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# Notice of Funds Available (NOFA)

State Fiscal Recovery Funds - American Rescue Plan (SFRF-ARP)

Transitional Bridge Housing for Homeless Individuals and/or Families

# SFRF-ARP NOFA

- ▶ State Fiscal Recovery Funds from the American Rescue Plan (SFRF-ARP) Final Rule 2021-10283 found here:  
<https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2021/05/17/2021-10283/coronavirus-state-and-local-fiscal-recovery-funds>
- ▶ NOFA issued 11/19/2021
- ▶ \$40 Million in SFRF-ARP funds available:
  - ▶ \$30 Million set aside for rural balance of state outside of Maricopa and Pima Counties and tribal jurisdictions.
  - ▶ 10 Million available statewide including Maricopa and Pima Counties and tribal jurisdictions.
- ▶ Applications accepted immediately and will be open until all funds are committed.



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## ▶ Eligible Activity:

- ▶ Conversion of (including acquisition and/or rehabilitation) hotel units into transitional bridge housing for homeless individuals and/or families.
  - ▶ All activities must demonstrate they respond to a disproportionate impact caused by COVID-19 Public Health Emergency.
  - ▶ There must not be a duplication of benefit of financial assistance from any other federal source.
- ▶ Activity should be ready to begin implementation within thirty-(30) days of execution of Funding Agreement.



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## ▶ Eligible Applicants:

### ▶ Rural Balance of State:

- ▶ Unit of Local Government
- ▶ Non-profit Organization

### ▶ Statewide:

- ▶ Unit of Local Government
- ▶ Tribal jurisdiction
- ▶ Non-profit Organization



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- ▶ **Application Thresholds:**
  - ▶ Project application is complete including all required documentation per the SFRF-ARP Application Checklist.
  - ▶ Application demonstrates the eligible activity responds to a disproportionate impact caused by COVID-19.
    - ▶ Expenditure Category is 3.10 Housing Support: Affordable Housing.
    - ▶ Activity must serve homeless individuals and/or families.
  - ▶ Must have local government approval and be properly zoned for the proposed use. Properties requiring variances or use permits are allowed.



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## ▶ Application Thresholds Continued:

- ▶ If additional federal funding (non-SFRF-ARP) is required for the completion of the project then applicant must comply with all federal cross cutting regulations. These include but are not limited to:
  - ▶ Environmental Review Record (ERR) (separate from required Phase I)
  - ▶ Procurement
  - ▶ Davis Bacon Labor Standards (DBLS)
  - ▶ Uniform Relocation Act (URA)
  - ▶ Section 3



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## ▶ Application Thresholds Continued:

- ▶ Rural units of local government must comply with the State's Citizen Participation Plan.
- ▶ If activities will take place on tribal land, applicant must submit documentation of consent of the tribal jurisdiction.
- ▶ Applicant must be a participant in the local Continuum of Care or agree to participate going forward.
- ▶ Applicant must agree to report its services/assistance to homeless populations in the relevant HMIS system.



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## ▶ Application Thresholds Continued

- ▶ Applicant must pre-identify resources necessary to pay for ongoing Operating Expenses for a period of five (5) years after completion of the project.
- ▶ Applicant must provide a long-term plan for the continued use of the facility for transitional or permanent affordable housing. A 40-year Land Use Restriction Agreement is required and will be recorded in order to maintain long-term affordability.
- ▶ Applicant agrees to repay or secure repayment if the assistance is determined to be duplicative or does not comply with any applicable federal regulations.





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## ▶ Application Thresholds Continued:

- ▶ Activity or Project is non-speculative
  - ▶ Applicant must have legally binding commitment for all funding necessary to complete the proposed activity or project.
- ▶ Applicant evidences capacity to complete project in timely manner.
- ▶ All applications are subject to underwriting by ADOH, and be determined to be financially viable.

**NOTE:** Applicants are encouraged to begin the required Phase 1 Environmental as soon as possible.



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## ▶ Maximum Grant Amount:

- ▶ There is no grant size limit up to the maximum funding per the distribution categories:
  - ▶ \$30 Million Rural Balance of State
  - ▶ \$10 Million Statewide

## ▶ Selection Notification:

- ▶ Awards made at sole discretion of ADOH
  - ▶ Notification anticipated within sixty (60) days whether applicant will receive a conditional commitment of funding.
  - ▶ Unfunded applicants will have opportunity to review application with ADOH staff to increase potential to be funded in subsequent application and funding processes if applicable.



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## ▶ Application Submittal:

- ▶ Application Materials located on the CDBG Forms Page of the ADOH Website under the State Fiscal Recovery Funds heading here: <https://housing.az.gov/documents-links/forms/community-revitalization>
  - ▶ SFRF-ARP Transitional Bridge Housing NOFA.
  - ▶ SFRF-ARP Transitional Bridge Housing Funding Process and Application Instructions.
  - ▶ SFRF-ARP Homeless Transitional Bridge Housing Application.
- ▶ Applications must be electronically submitted and received by ADOH through the CDBG and HOME document portal located on the ADOH website: <https://housing.az.gov/portals/document-upload-portals>
- ▶ Applications may NOT be submitted via U.S. Mail, Fed-ex, UPS, e-mail or fax.



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- ▶ Questions regarding this NOFA may be submitted in writing via email to:

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