



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.

x 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: Hero House Inc.

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Danville, WV 25053

Phone number: 304-200-3354

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

Email address: alisha.woodson@herohousewv.org

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

Section Three: Proposal details

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

Hero House will use this funding to purchase defibrillators for the Hero House and Fulton House recovery homes to help ensure the safety of the residents and staff of the homes. Defibrillators in the homes could save a life in the event that there was an overdose or a medical emergency and would increase the chances of a person's life being saved.

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

The goal of this proposal is to add safety measures to the Hero House and Fulton House recovery homes. The expected outcome of this proposal is for the homes to be in guidelines of the NARR certification and in the event that a medical emergency occurs, the chances of a person's life being saved increasing. According to recent research from the National Institute of Health, a combination of CPR and early defibrillation can save lives and boost survival rates to 70%.

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

This project will be fully implemented immediately upon receiving funding.

4. Please provide your total proposed budget.

The price of one defibrillator from American AED with an 8-year warranty is \$1,564.00. In order to purchase a defibrillator for each home the cost will be \$3,128.00.

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.

The one-time purchase of the defibrillators will provide the home with added safety measures and the defibrillators will be used continuously. The purchase of the defibrillators also comes with an 8-year warranty.

Section Four: Organization information

1. Please provide your organization's mission statement.

The mission of Hero House is to provide a faith-based sober living environment that transforms the lives of those who are held captive to substance use disorder and to create a culture in which members of our community can live healthy, productive lives free from substance use and rooted in faith.

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

Hero House recovery home for men was established in 2015. In 2021, we began the Fulton House for women. We are a faith-based recovery home located in Boone County, West Virginia. Both of our recovery homes are certified through the West Virginia Alliance of Recovery Residences and is the only certified program and single long-term treatment facility in Boone County. Our men's home is a 7-bed facility and the women's home is a 8 bed facility. We provide wraparound services that help to meet clients' needs. Our Peer Support Specialist and staff work with clients to make and meet recovery goals and help them obtain needed documentation such as birth certificates and drivers license, work on job skills and resume building and seeking employment. Our residents attend recovery meetings, in-house meetings, and church services. Our clients participate in community service. We also provide an aftercare program for graduates of the homes.

3. Please describe three significant accomplishments of your organization

Our success rate among our residents is high. There are many of our graduates that continue in the aftercare program, and two of our graduate's work for the home.

We received our certification through the West Virginia Alliance of Recovery Residences.

Our graduates have been a great asset for our local workforce.

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

Our board of directors includes William Mullins, Preston Gore, Amanda Smith, Joseph Wells, Elliot Johnson, Wesley Hanley, Alisha Woodson, and Valerie Kuhn.

Staff members include William Mullins-Director, Alisha Woodson-Resource Development/Compliance Director, Wesley Hanley-Program Director/PRSS, Valerie Kuhn-Resident Director/PRSS, Matthew Miller-House Manager/PRSS

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

All staff will be trained in using the AED and will be prepared in the event a situation arises that the lifesaving tool will be used.

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.

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 Boone County, please list the amount, nature of the project(s) and current status of the funding and project(s).

We received a grant from United Way.

We have received a grant from the Boone County Foundation in the past.

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.

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.

Covid-19 has impacted the organization in the increased cost of everything, which makes the budget tighter and more difficult to for purchasing the AEDs. COVID-19 has also had a huge impact on individuals with the increased use of substances and enormous rise in overdoses.

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.

Kim Holstein, Boone Quick Response Team- 304-539-9393

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: Alisha Woodson

Name (Print): Alisha Woodson

Title: Hero House- AEDs

Date: 5-15-2023

□ 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