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MARSHALL COUNTY, ALABAMA

INITIAL ANNOUNCEMENT OF REQUEST FOR PROJECT PROPOSALS FOR WATER AND SEWER INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS TO BE FUNDED WITH AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT STATE AND LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUNDS

The Marshall County Commission, by resolution adopted December 8, 2021, has allocated up to \$7,000,000 of its American Rescue Plan Act State and Local Fiscal Recovery funds ("ARPA funds") to necessary investments in eligible water and sewer infrastructure projects that will provide needed services to the County's households and businesses.

To facilitate these investments, the County is requesting that municipalities, regional water authorities, and other public entities that directly provide water and sewer services to households and businesses located in the County submit proposals for projects to be funded with the County's ARPA funds.

Project proposals must be submitted on or before 4:30 p.m. on January 30, 2022, to the Marshall County Commission, and make it to the attention to Ashleigh Bubbett, County Administrator. Proposals must be submitted by completing Sections B, C, and D of the Project Proposal form (included as Exhibit A) with this Request for Project Proposals. Documents requested in Section E, if available, must be submitted with the project proposal. A fillable form is available on the County's website at www.marshallco.org.

Project proposals will be evaluated and any corresponding award of ARPA funds will be based on:

- The eligibility of the project in accordance with the provisions of the U.S. Department of Treasury's Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds Interim Final Rule;
- The immediacy of the need of the project (i.e., the seriousness of risk of harm to human health);
- The number of households and/or businesses served by the project, including those communities
 most in need according to State affordability criteria;
- The extent to which the applicant has access to other available funds (including ARPA funds or other state or federal funds) to support this project;
- The applicant's experience in successful administration of federal or other grant funds;
- The applicant's ability to adequately staff the project to provide oversight, financial controls, and subcontractor monitoring;
- The applicant's eligibility to receive federal funds; and
- Other factors necessary to ensure that the applicant can administer any funds awarded in compliance with federal and state law and the terms and conditions of the County's federal award.

Once the County has determined, based upon the submission of the project proposal form, that the project is eligible for ARPA funds, the County will request additional information from the proposer relating to these criteria for additional evaluation.

This notice is provided for the sole benefit of the County to determine, best uses of ARPA funds. Submission of a project proposal or additional information does not bestow upon any proposer any right to a subaward. The County reserves the right to reject any proposal, to seek additional information, and to cancel this request. The County further reserves the right to issue a subaward to multiple proposers in varying amounts as determined to be in the best interest of the County and in its sole discretion.

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Questions regarding this Request for Project Proposals should be directed to Ashleigh Bubbett, County Administrator.