



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.<sup>1</sup>

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: Christian Faith Center

Address: P.O. Box 210 Van, WV 25206

Phone number: 304 369 2354 <sup>home</sup>, 304 245 5711 <sup>church</sup>, 304 307 8075 (school)

18972 Pond Fork Road (physical address)

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

Narrative:

We are requesting funding to repair water line problems. These problems are resulting in water bills ranging from \$100-\$300. Per month. The men of our church have tried to find the leak and have been unsuccessful. It is their consensus that the leak must be under 1-3 concrete slabs. At this time, they are turning on the main water line at the beginning of each service and turning off the main water line again at the end of each service. The access to the water is difficult. We are proposing the water lines be replaced and rerouted around the concrete slabs, requiring a new ditch. We are also requesting funding to have the asphalt that will have to be removed, replaced.

The individuals served are our church members who come from Madison, Rock Creek, Uneeda, Big Ugly, Van, and Beckley. The school, a ministry of the church serves students in Boone County from Horse Creek, Ramage, Foster, Ashford, Camp Creek, Madison, Danville, Van, Gordon, Wharton, and other localities. The school frequently uses this building.

After Covid, our membership declined by more than half. Our church is totally supported by donations, which also declined substantially.

We are requesting \$4-5000. To complete the project. The plumber's estimated is enclosed, but does not include replacing the asphalt. Any ARP funds would be used for this project. It is estimated the project could be completed in 2 weeks.

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## Questions:

### Section 3

1. There is a massive water leak we believe to be under concrete slabs. The men of the church have exhausted all avenues available to locate the leak, and have determined it has to be under those slabs. We have contacted a plumber who recommends running all new lines diverting them around the large slabs. (estimate for his part of the work is attached) We have 2-3 services per week for a total of 5-10 hours. We have been turning the water from WV American water on before each service and off after each service. Our water bill was \$100. In December and \$300. In January.
2. If we are able to install this new plumbing, the building would be available at all times. Our annex is now having a 12 step program which includes a meal for participants or those walking by the church. Without water and a bathroom available, the services can't occur.
3. It is hoped the entire project could be completed in 2 weeks.
4. We estimate with the plumber's cost and restoring the asphalt he has to remove, \$4000-\$5000.
5. Church members will partner in the labor of the project.
6. The project will alleviate the problem. We have been a church for over 42 years and the Christian school, Christian Faith Academy, a ministry of our church has also been in operation for 40 years. We have no plans to close either ministry.

### Section 4

1. The mission statement of our church is simply this:  
"To seek and save the lost."

We also partner with foreign missions, Samuel White and Arturo Vargas. We send these ministries money monthly. The church helps fund the school.

The mission statement of the school is attached.

2. CFC has church services at least 2 times per week. We have recently begun a 12 step program which meets on Sunday night. We have a benevolence program to help the needy. We support prison ministries. We are the area drop off location for Operation Christian Child, through Samaritan's Purse and sent over 1000 boxes this year. We support foreign missions on a monthly basis, Samuel White and Arturo Vargas and Amber Vargas White. We allow our annex to be used for community events such as showers and parties. Christian Faith Academy uses the building for programs, plays, graduation, and other events.
3. We established Christian Faith Academy in 1984. This serves approximately 45-50 students per year. Most of those students live in the Madison area, although some live at Wharton, Gordon, Ashford, Camp Creek, Foster, Julian, Danville, and Lincoln County in this year's enrollment. CFA is a 501 C3 organization, as well as a ministry of the church.
4. Our Pastor is Daniel Holstein, Board members are Charles Ballard and Tom Brown. Trustees are Priscillas Weaver, Dan Holstein, and Charles Ballard.
5. Staff involved would be the men of the church.
6. Financial statements for the last 3 months are attached. Quarterly statements can be obtained if required.

7. We have received no grants, but did receive a SBA loan which has been paid back.
8. Greater Kanawha Valley Foundation denied our request.

#### Section 5

1. As a result of Covid, our church membership declined by more than half. Our church is totally funded by member donations (tithes). Decreased membership has resulted in a drastic decline in our finances, hence the need to reach out to you for financial assistance.
2. N/A
3. Hopefully, increased availability of the building will increase membership.

#### Section 6

1. Robin Moore
2. The fact that our church has survived during these times and in the depressed area of Van, is a testament to our viability. Christian Faith Academy serves Boone and surrounding areas. Over 50% of our graduates attend higher education programs, and complete them.

➤ How to Submit an ARP Application to Boone County?

You may email it to [pwhite@boonecountywv.net](mailto: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](mailto:pwhite@boonecountywv.net)

**Section Six: Supplementary information**

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

Robin Moore  
Van Professional Pharmacy  
304 245 8255

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: Charles Ballard

Name (Print): Charles Ballard

Title: Elder

Date: 02-16-2024