

# American Rescue Plan and Recovery Plan **Performance Report**

## State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds 2021 Report



# Escambia County

## Recovery Plan

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## **Executive Summary**

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Escambia County's plan will follow the U.S Treasury Departments Interim Final ARP Rule including allocating all funds prior to Dec. 31, 2024 and completing all expenditures by Dec. 31, 2026 as required.

We recognize the impact that the COVID-19 pandemic has had on our community and are committed to making investments for economic recovery and rebuilding.

## **Uses of Funds**

Escambia County has gathered public input and is assessing county needs to prioritize, design, and implement the American Rescue Plan funds. We want to ensure that our programs support our community and citizens and that our programs promote the below approved expenditure categories:

- a. Public Health
- b. Negative Economic Impacts
- c. Services to Disproportionately Impacted Communities
- d. Premium Pay
- e. Water, Sewer and Broadband infrastructure
- f. Revenue Replacement

To help alleviate those most impacted by COVID-19, Escambia County has expended funding to provide direct housing assistance for households in arrears with their rent, utilities, and mortgage to help prevent evictions and foreclosures. To date, the county has expended \$1,460,872 in Coronavirus Relief Funds to assist with rent, mortgage, and utility assistance. Additional funding has been set aside for mortgage assistance under the Community Development Block Grant-CV (CDBG-CV) program. Escambia County has received an allocation of \$9,611,771 in Emergency Rental Assistance funds and another allocation of \$7,605,344 in Emergency Rental Assistance 2 funds. These resources are being utilized to assist vulnerable income eligible citizens in our community to mitigate the negative economic impacts associated with the pandemic.

The county is making plans related to the allocation of HOME-American Rescue Plan funds to be received through HUD to provide housing and other services directly to homeless persons. Funds will be distributed in coordination with other local jurisdictions, the local homeless Continuum of Care and local public housing agencies. County staff serve on the local Homeless Task Force which is providing local input on prioritization of funding for homeless activities.

CDBG-CV funds are providing legal aid services to help prevent eviction, bankruptcies and foreclosure to income eligible households that have been impacted by COVID-19. Additional CDBG-CV funding has been provided to the local Council on Aging to assist with public health response to the elderly in our community, including PPE and food programs for those that are food insecure at this time.

## **Promoting Equitable Outcomes**

Escambia County is dedicated to making a considerable effort to promote equitable outcomes during program design, planning and implementation. We continue to examine our county to identify our underserved citizens and ensure complete inclusion.

Some of our efforts to promote equitable outcomes include:

- Targeting some of our disadvantaged communities including low-income neighborhoods and special needs.
- Utilizing several outlets to get feedback from the community and to communicate our plans including a website, social media, news releases and ensuring the information is distributed at our community centers and libraries that are mostly located in the disadvantaged communities.
- The goal is to take the steps necessary to ensure Escambia county is utilizing funding that will foster a strong, inclusive, and equitable recovery to make our community stronger.

Stormwater and other clean water infrastructure projects will be prioritized in disadvantaged communities. Many stormwater projects identified in the 2015 Stormwater Advisory Team Recommendation Report are in low-income neighborhoods. The impacts of flooding and old and aging infrastructure on economically disadvantaged residents cause financial and emotional stress on these residents. The ability to repair or rebuild personal property is limited for cost burdened households in these target areas. Improvements to the infrastructure will provide long-term resiliency for at-risk households.

### **Community Engagement**

Escambia County is taking the time to ensure we capture diverse feedback from citizens, community partners and constituents.

We have developed a web page dedicated to the American Rescue Plan to ensure transparency and communication with the public. (<https://myescambia.com/american-rescue-plan>)

To engage the community, Escambia County launched an ARP Survey to collect and review public input on citizen priorities for economic recovery. The results are posted on our website and attached at the back of this report.

A presentation regarding the ARPA funds was made to the Board of County Commissioners at its public Committee of the Whole meeting on June 10, 2021. We will continue to present at future Board Meetings and Committee of the Whole workshops which are advertised and the community welcome to attend.

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### **Labor Practices**

At this time Escambia County has approved four projects that did not require any additional workforce practices; however, we will explore this as we develop and implement additional projects.

For infrastructure projects, the county will propose use of prevailing wage requirements in its contracts.

### **Use of Evidence**

Escambia County will mainly to utilizing evidence-based interventions; however, we will explore this as we develop and implement additional projects.

1. Expenditure Category: Public Health

- a. No projects in this category currently.
- 2. Expenditure Category: Negative Economic Impacts
  - a. 2.11 Aid to Tourism, Travel, or Hospitality
    - i. Project 001 - \$350,000 – evidence-based interventions utilized
- 3. Expenditure Category: Services to Disproportionately Impacted Communities
  - a. 3.13 Social Determinants of Health: Other
    - i. Project 004 - \$1,302,545.50 – evidence-based interventions utilized

**Table of Expenses by Expenditure Category**

Category		Cumulative expenditures to date (\$)	Amount spent since last Recovery Plan
<b>2</b>	<b>Expenditure Category: Negative Economic Impacts</b>		
2.11	Aid to Tourism, Travel or Hospitality	\$350,000.00	\$0.00
<b>3</b>	<b>Expenditure Category: Services to Disproportionately Impacted Communities</b>		
3.13	Social Determinants of Health: Other	\$1,302,545.50	\$1,302,545.50
<b>4</b>	<b>Expenditure Category: Premium Pay</b>		
4.2	Private Sector: Grants to other employers	\$40,907.00	\$40,907.00
<b>6</b>	<b>Expenditure Category: Revenue Replacement</b>		
6.1	Provision of Government Services	\$340,043.00	\$340,043.00

**Project Inventory**

**Project:** Pensacola Bay Center – Lost Revenue  
**Project Number:** 001  
**Funding amount:** \$350,000.00  
**Project Expenditure Category:** Negative Economic Impacts



**Project overview**

Provided the Pensacola Bay Center with an increase to the fiscal Year 2021 Budget in the amount of \$350,000 for lost revenue in 2020.

**Use of Evidence**

The Pensacola Bay Center is an indoor arena located in Pensacola FL. It is owned by Escambia County and operated by ASM Global. The Bay Center has capacity of 8,049 for hockey games and as much as 10,000 for non-hockey events. During the Coronavirus pandemic in 2020 the Pensacola Bay Center lost substantial revenue due to canceled games and events.

- Total of 250 events canceled or rescheduled
  - 20 Assembly
  - 5 Banquet
  - 5 Concerts

- 1 Entertainment
- 6 Family Events
- 164 Meetings
- 44 Saenger Theater
- 5 Hockey Games
- In addition to lost revenue they lost 12 employees and had to furlough the remaining 12 staff members and lost approximately 15,384 in staff hours.
- We have allocated the Pensacola Bay Center \$350,000 in the Expenditure Category Negative Economic Impacts although their Revenue Loss was much larger:
  - 2019 Revenue = \$6,023,822.57
  - 2020 Projected Revenue based on 4.10% growth = \$6,270,799.30
  - 2020 Actual Revenue = \$2,064,747.36
  - **Lost Revenue in 2020 = \$4,206,051.94**

**Project:** Hazard Pay to Escambia County Volunteer Fire Fighters

**Project Number:** 002

**Funding amount:** \$40,907.00

**Project Expenditure Category:** Premium Pay



**Project overview**

Escambia County’s full time Fire Fighters received \$1,000 in hazard pay if they met the below criteria so we felt it was only fair for our Volunteer Firefighters who met the same criteria to also receive the same hazard pay.

**Use of Evidence**

To qualify for the \$1,000 hazard payment, the firefighters had to meet the following criteria:

- Been a firefighter on or before March 1, 2020 through August 31, 2021.
- Meet the threshold of 25% of the first 850 calls (or total calls for the above time if station calls do not total 850 calls) for the station for the above timeframe.
- Have a minimum of 96 hours of training complete.
- Not suspended during the above period.

All reporting was gathered and reviewed, and we had 38 volunteer firefighters receive the \$1,000 hazard pay for a total of \$38,000 plus \$2,907 in FICA for a total of \$40,907.00.

**Project:** Escambia County Employees Increased Health Plan Costs 2022

**Project Number:** 003

**Funding amount:** \$340,043.00

**Project Expenditure Category:** Revenue Replacement

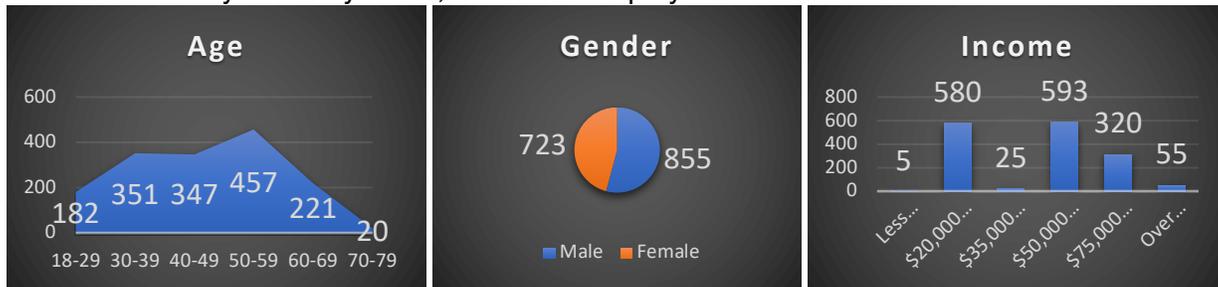
**Project overview**

Escambia County like many others are experiencing an increase in Medical Plan costs to their employees in 2022 due to the COVID19 Pandemic. After researching and receiving carrier quotes our board was faced with a difficult decision of keeping the budget balanced and not increasing the employee’s costs significantly. The

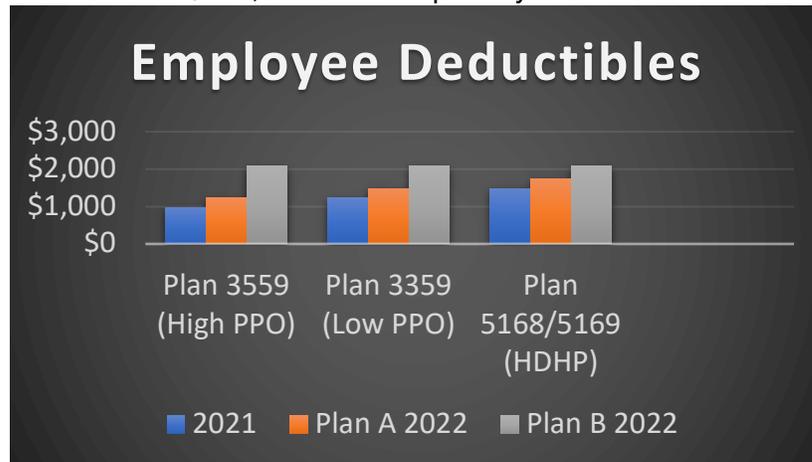
board voted on the better option for the employees and authorized the difference in plan costs in the amount of \$340,043.00 to be paid through our American Rescue Plan funds.

**Use of Evidence**

Escambia County currently has 1,578 active employees on one of our Medical Plans.



Escambia County budgeted \$24,976,936.00 in 2021 for our share of employee medical plans with a choice to increase the budget in 2022 by either Plan A at 12.3% or Plan B at 10.9%. While both plans would not only increase the cost to the county but also to the employee the board voted to incur more of the cost to allow less of the impact to the employees. To allow us to do that they board approved the payment of the difference between Plan A and Plan B of \$340,043.00 to be paid by the American Rescue Plan funds.



**Project:** Interlocal Agreement with the City for Roger Scott Tennis Improvement Project

**Project Number:** 004

**Funding amount:** \$1,302,545.50

**Project Expenditure Category:** Services to Disproportionately Impacted Communities



## **Project overview**

Website - <https://www.rogerscotttennis.com/>

Roger Scott Tennis Center is Northwest Florida's largest Tennis facility located in both Escambia County and the City of Pensacola. We entered an Interlocal agreement for the Roger Scott Tennis Center Improvement Project, in the amount of \$1,302,545.50, for 50% of the project costs.

## **Use of Evidence**

Escambia County entered an Interlocal agreement with the City of Pensacola to help cover the costs for the Roger Scott Tennis Center Improvement project. The City is the owner of the Roger Scott Tennis Center within the city limits however it is also in Escambia County and utilized by citizens outside of the city limits. The County and the City have determined that it is in the best interest of the citizens to provide for the renovations.

Roger Scott Tennis Center is not only a Tennis Center for Escambia County and the City of Pensacola it also holds several adult clinics, junior activities, leagues, tournaments, summer camps and partners with Tennis-4-Everyone. Some of these include:

- Tennis-4-Everyone, Inc. is a nonprofit organization founded in 2001 that provides free services to our local youth. They do not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion (creed), gender, gender expression, age, national origin (ancestry), disability, marital status, sexual orientation, gender identity, or military status, in any of its activities or operations. Each summer, Tennis-4-Everyone assists with a free Racquet Round Up at several local courts including Roger Scott Tennis Center, reaching over 500 children from the local community. In the summer of 2015, Tennis-4-Everyone offered scholarships for 14 foster and guardian ad litem children to attend a week of Roger Scott Tennis Center summer camp.
- Summer camp for ages 5 to 12 years old for 5 days that includes tennis instruction, swimming, and lunches.
- Pink Ribbon Tennis Tournament supporting the Pink Ribbon charitable organization supporting the local fight against breast cancer.
- Bud Light Charity Challenge is one of Pensacola's largest and most anticipated tournaments of the year! This even benefits Arc Gateway, an organization that provides the best possible life experiences for more than 800 children and adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities and Pensacola Sports, a private 501©3 non-profit agency that focuses on education, inspiration and participation in various team, individual, amateur and professional sports activities.

The estimated total project cost is \$2,605,091.00 with both the County and the City contributing 50% of the funding. The agreement establishes the responsibilities with respect to the funding of the project, which will include resurfacing the existing 18 tennis courts (12 on south central rows to be post-tension concrete and 6 on north row to be clay based), and the addition of one clay court on the eastern edge of the Property.



## **Performance Report**

Currently Escambia County is still researching, analyzing, and forming our major SLFRF funded projects. During this development we will include key performance indicators for output and outcome measures.

**Ineligible Activities: Tax Offset Provision (States and territories only)**

Escambia County has not had a reduction in tax revenue resulting from “a change in law, regulation or administrative interpretation.”

# Escambia County Additional Documents



## Escambia County American Rescue Plan Survey

**Escambia County is seeking community input to guide its spending plan for its American Rescue Plan Act Funding. This survey is an initial step in this community engagement plan.**

**1. What are your highest priorities for Escambia County to invest in with ARP funds? Please select 1 – 3 responses.**

- Support public health expenditure, by, for example, funding COVID-19 mitigation efforts, medical expenses, behavioral healthcare and certain public health and safety staff.
- Address negative economic impacts caused by the public health emergency, including economic harms to our community.
- Replace lost public sector revenue, using this funding to provide government services to the extent that were reduced due to the pandemic.
- Provide premium pay for essential workers, offering additional support to those who have and will bear the greatest health risk because of their service in critical infrastructure sectors.
- Invest in water, sewer, and broadband infrastructure, making necessary investments to improve access to clean drinking water, support vital wastewater and stormwater infrastructure, and to expand access to broadband internet.

**2. Please provide your street address. *\*Must be an Escambia County resident\****

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**Please provide your demographic Information (Optional).**

**3. Race/Ethnicity**

Asian/Pacific Islander

Black/African American

Hispanic/Latino/Latinx

- Native American/American Indian
- White/Caucasian
- Other

**4. Age**

- 18 – 29
- 30 – 39
- 40 – 49
- 50 – 59
- 60 – 69
- 70 – 79
- 80 – 89
- 90 – Plus

**5. Gender**

- Male
- Female
- Non-binary
- Prefer not to say
- Other

**6. Income Range**

- Less than \$20,000
- \$20,000 to \$34,999
- \$35,000 to \$49,999
- \$50,000 to \$74,999
- \$75,000 to \$99,999
- Over \$100,000



# Encuesta del Plan de Rescate Americano del Condado de Escambia

El Condado de Escambia está buscando la opinión de la comunidad para guiar su plan de gastos para su Financiamiento de la Ley del Plan De Rescate Americano. Esta encuesta es un paso inicial en este plan de participación comunitaria.

1. **¿Cuáles cree usted que son las prioridades más altas en que el Condado de Escambia debe invertir los fondos de ARP? Seleccione de 1 a 3 respuestas.**
  1. Apoyar el gasto en salud pública, por ejemplo, financiando los esfuerzos de mitigación de COVID-19, los gastos médicos, la atención médica conductual y cierto personal de salud pública y seguridad.
  2. Abordar los impactos económicos negativos causados por la emergencia de salud pública, incluidos los daños económicos a nuestra comunidad.
  3. Reemplazar los ingresos perdidos del sector público, utilizando estos fondos para proporcionar servicios gubernamentales según se redujeron debido a la pandemia.
  4. Proporcionar un pago de prima para los trabajadores esenciales, ofreciendo apoyo adicional a aquellos que tienen que correr el mayor riesgo con su salud debido a su servicio en sectores de infraestructura crítica.
  5. Invertir en infraestructura de agua, alcantarillado y banda ancha, realizando las inversiones necesarias para mejorar el acceso al agua potable limpia, apoyar la infraestructura vital de aguas residuales y pluviales, y ampliar el acceso a Internet de banda ancha.
2. **Por favor, proporcione su dirección. *\*Debe ser residente del Condado de Escambia\****

**Por favor, proporcione su información demográfica (opcional).**

**3. Raza/Etnia**

1. Asiático/isleño del Pacífico
2. Negro/Afroamericano
3. Hispano/Latino/Latinx
4. Nativo Americano/Indio Americano
5. Blanco/caucásico
6. Otro

**7. Edad**

1. 18 – 29
2. 30 – 39
3. 40 – 49
4. 50 – 59
5. 60 – 69
6. 70 – 79
7. 80 – 89
8. 90 – Más

**8. Género**

1. Masculino
2. Hembra
3. No binario
4. Prefiere no decir
5. Otro

**9. Rango de ingresos**

1. Menos de \$20,000
2. \$20,000 a \$34,999
3. \$35,000 a \$49,999
4. \$50,000 a \$74,999
5. \$75,000 a \$99,999
6. Más de \$100,000

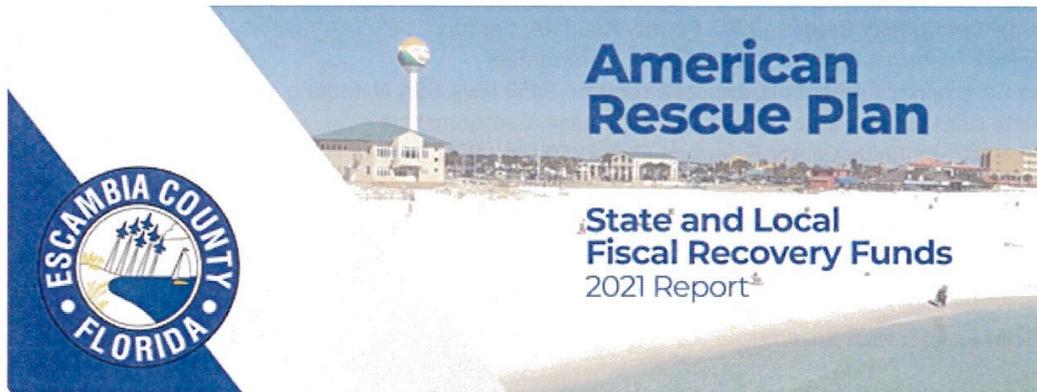
**¡Gracias!**

**Condado de Escambia**



## Public Invited to Participate in Escambia County's American Rescue Plan Survey

Published Sep 17, 2021



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Learn more at **Escambia County's American Rescue Plan webpage**. The page went live on Friday, Aug. 27. The county's **annual performance report** was added on Tuesday, Aug. 31.

Please contact [arp@myescambia.com](mailto:arp@myescambia.com) with any questions.

### Library Locations:

- Southwest Branch Library - 12248 Gulf Beach Highway, Pensacola
- Pensacola Library - 239 N. Spring St., Pensacola
- Westside Branch Library - 1301 W. Gregory St., Pensacola
- Tryon Branch Library - 1200 Langley Ave., Pensacola
- Genealogy Branch Library - 5740 N. Ninth Ave., Pensacola
- Molino Branch Library - 6450-A Hwy. 95A, Molino
- Century Branch Library - 7991 N. Century Blvd., Century

### Community Centers:

- Beulah Sr. Citizen Center - 7425 Woodside Drive, Pensacola
- Felix Miga Sr. Citizen Center - 904 N. 57th Ave., Pensacola
- Lexington Terrace Community Center - 700 S. Old Corry Field Road, Pensacola
- Marie Ella Davis Community Center - 16 Raymond St., Pensacola
- Mayfair Community Center - 701 S. Madison Drive, Pensacola
- Perdido Key Community Center - 15500 Perdido Key Drive, Pensacola
- Brownsville Community Center - 3200 West DeSoto St., Pensacola
- Dorrie Miller Community Center - 2819 North Miller St., Pensacola
- Englewood Community Center (Boys & Girls Club) - 2751 North H St., Pensacola
- Marie K. Young-Wedgewood Community Center & Park - 6405 Wagner Road, Pensacola
- Barrineau Park Community Center & Historical Society - 6055 Barrineau Park School Road, Molino
- Byrnesville Community Center - 1707 County Road 4A, Century
- Carver Park Resource Center - 208 Webb St., Cantonment
- Molino Community Center & Historical Museum - 6450 Hwy. 95A N, Molino
- Quintette Community Center - 2490 Quintette Lane, Cantonment
- Walnut Hill Community Center & Ruritan Club 7850 Hwy. 97N, Walnut Hill

### Related Pages

**i American Rescue Plan**

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Home to more than 300,000 residents in northwest Florida, Escambia County is the westernmost and one of the oldest counties in the state. The mission of Escambia County government is to provide efficient, responsive services that enhance our quality of life, meet common needs, and promote a safe and healthy community. With nearly 1,800 employees, we pride ourselves on being the perfect climate for everything - building a business, raising a family and enjoying recreational pursuits. Picture-perfect white sand beaches and clear, emerald Gulf waters draw millions of vacationers to Escambia each year, especially to Pensacola Beach, named the #4 Top U.S. Beach in 2020 by Tripadvisor. **WalletHub ranks Pensacola, Navarre among best 2021 beach towns to live (pnj.com).**

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Total National TV Audience

65,640

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USD \$5,532

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## Escambia Seeks Input On How To Spend \$61.7 Million In American Rescue Plan Funds



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## Channel 3 News at 10pm



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Local Broadcast Time 10:07 PM CDT

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Category News

Call Sign WEAR (ABC)

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to restrict and allocate the doses because the splice are low and the demand is quite high. right now, florida has 25 state run pop-up sites, including one in pensacola and one in fort walton beach. >> the covid death toll is raising red flags. >> coroners in places like colorado. some are discovering that fatalities are being counted as covid deaths even when they are not. the covid death **county** and the accusations that so. numbers are padded. that's sunday 9:00 a.m. right here on channel 3. >> **escambia county** wants you to weigh in on how they should spend the **american rescue plan** money. 61 1/2 million dollars in recovery help. you have until the end of this month to take a survey, available online. you can find it at several library and community centers, you can find the link to the survey as well as a full list of those locations on our website go to weartv.com. well, a prominent attorney in



### Channel 3 News at 6pm

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**Time** Sep 17, 2021 6:12 PM CDT  
**Local Broadcast Time** 6:12 PM CDT  
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**Call Sign** WEAR (ABC)  
**Market** DMA: 57 Mobile, AL  
**Language** English

**Est. National Audience** 40,217  
**Est. National Publicity Value** USD \$2,130  
**Est. Local Audience** 40,217  
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no deputies were injured. >>> **escambia county** want to weigh in on how they should spend **american rescue plan** money. 61 and a half million dollars and recovery health. they have until the end of the month to take the survey. it's online and at community library centers. you can find more at WEARTV.com. >>> the latest unemployment numbers are out. we will tell you how florida



### County Seeks Public Input on American Rescue Plan Act Funds

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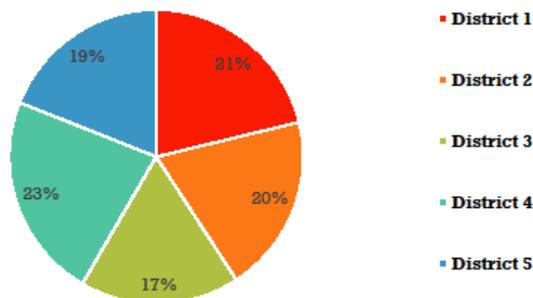


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## Survey Results

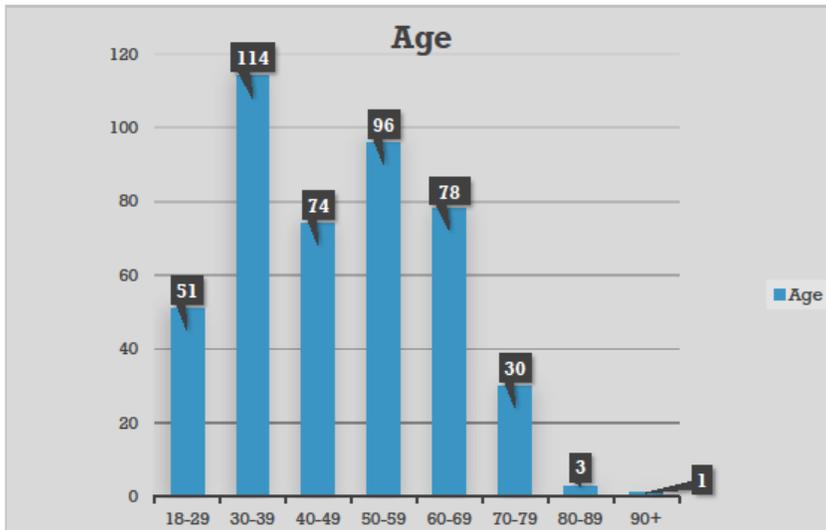
Escambia County received a total of 495 responses to our ARP surveys through online, libraries and community centers.

**Response By District**



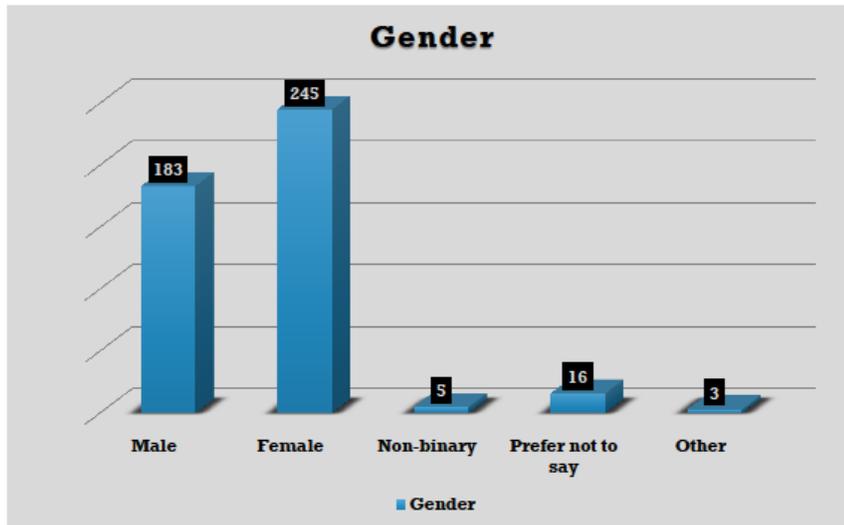
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## Survey Results – Age Reported by Respondents



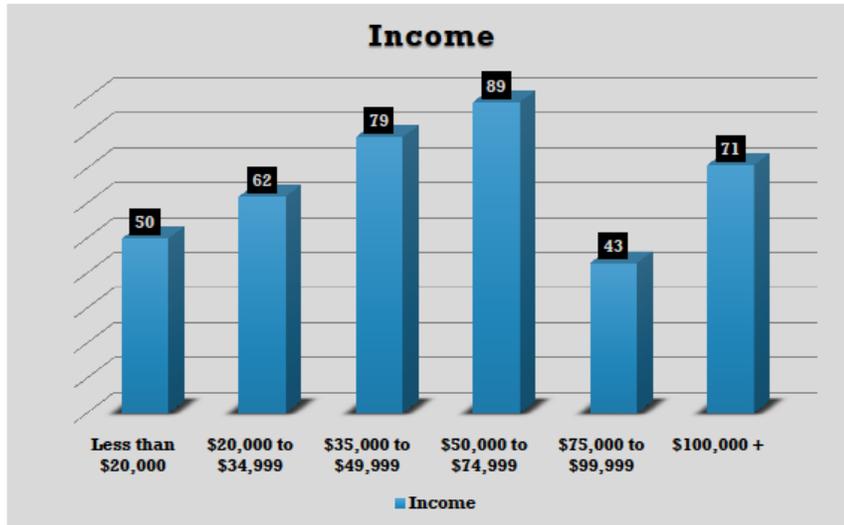
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## Survey Results – Gender Reported by Respondents



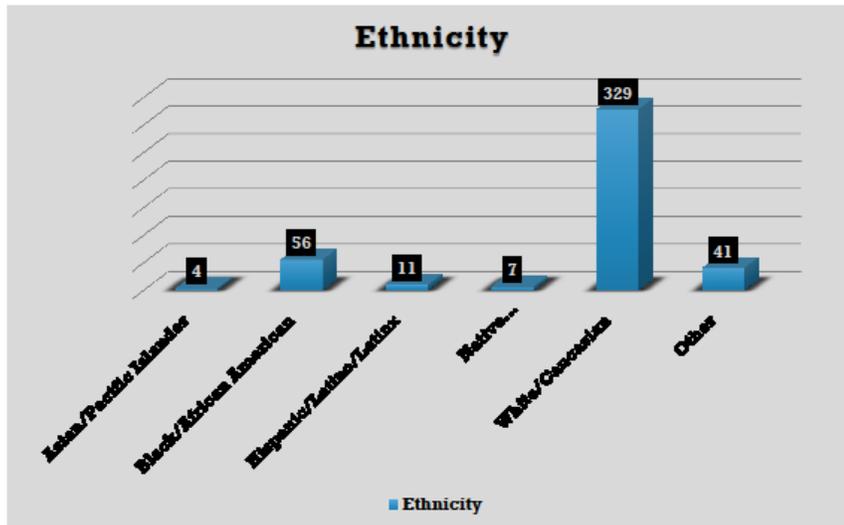
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## Survey Results – Income Reported by Respondents



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## Survey Results – Ethnicity Reported by Respondents



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## Survey Results – Respondents Priorities for Escambia County to invest in with ARP Funds.

