



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:

VAN VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

Address:

P.O. Box 138 - 45 SIDNEY STREET
VAN, WV 25206

Website, if applicable:

Phone number:

304-245-8436

¹ <https://home.treasury.gov/policy-issues/coronavirus/assistance-for-state-local-and-tribal-governments/state-and-local-fiscal-recovery-funds>

Email address:

VANVFD600@GMAIL.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
2. Purpose and key anticipated outcomes
3. Individuals or communities served
4. How the COVID-19 pandemic has necessitated this request
5. Amount of funding requested
6. Amount of any bids or cost estimates received to date, if applicable
7. Amount and source of matching funds raised or committed by your organization
8. How ARP funds, if awarded, will be used
9. How long it will take you to complete the project if awarded funding

① USE MONEY TO PURCHASE MOUNTAIN RESCUE EQUIPMENT.

② BETTER SERVE PERSONS WHO NEED ASSISTANCE IN MOUNTAINS.

③ THE VAN AREA AND SURROUNDING AREAS OF THE COUNTY

④ inflation is taking its toll on everything

⑤ AMOUNT HAS BEEN SUBMITTED

⑥ QUOTES ARE AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST

⑦ ✗

⑧ Commission has a Detailed list of how the money will be Spent

⑨ Equipment will be ordered as soon as Funding is approved

Section Three: Proposal details

1. Please describe the problem or need which your project seeks to address.

OUR MOUNTAIN RESCUE EQUIPMENT IS 14 YEARS OLD, IN
NEED OF MAJOR REPAIRS.

2. Please describe goals and expected outcomes of your proposal.

TO BETTER SERVE OUR COMMUNITY AND OTHER AREAS
OF THE COUNTY.

3. Please provide your project timeline, e.g., if funded when the project or proposal be fully implemented

AS SOON AS FUNDING IS APPROVED.

4. Please provide your total proposed budget.

\$42,644.75

5. Please list any partners in this proposal, and the partner's role and your relationship with them.

6. Please describe your plan for sustainability of the project or initiative after the grant award has been exhausted.

ALL ITEMS ASKED FOR HAS AT THE MINIMUM A 10
YEAR LIFE SPAN.

Section Four: Organization Information

1. Please provide your organization's mission statement.

TO SERVE THE PEOPLE OF OUR COMMUNITY AND
THE REST OF BOONE COUNTY TO THE BEST
OF OUR ABILITY WITH THE EQUIPMENT WE
OBTAIN.

2. Describe the history of your organization, tell us about your current programs and activities.

OUR DEPARTMENT WAS INCORPORATED ON MARCH 18, 1956. WE HAVE PROVIDED FIRE PROTECTION, EMS SERVICES AND GENERAL SERVICES CALLS TO ALL AREAS OF THE COUNTY.

3. Please describe three significant accomplishments of your organization.

- ① PROVIDED FIRE SERVICES FOR THIS COUNTY WITHOUT LOSING FUNDING.
- ② STAYING COMPLIANT THROUGH FINANCIAL HARD TIMES.
- ③ MAINTAINING THE 5 ISO RATING

4. Please list your Owner(s), Board of Directors, senior staff members, or other key members of your organization:

JAMES LONG
~~PATSY HODGELL~~ Raymond West
BILLY DINGESS
SHAWN BUCKNER
BILLY STEWART - PRESIDENT

5. Please list the staff involved with this project and describe their roles and responsibilities:

GARY HOWELL, CHIEF
SHAWN BUCKNER, ~~FORM~~ SECRETARY
JEFF SPRATT, TREASURER

6. 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.

the Boone County Commission has copies of all our yearly audits on file

7. 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).

we are currently working under a federal grant that supplies money for recruitment of new members and retention of present members, nothing to do with equipment needed to continue services

8. 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.

N/A

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.

- ① training our members is harder due to lack of outside training due to the pandemic
- ② loss of membership due to covid lockdowns
- ③ Increased cost of everything, fuel, tires, rescue equipment, gear, medical supplies covid has taken a big toll on Emergency services in General

2. If you are requesting lost revenue due to COVID-19, provide that information here. Attach documentation sufficient to verify your request.

no, we are requesting funding due to higher prices and less funding via the Fire levy, it has dropped over 50% in the last 6 years

3. How will ARP funding, if awarded, aid in the recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic?

funding will help us continue to serve the people of Boone county as we have for many years,

Section Six: Supplementary information

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

JODIE BECKETT
Jefe Watkins

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.

① ISO audits
② Compliance audits via the state Firemarshalls office

Signature: Gary Howell

Name (Print): GARY HOWELL

Title: CHIEF

Date: 01-31-2020

➤ 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