



American Rescue Plan Act – State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds Update



American Rescue Plan Act History



Act History

- American Rescue Plan Act ("ARPA") signed into law March 11, 2021, establishing the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds ("SLFRF")
- Provided \$350 Billion to eligible state, local, territorial, and tribal governments to mitigate fiscal effects from public health emergency with respect to COVID-19.
 - Required the U.S. Department of Treasury to provide requirements for use of funds
 - City of Waco received \$34.7 million in two payments 12 months apart
 - June 2021 and June 2022



Act History

Four Categories of Eligible Uses

1. Responding to the public health emergency and its negative economic impacts
2. Providing premium pay to eligible workers
3. Providing government services (revenue loss)
4. To make necessary investments in water, sewer or broadband infrastructure

Prohibited Uses

1. Deposits into Pension Funds
2. As a non-federal match for federal programs that bar the use



Act History

- Treasury issued its Final Rule over the use of the funds on January 6, 2022
 - Outlines requirements for use of funds
 - Requires funds to be obligated by December 31, 2024, and expended by December 31, 2026



ARPA Flex



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- December 29, 2022, Congress amended the SLFRF program via the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2023 providing additional flexibility to recipients to respond to natural disasters, build critical infrastructure, and support community development.
- Original 4 uses of SLFRF remain unchanged



ARPA Flex

- Interim Rule issued by Treasury on August 4, 2023, provides 3 additional eligible uses of SLFRF:
 - 1. Emergency relief from natural disasters or their negative economic impacts**, providing emergency relief from the physical and economic impacts of natural disasters.
 - 2. Surface transportation projects**, utilizing funds for eligible projects through three pathways.
 - 3. Title I projects**, investing in eligible activities under the CDBG and ICDBG programs, as listed in section 105(a) of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974.
- City Staff is evaluating options under the new use categories and potential adjustments to funding plan



City of Waco Funding Plan



City Funding Plan History

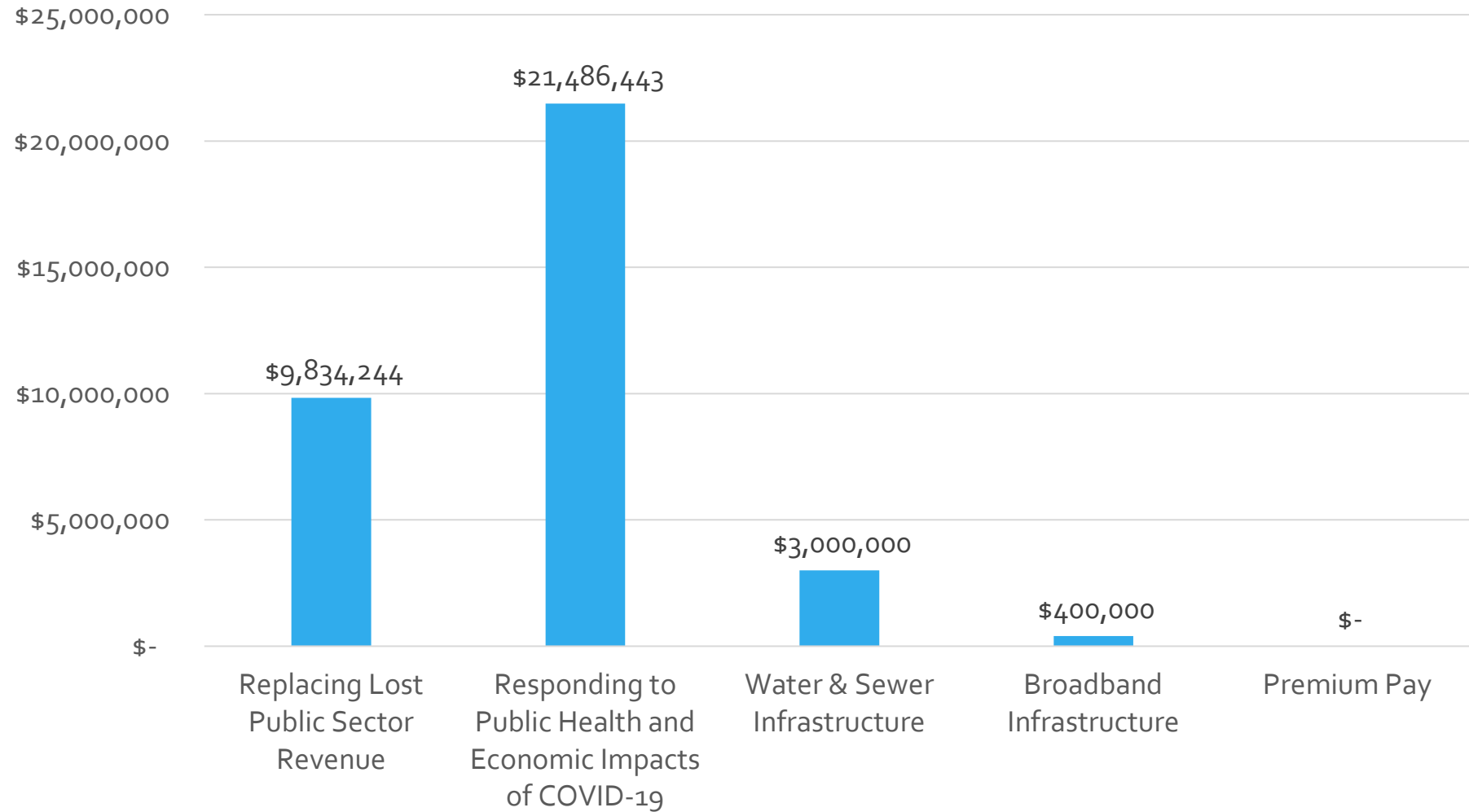
- Initial Funding plan approved on October 19, 2021
- Developed utilizing feedback from residents and community through budget simulation tool as well as council feedback



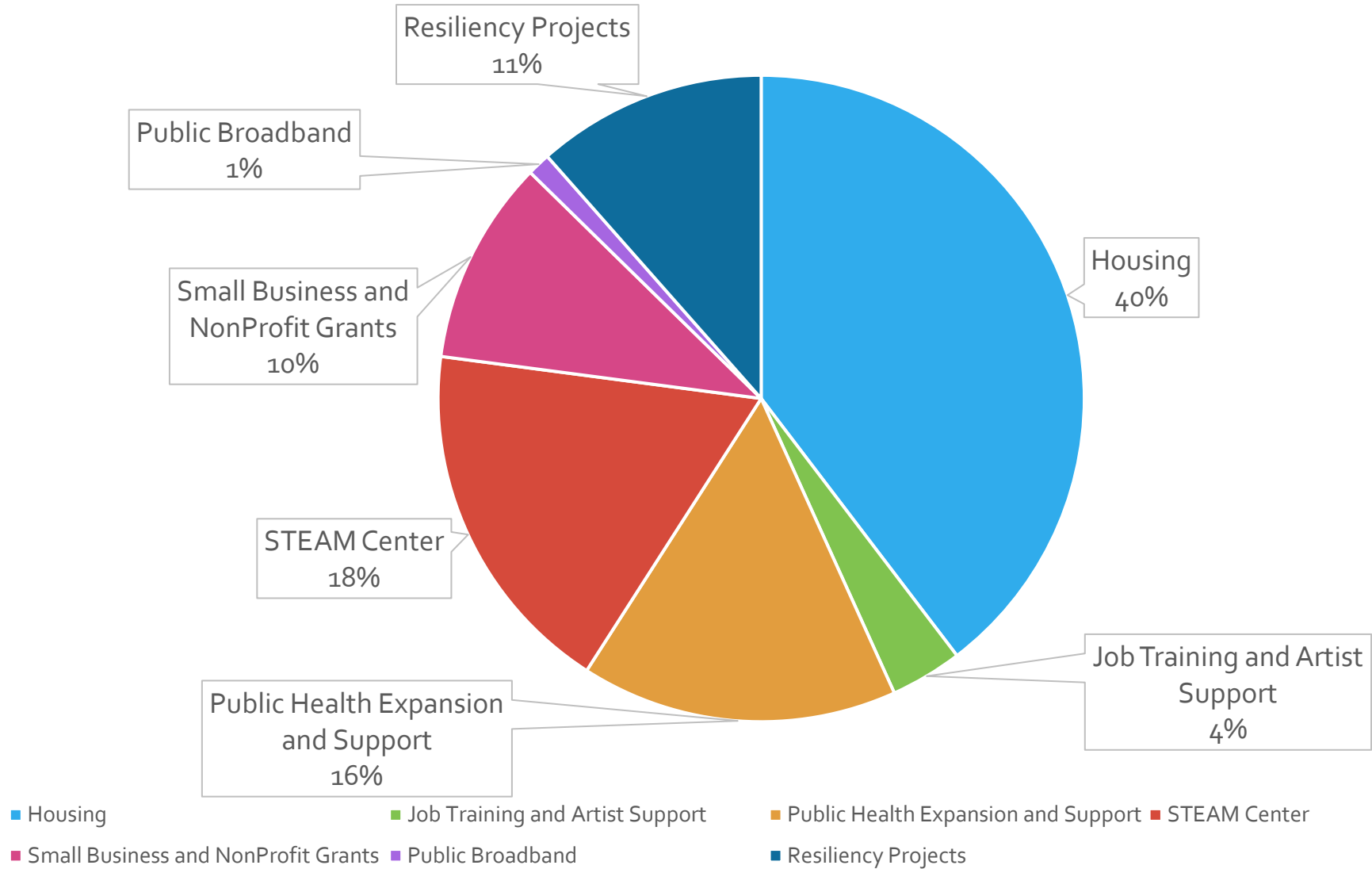
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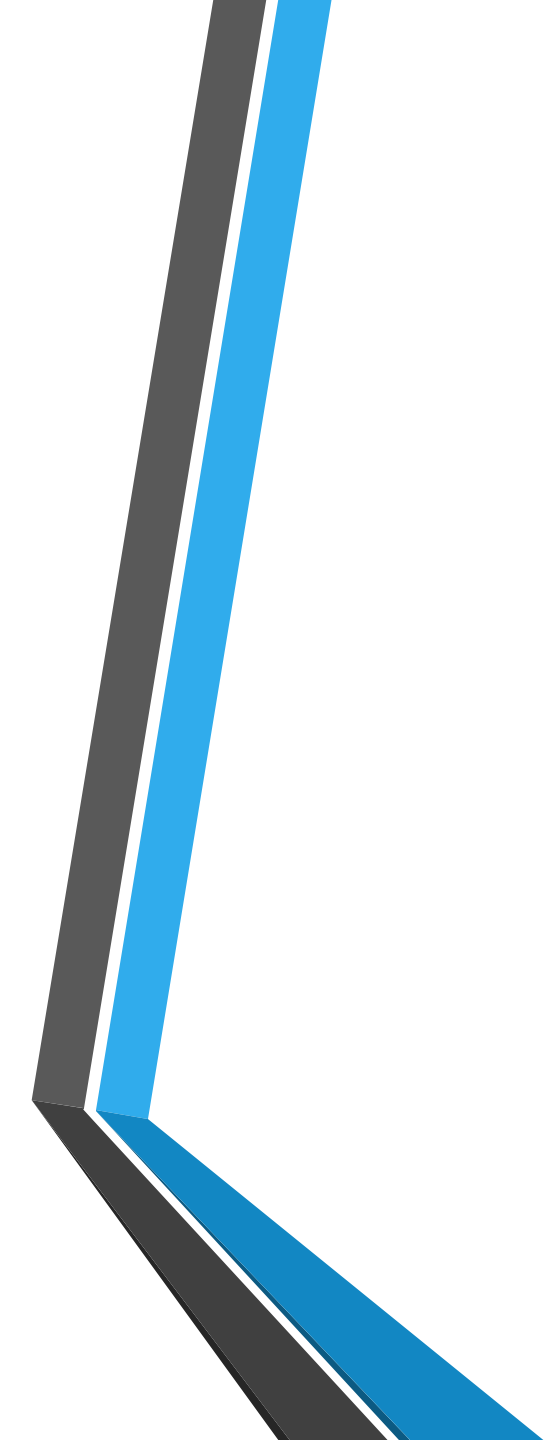
- Amended on February 1, 2022, following the issuance of the Final Rule
- Amended 3 additional times to adjust funding and carryout projects to meet broad program goals

Funding Categories - Final Rule Categories



Funding Project Allocation





Expenditures to date

Project Expenditures

		CUMULATIVE ENCUMBRANCES	BALANCE
PROJECT NAME	BUDGET	AND EXPENSES (A)	TO COMMIT OR SPEND
Utility Generators - Water & WMARSS	3,000,000.00	3,000,000.00	-
Community Center Resiliency	1,000,000.00	125,800.00	874,200.00
HOTRMHMR Crisis HUB	3,000,000.00	3,000,000.00	-
Public Broadband	400,000.00	-	400,000.00
New Affordable Housing	5,226,756.00	590,241.01	4,636,514.99
New Affordable Housing (Sanger)	334,244.00	334,244.00	-
New Affordable Housing (Tiny Houses)	1,000,000.00	1,000,000.00	-
Home Rehabilitation	3,100,000.00	61,332.86	3,038,667.14
Small Business Grant & Loan Program	3,558,000.00	2,528,228.22	1,029,771.78
Down Payment Assistance	2,601,687.00	24,999.00	2,576,688.00
Housing Bridge	1,000,000.00	-	1,000,000.00
Floodplain Housing Assistance	500,000.00	-	500,000.00
Job Training (MCC)	1,000,000.00	1,000,000.00	-
Creative Waco - Artist Support	250,000.00	250,000.00	-
Waco Family Medicine Expansion	2,500,000.00	2,500,000.00	-
STEAM Center	6,250,000.00	-	6,250,000.00
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TOTAL	34,720,687.00	14,414,845.09	20,305,841.91

(A): Amounts are as of August 30, 2023

Reconciliation of Outstanding Balance to Commit to Spend

Balance to Commit or Spend	20,305,841.91
Unspent Lost Public Sector Revenue	(7,289,956.00)
Community Wi-Fi/Public Broadband Project	(400,000.00)
East Waco Slab Development	(3,000,000.00)
LaSalle Avenue	(875,000.00)
We All Win Small Business	(620,297.00)
True Uncommitted or Spent Funds	8,120,588.91



Project Status Updates



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- Utility Generators – 5 backup generators ordered August 2022 with 16-month delivery timeline .
- Community Center Resiliency – Design services awarded June 2023.
- Job Training – Funding to MCC and work completed.

Project Status Updates

- Artist Support – Creative Waco has created an online application and awarded first grants.



Pictures from Creative Waco from the Elem Creative Family Arts Activities and Members of Footprintz Dance with leader Ashley Stone.



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- Waco Family Medicine Expansion – Fundraising still ongoing, building design complete, project CO expected to be May 2024. City portion has been fully funded.



Pictures obtained from Waco Family Medicine.

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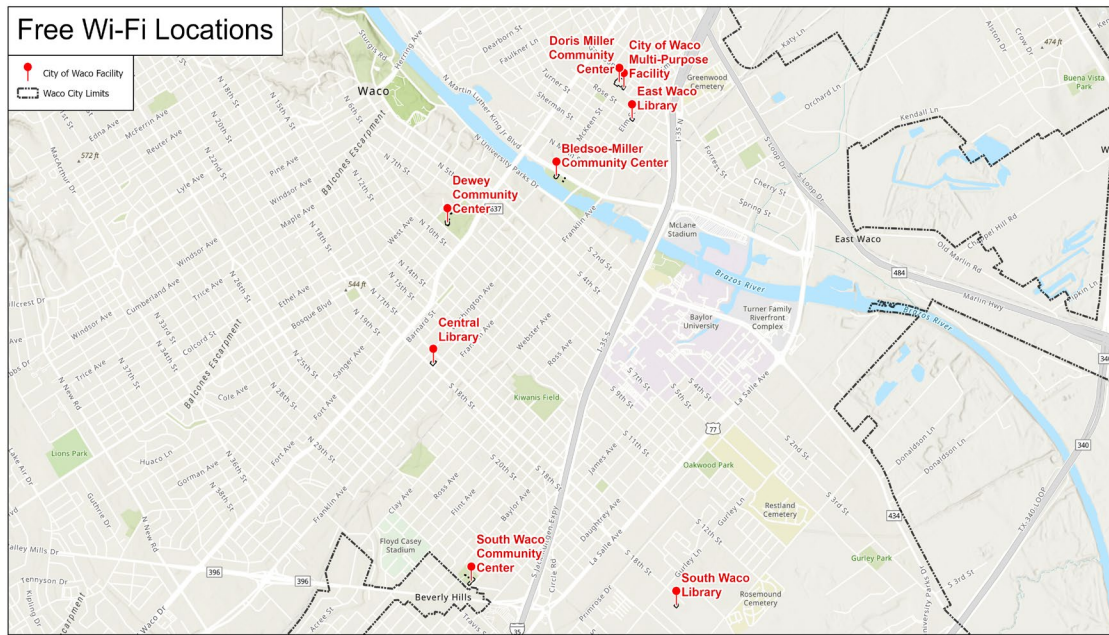
- Behavioral Health Network Crisis HUB – Expected to be completed in 3rd quarter of 2023. City portion has been fully funded.



Pictures obtained from Behavioral Health Network.

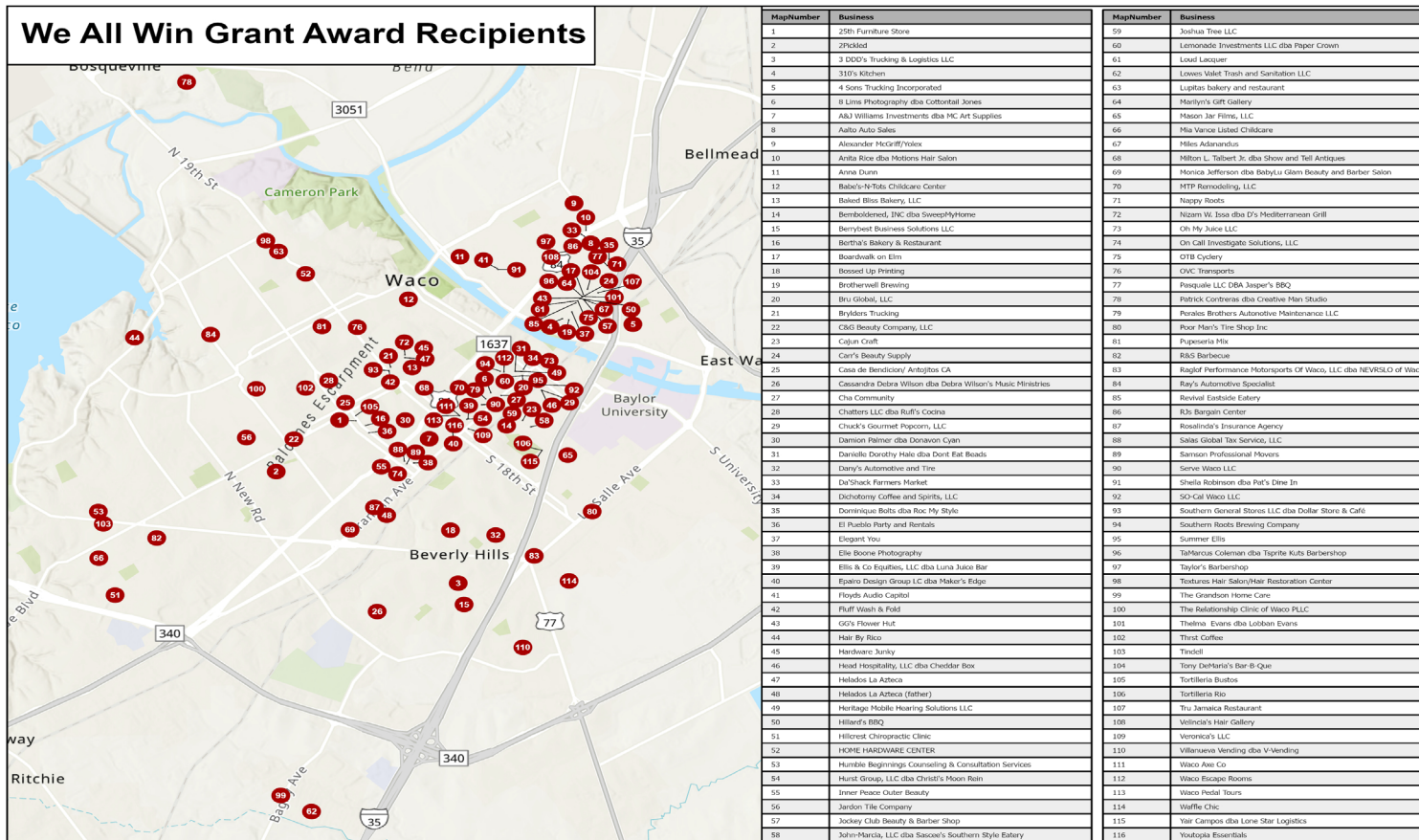
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- Public Broadband – 8 Facilities (South Waco community center and Library, East Waco Library, Central Library, Doris Miller, Multipurpose center, Dewey, and Bledsoe-Miller) designated for this Community Wi-Fi initiative.
- STEAM Center – Architectural services contract on September 19 agenda for approval. Design completion expected February 2024.



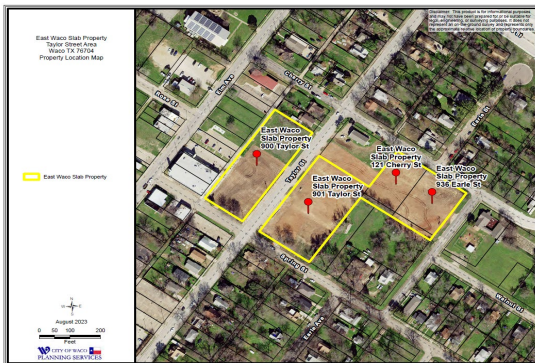
Project Status Updates

- We All Win Small Business Grant & Loan Program – Program ongoing
- All within City limits





Project Status Updates



- New Affordable Housing – Paige Estates (agreement execution completed September 2023)
- New Affordable Housing – Potential Project Requests forthcoming
 - East Waco Slab Property
 - LaSalle Avenue
 - 12th Street
 - 15th Street



Project Status Updates

- Down Payment Assistance – Potential Project Requests forthcoming
 - East Waco Slab Property
- Housing Rehabilitation – Targeted rehab including East Waco and South Waco centered around upcoming development
- Housing Bridge – Assistance in support of new development in East Waco and South Waco
- Floodplain Assistance – Assistance for development located within the floodplain



Future Updates



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- Will present another update in March 2024 on the project status and spending status
- Quarterly updates will also be provided thereafter



QUESTIONS?