

To: Harris County Commissioners Court

Through: Sophie Elsner, Policy Director, Commissioner Precinct 1

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Subject: Equity Framework in Recovery Programs

Project ID (If applicable):

Purpose and Request:

Precinct One respectfully requests discussion and possible action to develop an equity framework for Harris County's allocation of American Rescue Plan funds to effectively address the needs of communities most affected by the COVID-19 pandemic.

Background and Discussion:

Harris County will receive more than \$900 million from the federal government through the American Rescue Plan (ARP) direct allocation. Establishing an equity framework as part of the County's planning process to use the ARP funds will help to ensure that the funds received will be directed to residents and communities most affected by the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic due to higher rates of social vulnerability and other health and economic factors.

Fiscal Impact:

Fiscal Summary			
Expenditures	FY 20-21	FY 21-22 Projected	Future Years Projected [3 additional years]
Service Impacted: <i>[Please provide service or division where expenditure will be used]*</i>	NA	NA	
Existing Budget			
Additional Appropriation Requested			
Total Expenditures			
Funding Sources			
Existing Department Budget			
Please Identify Funding Source (General Fund, PIC, Special Revenue, Grant, Etc.)			
[INSERT FUNDING SOURCE HERE]*			
Total Sources			

Alternatives:

Alignment with Strategic Objective:

Attachments: