



The **American Rescue Plan Act** provides the Boone County Commission with \$4,167,771 in direct federal aid to assist our community in its recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic. Boone County received the first round of funding, approximately \$2 million, in 2021. In general, the American Rescue Plan Funds can be used to respond to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, to replace lost public revenues, to support economic stabilization, and to make necessary investments in water, sewer, public health and broadband infrastructure. For additional information please see ARP State and Local Rules.¹

Please complete the application below in its entirety. You may attach additional pages if needed. Once submitted this application and any supporting document is considered a public record and will be made available to the public and media upon request.

☐ PLEASE CERTIFY THAT YOU HAVE REVIEWED THE US TREASURY GUIDELINES REGARDING THE ELIGIBLE USES OF AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN STATE AND LOCAL RECOVERY FUNDS

Section One: Contact information

Name: Michael W. Mayhorn II, Boone County Emergency Management Agency

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Website, if applicable:

Phone number: 304-369-7273

Email address: mmayhorn@boonewv.com

Section Two: Project Summary

Please provide a narrative overview or summary of your proposal, including but not limited to the following:

1. Brief description of the proposal:
 - Proposing to purchase 2 completely outfitted swift water rescue teams with appropriate equipment for water rescues in Boone County.
2. Purpose and key anticipated outcomes
 - Boone County frequently experiences flash flooding scenarios causing persons to become trapped in their homes or vehicles. Boone County has no such water rescue capabilities

and has to call upon neighboring counties to assist. This would give us the ability to have teams in county that could respond quicker to these events.

3. Individuals or communities served
 - All Boone County citizens as well and all Police, Fire, and EMS agencies.
4. How the COVID-19 pandemic has necessitated this request
5. Amount of funding requested
 - \$70,000.00
6. Amount of any bids or cost estimates received to date, if applicable
 - Demaree inflatable boats inc: \$21,400.00
 - Rescue Systems international: \$37,601.14
 - Trailer: \$7,000
7. Amount and source of matching funds raised or committed by your organization
 - \$0
8. How ARP funds, if awarded, will be used
 - Purchase necessary equipment to outfit 2 rescue teams of 10 with boat, motor, trailer, rope, rigging, and personal protective equipment.
 - Have the water teams coordinated through the Emergency Management office to be ready to deploy when and if needed.

Section Three: Proposal details

1. Please describe the problem or need which your project seeks to address.
 - Boone County frequently experiences flash flooding. Boone County has no water rescue capabilities currently and sees a gap for those services. I would like to purchase the necessary equipment to have teams available to respond when needed for water rescue related calls.
2. Please describe goals and expected outcomes of your proposal.
 - Be able to outfit 2 water rescue teams for Boone County. 1 housed at the Whitesville VFD which is currently willing to house the equipment, run the program, and has personnel trained to be able to respond. I will work with other departments to find one on the Madison side of the county that is similarly willing to house a team.
 - This will enable us to rely less upon outside counties help during flooding scenarios. Often times water teams aren't able to respond due to them being obligated in their own county or have extended ETA's to our scene, thereby increasing the risk of first responders and citizens here in Boone County for their extended response times and capabilities.
3. Please provide your project timeline, e.g., if funded when the project or proposal be

fully implemented

- Once funds are obligated from the County Commission and purchase is made to the vendors, they are looking at a 26 week lead time to receive the items. After that, training will need to be done on the equipment and procedures and should be ready for operation.
4. Please provide your total proposed budget.
 - \$70,000.00
 5. Please list any partners in this proposal, and the partner's role and your relationship with them.
 - Whitesville VFD, currently.
 - Looking for another agency to partner with.
 - Our office works with these agencies to plan for, mitigate from, and respond to emergencies.
 6. Please describe your plan for sustainability of the project or initiative after the grant award has been exhausted.
 - Equipment will be turned over to fire agencies to house and maintain. Boone County EMA will maintain a MOU with these agencies with the understanding that if the team falls apart that the equipment returns to the EMA office to be housed at another department.

Section Four: Organization information

- Please provide your organization's mission statement.
 - Get the right people, to the right place, at the right time.
- Describe the history of your organization, tell us about your current programs and activities.
 - Founded in 1992 we provide E-911 services to Boone County. The emergency management office plans for, mitigates from, and responds to disasters. We are currently seeking to expand our water rescue capabilities in Boone County by partnering with fire departments that are capable and willing to participate.
- Please list your Owner(s), Board of Directors, senior staff members, or other key members of your organization:
 - Boone County Commission
- Please list the staff involved with this project and describe their roles

and responsibilities: Michael Mayhorn, Director of Emergency Management

- Please upload/attach the following financial documents, if applicable: cash flow statement for applicant's most recent fiscal year, two years of audited financial statements, current operating budget. If the applicant has not been audited, please include an unaudited balance sheet and income statement as prepared by the applicant.
- List any federal, state, local or private grant awards or funding received in the last three years and the current status of those funds. If your organization has previously received funds from Kanawha County, please list the amount, nature of the project(s) and current status of the funding and project(s).
- If you have made application for funding for this project from other sources (city, state, private or non-profit organizations) please list the same here.
 - Homeland security grant program, denied
 - Firehouse subs grant, denied

Section Five: Impact of the COVID-19 Pandemic

1. Please explain the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic and how it relates to your request, e.g., reduction in services, closures, increased costs, impacts to the community.
2. If you are requesting lost revenue due to COVID-19, provide that information here. Attach documentation sufficient to verify your request.
3. How will ARP funding, if awarded, aid in the recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic?

Section Six: Supplementary information

1. Please enter at least one third-party reference.

- Matt Lively, Chief, Whitesville VFD

2. Please include any supplementary information or documentation (such as letters of support, newspaper articles, etc.) which you feel will be essential to the County's review.

Signature: Michael W. Mayhew II

Name (Print): Michael W. Mayhew II

Title: Director

Date: 3-7-22

➤ **How to Submit an ARP Application to Boone County?**

You may email it to pwhite@boonecountywv.net or mail to: Boone County Commission, Attention
County Administrator
206 Court St.
Madison, WV 25130.

For questions, call 304-369-7301 or email pwhite@boonecountywv.net