



ARPA Fund Disbursement Listening Session

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The American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) includes funding intended to help our country recover from the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic. The Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund (CLFRF) is a part of ARPA and will help cities, counties, and towns recover.

The Eau Claire City Council and County Board will hold an in-person joint listening session on Thursday, September 9, 2021, from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Pablo Center, 128 Graham Avenue, Eau Claire. Residents and individuals who own businesses in Eau Claire will have an opportunity to share their thoughts about how the CLFRF should be disbursed in our community.

The City and County must follow particular guidelines and laws to receive Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Funds. Still, direct input from you, as a member of our community, is an essential part of determining the distribution of money within the guidelines that the federal government has set.

To allow the greatest number of people to be heard, the listening session will follow the established Public Comment Period format used with regular City Council meetings. An explanation of that Public Comment Period is here: https://www.eauclairewi.gov/home/showpublisheddocument/34910/637495869076430000 Visitors of this event at the Pablo Center will be required to complete a health questionnaire and wear a mask.

Additional opportunities for community input will be announced following the listening session.

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