

**RESOLUTION R-2023-53
LUZERNE COUNTY COUNCIL**

*A Resolution of the Luzerne County Authorizing the Use of \$16,448,671.00 in
American Rescue Plan Act Funds for Miscellaneous Luzerne County Internal Projects*

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2021, President Biden signed the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (H.R. 1319) into law; and

WHEREAS, the \$1.9 trillion package, based on President Biden’s American Rescue Plan, is intended to combat the COVID-19 pandemic, including the public health and economic impacts; and

WHEREAS, the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (American Rescue Plan) established the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund (“SLFRF”) to provide governments with the resources needed to respond to the pandemic and its economic effects and to build a stronger, more equitable economy during the recovery; and

WHEREAS, SLFRF funds may be used to respond to the public health emergency or its negative economic impacts, including government services and repairs to government facilities; and

WHEREAS, the Luzerne County administration has identified various internal projects totaling \$16,448,671.00 that qualify for use of ARPA funds; and

WHEREAS, the Luzerne County Home Rule Charter at section 2.09.B.8., in part, requires Luzerne County Council to approve, by resolution adopted by affirmative vote of at least a majority of its current members, any contract or obligation that would result in a payment by the County of more than \$25,000 in any future calendar year for which no budget has been adopted; and

WHEREAS, Luzerne County Council desires to approve the County’s use of American Rescue Plan Act SLFRF funds for various internal Luzerne County projects as set forth on Exhibit “A” hereto and attached by reference as though fully set forth herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Luzerne County Council approves the use of American Rescue Plan Act SLFRF funds in the amount of \$16,448,671.00 for the internal Luzerne County projects listed on Exhibit “A”.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Luzerne County Manager is authorized to execute the documents related to the expenditure of grant funds.

This Resolution shall become effective 6 days after adoption.

ADOPTED at a meeting of Luzerne County Council held on March 14, 2023.

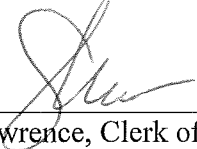
ROLL CALL VOTE (8-3)

YES: Bienias, Lescavage, Lombardo, McDermott, Mitchell, Perry, Radle and Wolovich

NO: McGinley, Thornton and SJ Urban

LUZERNE COUNTY COUNCIL

By: Kendra Radle
Kendra Radle, Chair

Attest: 
Sharon Lawrence, Clerk of Council

LUZERNE COUNTY MANAGER

By: Brian A Swetz
Brian Swetz, Acting County Manager

Demographics

Request Tracking #	Department/Division Name	Street Address	First Name	Last Name	Title	Eligible Project?	Requested Budget Amount
LUZ-FY2022-INT-142	Luzerne County District Attorney's Office	200 North River Street	Sherry	Middleton	Fiscal Clerk	Yes	\$ 1,582,903.00
LUZ-FY2022-INT-143	Visit Luzerne County	200 Old Train Station Road	Alan	Stout	Executive Director, Visit Luzerne County	Yes	\$ 200,000.00
LUZ-FY2022-INT-144	Luzerne County GIS/Mapping Department	200 N River St	Daniel	Reese	Director	Yes	\$ 225,000.00
LUZ-FY2022-INT-145	Buildings and Grounds/ Operations -1	200 N River Street	William	Midntosh	County Engineer	No	\$ 1,500,000.00
LUZ-FY2022-INT-146	Engineering	65 Reichard Street	Lawrence	Plesh	County Engineer	Yes	\$ 450,000.00
LUZ-FY2022-INT-147	Road & Bridge	65 Reichard Street	Tara	Fox	County Engineer	Yes	\$ 9,960,000.00
LUZ-FY2022-INT-148	Mental Health and Developmental Services	111 North Pennsylvania Ave.	William	Midntosh	MH/DS Administrator	Yes	\$ 800,000.00
LUZ-FY2022-INT-149	Buildings and Grounds/ Operations -2	200 N River Street	Fred	Rosencrans	County Engineer	Yes	\$ 126,732.00
LUZ-FY2022-INT-150	Luzerne County 9-1-1/Operational Services	100 Young Street	Lucy	Morgan	Executive Director	Yes	\$ 2,976,181.00
LUZ-FY2022-INT-151	Luzerne County Emergency Management Agency	185 Water St.			Director	Yes	\$ 127,855.00