

Richland County Committee

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Agenda Item Name: American Rescue Plan – Grant Application Process for Early Childhood Education and Child Care Providers

Department	Administration	Presented By:	Administrator
Date of Meeting:	05 Oct 2021	Action Needed:	Vote
Disclosure:	Open Session	Authority:	Structure E
Date submitted:	05 Oct 2021	Referred by:	
Action needed by no later than (date)	N/A	Resolution	<u>N/A</u> , prepared, reviewed

Recommendation and/or action language:

Motion to.... accept proposed “RICHLAND COUNTY EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION AND CHILD CARE PROVIDERS (ARPA) GRANT APPLICATION,” and process, and to have the County Administrator solicit and advertise for applications.

Background: *(preferred one page or less with focus on options and decision points)*

As per previous Finance and Personnel action, the committee has allocated up to \$335,099.90 in County ARPA funds for grants up to \$150,000 to local early childhood education centers (prospective education centers) and child care operations located in Richland County to assist the community with increased accessibility of care and increased safety of care in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Attached is a recommended grant application, self-certification and process guidance packet. The proposed timeline for distribution is as follows:

Grant Process Timeline:

05 October 2021 – Administrator Presents Grant Process to Finance and Personnel
06 October 2021 - Administrator releases grant applications and posts notification of grant opportunity
29 October 2021 – Grant application deadline
02 November 2021 – Recommendation to Finance and Personnel
07 December 201 – (Needed discussion if necessary)
14 December 2021 – Award grant by County Board Resolution

Distribution: Via county website, Local News Papers, Local Radio

Attachments and References:

Grant Application Packet (DRAFT)	

Financial Review:

(please check one)

	In adopted budget	Fund Number	
	Apportionment needed	Requested Fund Number	
X	Other funding Source	American Rescue Plan Act = up to \$335,099.90	
	No financial impact		

(summary of current and future impacts)

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Up to up to \$335,099.90

Approval:

Review:

Clinton Langreck

Department Head

Administrator, or Elected Office (if applicable)
