



American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Proposal Application

Local Fiscal Recovery Fund

Overview

The purpose of this form is to submit a proposal for consideration for funding through Madison County's American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Local Fiscal Recovery Fund Appropriation. Proposals will be received and reviewed by the County's ARPA Leadership Team for alignment with the goals and objectives of the ARPA program and County objectives. Projects will be competitively scored, and those selected for advancement will be presented to the County Commissioners and County Council for consideration.

**Please direct all questions to arpa@madisoncounty.in.gov.
Additional information can be found at
<https://www.madisoncounty.in.gov/government/arpa>**

Section 1: Proposal Overview

Proposal Title Modernization of Prosecution in Madison County's City Courts

Provide a brief, one sentence summary of the proposal.

A request to modernize prosecution and digitize case files for the Madison County Prosecutor's Office involving misdemeanors and infractions filed in Anderson City Court and Elwood City Court.

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Madison County Prosecutor's Office

Type of Organization County Department

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To be eligible for consideration, a Proposal must be co-sponsored by at least two eligible champions. Proposal champions can be elected officials or department heads working for Madison County or residents of Madison County representing a municipality, community group, not-for-profit organization, or other similar entity located primarily within Madison County. Additional information on the sponsoring organizations, including additional partners, can be submitted as an attachment at the end of this application.

Proposal Co-Champion Judge Jason Jamerson & Judge Kyle Noone

Anderson City Court & Elwood City Court

Section 2: Statement of Eligibility

To be eligible for funding through ARPA, the proposal must support one or more of the initiatives described below. Additional information on these eligible uses can be found at:

<https://home.treasury.gov/system/files/136/SLFRF-Final-Rule-Overview.pdf>

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Which of these eligible uses are best supported by this proposal? Please check all that apply.

Addresses negative economic impacts caused by the public health emergency, including economic harms to workers, households, small businesses, impacted industries, and the public sector.

Provides equity-based services to a population that has been disproportionately impacted by the COVID-19 public health emergency.

Please note: If your proposal does not fall within one or more of the eligible uses described above, please contact arpa@madisoncounty.in.gov to discuss options before continuing with this application.

Section 3: Proposal Details

Briefly describe the proposal

This proposal requests an additional deputy prosecutor and a legal secretary to address the backlog of misdemeanor and infraction cases exacerbated by the COVID-19 Pandemic and to modernize and digitize case filings and records.

The proposal is:

A new program, initiative, or resource

A change to or renewal of an existing program, initiative, or resource (e.g. serving more or a different group of customers, making changes to the service model, etc.)

Briefly discuss the need for this proposal. Briefly describe the issue or opportunity to be addressed.

Madison County currently has 8 courts: 6 Circuit Courts and 2 City Courts. In almost all circumstances, misdemeanor and infraction cases from around Madison County are filed in one of Madison County's 2 City Courts: Anderson City Court and Elwood City Court. Currently, those City Courts have over 10,000 pending misdemeanor and infraction cases and the backlog of cases was exacerbated by the COVID-19 Pandemic. This proposal would address that problem and modernize and digitize case filings and records.

Briefly describe how this proposal supports the County's recovery from the economic, health, and other effects of the COVID-19 pandemic.

The COVID-19 Pandemic had a significant impact on Madison County's Criminal Justice System. Far too many victims and witnesses are waiting for their day in court and too many defendants are waiting

for the resolution of their criminal cases which can negatively impact their lives and job prospects. Pursuant to Pages 4389-4390 of ARPA's Final Rule, "hiring additional court staff or attorneys to increase speed of case resolution, and other expenses to expedite case resolution are eligible uses."

Briefly describe how the proposal supports equity-based services and benefits populations disproportionately impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic.

Historically marginalized populations and those of a lower economic status are disproportionately likely to be victims, witnesses, or defendants in criminal proceedings. This proposal would increase speed of case resolution for misdemeanors and infraction cases benefiting those populations impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic.

List the key individuals/organizations critical to the success of this proposal. Additional information (e.g. additional stakeholder, organizational chart, etc.) may be submitted as an attachment at the end of this form.

	Name	Organization
Project Leader	Andrew Hanna	Madison County Prosecutor's Office
Stakeholder	Judge Jason Jamerson	Anderson City Court
Stakeholder	Judge Kyle Noone	Elwood City Court
Stakeholder	Bryan Williams	Chief Public Defender of Madison County
Stakeholder		

Section 4: Funding Plan

Describe the estimated costs and anticipated sources of funding by answering the questions, below.

Provide a breakdown of the anticipated ARPA funds requested. Please note the category descriptions, below.

	ARPA Funds Requested
Personnel	\$672,750
Equipment	
Contract Services	
Infrastructure	
Other (Attach additional information)	
Total ARPA funds requested	\$672,750

Please note:

The ARPA rule places specific restrictions on the use of "Personnel" costs. Before including a proposal with "Personnel" costs, please contact arpa@madisoncounty.in.gov to discuss.

"Contracted Services" should include any service performed by an entity outside of the County government (e.g. contractors, contract employees, consultants, etc.)

"Infrastructure" should generally be limited to water, sewer, and broadband infrastructure. Other types of infrastructure projects may be permissible if they would provide aid to impacted industries such as

tourism, travel, and hospitality.

Does the proposal leverage "other" funds in addition to this ARPA request?

No, this request covers all cost associated with the proposal. Proceed to next question.

"Other" funds include any funding not related to this ARPA allocation request. This could include departmental funds already budgeted and appropriated, State funds, Federal funds, charitable funds, or any other sources of funding. Please note that in order to be eligible for ARPA funding, other sources of funding must be secured.

Are the "other" funds already secured?

No

For all "other" funds, a financial commitment letter must be attached to this application. The financial commitment letter:

- Must be submitted on the agency letterhead
- Must be signed (not typed) by someone with the authority of the organization to make a financial commitment.

Please contact arpa@madisoncounty.in.gov with questions.

Provide the anticipated proposal cash flow

	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
ARPA Funds		\$134,550	\$179,400	\$179,400	\$179,400
"Other" Funds					
Total		\$134,550	\$179,400	\$179,400	\$179,400

Section 5: Tracking Outcomes and Metrics

Discuss opportunities for measuring the impacts of the proposal within the ARPA program. All proposals must have measurable, trackable outcomes that can regularly be reported. Please note: the lead organization is responsible for measuring, tracking, and reporting the outcomes to their specific proposal.

	Key Outcome	Measurable Data
Potential Metric 1	Reducing Backlog of Cases	Number of Pending Cases in Anderson & Elwood City Courts
Potential Metric 2	Increasing Speed of Case Resolution	Average length of case pendency
Potential Metric 3	Digitization of Case Records	Percentage of Cases digitized vs. physical case files
Potential Metric 4		

Section 6: Supplemental Information

Please attach any additional information to support this proposal. This could include detailed cost estimates, contractor quotes, financial commitment letters, proposal schedules, letters of support, etc.



2022 Case Filing Data.pdf



ARPA Backlog of Misdemean... .pdf



ARPA Proposal 1 Expenditures.pdf

Madison County Prosecutor's Office ARPA Proposal:

Addressing the Backlog of Misdemeanor and Infraction Cases

Proposed Expenditures

Expenditure	2023	2024	2025	2026
Deputy Prosecutor	60,000	80,000	80,000	80,000
Health Insurance	15,000	20,000	20,000	20,000
FICA	4,590	6,120	6,120	6,120
PERF	6,720	8,960	8,960	8,960
Legal Secretary	27,969	37,292	37,292	37,292
Health Insurance	15,000	20,000	20,000	20,000
FICA	2,139	2,852	2,852	2,852
PERF	3,132	4,176	4,176	4,176
Total:	134,550	179,400	179,400	179,400

RODNEY J. CUMMINGS,
PROSECUTOR



ANDREW HANNA,
CHIEF DEPUTY PROSECUTOR
HEATHER MCCLAIN,
CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

To: Madison County ARPA Selection Committee
From: Andrew Hanna, Chief Deputy Prosecuting Attorney
Re: MCPO's ARPA Request #1; Addressing the Backlog of Misdemeanor and Infraction Cases
Date: February 8, 2023

Dear Members of Madison County's ARPA Selection Committee,

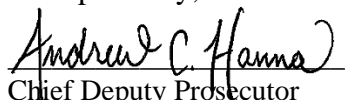
I write today to respectfully request \$672,750 of ARPA funds to address the backlog of misdemeanor and infraction cases filed in Anderson City Court and Elwood City Court.

As you likely know, Madison County presents one of the most challenging criminal justice landscapes in the State of Indiana. Despite being the 13th most populous county in the State of Indiana, Madison County has sent the 3rd most convicted criminals to the Indiana Department of Correction in 10 of the past 11 years.

Almost every misdemeanor or infraction case from around Madison County is submitted to one of Madison County's two city courts: Anderson City Court or Elwood City Court. The Madison County Prosecutor's Office is responsible for reviewing, charging, and prosecuting those cases. Currently, we only have one deputy prosecutor assigned to those courts. A recent report from the Indiana Prosecuting Attorney's Council (IPAC) regarding recommended staffing levels found that Madison County has only 53% of the necessary number of attorneys. IPAC recommends that we commit eleven attorneys to our misdemeanor and infraction caseload, which is a significant increase from our current staffing level of one.

The COVID-19 Pandemic exacerbated the backlog of cases in both Anderson City Court and Elwood City Court. Both courts were closed for a significant period and even when they were able to reopen, COVID-19 precautions continued to restrict the courts' ability to resolve cases. Collectively, there are over 10,000 misdemeanor and infraction cases pending in those courts. This proposal requests an additional deputy prosecutor and a legal secretary to address that backlog and to modernize and digitize functions in Anderson City Court and Elwood City Court. The proposed expenditures of this project fall well within the expenditures permitted by ARPA and are explicitly contemplated by Section 5 of Madison County's Ordinance regarding the expenditure of ARPA funds. *See* 2021-BC-0-12. Please do not hesitate to contact me regarding any questions you may have or any additional documentation that may be helpful in your decision.

Respectfully,


Chief Deputy Prosecutor
Madison County, Indiana

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You are viewing data for: Madison County, All Madison County Courts

2022 Data

First Quarter
Complete

Second Quarter
Complete

Third Quarter
Complete

Fourth Quarter
8 of 9 Courts

	Total	Criminal															Civil Violations				
		Murder	Felony (pre 2002)	Class A Felony	Class B Felony	Class C Felony	Class D Felony	Felony Level 1	Felony Level 2	Felony Level 3	Felony Level 4	Felony Level 5	Felony Level 6	Post Conviction	Misdemeanor	Miscellaneous Criminal	Total Criminal	Infractions	Ordinance Violations	Total Civil Violations	
	0	MR	CF	FA	FB	FC	FD	F1	F2	F3	F4	F5	F6	PC	CM	MC		IF	O	VOE	
BEFORE COURT	0	MR	CF	FA	FB	FC	FD	F1	F2	F3	F4	F5	F6	PC	CM	MC		IF	O	VOE	
Previously Pending	89622	23	1700	1094	929	411	1276	46	49	120	142	402	1694	246	1583	446	622	7736	10019	986	11005
New Filings	25894	5		1	1	0	2	21	33	54	82	311	1321	23	6327	1520	9701	6185	356	6541	
Venued In	27	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Transferred In	905	2	0	0	6	2	2	0	2	1	5	33	79	5	160	37	334	3	0	3	
TOTAL CASES BEFORE COURT	116448	30	1700	1104	999	43	1280	67	84	175	229	746	3094	274	223	216	2193	7771	16207	1342	17549
DISPOSED CASES	0	MR	CF	FA	FB	FC	FD	F1	F2	F3	F4	F5	F6	PC	CM	MC		IF	O	VOE	
By Jury Trial	36	4	0	2	0	0	0	10	3	1	0	4	7	0	0	0	31	0	0	0	
By Bench Trial	1698	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	4	3	8	291	309	7	3	10	
By Bench Disposition	5510	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	3	5	5	356	926	1297	111	7	118	
Dismissed	5596	1	0	0	2	1	28	5	6	20	11	55	204	29	2004	82	2448	348	110	458	
Default	1757																0	24	3	27	
Deferred/Diverted	854	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	53	0	341	0	396	455	3	458	
Guilty Plea/Admission	3217	4	1	1	2	4	12	10	25	54	66	241	1100		1262	4	2786	238	29	267	
Violations Bureau	4252																0	4200	52	4252	
Closed	141															10	10			0	
FTA/FTP	458																0	457	1	458	
Other	1565	0	0	0	0	1	2	1	0	0	0	1	7	20	351	7	390	205	13	218	
TOTAL DISPOSED CASES	25084	9	2	3	4	6	43	26	34	77	78	306	1380	57	4322	1320	7667	6045	221	6266	
Venued Out	32	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	0	6	1	0	1	
Transferred Out	415	3	0	0	4	2	2	0	1	1	6	32	74	5	9	37	176	0	0	0	
PENDING AT END OF QUARTER	0	MR	CF	FA	FB	FC	FD	F1	F2	F3	F4	F5	F6	PC	CM	MC		IF	O	VOE	
0	90917	18	1698	1074	919	935	1235	41	49	97	145	408	1640	212	1798	448	622	9922	10161	1121	11282
OTHER	0	MR	CF	FA	FB	FC	FD	F1	F2	F3	F4	F5	F6	PC	CM	MC		IF	O	VOE	
Pro Se Litigants	2572	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	1	0	0	9	11	6	0	221	251	0	0	0	