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GENERAL OVERVIEW

Executive Summary

Overview of Kane County

Kane County is the fifth largest county in Illinois and is located 45 miles west of Chicago. The County encompasses both urban and rural communities which creates significant economic and cultural diversity. This diversity generates both challenges and opportunities. As the County continues to pursue solutions with American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding, it has to consider both the major population centers along the eastern corridor of the County and the rural communities in the western and central portions of the County each of which have their own distinct needs. These considerations are compounded by the necessity to seek equity for the populations that were most adversely impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic across the entire county. Kane County was awarded a total of \$103,413,041 from the State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund (SLFRF) which is one of many relief funds created under the American Rescue Plan Act by the US Treasury.

Like most counties, Kane County and its residents suffered from the outbreak of COVID-19. At its worst, the County experienced 17 percent unemployment. In 2021, at least one in nine residents had been infected with COVID-19, and more than 800 residents had died from a COVID-19 infection. The County continues to seek ways to help residents recover from the physical and economic devastation of the pandemic.

The structure of Kane County's government is unique in the Chicago region. The County does not employ a County Administrator, instead it is guided by a County Board and Board Chair. To aid in the distribution of SLFRF funds, the County hired a Program Manager and three Program Coordinators to perform the day-to-day work of the overall program under the guidance of the ARP Committee and County Board. Additionally, the County retained the professional management services of consulting firm Ernst & Young (EY) to ensure compliance with federal laws and to meet reporting deadlines. The additional staff and consulting firm work closely with the County's American Rescue Plan Committee in its effort to administer programs and provide recommendations to the County Board for future uses of SLFRF funds. Projects were initiated via acts of resolution and a total of \$101,266,145 was obligated to be spent on the projects outlined in the "Use of Funds" section. A breakdown of total obligations for each Expenditure Category is as follows:

Expenditure Category	Amount Obligated through Resolution
EC 1: Public Health	\$ 32,170,050
EC 2: Negative Economic Impacts	\$ 14,776,266
EC 3: Public Sector Capacity	\$ 32,714,177
EC 4: Premium Pay	-
EC 5: Infrastructure	\$ 2,440,000
EC 6: Revenue Replacement	\$ 14,553,279
EC 7: Administration	\$ 4,612,372
EC 8: Natural Disasters	-
EC 9: Surface Transportation Projects	-
EC 10: Title I Projects	-
Total	\$ 101,266,145

Promoting a Strong and Equitable Recovery

Kane County's plan to determine how funds would be spent was centered on the idea of promoting a strong and equitable recovery. To do so, the County approached recovery in three stages: Covid-19 Direct Response; Supporting Impacted Community Members; and Building Towards the Future.

The first stage, Covid-19 Direct Response, encompasses all activities related to containing the pandemic, adapting government operations to function with the newly introduced constraints, and standing up the ARPA program for the County. There are 21 projects dedicated to the immediate public health needs caused by the pandemic, subsequent adaptation of government operations and administration.

The second stage, Supporting Impacted Community Members, encompasses all activities related to providing direct support to members of the community in need of assistance due to the pandemic. This includes external grants to non-profit organizations operating in Kane County to provide services related to behavioral and mental health support, food banks, homeless shelters, substance abuse interventions, child welfare and supporting veterans. The County also increased the resources for programs aimed at addressing and supporting the increased number of people interacting with the criminal justice system.

The third stage, Building Towards the Future, encompasses all activities related to preparing the citizens, infrastructure and government of Kane County to move on from the public health and economic ramifications of the pandemic. This includes support to impacted industries in the County like tourism, manufacturing and agriculture. The County also has invested in the HVAC systems of government facilities, and water infrastructure projects to address nuisance drainage and lead mitigation.

Stage	Priority	Amount Obligated through Resolution
1. Covid-19 Direct Response	Pandemic Response: Vaccination & Adaptation	\$ 33,220,567
1. Covid-19 Direct Response	Program Administration: Effectively Managing Funds	\$ 4,612,372
Supporting Impacted Community Members	External Grants: Direct Assistance to Community Organizations	\$ 9,276,726
Supporting Impacted Community Members	Government Programs: Direct Assistance to Impacted Populations	\$ 14,058,523
Building Towards the Future	Investing in the Future of Government Operations	\$ 35,574,956
3. Building Towards the Future	Reviving Tourism: Investing in the Future of Kane County	\$ 2,828,000
3. Building Towards the Future	Water Infrastructure: Planning, Capital Improvements and Lead Mitigation	\$ 1,695,000
Total		\$ 101,266,145

Kane County is tracking its progress towards completion of each project. Projects related to the direct response to the pandemic have largely been completed. Most projects are actively

underway. The County is collecting performance indicators for each project as the projects progress.

Uses of Funds

The Kane County Board (County Board) voted to accept SLFRF money on April 13, 2021. The County Board then created the American Rescue Plan Committee (Committee) to ensure the funds are spent in a responsible way that will have the greatest impact within the community. The County Board is committed to supporting projects that promote a strong and equitable recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic and economic downturn.

Promoting a Strong and Equitable Recovery

In this section, the types of projects that the County has elected to pursue will be outlined in accordance with the expenditure category it is under.

EC Categories without Projects:

The County has not pursued any projects under EC-4 Premium Pay, EC-8 Natural Disasters, EC-9 Surface Transportation or EC-10 Title I projects.

EC 1: Public Health

The County has pursued three types of projects under EC 1 Public Health: contact tracing and mass vaccination, behavioral health support, and improving ventilation in County facilities.

Contact Tracing and Mass Vaccination: As vaccines for COVID-19 were made available to the general public, Kane County initially arranged for pop-up and drive-through vaccination clinics. The County knew the temporary approach was not sustainable. The County Board then approved the use of SLFRF money to support four mass vaccination clinics, one of which remained a more permanent, state-of-the-art facility in a heavily populated area that was funded through at least November 2021. Clinics were located throughout the northern and southern regions of the County in population centers. Special attention was paid to ensuring equitable access to the clinics by communities of color and the economically disadvantaged. The largest clinic was initially opened in March 2021. It operated six days a week and was available outside of normal business hours to support those who could not afford to take or be granted time off from their jobs. The County also initiated a Contact Tracing Program operated by an external consultant and temporary staff. This program operated through November 2023. The Call Center supported both contact tracing and information distribution to help members of the community access resources.

Behavioral Health Support: The County initiated four projects to provide direct mental health support to Kane County residents. These efforts include funding for unfunded mental health needs in Kane County and efforts to increase available staff to address mental health needs. The County has also made enhanced counseling services available to survivors of child abuse and neglect, provided support for crisis hotlines and funding for pre-arrest diversion programs.

Ventilation in County Facilities: The County invested in ventilation and HVAC improvements at various County facilities to improve air quality to reduce the spread of airborne diseases. Investments were concentrated in jails, courthouses, and public facing office facilities.

EC 2: Negative Economic Impacts

The County invested in three types of projects under EC 2 Negative Economic Impacts: supporting non-profit organizations, impacted businesses and impacted industries.

Non-Profit Organizations: The County provided direct aid to 501(c)3 and 501(c)19 nonprofit organizations to support the missions of the organizations. The County has provided more than 60 grants to impacted organizations working in mental health support, food security, housing security, child welfare and veterans' support.

Impacted Businesses: The County identified that many small farms were impacted by the pandemic. In response the County created a grant program to support agricultural recovery and has made technical assistance available to enable small businesses to make informed choices in working towards economic recovery.

Impacted Industries: The County has invested in the promotion of industries impacted by the pandemic through manufacturing and tourism support. The County has provided technical assistance to industries to enable industry members to make informed choices in working towards economic recovery. The County has also invested in the promotion of tourism through advertising, visitors' bureaus, and investments in infrastructure.

EC 3: Public Sector Capacity

The County invested in two types of projects under EC 3 Public Sector Capacity: adapting government operations, managing increased needs, and information aggregation.

Adapting Government Operations: The County invested in adapting government operations to the pandemic. These adaptations included remote work enablers like software and laptops. The County trained employees to operate in a virtual environment for specialized services and digitized vital records. The County also introduced technical controls to reduce contact between members of the public and employees.

Managing Increased Needs: The County experienced an increase in demand for some government services. This included public safety and case management in the criminal justice system. The County increased the capacity of public safety communications and added additional staff to manage the increased case load for the Court system.

EC 5: Infrastructure

The County invested in three types of projects under EC 5 Infrastructure: nuisance drainage issues, lead mitigation and water quality.

Nuisance Drainage: The County expanded the funding of an existing drainage cost-share program. The County is coordinating with landowners to address long standing drainage issues by partially offsetting the costs of the mitigation.

Lead Mitigation: The County has provided funding to replace lead pipes in the Ogden Gardens subdivision, which serves 120 homes in a 75.86% low-moderate income neighborhood.

Water Quality: The County has invested in improving the domestic hot water system at the Kane County adult justice center. This is to address the Legionnaire's disease contamination in the drinking water system of the jail.

EC 6: Revenue Replacement

The County invested in two types of projects under EC 6 Revenue Replacement: economic development and water planning.

Water Planning: The County has sought to build the basis for future targeted investments by implementing systems for information aggregation. The County invested in research to identify future water infrastructure needs to plan for the future of water infrastructure.

Economic Development: The County has joined an economic development organization to provide technical assistance to industries within Kane County and promote Kane County to potential development opportunities.

Tailoring Projects to Specific Needs in the Context of County Planning

The County has taken steps to tailor the selected projects to the specific needs of Kane County that were identified in collaboration with the community and in line with longstanding needs.

The County has collaborated with community organizations to identify needs within the Community, and provided resources to organizations that are positioned to provide direct and targeted aid. The County also conducted a behavioral health needs assessment to identify deficiencies for targeted investments.

The County has also taken steps to identify longstanding needs within the County that were exacerbated by the pandemic. For example, the County invested in ventilation improvements that had been identified as necessary in the County's broader capital plan. The County also focused investment on long standing nuisance drainage issues that the County has been monitoring.

Promoting Equitable Outcomes

The County has prioritized the consideration of equitable outcomes in project selection. All projects have been considered through the lens of equity to ensure that opportunities to assist marginalized communities are identified in programming considerations. Where applicable, the County has tried to center services and resources in traditionally underserved communities or otherwise plan to make it accessible through transportation access. For example, the County coordinated buses to bring people to vaccine sites. The County's programs also targeted individuals, organizations, businesses and industries that were disproportionately impacted by the pandemic to support a sustainable and equitable recovery.

Community Engagement

The ARPA Program has received significant input from the community in Kane County. County Board Members have held events in communities throughout the County to hear from their constituents. The Board Members have also represented the interests of their various constituents. In public board meetings the program has had the opportunity to hear directly from constituents through public comment and presentations. In board meetings the public commenters have suggested potential uses of funds.

The County also created an application process to solicit ideas from a wide variety of stakeholders across the project for various projects. More than 100 requests were received

Kane County has also tailored messaging to reach as many communities as possible. For example, Kane County broadly advertised the availability of the mass COVID-19 vaccination

clinics to the community through a variety of news media, social media, videos, and newsletters. Printed materials were also distributed through libraries, businesses, and government buildings. The County translated advertisements and other literature about the clinics to Spanish as part of the outreach effort to raise awareness among the County's Hispanic/Latino communities, which accounts for 32 percent of the County's population.

Labor Practices

The County complies with all applicable requirements for labor practices and the utilization of local firms.

Use of Evidence

The County has committed to utilizing evidence to assess and steer the direction of selected projects. Where possible the County has opted for evidence-based interventions. Program evaluations are also built into the design of the projects. Where applicable, the County has identified Key Performance Indicators (KPI)s to track and measure the effectiveness of the selected programs.

The County has also put resources towards generating information to allow for further evidence base interventions and targeted investments. The County has utilized a needs assessment for Mental Health and has committed resources towards generating information for future infrastructure investments.

Performance Report

The County has assigned each project to an internal stakeholder at the County who is responsible for managing the implementation of the project in coordination with the ARPA program manager. The internal stakeholders have the subject matter familiarity to assess if the projects are meeting expectations, tracking with KPIs and meeting important milestones. Most projects are currently in progress, details on how projects are performing against KPIs will be available as the projects progress.

PROJECT INVENTORY

Public Health (Expenditure Category 1)

• 2023 HVAC Improvements at the 3rd Street Courthouse

- o Project Expenditure Category: 1.4 Other Public Health Services
- o Funding Amount: \$183,035
- Project Overview: In 2023 Kane County completed an HVAC ventilation replacement project at the Kane County 3rd St Courthouse to enhance air ventilation and quality to combat the spread of airborne diseases. Modernizing HVAC units in the Courthouse directly contributes to creating a safer indoor environment for employees, visitors, individuals engaging with the justice system and the broader community. The installation of new, high-capacity fan coils, condensing units, and air handling systems not only improves airflow and distribution but also ensures optimal filtration and ventilation, thereby reducing the risk of airborne disease transmission such as COVID-19. Through meticulous system upgrades and adherence to EPA regulations, this project significantly bolsters indoor air quality standards. Ultimately, the project's implementation will contribute to a resilient and thriving Kane County, fostering a conducive environment for justice, governance, and public service.
- Use of Evidence: Kane County has identified a series of HVAC improvement projects at public facing government facilities where there is an identified need for enhanced ventilation to mitigate the risk of disease. The entirety of the project cost is for the procurement and installation of the supplies needed to meet the HVAC needs of the identified facility. The population being targeted are justice involved persons, and people interacting with the County's Court system.
- Performance Report: The HVAC renovations have been completed. The County will monitor the following indicators to identify the success of the project: (1) What percentage of the time is the new HVAC system operational? (2) Has the new HVAC system impacted the level of indoor air pollution?

2024 HVAC Improvements to the Kane County 3rd Street Courthouse

- o Project Expenditure Category: 1.4 Other Public Health Services
- o Funding Amount: \$250,000
- Description: The County invested in additional HVAC Improvements to the Kane County 3rd Street Courthouse in 2024. The improvements address COVID-19 transmission risks and improve indoor air quality through ventilation enhancements to safeguard the health of courthouse occupants. The enhancements reduce airborne contaminants, increase fresh air circulation, promote energy efficiency, and ensure public health and safety compliance. Kane County's use of American Rescue Plan funds for HVAC system enhancements underscores a proactive approach to combating the ongoing impacts of

Covid-19. While the immediate public health emergency may have passed, the significance of maintaining optimal indoor air quality remains paramount in safeguarding against future outbreaks and ensuring the well-being of the community. By investing in ventilation upgrades, Kane County not only addresses the immediate health concerns but also establishes a resilient infrastructure for long-term mitigation strategies. These improvements not only align with the original intent of the funding but also serve as a vital component in Kane County's efforts to mitigate the spread of Covid-19 and enhance public health outcomes for years to come.

- Use of Evidence: Kane County has identified a series of HVAC improvement projects at public facing government facilities where there is an identified need for enhanced ventilation to mitigate the risk of disease. The entirety of the project cost is for the procurement and installation of the supplies needed to meet the HVAC needs of the identified facility. The population being targeted are justice involved persons, and people interacting with the County's Court system.
- <u>Performance Report:</u> These HVAC improvements are in progress. The County will monitor the following indicators to identify the success of the project: (1) What percentage of the time is the new HVAC system operational? (2) Has the new HVAC system impacted the level of indoor air pollution?

Addressing Behavioral Health Needs of Kane County Residents

- o Project Expenditure Category: 1.12 Mental Health Services
- Funding Amount: \$9,975,000
- o Description: Kane County elected to invest in building capacity to address Behavioral Health needs of County residents. The plan of action was informed by a comprehensive community health assessment process which included conversations and surveys with residents and mental health/substance use treatment providers. The Community Health Assessment identified a desire to see Kane County play a more central role in behavioral health services. Three priority areas were identified: 1) workforce development, 2) supporting unfunded mental health initiatives, and 3) addressing stigma on mental health. The first priority is being addressed through the County Behavioral Health Workforce Development Initiative. The top issue identified by behavioral health providers relates to the inability to recruit and retain highly qualified staff. This is an issue across most sectors in the community, but it is having a devastating impact on local organizations' ability to meet the needs of residents. The Kane County Health Department is uniquely positioned to create a system that will both engage providers and create a sustainable model that will mark this community as a leader in assuring quality mental health and substance use treatment. The second priority is being supported through the creation of a County Mechanism to Support Selected Unfunded Mental Health Needs. Many families in Kane County

struggle to access the resources they need to achieve sustainable improved mental health. This initiative will bolster the County's referral system and will create a process where organizations can apply for resources from a Kane County Mental Health Fund to support specific client needs that are currently unfunded. Support for families impacted by behavioral health issues is a key area that will be addressed. Common examples include additional treatment & medications. The third priority of reducing stigma will be addressed through the Unified Communication Framework to address stigma and a lack of awareness about the mental health needs that continues to keep residents from getting assistance in a timely manner. A coordinated communication campaign across multiple platforms will assist in the early identification of mental health or substance use issues.

- Use of Evidence: The County has identified three areas where evidence-based interventions can impact the Mental Health of the community. The County conducted a Community Health Assessment to gather data and evidence to allow for targeted interventions. All of the funding is being directed towards evidence-based interventions to support the mental health of Kane County residents. The County is partnering with local organizations to bring support to underserved communities in the area by funding the uncovered mental health needs of the community.
- Performance Report: This initiative is in progress. The County will monitor the following indicators to identify the success of the project: (1) how many organizations received support? (2) how many people are served? (3) how many impressions are made by the communications campaign?

• Capital Invest or Physical Plant Changes

- Project Expenditure Category: 1.7 Other COVID 19 Public Health Expenses
- o Funding Amount: \$20,096
- <u>Description:</u> Capital investments to respond to the Covid pandemic including the staging of mass vaccination clinics.
- <u>Use of Evidence:</u> ARPA guidelines do not require program evaluation or evidence-based interventions for this expenditure category.
- <u>Performance Report:</u> The mass vaccination efforts have been completed. The County will monitor the following indicators to identify the success of the project: (1) How many vaccines were delivered? (2) How many sites were created?

Covid-19 PPE

- Project Expenditure Category: EC 1.5
- Funding Amount: \$11,341

- <u>Description:</u> The County purchased PPE to enable key functions to continue to operate through the Covid-19 pandemic.
- <u>Use of Evidence:</u> ARPA guidelines do not require program evaluation or evidence-based interventions for this expenditure category.
- <u>Performance Report:</u> The PPE was purchased and utilized. The County will monitor the following indicators to identify the success of the project: (1) Were the items utilized?

Covid-19 Testing

- Project Expenditure Category: 1.2 COVID-19 Testing
- o Funding Amount: \$32,437
- <u>Description</u>: Costs associated with mass testing for Covid-19.
- <u>Use of Evidence:</u> ARPA guidelines do not require program evaluation or evidence-based interventions for this expenditure category.
- Performance Report: The tests were completed. The County will monitor the following indicators to identify the success of the project: (1) How many tests were performed?

• Health Department HVAC Replacement

- o Project Expenditure Category: 1.4 Prevention in Congregate Settings
- o Funding Amount: \$177,525
- Description: HVAC improvements were made to the Health Department building. Sixteen new rooftop units were purchased and installed. Each unit surpassed the previous capacity and exceeding existing CFM (Cubic Feet per Minute) requirements. By upgrading to new rooftop units that exceed previous capacity and ventilation standards, this project significantly enhances indoor air quality and increases ventilation levels. These improvements are instrumental in reducing the spread of COVID-19 and other airborne contaminants within the facility, thereby prioritizing the health and safety of county employees and visitors. This proactive approach to upgrading HVAC infrastructure not only addresses immediate concerns outlined in the ARPA guidelines but also fosters long-term resilience against future public health challenges.
- Use of Evidence: Kane County has identified a series of HVAC improvement projects at public facing government facilities where there is an identified need for enhanced ventilation to mitigate the risk of disease. The entirety of the project cost is for the procurement and installation of the supplies needed to meet the HVAC needs of the identified facility. The population being targeted are County employees serving impacted populations, and the general public who visit the facility to receive health information.
- Performance Report: The HVAC replacements have been completed.
 The County will monitor the following indicators to identify the success of the project: (1) What percentage of the time is the new HVAC

system operational? (2) Has the new HVAC system impacted the level of indoor air pollution?

• HVAC Improvements at the Juvenile Justice Center

- o Project Expenditure Category: 1.4 Prevention in Congregate Settings
- o Funding Amount: \$292,595
- Description: Kane County is investing in enhancing the HVAC systems at the Kane County Juvenile Justice Center, which hosts the Abuse and Neglect Court in addition to accommodating young individuals. Upgrading the HVAC systems aims to ensure a safer and healthier environment for both staff and individuals at the facility, reducing the risk of COVID-19 transmission by enhancing air quality and ventilation. The investment not only improves the operational efficiency of the facility but also demonstrates the County's commitment to utilizing federal funding to address critical infrastructure needs, fostering a safer and more resilient community. The project will significantly bolster public health by improving air quality and ventilation within the facility. The improvement will reduce the risk of COVID-19 transmission and mitigate the spread of other respiratory illnesses among staff, detainees, and visitors, fostering a healthier environment for all stakeholders. The critical infrastructure improvements strengthen the County's capacity to respond effectively to future challenges and emergencies. The upgraded HVAC systems are poised to enhance the facility's overall operational effectiveness, facilitating better temperature control, improved energy efficiency, and reduced maintenance costs over time. By optimizing resource utilization and streamlining facility management processes, the project underscores Kane County's commitment to prudent fiscal stewardship and resource optimization.
- Use of Evidence: Kane County has identified a series of HVAC improvement projects at public facing government facilities where there is an identified need for enhanced ventilation to mitigate the risk of disease. The entirety of the project cost is for the procurement and installation of the supplies needed to meet the HVAC needs of the identified facility. The population being targeted are justice involved persons, and people interacting with the County's Court system.
- Performance Report: This project is in progress. The County will monitor the following indicators to identify the success of the project:
 (1) What percentage of the time is the new HVAC system operational?
 (2) Has the new HVAC system impacted the level of indoor air

HVAC Improvements for the County Clerk's Office

pollution?

- Project Expenditure Category: 1.4 Prevention in Congregate Settings
- o Funding Amount: \$17,211

- Description: Kane County is investing in improvements for the HVAC systems in the County Clerk's Office building. The new air handling units will improve indoor air quality, mitigating the risk of COVID-19 transmission and ensuring a safer environment for both employees and visitors. The Clerk's office is a hub for essential government services such as issuing birth certificates, licenses, and conducting elections. Ensuring a comfortable and safe indoor environment through HVAC upgrades enhances the office's capacity to serve the public efficiently and effectively. These upgrades can be viewed as part of broader infrastructure investments, modernizing critical public facilities and promoting long-term sustainability. By prioritizing HVAC improvements at the county clerk's office, ARPA funding can have a tangible and multifaceted impact, addressing immediate public health concerns, supporting essential government functions and strengthening infrastructure resilience.
- Use of Evidence: Kane County has identified a series of HVAC improvement projects at public facing government facilities where there is an identified need for enhanced ventilation to mitigate the risk of disease. The entirety of the project cost is for the procurement and installation of the supplies needed to meet the HVAC needs of the identified facility. The population being targeted are County employees providing essential government services and members of the public who are receiving services.
- Performance Report: This project is in progress. The County will monitor the following indicators to identify the success of the project:

 (1) What percentage of the time is the new HVAC system operational?
 (2) Has the new HVAC system impacted the level of indoor air pollution?

HVAC Improvements at Court Services

- o Project Expenditure Category: 1.4 Prevention in Congregate Settings
- o Funding Amount: \$50,000
- Description: This County invested in additional HVAC upgrades to the Kane County 3rd Street Courthouse to address COVID-19 transmission risks and improve indoor air quality. This project targets increased ventilation enhancements to safeguard the health of courthouse occupants. It involves replacing existing split systems in Courtrooms 110, 140, 150, and 250 with Carrier horizontal air handling units and air-cooled condensing units. Additionally, duct transitions will be installed, piping upgraded, and insulation enhanced to optimize system efficiency. The primary objectives include reducing airborne contaminants, increasing fresh air circulation, promoting energy efficiency, and ensuring public health and safety compliance. By enhancing ventilation and air quality, the risk of COVID-19 transmission and other airborne illnesses will be mitigated, fostering public confidence in the safety of courthouse facilities. Moreover, the

- increased energy efficiency resulting from modernized equipment will lead to cost savings for the county in the long term. Ultimately, these improvements demonstrate Kane County's commitment to prioritizing the well-being of its residents and visitors, while also aligning with broader public health initiatives to combat infectious diseases.
- Use of Evidence: Kane County has identified a series of HVAC improvement projects at public facing government facilities where there is an identified need for enhanced ventilation to mitigate the risk of disease. The entirety of the project cost is for the procurement and installation of the supplies needed to meet the HVAC needs of the identified facility. The population being targeted are justice involved persons, and people interacting with the County's Court system.
- Performance Report: The project is in progress. The County will monitor the following indicators to identify the success of the project:

 (1) What percentage of the time is the new HVAC system operational?
 (2) Has the new HVAC system impacted the level of indoor air pollution?

Jail Tower A & B HVAC System Renovations

- Project Expenditure Category: 1.4 Prevention in Congregate Settings
- o Funding Amount: \$7,080,000
- Description: Kane County invested in enhancements for the HVAC system in the Kane County Jail towers to improve air quality and optimize ventilation. The project addresses health concerns among inmates and staff, particularly in light of the COVID-19 pandemic, by upgrading infrastructure to modern standards. By implementing advanced HVAC systems, the project will mitigate the risk of airborne illnesses and create a safer, healthier environment. These improvements will also contribute to the long-term sustainability and resilience of the jail infrastructure, ensuring a safer and more comfortable environment for all occupants. Addressing air quality concerns and upgrading infrastructure mitigates health risks for vulnerable populations within the Kane County Jail, promoting fairness and equality in the provision of public services.
- Use of Evidence: Kane County has identified a series of HVAC improvement projects at public facing government facilities where there is an identified need for enhanced ventilation to mitigate the risk of disease. The entirety of the project cost is for the procurement and installation of the supplies needed to meet the HVAC needs of the identified facility. The population being targeted are justice involved persons, and people interacting with the County's Court system.
- Performance Report: This project is in progress. The County will monitor the following indicators to identify the success of the project:

 (1) What percentage of the time is the new HVAC system operational?
 (2) Has the new HVAC system impacted the level of indoor air pollution?

• Kane County Manufacturing Recovery and Sustainability Fund

- <u>Project Expenditure Category:</u> 1.8 COVID-19 Assistance to Small Businesses
- o Funding Amount: \$1,040,000
- Description: The Kane County Kane County Manufacturing Sustainability and Recovery Fund is providing additional financial assistance for Kane County manufacturers to receive supports for recovery from COVID-19, develop practices for economic sustainability, and increase their competitive advantage. Manufacturers located in Kane County which apply for, and are given, technical assessments from the Illinois Manufacturing Excellence Center (IMEC), would be eligible for an additional \$25,000 from Kane County to reimburse eligible expenses associated for implementing recommendations by IMEC to improve, alter and add value to their business. All manufacturers located in Kane County which receive assessments from IMEC, which qualify as small businesses under the ARPA SLFRF definition, and can demonstrate a public health or economic harm are eligible. As part of the services it offers, IMEC (Illinois Manufacturing Excellence Center) provides small and midsized manufacturers (SMMs) in Illinois technical assistance and expertise to solve many issues they face in the COVID-19 era. This fund is designed to remove the various hurdles in funding and knowhow so SMMs can recovery from COVID-19 setbacks and embrace new technologies in their products and processes for a sustainable future.
- Use of Evidence: The County has identified manufacturing as an industry that has a substantial number of small businesses that were impacted by the pandemic. To promote the recovery of manufacturing, the County is funding IMEC which will provide technical assistance and expertise to manufacturing businesses to promote recovery.
- <u>Performance Report:</u> This project is in progress. The County will monitor the following indicators to identify the success of the project:
 (1) How many organizations were supported?
 (2) Did the supported organizations remain in operation for a year after receiving support?

• Judicial Center Replacement Chiller

- o Project Expenditure Category: 1.4 Prevention in Congregate Settings
- o Funding Amount: \$2,000,000
- Description: The County is investing in HVAC improvements for the Kane County Judicial Center to enhance infrastructure resilience while addressing critical public health concerns. By installing a new chiller plant, the project will not only improve cooling efficiency but also significantly increase air ventilation and ensure cleaner indoor air quality within the courthouse facilities. This directly contributes to reducing the impact of airborne diseases such as COVID-19, aligning perfectly with ARPA's focus on mitigating the effects of the ongoing

pandemic. The comprehensive scope of work includes the removal of existing chillers and the installation of new equipment, including York YVAA Air-Cooled Chillers, concrete pads, and primary pumps. By configuring piping for a primary-secondary loop system and integrating new electrical service with the building automation system (BAS), the project enhances operational efficiency while facilitating proactive maintenance and energy optimization. Moreover, the upgraded infrastructure will result in a more resilient and sustainable HVAC system, promoting a safer and healthier environment for all occupants. Improved air ventilation and cleaner indoor air quality directly contribute to reducing the spread of airborne diseases like COVID-19, safeguarding the well-being of the community.

- Use of Evidence: Kane County has identified a series of HVAC improvement projects at public facing government facilities where there is an identified need for enhanced ventilation to mitigate the risk of disease. The entirety of the project cost is for the procurement and installation of the supplies needed to meet the HVAC needs of the identified facility. The population being targeted are justice involved persons, and people interacting with the County's Court system.
- Performance Report: This project is in progress. The County will monitor the following indicators to identify the success of the project:

 (1) What percentage of the time is the new HVAC system operational?
 (2) Has the new HVAC system impacted the level of indoor air pollution?

KPMG Contracts

- Project Expenditure Category: 1.3 COVID-19 Contact Tracing
- Funding Amount: \$5,699,705
- <u>Description:</u> KPMG Operated a contact tracing program on behalf of Kane County from 2020 through 2023.
- <u>Use of Evidence:</u> ARPA guidelines do not require program evaluation or evidence-based interventions for this expenditure category.
- <u>Performance Report:</u> The contact tracing operation occurred. The County will monitor the following indicators to identify the success of the project: (1) the data provided by the vendor on case tracking, (2) how many people were served?

• Kitchen & Laundry Area HVAC System Improvements

- Project Expenditure Category: 1.4 Prevention in Congregate Settings
- o Funding Amount: \$600,000
- Description: The County is investing in HVAC improvements for the Kitchen and Laundry Areas at the Kane County Adult Justice Center to enhance air quality and improve ventilation. The project includes replacing rusted, stained, and damaged diffusers and registers, improving the dishwasher hood and exhaust system, and reprogramming control systems for optimized operation. Additionally, installation of new rooftop units will ensure conditioning for both areas

while adding metal plate door edges will guarantee proper building pressure and airflow. Enhancements will also include improvements to the laundry dryer lint exhaust system to improve safety, efficiency, and superior indoor air quality. The project ensures a healthier environment for both inmates and staff and will enhance energy efficiency and operational effectiveness, leading to potential cost savings for the county in the long run. These improvements not only prioritize the well-being of individuals within the facility but also demonstrate Kane County's commitment to providing safe and sustainable infrastructure for its community.

- Use of Evidence: Kane County has identified a series of HVAC improvement projects at public facing government facilities where there is an identified need for enhanced ventilation to mitigate the risk of disease. The entirety of the project cost is for the procurement and installation of the supplies needed to meet the HVAC needs of the identified facility. The population being targeted are justice involved persons, and people interacting with the County's Court system.
- Performance Report: This project is in progress. The County will monitor the following indicators to identify the success of the project:

 (1) What percentage of the time is the new HVAC system operational?
 (2) Has the new HVAC system impacted the level of indoor air pollution?

• Other Public Health Services

- o Project Expenditure Category: 1.4 Prevention in Congregate Settings
- o Funding Amount: \$127,614
- <u>Description:</u> The County invested in miscellaneous small items to help prevent the spread of Covid-19 in congregate settings to allow for critical services to function.
- <u>Use of Evidence:</u> ARPA guidelines do not require program evaluation or evidence-based interventions for this expenditure category.
- Performance Report: This project has been completed. The County will
 monitor the following indicators to identify the success of the project:
 (1) how many cases of Covid-19 were identified in Kane County?

Peloton

- Project Expenditure Category: 1.3 COVID-19 Contact Tracing
- o Funding Amount: \$477.252
- <u>Description:</u> The County hired an external vendor to support in meeting short term specialized staffing needs on Contact Tracing operations.
- <u>Use of Evidence:</u> ARPA guidelines do not require program evaluation or evidence-based interventions for this expenditure category.
- Performance Report: This project has been completed. The County will monitor the following indicators to identify the success of the project:

 (1) how many cases were handled?
 (2) how many cases of Covid-19 were identified in Kane County?

• Pre-Arrest Diversion & Equity Flexible Participant Funds

- o Project Expenditure Category: 1.13 Substance Use Services
- o Funding Amount: \$90,000
- Description: Due to the COVID-19 global pandemic, there have been significant increases in substance use, mental health issues, and increasing poverty. This has increased the demand for services from pre-arrest diversion programs. Flexible Participant Funds (FPF) are a part of pre-arrest diversion programs that provide short-term, emergent needs of participants. These funds provide food, clothing, application fees, transportation costs, toiletries, haircuts, and other items that help ensure an individual's basic needs are met as part of the pre-arrest diversion program.
- Use of Evidence: The County operates a pre-arrest diversion program to help address increased demand for mental health and substance abuse interventions outside of prisons. To keep people on track, some short term needs like food and clothing need to be met. The County believes that providing basic support enables participants to remain in the program. All of the funds are directed towards providing direct support to individuals in the program. These funds are directed towards justice involved persons.
- Performance Report: This project is in progress. The County will monitor the following indicators to identify the success of the project: (1) How many individuals will be served? (2) What types of services were needed by count?

Prevention in Congregate Settings

- Project Expenditure Category: 1.4 Prevention in Congregate Settings
- Funding Amount: \$194,923
- <u>Description:</u> The County invested in multiple Covid-19 prevention measures in congregate settings to enable continued operations.
- <u>Use of Evidence:</u> ARPA guidelines do not require program evaluation or evidence-based interventions for this expenditure category.
- <u>Performance Report:</u> This project has been completed. The County will monitor the following indicators to identify the success of the project:

 (1) was the County able to continue in person operations where necessary?

• Medical Intake HVAC System Improvements

- o Project Expenditure Category: 1.4 Prevention in Congregate
- o Funding Amount: \$480,000
- <u>Description:</u> The County is investing in HVAC improvements for the Medical Intake area to enhance negative air pressure. This initiative prioritizes improvements to mitigate airborne contaminants and

- improve air quality, aligning with public health priorities heightened by the COVID-19 pandemic. By implementing upgrades to attain negative air pressure, the project ensures the containment and removal of airborne pathogens, fostering a safer and healthier environment for patients and staff.
- Use of Evidence: Kane County has identified a series of HVAC improvement projects at public facing government facilities where there is an identified need for enhanced ventilation to mitigate the risk of disease. The entirety of the project cost is for the procurement and installation of the supplies needed to meet the HVAC needs of the identified facility. The population being targeted are justice involved persons, and people interacting with the County's Court system.
- Performance Report: This project is in progress. The County will monitor the following indicators to identify the success of the project:

 (1) What percentage of the time is the new HVAC system operational?
 (2) Has the new HVAC system impacted the level of indoor air pollution?

• Sally Port CO Exhaust System Improvements

- Project Expenditure Category: 1.4 Prevention in Congregate Settings
- o Funding Amount: \$120,000
- Description: The County is investing in HVAC improvements for the Sally Port exhaust system at the Kane County Adult Justice Center to enhance the exhaust system with a primary focus on improving air quality through increased ventilation. By implementing exhaust system improvements, the project aims to optimize ventilation, effectively reducing indoor air pollutants and enhancing overall air quality within the Sally Port facility. These upgrades not only prioritize the health and safety of individuals within the facility but also align with the objectives of the American Rescue Plan to promote public health and safety standards.
- Use of Evidence: Kane County has identified a series of HVAC improvement projects at public facing government facilities where there is an identified need for enhanced ventilation to mitigate the risk of disease. The entirety of the project cost is for the procurement and installation of the supplies needed to meet the HVAC needs of the identified facility. The population being targeted are justice involved persons, and people interacting with the County's Court system.
- Performance Report: This project is in progress. The County will monitor the following indicators to identify the success of the project:

 (1) What percentage of the time is the new HVAC system operational?
 (2) Has the new HVAC system impacted the level of indoor air pollution?

• Sheriff Office HVAC System Renovations

Project Expenditure Category: 1.4 Prevention in Congregate Settings

- Funding Amount: \$1,440,000
- Description: The County is investing in HVAC improvements for the Sheriff's Office to enhance indoor air quality, optimize ventilation, and mitigate the spread of airborne pathogens within the facility, aligning with public health priorities emphasized by the pandemic. It involves replacing old HVAC equipment with modern equipment with advanced filtration capabilities and implementing proper HVAC systems in sensitive areas like the lab and evidence room. The project strengthens the Sheriff's Office's ability to maintain a safe and healthy environment for employees and visitors.
- Use of Evidence: Kane County has identified a series of HVAC improvement projects at public facing government facilities where there is an identified need for enhanced ventilation to mitigate the risk of disease. The entirety of the project cost is for the procurement and installation of the supplies needed to meet the HVAC needs of the identified facility. The population being targeted are justice involved persons, and people interacting with the County's Court system.
- Performance Report: This project is in progress. The County will monitor the following indicators to identify the success of the project:

 (1) What percentage of the time is the new HVAC system operational?
 (2) Has the new HVAC system impacted the level of indoor air pollution?

Small Value Contact Tracing Expenditures

- o Project Expenditure Category: 1.3 COVID-19 Contact Tracing
- Funding Amount: \$11,234
- <u>Description:</u> This project covers miscellaneous small value expenditures to support the County's contract tracing efforts.
- <u>Use of Evidence:</u> ARPA guidelines do not require program evaluation or evidence-based interventions for this expenditure category.
- <u>Performance Report:</u> This project was completed. The County will monitor the following indicators to identify the success of the project:
 (1) how many covid-19 cases were identified in Kane County? (2) how many contact tracing cases were handled by the County?

• Shooting Range HVAC System Renovations

- Project Expenditure Category: 1.4 Prevention in Congregate Settings
- o Funding Amount: \$600,000
- Description: The County is investing in HVAC for Kane County shooting range facilities that are utilized for training law enforcement and recreation by the general public, to address concerns related to air quality, ventilation, and the mitigation of COVID-19 transmission. By implementing improvements to the HVAC system, including enhanced ventilation capabilities, the project aims to create a healthier indoor environment for patrons and staff. These upgrades not only promote

- better air quality but also reduce the risk of airborne transmission of viruses, including COVID-19, within the shooting range facilities.
- Use of Evidence: Kane County has identified a series of HVAC improvement projects at public facing government facilities where there is an identified need for enhanced ventilation to mitigate the risk of disease. The entirety of the project cost is for the procurement and installation of the supplies needed to meet the HVAC needs of the identified facility. The population being County employees working in public safety and the general public.
- Performance Report: This project is in progress. The County will monitor the following indicators to identify the success of the project:

 (1) What percentage of the time is the new HVAC system operational?
 (2) Has the new HVAC system impacted the level of indoor air pollution?

Kane County 211

- Project Expenditure Category: 1.12 Mental Health Services
- o Funding Amount: \$300,000
- Description: Kane County invested in mental health support for residents. In cooperation with the United Way, Regional Superintendent of Schools, Dunham Foundation, and Kane County the Kane County 211 service provides valuable assistance by phone or online to services including mental health, housing, food, medical, and vaccination information. The hotline is answered 24 hours a day by PATH Crisis by a live operator to provide a wide array of assistance. This project provides support for the annual services agreement for the call center.
- Use of Evidence: The County is supporting a mental health crisis line that also is able to triage resources to enable community members to receive the support that they need. The entire project is directed towards evidence based mental health support practices. The project serves people struggling with mental health needs, or who need support in accessing resources.
- Performance Report: This project is in progress. The County will monitor the following indicators to identify the success of the project: (1) what call volume is handled? (2) what is the distribution of call types?

Increased Demand: Counselling Needs

- o Project Expenditure Category: 1.11 Community Violence Interventions
- o Funding Amount: \$789,000
- <u>Description:</u> The pandemic has resulted in increased strain on mental health resources. The addition of the global pandemic on top of people's already existing trauma histories and/or everyday stressors has been shown to have escalated mental health problems but also

awareness and acceptance of the need to seek treatment. The draw on resources for free services run by local crisis centers as well as private practices created waitlists of up to a year to begin services. Due to the increased demand that we are seeing the County is, partnering with multiple local counseling practices spread out around the County to provide access to counseling services tailored to individual needs. The County is contracting with counselors to provide counseling services for a period of up to three years to meet heightened needs. The ARPA funding has also allowed the Child Advocacy Center to offer additional counseling sessions to support individuals in handling complex trauma and navigating the criminal justice system, with an emphasis on long-term care instead of only short-term trauma-based support. The counseling is for the child victims of sexual and physical abuse and the victim's non-offending immediate family members (siblings and parents).

- Use of Evidence: The entire project is directed towards expanding the evidence-based trauma counseling services provided to survivors of sexual and physical abuse. The final rule identified an increase in domestic violence and abuse as an externality of the pandemic.
- Performance Report: This project is in progress. The County will monitor the following indicators to identify the success of the project: (1) How many people are being served? (2) How many counseling sessions have been funded?

• Kane County Contact Tracing

- o Project Expenditure Category: 1.3 Covid-19 Contact Tracing
- Funding Amount: \$111,082
- <u>Description:</u> The County conducted some Contact Tracing in house during the Covid-19 pandemic. This project covers the costs associated with that initiative.
- <u>Use of Evidence:</u> ARPA guidelines do not require program evaluation or evidence-based interventions for this expenditure category.
- Performance Report: This project is complete. The County will monitor the following indicators to identify the success of the project: (1) How many cases were identified in Kane County? (2) What case load was handled?

Mobile Command Post

- Project Expenditure Category: 1.11 Community Violence Interventions
- Funding Amount: \$1,517,540
- <u>Description:</u> The County invested in a mobile operation center to provide emergency responses to events across the County. This includes events, crowd control and other police activities.
- Use of Evidence: The County uses law enforcement to manage large events and other responses. It increases the ability of law enforcement

- to effectively manage and deescalate situations to have a forward base of operations in responding to large events or police activities. Prevention, intervention, and de-escalation to stop violent crimes benefits people who were impacted by the spike in crime associated with the pandemic.
- Performance Report: This project is in progress. The County will monitor the following indicators to identify the success of the project:

 (1) How many times has the vehicle been deployed in the first 12 months of its use?
 (2) What type of events/ activities has it been deployed to?

Negative Economic Impacts (Expenditure Category 2)

Building Toward the Future

- <u>Project Expenditure Category:</u> 2.34 Assistance to Impacted Nonprofit Organizations
- Funding Amount: \$500,000
- Description: This project is a grant to PADS of Elgin to cover a variety of operational expenses. PADS of Elgin is a homeless shelter focused on helping those experiencing homelessness get back on their feet to live productive lives. This project lays the groundwork to scale capacity to meet the ever-growing needs of the service area. In Kane County, there have been a number of challenges over the last few years with a lack of affordable housing stock and rapid increase in the price of rentals. The goal at PADS of Elgin is to help people find permanent and affordable housing through case management, and by providing resources. Case Managers assist with the following: rehabilitation services, job searches, accessing government benefits, education, and finding and securing permanent housing.
- <u>Use of Evidence:</u> The County's support of PADS of Elgin provides support to a disproportionately impacted population. People experiencing homelessness were impacted by rapidly rising rents and a reduction in donations to support services that coincided with an increase in demand.
- Performance Report: This project is in progress. The County will monitor the following indicators to identify the success of the project:

 (1) how many people has PADs of Elgin served over the performance period?

• CASA Kane County

- Project Expenditure Category: 2.13 Healthy Childhood Environments:
 Services to Foster Youth or Families Involved in Child Welfare System
- o Funding Amount: \$1,000,000
- <u>Description</u>: This project provided a grant to CASA Kane County to cover payroll expenses. CASA Kane County is a Guardian ad Litem, nonprofit volunteer organization that advocates for the best interests of children in abuse, neglect and private guardianship cases within the

- Juvenile Court system. The grant supports the salary and wage costs of seven existing Advocate Supervisors (100%), two additional Advocate Supervisors (100%) and one Director of Advocate Supervision (25%).
- Use of Evidence: The County is supporting the organization CASA Kane County which has a substantial track record of supporting vulnerable youth through the court system. The project targets children who have experienced abuse and neglect. The Treasury noted a rise in abuse and neglect cases as a result of the pandemic.
- Performance Report: This project has been completed. The County will monitor the following indicators to identify the success of the project:
 (1) how many children are served each year by CASA?

Community Mental Health Funding Bridge

- <u>Project Expenditure Category:</u> 2.34 Assistance to Impacted Nonprofit Organizations
- Funding Amount: \$500,000
- <u>Description:</u> This project provides temporary funding to the Elgin Township Mental Health Board to fund community mental health needs while legislators work to enable the board to levy funding for future operations. The funds will be used to provide mental health services in Elgin Township.
- Use of Evidence: The County is supporting a grant program in coordination with the Elgin Township Mental Health Board to provide direct assistance to the residents of Elgin. The services supported by the grant target people who are disabled or experiencing mental health crises.
- Performance Report: The project is in progress. The County will monitor the following indicators to identify the success of the project:

 (1) how many organizations are supported?
 (2) how many people are served by the organizations?
 (3) what types of services were requested?

• Community Support Grant Program

- <u>Project Expenditure Category:</u> 2.34 Assistance to Impacted Nonprofit Organizations
- o <u>Funding Amount:</u> \$3,999,999
- <u>Description:</u> This project provided \$3,999,999 in grants to support 46 impacted nonprofit organizations serving Kane County. The recipients provide community support in mental health services, homeless shelters, and food pantries.
- Use of Evidence: The County provided support to nonprofit organizations that provide direct support to mental health, homeless shelters and food pantries. This serves people who have been impacted by the negative economic impacts of the pandemic.

Performance Report: This project has been completed. The County will monitor the following indicators to identify the success of the project:
 (1) how many organizations were served.

• <u>Fabulous Fox! Water Trail Promotion and Infrastructure and Infrastructure</u> Fund

- Project Expenditure Category: 2.35 Aid to Tourism, Travel, or Hospitality
- o Funding Amount: \$1,240,000
- Description: The Fabulous Fox! Water Trail Promotion and Infrastructure Fund will be used for planning, marketing, infrastructure for new and improved access and signage for the section of the Fox River in Kane County. Additional and improved access will benefit tourism but also allow for improved access to residents and persons with disabilities. New signage will improve wayfinding, awareness of local restaurants, shops and cultural sites. Kayak and canoe lockups will allow paddlers to explore local communities. The proposed budget includes 2 to 3 new launch sites and improvements to 2 to 3 existing launch sites. Most launch sites are on land owned by the Kane County Forest Preserve District, local park districts, and municipalities, and will be important partners for these infrastructure improvements. The fund and initiatives will be managed by Kane County staff, but tourism and hospitality businesses will benefit along with all Kane County residents using the water trail for recreation and outdoor activities.
- <u>Use of Evidence:</u> Tourism, travel and hospitality are presumed to have been impacted by the pandemic. This project is to support tourism in Kane County.
- Performance Report: This project is in progress. The County will monitor the following indicators to identify the success of the project: (1) how many sites have been improved?

• Grants for CVBs

- <u>Project Expenditure Category:</u> 2.35 Aid to Tourism, Travel, or Hospitality
- o <u>Funding Amount:</u> \$1,588,000
- <u>Description:</u> The Development Department provided grants to two Kane County Convention Visitor Bureaus located in Aurora and Elgin. Both organizations received \$750,000 to spend on promoting Tourism in Kane County.
- <u>Use of Evidence:</u> Tourism, travel and hospitality are presumed to have been impacted by the pandemic. This project is to support tourism, in Kane County.
- <u>Performance Report:</u> This project is in progress. The County will monitor the following indicators to identify the success of the project:

 (1) how many impressions did the advertising initiatives make?
 (2) has the initiative resulted in any events being planned in the County?

• Kane County Farm Resiliency Project

- <u>Project Expenditure Category:</u> 2.29 Loans or Grants to Mitigate Financial Hardship
- Funding Amount: \$863,000
- o Description: The goal of this project is to support both immediate recovery needs and long-term transformation by investing in food production operations in Kane County. The project will help build a better, stronger, more resilient food system through increased capacity, enhanced supply chain resilience, and growth in Kane County's food and agriculture economy, while decreasing food insecurity. Kane County's food growers have experienced heightened operating challenges in recent years including rising input costs, revenue losses, diminished access to processing facilities, and staffing / labor shortages. This project provides grants for food-growing farm operations in Kane County to help cover the cost of critical operating expenses, allowing farmers to prioritize long-term investments more easily in farm infrastructure and business growth. This project is establishing a competitive grants program for Kane-County based farms, including those run by businesses and non-profit organizations. The program will provide financial assistance to cover eligible operating costs, freeing up participants to use their primary sources of income to make strategic investments, improve operations, and build financial resiliency over the long term. Competitively awarded grants are being made to cover approved farm operating expenses including material inputs, labor and contractual services, technical training, and other costs commonly incurred by food-producing farms (see below for a partial list of eligible project examples). Successful projects will demonstrate that they stabilize and/or improve farm operations and viability; increase production; and/or enhance farm profitability. Priority is being given to project proposals that seek to reduce food insecurity through the development of distribution networks that are accessible for all communities.
- <u>Use of Evidence:</u> The County is providing grants to small businesses who experienced hardships as a result of the pandemic. The businesses must demonstrate that there was a hardship experienced as a result of the pandemic.
- <u>Performance Report:</u> This project is in progress. _The County will monitor the following indicators to identify the success of the project: (1) how many farms are supported? (2) what have the farms invested in? (3) have the farms had any changes in output or market access?

KDOT Ride in Kane

- o Project Expenditure Category: 2.37 Other Economic Impact Assistance
- o Funding Amount: \$225,000

- Description: The Ride in Kane Paratransit Program has been operating since 2008 supported by a consortium of local municipalities, villages, townships and human service agencies. Ride in Kane provides curb to curb transportation for eligible seniors and disabled residents in Kane County. Annually, the service provides almost 90,000 trips for these populations. Recently, Kane County agreed to assume administration of the program to allow continuation of services. The Veterans Assistance Commission has created a program under Ride in Kane to enable registered veterans to utilize the ride service to access medical care.
- Use of Evidence: The funds are directed towards direct support for an impacted population. The veteran's commission has documented that Veterans in Kane County were impacted by the pandemic. This program provides direct assistance to access medical care in the form of transportation.
- Performance Report: This project is in progress. The County will monitor the following indicators to identify the success of the project: (1) how many veterans have been served? (2) how many rides have been provided?

• Livestock Market Assessment

- Project Expenditure Category: 2.36 Aid to Other Impacted Industries
- o Funding Amount: \$66,000
- Description: The County hired a qualified consultant to conduct agricultural market assessment for livestock products produced and sold within the regional market. The completed assessment will be a tool for local livestock operators, providing actionable data and guidance for pursuing untapped market opportunities. The assessment will also be a supplemental resource for local livestock product distributors, processors, aggregators, and other value chain participants, as well as food system policymakers.
- Use of Evidence: The County has documented that farming in Kane County was negatively impacted by the pandemic. The County is providing technical assistance to help the industry recover.
- <u>Performance Report:</u> This project is completed. The County monitored the following indicators to identify the success of the project: (1) how many farmers have accessed the information?

Northern Illinois Foodbank

- <u>Project Expenditure Category:</u> 2.1 Household Assistance: Food Programs
- o Funding Amount: \$2,500,000
- Description: The County provided a grant to the Northern Illinois Food Bank (NIFB) to support its mission to address food-insecurity and ensure the NIFB can continue to provide access to enough nutritious food for people in Kane County. Funds will be used to purchase food to be made available to all member agencies in Kane County and a

- portion in direct grants to member agencies based on service numbers and amount of food distributed.
- Use of Evidence: The County is providing funding for a network of food banks to provide food to people in need. The community being served are people who are experiencing food insecurity.
- <u>Performance Report:</u> This project is underway. The County will monitor the following indicators to identify the success of the project: (1) how many foodbanks have received funding?

• Tri City Health Partnership

- <u>Project Expenditure Category:</u> 2.34 Assistance to Impacted Nonprofit Organizations
- o Funding Amount: \$100,000
- Description: The County has provided a grant to Tri City Health Partnership. For over 20 years, Tri City Health Partnership has filled critical medical and dental care service gaps for Kane County's most vulnerable populations. TCHP contributes significantly toward the area's health equity; reduces barriers to life changing and lifesaving care and provides vital wrap-around services to improve health outcomes and increase quality of life for those in need. The mission of Tri City Health Partnership is to provide quality health care in an environment of mutual respect, to members of the community without the ability to pay for services. The grant will support the organization's mission to provide medical care for needy residents of Kane County.
- Use of Evidence: The County is providing support to people in Kane County who are unable to access medical care by providing health care services to underserved populations through the Tri City Health Partnership.
- Performance Report: This project has been completed. The County will monitor the following indicators to identify the success of the project:
 (1) how many people were served?

• <u>Veterans Commission Funding</u>

- o <u>Project Expenditure Category:</u> 2.34 Assistance to Impacted Industries
- o Funding Amount: \$676,727
- Description: Kane County provided grants to Veterans Services Organizations throughout Kane County that experiences a loss in operating revenue as a result of the pandemic. The program provides brick and mortar locations an opportunity to submit mortgage, rent and utilities for reimbursement. Brick and mortar VSO's share meeting space with Kane VSOs that do not maintain a physical property or incur related utility expenses.
- Use of Evidence: The Kane County Veteran's Assistance Commission has documented that Veterans in Kane County were disproportionately impacted by the pandemic.

 Performance Report: This project is in progress. The County will monitor the following indicators to identify the success of the project: (1) how many organizations were served?

Public Health-Negative Economic Impact: Public Sector Capacity (Expenditure Category 3)

• Access Control Program

- Project Expenditure Category: 3.4 Public Sector Capacity: Effective Service Delivery
- Project Funding Amount: \$700,000
- Description: Kane County invested in an access control program across government buildings to transition all buildings onto a single lock and key schedule. By implementing an access control program, the County will have a central location and database for addressing access to facilities and will be able to better manage and restrict physical access to buildings, and rooms. This will help reduce the number of people entering and exiting these spaces, minimizing the risk of virus transmission. (2) Track and Trace: Modern access control systems often include features that allow administrators to track who enters and exits specific areas and at what times. This data will be valuable for contact tracing efforts in case a COVID-19 exposure occurs. (3) Customized Access Levels: Access control systems will be configured to provide different levels of access to different personnel based on their roles and responsibilities. This will help enforce social distancing measures by limiting access to certain areas to only those who truly need to be there. (4) Flexibility and Adaptability: Access control programs will be adjusted and adapted quickly as pandemic conditions change and will allow for restricting access to spaces at remote facilities. If there's a need to tighten restrictions or grant temporary access to specific individuals (such as for maintenance purposes), the system will be updated accordingly. (5) Enhanced Safety Measures: Access control systems will be used to monitor and control access to critical infrastructure. By limiting access to authorized personnel only, the County will prevent unauthorized individuals from tampering with or compromising critical systems. This will help maintain the functionality of vital services, especially during times of
- <u>Use of Evidence:</u> ARPA guidelines do not require program evaluation or evidence-based interventions for this expenditure category
- Performance Report: This project is in progress. The County will monitor the following indicators to identify the success of the project: (1) how many buildings have been secured? (2) have the systems been operational?

• ARP County Payroll Reimbursement

- <u>Expenditure Category:</u> 3.1 Public Sector Workforce: Payroll and Benefits for Public Health, Public Safety, or Human Services Workers
- o Funding Amount: \$25,117,119
- <u>Description:</u> This project covers the labor expenses for the salaries of covered public health and safety personnel responding to the Covid-19 pandemic.
- <u>Use of Evidence:</u> ARPA guidelines do not require program evaluation or evidence-based interventions for this expenditure category
- Performance Report: This project is completed.

Court Training

- Expenditure Category: 3.5 Public Sector Capacity: Administrative Needs
- Funding Amount: \$14,630
- Description: The County transitioned to Zoom hearings during the pandemic. As part of this transition, the Courts incurred additional training costs to enable the circuit court staff to operate zoom hearings. This entailed training on routing orders from attorneys to judge queues and to the clerk for filing and entering remotely, hosting and managing ZOOM courts. According to 705 ILCS 105/13 "The Clerks shall attend the sessions of their respective Courts..." and 705 ILCS 105/14 "The Clerks shall enter of record all judgments and orders of their respective courts, as soon after the rendition or making thereof as practicable".
- <u>Use of Evidence:</u> ARPA guidelines do not require program evaluation or evidence-based interventions for this expenditure category
- <u>Performance Report:</u> This project is complete. The County will monitor the following indicators to identify the success of the project: (1) how many Zoom Court hearings were conducted?

Microfilm Archiving

- Expenditure Category: 3.5 Public Sector Capacity: Administrative Needs
- Funding Amount: \$744,143
- Description: This project is to digitize Court Records to allow for remote access by the Clerk's Office. The Clerk's Office is the keeper of the Court Records and the only authority that is able to replicate, sign and seal these records for the public, bench and bar. Certified records are required by many offices to ensure the authenticity and have the court seal affixed it from the Clerk. Some examples of agencies that require a certified copy from the clerk are accessing social security benefits, immigration status and HFS to receive child support checks. Our office has thousands of court files that are not in any type of electronic format; they are paper and/or on microfilm machines. Having these case files not in an electronic format hindered the operations during the pandemic as most of the records department had to come to the office and was not able to work from home as these files needed to be

scanned for us to distribute electrically to the public, bench and bar. In the event of a courthouse closure cases should be able to be safely accessed with an electronic touch free case file; along with the ability to have workers from home do the same certification from their computers.

- <u>Use of Evidence:</u> ARPA guidelines do not require program evaluation or evidence-based interventions for this expenditure category
- <u>Performance Report:</u> This project is in progress. The County will monitor the following indicators to identify the success of the project:
 (1) How many records have been digitized? (2) Does the system provide for remote access?

• Heightened Need: Domestic Violence and Deferred Prosecution

- Project Expenditure Category: 3.4 Public Sector Capacity Effective Service Delivery
- o Funding Amount: \$355,010
- Description: Due to the heightened need from the Pandemic, there is a need for more Domestic Violence case managers and administration to meet the heightened need specifically, with an increase in orders of protection and a rise observed in first-time offenders, which are more likely to qualify for deferred prosecution. This project funds two more domestic violence case managers for a three-year contract to meet the heightened need and then re-evaluate, as well as one more full-time domestic violence admin, to help organize paperwork and file. Having more case managers and admin would help ensure cases are dealt with more quickly. More people will be working on them, therefore decreasing the backlog that occurred during the height of the Pandemic when the courts slowed/ stopped temporarily.
- <u>Use of Evidence:</u> ARPA guidelines do not require program evaluation or evidence-based interventions for this expenditure category
- Performance Report: This project is in progress. The County will monitor the following indicators to identify the success of the project: (1) how many cases have the case managers managed in the performance period?

• Heightened Need: Felony Cases and Deferred Prosecution

- <u>Expenditure Category:</u> 3.1 Public Sector Workforce: Payroll and Benefits for Public Health, Public Safety, or Human Services Workers
- Funding Amount: \$355,513
- Description: Due to the heightened need of the pandemic, there has been an increase in felony cases and specifically those of first-time offenders where the defendant more likely qualifies for deferred prosecution programs. To meet this heightened need, we are requesting two more felony case managers for a contract period of 3 years following by a re-evaluation. A felony case manager is in charge of following individual felony cases, specifically in this instance those

- that qualify for deferred prosecution. Felony case managers also provide access to substance abuse treatment.
- <u>Use of Evidence:</u> ARPA guidelines do not require program evaluation or evidence-based interventions for this expenditure category
- Performance Report: This project is in progress. The County will monitor the following indicators to identify the success of the project:

 (1) how many cases have the case managers managed in the performance period.

Kane Co Stream Gaging Network Funding

- <u>Project Expenditure Category:</u> 3.4 Public Sector Capacity: Effective Service Delivery
- o Funding Amount: \$195,000
- Description: The Kane County Stream Gaging Network is a collaborative program between Kane County and the USGS to provide real-time stream flow and rainfall data and publish it on-line for use by municipalities, watershed groups, and the general public. This program has been operation continuously since 1998 (following the terrible flood of July 1996). Stream flow and rainfall data is an integral part of assessing local water quality, watershed modeling and management, water supply planning, and weather emergency response and flood mitigation activities. Continued measurement of stream flows on the Fox River is integral to the long-term planning and management of a sustainable water supply in Kane County, an objective within the Kane County 2040 Plan. This program has long been funded through a grant from the Grand Victoria Riverboat Foundation (GVRF) and is a critical component in the County's NPDES Program, which the County is mandated to participate in through the IEPA. With GVRF funding being diminished due to COVID, it is imperative that Kane County seek alternate revenue sources for fund this critical data program relied upon by so many.
- <u>Use of Evidence:</u> ARPA guidelines do not require program evaluation or evidence-based interventions for this expenditure category
- Performance Report: The project is in progress. The County will monitor the following indicators to identify the success of the project: (1) how many times is the data accessed?

• Judicial Technology Modernization

- Project Expenditure Category: 3.4 Public Sector Capacity: Effective Service Delivery
- Funding Amount: \$3,058,357
- Description: The County is investing in modernizing the audiovisual technology in the County's Court rooms. This includes video and audio equipment in 24 courtrooms and infrared assisted listening devices for the hearing impaired in each courtroom. The new Audio-visual system will support the continued use of virtual hearings which save litigants both time and money. The Courts are also experiencing an increase in

- the need to prevent visual evidence due to the SAFETY ACT which requires all Police Officers to wear body cameras to record all public interactions. These recordings are used in Court hearings.
- <u>Use of Evidence:</u> ARPA guidelines do not require program evaluation or evidence-based interventions for this expenditure category
- Performance Report: This project is in progress. The County will monitor the following indicators to identify the success of the project:

 (1) how many court rooms are updated?
 (2) how many hearings are supported by the new technology in the performance period?

KaneComm Microwave Radio for Mutual Aid

- Project Expenditure Category: 3.4 Public Sector Capacity: Effective Service Delivery
- Funding Amount: \$1,455,414
- <u>Description:</u> Kane County is investing in microwave Radio infrastructure to provide critical infrastructure for the communication links between approximately 20 locations via microwave links or radio links. The KaneComm and TriCom 911 agencies are responsible for maintaining a public safety radio network including a mutual aid radio frequency capability for both Fire and Police.
- <u>Use of Evidence:</u> ARPA guidelines do not require program evaluation or evidence-based interventions for this expenditure category
- Performance Report: The project is in progress. The County will monitor the following indicators to identify the success of the project: (1) how many radio links have been invested in?

• Laptop & Webcam Purchase

- Expenditure Category: 3.5 Public Sector Capacity: Administrative Needs
- Funding Amount: \$69,100
- o <u>Description</u>: The webcams and laptops purchased for the Public Defender's Office (PDO) allowed members of the Office to conduct various manners remotely. With laptops, attorneys were able to continue effectively and efficiently to help their clients; they were able to use their laptops at home and remote into their desktops. They could access all of their files remotely without needing to transport physical files. Prior to the purchase of the webcams, The PDO had webcams that were approximately five years old. The PDO often had issues with them auto focusing during use which causes the screen to become blurry and is distracting during meetings and court. During the COVID pandemic, webcams became vital to the attorneys efficiently and effectively doing their jobs. Webcams were used for Zoom court which currently takes place a minimum of 3 days a week. Additionally, the PDO uses Zoom and the cameras to meet with clients from the jail. The PDO also relies heavily on Zoom to meet with our clients who are not in custody. The ability to use Zoom enables the PDO to limit the amount of in person contact during the pandemic; it also aids the

Sheriff in being able to limit the number of outside people into the jail which cuts down on the risk of COVID contact for those in the jail. Beyond the pandemic, the PDO has found that the ability to meet with clients via Zoom is a tremendous benefit to clients of the PDO. As the PDO represents indigent people, clients often do not have the funds for gas or to pay for public transportation to get to court or to meet with their attorneys. Additionally, most clients do not receive paid time off so taking the time to travel to meet with their attorney not only costs for transportation but for the missed time from work. The ability to meet with attorneys remotely has proven to be a huge benefit to PDO clients.

- <u>Use of Evidence:</u> ARPA guidelines do not require program evaluation or evidence-based interventions for this expenditure category
- <u>Performance Report:</u> The project is in progress. The County will monitor the following indicators to identify the success of the project: (1) how many cases were handled remotely during the pandemic?

• St. Charles Branch Court CCTV

- Expenditure Category: 3.5 Public Sector Capacity: Administrative Needs
- Funding Amount: \$72,000
- <u>Description</u>: The County invested in a new CCTV system for the St. Charles Branch Court, Circuit Clerk, Diagnostics Center, and other offices/services located at the building. This project enabled the County to secure the facility, and enhanced contact tracing efforts.
- <u>Use of Evidence:</u> ARPA guidelines do not require program evaluation or evidence-based interventions for this expenditure category
- <u>Performance Report:</u> This project is complete. The County will monitor the following indicators to identify the success of the project: (1) how many cameras were installed?

• Zoom Conference System (General Zoom)

- Expenditure Category: 3.5 Public Sector Capacity: Administrative Needs
- o Funding Amount: \$377,891
- <u>Description:</u> To adapt to the technological requirements of the pandemic, the County purchased access to Zoom. This project enabled the County to implement new technology infrastructure that is needed to adapt government operations to the pandemic. This includes telework technologies.
- <u>Use of Evidence:</u> ARPA guidelines do not require program evaluation or evidence-based interventions for this expenditure category
- Performance Report: This project is in progress. The County will monitor the following indicators to identify the success of the project: (1) how many zoom licenses did the County need during the pandemic?

Zoom Conference System (Forest Preserve)

- Expenditure Category: 3.5 Public Sector Capacity: Administrative Needs
- o Funding Amount: \$140,000
- <u>Description</u>: To adapt to the technological requirements of the pandemic, the County purchased access to Zoom. This project enabled the County to implement new technology infrastructure that is needed to adapt government operations to the pandemic. This includes telework technologies.
- <u>Use of Evidence:</u> ARPA guidelines do not require program evaluation or evidence-based interventions for this expenditure category
- Performance Report: This project is in progress. The County will monitor the following indicators to identify the success of the project:

 (1) how many zoom licenses did the County need during the pandemic?

• Water Quality Sampling

- <u>Expenditure Category:</u> 3.4 Public Sector Capacity: Effective Service Delivery
- o Funding Amount: \$60,000
- <u>Description</u>: The County funded a study to sample water quality to enable the County to monitor groundwater for the impacts of road salts and other pollutants impacting the drinking water supplies. Thes contaminants reduce the viability of the County's long-term groundwater supply. This study also supports the local sustainability mapping effort, allowing an updated calibration to the groundwater flow model.
- <u>Use of Evidence:</u> ARPA guidelines do not require program evaluation or evidence-based interventions for this expenditure category
- Performance Report: This project is in progress. The County will monitor the following indicators to identify the success of the project: (1) have any pollutants been identified? (2) how many samples were taken?

Water, Sewer, and Broadband Infrastructure (Expenditure Category 5)

Adult Justice Center Domestic Hot Water Improvements

- Expenditure Category: 5.15 Drinking Water: Other Water Infrastructure
- o Funding Amount: \$1,000,000
- Description: The project entails replacing the existing domestic hot water heater system in both the North and South Towers of the Kane County Adult Justice Center. The new system will eliminate the need for hot water storage tanks, reducing energy consumption and operational costs. Construction will involve modifications to the building's domestic hot water system to mitigate the risk of Legionella contamination. These measures include adjusting the hot water temperature to 140 degrees Fahrenheit in the main piping, replacing

the master thermostatic mixing valve with individual valves on each floor, installing a continuous hot water recirculation pump, and integrating equipment into the building automation system. Furthermore, the current shower heads will be replaced with higher flow rate heads. By modernizing the domestic hot water system and implementing measures to protect against Legionella, Kane County aims to ensure a safe and reliable supply of hot water for staff and inmates while adhering to ARPA's objectives of enhancing public health and infrastructure resilience. By replacing the existing domestic hot water system with high-efficiency, gas-fired water heaters, the county will realize significant energy savings and reduced operational costs. Enhanced domestic water systems not only ensure adequate hygiene standards within the facility but also contribute to maintaining a clean and sanitary environment essential for preventing the resurgence of infectious diseases, including Covid-19. By investing in these improvements, Kane County proactively addresses the long-term public health impacts of the pandemic, safeguarding the well-being of both inmates and staff members. Moreover, a robust domestic hot water system supports the ongoing implementation of stringent hygiene protocols, fostering a safer and healthier environment within the correctional facility. The County has documented cases of Legionnaire's being contracted in the jail.

- <u>Use of Evidence:</u> ARPA guidelines do not require program evaluation or evidence-based interventions for this expenditure category
- <u>Performance Report:</u> This project is in progress. The County will monitor the following indicators to identify the success of the project: (1) has Legionella been found in the water supply after replacing the system?

• Drainage Cost-Share Program Consultant and Capital Project Funding

- Expenditure Category: 5.5 Clean Water: Other Sewer Infrastructure
- Funding Amount: \$ 705,000
- Description: Kane County invested additional funds into an existing program to handle nuisance drainage problems. Kane County has hundreds of historic urban flooding and nuisance drainage problems in the older unincorporated subdivisions which were built before the Stormwater Ordinance. Since 1993, Kane County has utilized a Drainage Cost-Share Grant Program funded through the Grand Victoria Riverboat Foundation (GVRF) to split drainage infrastructure project costs with willing property owners seeking assistance from the County. This partnership has resulted in hundreds of drain problems being solved and is the primary means by which the County can assist landowners with solving significant drainage problems. GVRF funds are continuing to diminish while the drainage problems are increasing due to aging infrastructure and impacts of climate change (more & bigger storms).

- <u>Use of Evidence:</u> ARPA guidelines do not require program evaluation or evidence-based interventions for this expenditure category
- Performance Report: This project is in progress. The County will monitor the following indicators to identify the success of the project: (1) how many projects to address nuisance drainage issues have been funded?

Ogden Gardens (Lead Filter)

- Expenditure Category: 5.12 Drinking Water: Lead Remediation, including in Schools and Daycares
- o Funding Amount: \$470,000
- Description: The County is investing in lead mitigation in the Ogden Garden's Subdivision. This project is to replace lead and galvanized/lead fitting water service lines in the Subdivision with copper service lines to eliminate the lead contamination into all 120 homes in this 75.86% low-moderate income neighborhood.
- <u>Use of Evidence:</u> ARPA guidelines do not require program evaluation or evidence-based interventions for this expenditure category
- Performance Report: This project is in progress. The County will monitor the following indicators to identify the success of the project: (1) how many lines were replaced?

• Water Conservation Educational Program

- o Expenditure Category: 5.8 Clean Water: Water Conservation
- o Funding Amount: \$265,000
- <u>Description:</u> The Water conservation education program has the goal
 of educating residential water users in Kane County, Illinois about the
 need for water conservation, teach them how to reduce their water
 consumption, and provide them with the tools and incentives they need
 to become more water efficient.
- <u>Use of Evidence:</u> ARPA guidelines do not require program evaluation or evidence-based interventions for this expenditure category
- Performance Report: This project is in progress. The County will monitor the following indicators to identify the success of the project: (1) how many people have been reached by the campaign?

Revenue Replacement (Expenditure Category 6)

Adult Justice Center ADA Ramp

- o Expenditure Category: 6.1 Revenue Replacement
- o Funding Amount: \$ 317,495
- Description: Kane County constructed an ADA-compliant ramp at the Sheriff's Office. Constructing an ADA-compliant ramp at the facility ensures equitable access to essential services for individuals with disabilities, promoting inclusivity and addressing disparities in access to justice. Moreover, the facility's role as a public safety hub underscores its importance in emergency response and community safety, aligning with the broader goal of enhancing public safety

infrastructure. By facilitating access for law enforcement personnel, emergency responders, and community members, the project contributes to promoting public safety and resilience. Additionally, the facility's involvement in hosting vaccination clinics and pandemic preparedness activities highlights its significance in public health emergencies. Improving access to the facility through ADA-compliant infrastructure enhances the county's capacity to respond effectively to future health crises, supporting the American Rescue Plan's objectives of addressing the ongoing impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic and strengthening public health infrastructure.

- <u>Use of Evidence:</u> ARPA guidelines do not require program evaluation or evidence-based interventions for this expenditure category
- <u>Performance Report</u>: This project has been completed.

• Exterior Envelope Pipe Chase Improvements at KC Jail

- o <u>Expenditure Category</u>: 6.1 Revenue Replacement
- Funding Amount: \$ 2,400,000
- Description: This project is to improve the HVAC system at the KC jail. The project will directly contribute to improved air quality and a reduction in the spread of diseases. By evaluating heating and cooling deficiencies in the pipe chase and service corridors, the project ensures proper ventilation and temperature control, crucial elements in maintaining optimal indoor air quality. Additionally, addressing leaks and insulation voids of the exterior walls helps reduce the risk of moisture buildup and mold growth, which can exacerbate respiratory issues and spread diseases. These targeted improvements align with public health priorities, mitigating health risks for inmates, staff, and visitors, and promoting a safer and healthier environment within the facility.
- <u>Use of Evidence:</u> ARPA guidelines do not require program evaluation or evidence-based interventions for this expenditure category
- o Performance Report: This project is in progress.

Countywide Water Monitoring Network

- o Expenditure Category: 6.1 Revenue Replacement
- o Funding Amount: \$ 219,000
- Description: The funding is being used to establish a Countywide Water Monitoring Network that is critical for municipalities and the County to monitor long term drinking water supplies and planning in light of the severe decline in our groundwater levels. The Monitoring Network will include the cost associated with purchasing and installing 5 full transducer/telemetry stations every year for three years for a total of fifteen monitoring wells. Kane County funded a 2015 study as part of the project with Illinois State Water Survey (ISWS) to locate and identify where additional data is needed within the County. At least two specific conductance probes will be installed to monitor changing chloride levels. The increase in chlorides (due to road salt) has a major

impact on the viability of shallow groundwater supplies and has been linked to increased lead in drinking water from private wells. The County is also at risk of Shallow aquifer contamination. During the time period of 2003-2015 the County has seen a significant increase in the levels of chloride. With the increase in current population in certain areas and expected future population growth, the County has reached a point where analysis of the County's current and future sustainable drinking water is necessary. In 2015 Illinois State Water Survey investigated Kane County's options for improving groundwater monitoring. The proposed improvements to the water monitoring network would be critical to simulate historical and future drinking water supply for the County.

- <u>Use of Evidence:</u> ARPA guidelines do not require program evaluation or evidence-based interventions for this expenditure category
- Performance Report: This project is in progress.

• Economic Development Strategy and Organization for Kane County

- o <u>Expenditure Category</u>: 6.1 Revenue Replacement
- Funding Amount: \$ 3,000,000
- Description: Kane County invested in an economic development organization to enable it to compete for high paying jobs in a sustainable economy. This organization will market Kane County to potential investors, while conducting research on where Kane County has the greatest opportunities to help funnel investments. This project is designed to support manufacturing and agriculture by coordinating between local industries to enable them to identify opportunities and compete in the region.
- <u>Use of Evidence:</u> ARPA guidelines do not require program evaluation or evidence-based interventions for this expenditure category
- o <u>Performance Report:</u> This project is in progress.

Kane County Drinking Water Sustainability Mapping

- o Expenditure Category: 6.1 Revenue Replacement
- o Funding Amount: \$272,000
- Description: Kane County invested in Local Drinking Water Sustainability Mapping to create interactive web maps showing local supply and demand in Kane County for shallow aquifers. This will include sustainable supply estimates at a municipal level and maps of streams that experience reductions in natural groundwater discharge. In addition, the project will develop maps indicating aquifer vulnerability to contamination and areas of enhanced chloride. We would investigate methods to quantify the impact of contamination on available water supply. All analyses complement the sustainability studies conducted by the Northwest Water Planning Alliance (NWPA) and Illinois Department of Natural Resources (IDNR). The proposed budget for the Local Sustainability Mapping is divided, approximately ½ development of sustainability maps and ½ aquifer vulnerability/chloride

mapping. In addition to the monthly NWPA meetings for regional water supply planning during which updates will be provided to the region, we would hold meetings with individual communities, industries, and stakeholders to discuss their local supply issues and what the sustainable values mean for them. The goal of the meetings is to demonstrate County level planning. "Kane County recognized that though beautiful, powerful and completely strange, water is essential, and it committed to developing a Countywide Water Supply Plan that would ensure a sustainable water supply to meet the demands of the projected 2030 population and the longer-term needs of future generations of Kane County residents." (Strategy for dev... pg. 3)

- <u>Use of Evidence:</u> ARPA guidelines do not require program evaluation or evidence-based interventions for this expenditure category
- Performance Report: This project is in progress.

Pre-Arrest Diversion & Equity Operations Funds

- o Expenditure Category: 6.1 Revenue Replacement
- Funding Amount: \$7,500
- Description: The County funded the miscellaneous operations expenses of the community leadership team supporting the pre-arrest program the County is operating. Operations Funds relate to Flexible Participant Funds (FPF) and the LEAD model in pre-arrest diversion. These funds are geared toward supporting the community leadership team (CLT), which is made up of community members who have lived the experiences common among PAD participants.
- <u>Use of Evidence:</u> ARPA guidelines do not require program evaluation or evidence-based interventions for this expenditure category
- <u>Performance Report</u>: This project is in progress.

Administrative (Expenditure Category 7)

Kane County Administrative Expenses

- o <u>Expenditure Category:</u> 7.1 Administrative Expenses
- Funding Amount: \$1,460,652
- <u>Description</u>: The County has an internal team managing the ARPA funds. They are responsible for project selection, management, execution, and closeout.
- <u>Use of Evidence:</u> ARPA guidelines do not require program evaluation or evidence-based interventions for this expenditure category
- <u>Performance Report</u>: This project is in progress.

Kane County Finance Department ARPA Staff and Audit Reimbursement

- o Expenditure Category: 7.1 Administrative Expenses
- Funding Amount: \$43,402
- <u>Description</u>: The Kane County Finance Department staff have assisted in the preparation of resolutions, preparing ARPA quarterly reports,

- setup of general ledger accounts, ARPA accounts payable processing, preparing information for the annual external audit, and weekly meetings.
- <u>Use of Evidence:</u> ARPA guidelines do not require program evaluation or evidence-based interventions for this expenditure category
- o Performance Report: This project is in progress.

• EY Administrative Support

- o <u>Expenditure Category</u>: 7.1 Administrative Expenses
- o Funding Amount: \$2,982,034
- <u>Description:</u> EY support's Kane County's internal administrative team related to Kane County's Federal compliance, reporting, monitoring and other administrative requirements for the use and administration of ARPA SLFRF.
- <u>Use of Evidence:</u> ARPA guidelines do not require program evaluation or evidence-based interventions for this expenditure category
- <u>Performance Report:</u> This project is in progress.

• Small Value Administrative Expenses

- o <u>Expenditure Category:</u> 7.1 Administrative Expenses
- o Funding Amount: \$71,339
- <u>Description</u>: There are miscellaneous small value expenses associated with administering the project. This includes single audit and software expenses.
- <u>Use of Evidence:</u> ARPA guidelines do not require program evaluation or evidence-based interventions for this expenditure category
- Performance Report: This project is in progress.