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2022 Yakima County ARPA Funds Application

Yakima County is accepting applications for American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funding.

To be considered for funding, the individual/organization's (hereafter "applicant") project must align with both a project category as set forth by Yakima County and an expenditure category as set forth by the U.S. Department of the Treasury.

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During this application you will have the ability to save your progress so that you may continue at another time. Please be sure to save your progress. You can do so by clicking the "Save Progress" button located at the top of this form.

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Throughout this application, there are several forms that need to be downloaded and saved to your computer. These forms will need to be downloaded, filled out, saved to your computer, and then attached at the bottom of this application prior to submitting.

Please be sure to download, fill out, and save the following forms to your computer:

[w-9 Form \(if applying on behalf of a business or nonprofit organization\)](#)

ARPA Project Budget Form

Please attach these forms to this application prior to submitting.

Requesting Entity Name	City of Yakima
Date	5/13/2022
Project Name	Free Wi-Fi in Yakima Parks

Yakima County Project Categories

Examples listed below are general in nature, intended to convey a broad illustration of corresponding projects. Please review the following project categories. **By selecting yes or no, please indicate which category your project best aligns with.**

Supporting Recovery	Yes
Reconnecting Community	Yes
Building Resiliency	No
Department of the Treasury Expenditure Category	2.4 Household Assistance: Internet Access Programs

Checklist

This checklist is provided as a tool to assist you in the completion of your application. Remember, late and/or incomplete applications will not be accepted. **If you have questions regarding your application, please contact Craig Warner at (509) 574-1313 or craig.warner@co.yakima.wa.us. (Check all boxes after reading):**

Yakima County ARPA funds will be distributed on a reimbursable basis.	Yes
Applicant's household, organization, and/or clients are located within the County limits of Yakima County?	Yes
Does the proposed project meet at least one of the Yakima County Project Categories and at least one	Yes

of the Federal Expenditure categories detailed above?

Applications will only be accepted electronically through the application process.

Yes

If applying on behalf of a business or nonprofit organization, did you attach a completed W-9 form to your application? A fillable W-9 form is available below for download.

Yes

Upload your completed W-9 Form here in PDF or JPG.

COY-W-9.pdf

I have downloaded, filled out, and attached the required ARPA Project Budget form to this application before submission.

Yes

Upload your completed ARPA Project Budget Form here in PDF or JPG.

ARPA Project Budget Form Wi-Fi.pdf

I have reviewed and will abide by Chapter 2, Part 200 of the Code of Federal Regulation (CFR) and Title 6 of the Civil Rights Act of 1964.

Yes

The County will be developing and implementing a communication plan to share stories of how ARPA funds have impacted the community. Applicant agrees to participate in County communication activities, and to provide the County with information about how ARPA funds have impacted the Awardee – either

Yes

individually or in a corporate capacity – and/or the Yakima County community.

I understand a project wrap-up report is required upon completion of project.	Yes
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Did you complete the Categorization questions above, read and agree to all Certification statements below, and complete this checklist?	Yes
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SUBMISSION DEADLINE

Friday, June 24th, 2022

4:30 p.m.

Completed applications must be filed electronically and received by the date and time specified. Applications must be electronically filed.

Applicant Information (Business or Nonprofit Organization)

*If applying on behalf of an individual/household, please skip to **Application Information (Individual or Household)**.*

** All fields marked as such are required fields. Response required for application to be considered complete.*

Legal Name of the Applicant (if applicable):	City of Yakima
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Doing Business As (DBA) Name (if applicable):	Field not completed.
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Unified Business Identifier (UBI) Number (if applicable):	397-005-272
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Applicant Street Address:	129 North Second Street
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City	Yakima
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State	WA
Zip Code	98901
Applicant Mailing Address (if different from above):	129 North Second Street
City	Yakima
State	WA
Zip Code	98901
Applicant Website (Please enter "N/A" if none):	https://www.yakimawa.gov/
Applicant Name:	Sy Ruiz
Applicant Title:	Grant Writer
Applicant Phone Number:	5095756048
Applicant Email Address:	sy.ruiz@yakimawa.gov
Project Contact (if different from applicant):	John Carney, IT Services Manager
Project Contact Phone:	5092496804
Project Contact Email:	john.carney@yakimawa.gov
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Applicant Information (Individual or Household)	
Applicant Street Address:	129 North Second Street
City:	Yakima
State:	WA
Zip Code:	98901
Applicant Mailing Address (if different from above):	<i>Field not completed.</i>
City:	<i>Field not completed.</i>
State:	<i>Field not completed.</i>
Zip Code:	<i>Field not completed.</i>

Applicant Phone:	5095756048
Applicant Email:	sy.ruiz@yakimwa.gov
Applicant Name:	Sy Ruiz
Project Contact (if different from applicant):	<i>Field not completed.</i>
Project Contact Phone:	<i>Field not completed.</i>
Project Contact Email:	<i>Field not completed.</i>

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Project Evaluation

Please select the eligible use category that fits your needs:	Broadband
Describe how the applicant will use ARPA funds, if awarded:	The Yakima City Council has expressed the desire to install free Wi-Fi in two Yakima parks. ARPA funds will be utilized to purchase and install free Wi-Fi at Lions Park and Miller Park. The COVID-19 pandemic highlighted internet disparities amongst Yakima community members and specifically children. The purpose of this project is to address those disparities and increase internet access for all.
Briefly describe the applicant's qualifications to administer the award and produce the project:	The City of Yakima maintains all required policies and procedures that address internal controls, record keeping, accounting, payment and audit requirements. Our capacity to administer the award is illustrated throughout the various state and federal grants the City has received and properly administered to produced project outcomes.
Briefly describe the applicant's capacity to produce this project:	The City of Yakima's IT Services Manager and Parks and Recreation Manager are involved in the planning of this project to ensure outcomes are met. The Parks and Recreation Manager identified viable park locations that would benefit from free Wi-Fi services. The IT Services Manager has secured estimates for the necessary equipment's and services required to install free Wi-Fi. Both are subject experts in their fields and will ensure the project is completed with the requested funds.
How does this project support at least one of the Yakima County's Project Categories: Supporting Recovery, Reconnecting	Free Wi-Fi in parks will support two project categories—Supporting Recovery and Reconnecting Community. The project will support recovery by addressing the internet disparities that were exacerbated by the COVID-19 pandemic which forced remote work and learning for Yakima residents.

Community, or Building Resiliency?	Free Wi-Fi in parks will begin to reconnect our community by enhancing the current services available at Yakima parks to foster collaboration and new community relationships.
How does this project specifically support the Federal Expenditure category identified above in your application?	This project will directly support Federal Expenditure category 2.4 Household Assistance: Internet Access Programs. Free Wi-Fi throughout Yakima parks will provide internet access for households in historically impoverished communities and neighborhoods. The COVID-19 pandemic clearly illustrated the internet disparities within our City. Families and children who currently lack internet access at home will highly benefit from free Wi-Fi availability in parks.
Please indicate how much, if any, other COVID-relief funding your organization has received and what it was used for:	The City of Yakima has not received any COVID-relief funding for the proposed Wi-Fi in Parks project.
Please indicate any other COVID-related relief that you have applied for or will be applying for that you are awaiting a response.	The City of Yakima has not applied for other COVID-related relief for this specific project. The City is prioritizing the Yakima County ARPA Funds grant application due to the wide-ranging impact it will have amongst City and County residents.
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Demonstration of Need	
Is this project included in an adopted City/County plan or another documented community need?	Since 2020, the Yakima City Council has discussed and prioritized the proposed Wi-Fi in Parks project.
Briefly describe the need of the Yakima community that this project addresses:	This project will address the internet disparities that resulted from the COVID-19 pandemic. Internet access is critical for work and school. The City believes all residents should have access to free internet. While there are coffee shops and restaurants that provide Wi-Fi, many times they require customers to purchase goods before they can access their Wi-Fi. As a result, this creates a financial barrier for certain residents. This project aims to address those financial barriers.
Community Support and Partnerships	
Has the applicant secured partnerships within the Yakima County community to achieve the project? Briefly describe such	The City of Yakima has yet to secure a partnership with the Yakima County community. This grant application is the first step in fostering a new partnership with the Yakima County and business partners. Once funding is secured, the City will look to partner with Yakima County organizations and businesses to

partnerships and list community and/or business partners.	ensure that all community members can take full advantage of the free Wi-Fi at local parks.
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Financial Support

Briefly describe non-County funding sources that will provide financial support to this project, if any:	There are currently no other non-County funding sources that will provide financial support for this project.
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Has the applicant applied for other Federal, State or local funding? If so, describe the source(s) and amount(s) applied for, and any awards received:	The City has not applied for other Federal, State, or local funding. We are prioritizing the Yakima County ARPA grant as a funding source due to the project's immediate impact it will have throughout City and County community members.
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List any other funding sources (e.g. fees, donations, grants) the applicant has received or is pursuing to support the project:	Beyond this grant request, the City is continuing to seek additional funding sources through business partnerships and local grants to fund this project.
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Will the project be complete with requested funds?	The requested funds will allow the City to fully complete this project. Grant funds will immediately provide free internet access in local parks to all community members.
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Can the project be completed with an award of partial funding? If so, briefly describe how the project will be adapted if partial funding is awarded:	Unfortunately, this project cannot be completed with partial funding. Wi-Fi services and installation need to be purchased together in order for the project to serve its intended purpose.
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How will the applicant support the project after ARP funds are no longer available?:	City leadership is currently exploring different funding sources to continue to support this project. These funding sources include local grants, state and federal grants, and company partnerships.
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Has your organization been made ineligible to receive federal assistance due to debarment, suspension, or by voluntary exclusion for lower tier covered transactions?	No
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Project Budget

Please provide an attached line-item detailed budget (including whether your various match items will be cash or in-kind) for the project in the attachment section at the bottom of this application.

This form is available for download [here](#)

For an example of a line-item detailed budget see example image below:

If you have not already, please upload your completed ARPA Project Budget Form here in PDF or JPG.

ARPA Project Budget Form Wi-Fi_1.pdf

Budget Narrative

In the space below, please include any information which you feel may provide useful background on your proposed project budget, such as source and rate at which matching labor costs are calculated, etc.

The requested \$10,000 will cover upfront hardware costs, setup, and ongoing operational costs for 2 years at Lions and Miller Park.

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Certification

By checking "Agree" or "Disagree" on this certification, I understand and affirm that:

Yakima County ARPA awards will be distributed on a reimbursement basis. Yakima County will only reimburse those costs actually incurred and only after the expense is incurred, paid for, and a signed Request for Reimbursement form (or other form acceptable to the County) has been submitted to the County, including copies of the invoices and payment

Agree

documents.

Purchases/expenses made prior to contract execution are not eligible.

Business/nonprofit applicants, or an identified partner, must have a Washington State Business License or a documented 501(c)3 or (c)6 designation. Such status is required to be eligible for receipt of ARPA funds. I understand it may take 30-60 days from the date of County Commissioner approval for a contract to be fully executed, and that I cannot expend monies on reimbursable expenses until that time.	Agree
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Applicants may apply for multiple projects, but only one application per project.	Agree
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If awarded, funds will be used only for purposes described in this application. I understand that any award is a one-time award which does not create an obligation or guarantee of continued funding by the Yakima County, and the use of funds is subject to audit by the Washington State Auditor.	Agree
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If awarded, I or my organization intends to enter into a services contract with the Yakima County, provide liability insurance and additional insured endorsement documentation as may be required for the duration of the contract naming Yakima	Agree
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County as an additional insured and in an amount determined by the County.

I have reviewed, and if awarded funds, will abide by federal and Yakima County procurement policies.	Agree
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Awards will be determined by Yakima County in its sole discretion. Applications may be awarded for the full or a partial amount of the total requested, or declined. If not awarded the full requested amount, applicant can decline the award; if not declined, applicant will provide additional information of how a partial award will be expended.	Agree
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I certify that I have the legal authority of the individual or organization represented herein to submit this request for funding on its/their behalf, and I further certify that the information submitted is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I understand that Yakima County will rely on the accuracy of the submittals and certifications made in conjunction with this application. Any misrepresentation of inaccurate information may result in a repayment of funds.	Agree
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In submitting this application, I swear under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington that the foregoing information contained in this application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

First and Last Name	Sy Ruiz
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Title	Grant Writer
Date	6/24/2022
Please attach any supporting materials that would assist us in assessing your application (pre-COVID or COVID); financial statements, operational metrics, key invoices/quotes, a detailed list for proposed use of funds, project plans for water, sewer or broadband infrastructure projects, etc.	<i>Field not completed.</i>

PLEASE NOTE: The maximum file size limit for attachments is 25MB. If your file(s) exceed this size, please compress the files (by using a file compression software, such as WinZip) prior to attaching them to this form.

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