25-02**  
**December 2, 2024**

**Grant Project Ordinance for the County of Bertie American Rescue Plan Act of 2021:  
Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds**

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the County Commissioners of the County of Bertie, North Carolina that, pursuant to Section 13.2 of Chapter 159 of the General Statutes of North Carolina, the following grant project ordinance is hereby adopted:

**Section 1:** This ordinance is to establish a budget for a project to be funded by the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds of H.R. 1319 American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARP/CSLFRF). The County of Bertie received a total allocation is \$3,680,233. These funds may be used for the following categories of expenditures, to the extent authorized by state law.

1. Support public health expenditures, by funding COVID-19 mitigation efforts, medical expenses, behavioral healthcare, and certain public health and safety staff;
2. Address negative economic impacts caused by the public health emergency, including economic harms to workers, households, small businesses, impacted industries, and the public sector;
3. Replace lost public sector revenue, using this funding to provide government services to the extent of the reduction in revenue experienced due to the pandemic;
4. Provide premium pay for essential workers, offering additional support to those who have borne and will bear the greatest health risks because of their service in critical infrastructure sectors;
5. Invest in water, sewer, and broadband infrastructure, making necessary investments to improve access to clean drinking water, support vital wastewater and stormwater infrastructure, and to expand access to broadband internet; and
6. Invest in certain disaster recovery/mitigation projects, Title I projects, and Surface Transportation projects.

**Section 2:** The County has elected to take the standard allowance, as authorized by 31 CFR Part 35.6(d)(1), and expend all its ARP/CSLFRF funds for the provision of government services.

**Section 3:** The following amounts are appropriate for the project and authorized for expenditure:

Internal Project Code	Project Description	Expenditure Category (EC)	Cost Object	Appropriation of ARP/CSLFRF Funds
1	Reimburse salaries for period of July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2024	6.1	Salaries	\$ 1,810,618
			Benefits	\$ 602,622
2	Reimburse departmental supplies for period of July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2024	6.1	Supplies	\$ 116,525
3	Communication Tower Repair	6.1	Maintenance & Repair of Equipment	\$ 25,000
4	Early College Water Infrastructure Improvements	6.1	Water Improvements	\$ 19,896
5	Equipment - Under \$5,000	6.1	Equipment Under \$5,000	\$ 144,550
6	Equipment to upfit EMS vehicles, radios for emergency vehicles and software for departments	6.1	Capital Outlay - Equipment	\$ 298,769
7	Purchase of ambulance and remounts	6.1	Capital Outlay - Vehicles	\$ 338,362
8	ARP Grant Expenses to provide forestry service with new vehicle, grant to Teacher Housing Project, laptops and software for Tax Office and Board of Elections and other requests.	6.1	ARP Grant Expenses	\$ 409,658
	<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>\$ 3,766,000</b>

**Section 4:** The following revenues are anticipated to be available to complete the project:

**ARP/CSLFRF Funds:** \$ 3,680,233  
**Interest Earned:** \$ 85,767  
**Total:** \$ **3,766,000**

**Section 5:** The Finance Officer is hereby directed to maintain sufficient specific detailed accounting records to satisfy the requirements of the grantor agency and the grant agreements,

including payroll documentation and effort certifications, in accordance with 2 CFR 200.430 & 2 CFR 200.431 and the County's Uniform Guidance Allowable Costs and Cost Principles Policy.

**Section 6:** The Finance Officer is hereby directed to report the financial status of the project to the governing board on a quarterly basis.

**Section 7:** Copies of this grant project ordinance shall be furnished to the Budget Officer, the Finance Officer and to the Clerk to County Commissioners.

**Section 8:** This grant project ordinance expires on December 31, 2026, or when all the ARP/CSLFRF funds have been obligated and expended by the County, whichever occurs sooner.

Adopted this day 2<sup>nd</sup> day of **December**, 2024.

  
Chairman  
Board of Commissioners

  
Juan E. Vaughan, II, County Manager/Clerk to the Board