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June 2, 2023

Senator Jonathan Dismang, Co-Chair
Representative Frances Cavanaugh, Co-Chair
Performance Evaluation & Expenditure Review Committee
Arkansas Legislative Council
State Capitol Building
Little Rock, AR 72201

RE: FY 23 American Rescue Plan Act Request

Dear Co-Chairs:

Pursuant to Section 37 (01) of Act 199 of 2022, I am forwarding the attached American Rescue Plan Act request(s) that have received my approval as Chief Fiscal Officer of the State.

- Phillips Community College of the UofA – Reallocation of Previously Approved Allocation \$0

Pursuant to Section 37 (02) of Act 199 of 2022, I am forwarding the attached American Rescue Plan Act request(s) that have received my approval as Chief Fiscal Officer of the State.

- Department of Human Services – Emergency Aid Relief to Hospitals \$4,926,897

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Larry W. Walther'. Below the signature, the name 'Larry W. Walther' and the title 'Secretary' are printed in black text.

Larry W. Walther
Secretary

Attachment(s)

**AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT OF 2021 PROGRAM APPROPRIATION
AND PERSONNEL AUTHORIZATION REQUEST
SECTION 37 OF ACT 199 OF 2022**

C.1.a

Agency: Phillips Community College of the University of Arkansas Business Area Code: 0190
 Program Title: American Rescue Plan Act of 2021
 Granting Organization: U. S. Department of Education CFDA #: 84.425F
 Effective Date of Authorization: Beginning: 07/01/2022 Ending: 06/30/2023
 Purpose of Grant / Reason for addition or change (include attachments as necessary to provide thorough information):

See attached cover letter for grant purpose and budget details.

American Rescue Plan Act Program Funding

Func. Area: CCOL Fund Code: 215ARPA Direct Funding: X
 Funds Center: D68 Internal Order/WBS Element: _____ Steering Comm. Approved: _____
 Continuation: _____

	Program Funding Amount
Regular Salaries	
Extra Help	
Personal Services Matching	
Operating Expenses	27.15
Conference & Travel Expenses	
Professional Fees	
Capital Outlay	
Data Processing	
Grants and Aid (CI: 04)	-27.15
Other: Reimbursement for Indirect Cost Recovery	
Other:	
Total	\$ 0.00

Anticipated Duration of Federal Funds: 06/30/2023

DFA IGS State Technology Planning Date _____
 Items requested for information technology must be in compliance with Technology Plans as submitted to DFA IGS State Technology Planning.

Positions to be established: (list each position separately)

Org Unit	Pers Area	Pers SubArea	Cost Center	Position Number	Comnt Item	Position Title	Class Code	Grade	Line Item Maximum *

State funds will not be used to replace federal funds when such funds expire, unless appropriated by the General Assembly and authorized by the Governor.

Approved by:  5/10/2023
 Cabinet Secretary/Agency Director Date

Robert Brech 5/29/2023
 Office of Budget Date

Office of Personnel Mgmt Date

MPK 5/17/23



May 8, 2023

Larry W. Walther, Secretary
Department of Finance and Administration
Office of the Secretary
1509 West 7th Street, Suite 401
Little Rock, AR 72203-3278

RE: American Rescue Plan Act Funding - Act 199 of 2022 & Act 796 of 2023

Dear Secretary Walther:

Phillips Community College has been fortunate to benefit from funding through the American Rescue Plan Act authorized in Section 37 of Act 199 of 2022 and hereby submits a supplemental appropriation revision request and detail plan for the final expenditure of the institutional portion of these funds during FY2023 and the supplemental appropriation of certain funds for FY2024. A no-cost extension has been filed with the US Department of Education for the requested extension.

Phillips Community College of the University of Arkansas respectfully requests review of appropriation requests to (1) provide direct grants to students for emergency relief under the provisions provided by the US Department of Education, (2) reimburse PCCUA for payroll related COVID-19 related expenses, and (3) for other COVID-19 related expenses for PPE, student aid, and technology-related expenses as allowed for by federal regulations.

▪ **Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund Formula Grants – Institutional Funds**

For the institutional portion, PCCUA intends to use the funds for purposes outlined in the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021. The following table outlines the intended purposes for the use of grant funds consistent with the requirements of the grant. The guidance accompanying the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 states that institutions must use a portion of their funds to implement evidence-based practices to monitor and suppress coronavirus in accordance with public health guidelines and conduct direct outreach to financial aid applicants about the opportunity to receive a financial aid adjustment due to the recent unemployment of a family member or independent student, or other circumstances. Through the following plan, PCCUA intends to accomplish both of these directives.

Student Aid	-27.15
• Zero out this budgeted line item	
Operating Expenses	27.15
• Increase budgeted amounts to provide funds for purchasing educational material and equipment.	
TOTAL	\$00.00

▪ **Strengthening Predominantly Black Institutions (PBI)**

PCCUA intends to re-appropriate these funds in FY24 for purposes outlined in the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021. The following table outlines the intended purposes for the use of grant funds consistent with the requirements of the grant. Through the following plan, PCCUA intends to accomplish these directives. The use of these grant funds will focus particularly toward the minority population on all three campuses.

Capital Outlay	124,200.00
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Improve and upgrade the MLT/Phlebotomy laboratory to allow for social distancing, improved virtual/simulated learning, and enhanced hygienic and cleanable surfaces.	
TOTAL	\$124,000.00

Thank you for the opportunity to submit this supplemental appropriation request revision and spending plan. Please feel free to reach out to Stan Sullivan, Vice Chancellor for Finance and Administration by email at ssullivan@pccua.edu with any questions.

Respectfully,



Dr. G. Keith Pinchback
Chancellor

AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT OF 2021 PROGRAM APPROPRIATION
AND PERSONNEL AUTHORIZATION REQUEST
SECTION 37 OF ACT 199 OF 2022

C.1.b

Agency: Arkansas Department of Human Services Business Area Code: 0710
Program Title: Emergency Aid Relief to Hospitals
Granting Organization: ARP Steering Committee CFDA #: State Fiscal Recovery Funds (SFRF)
Effective Date of Authorization: Beginning: 7/1/2022 Ending: 6/30/2023
Purpose of Grant / Reason for addition or change (include attachments as necessary to provide thorough information):

Hospitals continue to experience severe financial strain due to the economic impacts of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. Increased costs and labor shortages have resulted in lesser revenues for the hospitals. This means that several hospitals across the state, particularly those that serve rural populations, are at immediate risk of closure.

Use of these funds will allow hospitals to maintain operations to ensure patients receive the care they need during and between the pandemic disease "surges." The purpose of these payments is to assist hospitals to offset extraordinary costs related to mitigating and preventing COVID-19 and retaining and acquiring frontline staff that have occurred as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.

American Rescue Plan Act Program Funding

Func. Area: HHS Fund Code: FRP7178 Direct Funding: _____
Funds Center: AZ5 AZ5 Internal Order/WBS Element: RA8P0022 Steering Comm. Approved: x
Continuation: _____

	Program Funding Amount
Regular Salaries	
Extra Help	
Personal Services Matching	
Operating Expenses	
Conference & Travel Expenses	
Professional Fees	
Capital Outlay	
Data Processing	
Grants and Aid (CI: 04)	4926897
Other:	
Other:	
Total	\$ 4926897

Anticipated Duration of Federal Funds: 9/30/2023

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DFA IGS State Technology Planning **Date**
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* unclassified positions only

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Approved by: [Signature] 5/31/23
Cabinet Secretary/Agency Director Date

Robert Brech 5/31/2023
Office of Budget Date

Office of Personnel Mgmt Date

[Signature]
5/31/2023



**DHS Secretary Kristi Putnam
Office of the Secretary**

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May 26, 2023

Secretary Larry W. Walther
Department of Finance and Administration
1509 West Seventh Street, Suite 401
Little Rock, AR 72201

Re: Release of ARPA Funding – Hospital Assistance

Dear Secretary Walther,

On behalf of the Department of Human Services, I respectfully request release of a portion of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA) State Fiscal Recovery Funds (SFRF) Arkansas Allotment to address the negative impacts of the public health emergency due to the COVID-19 pandemic (PHE), such as staffing and bed shortages; extraordinary costs of providing COVID-19 mitigation, prevention, and treatment; and disruptions in utilization of health care services across payers.

Participating hospitals have undergone an independent study and are developing and implementing a sustainability plan. The agency is requesting \$4,926,897 in ARPA funding and appropriation which will be disbursed through the Arkansas Medicaid payment system to Drew Memorial Health Center in support of their efforts to provide rural healthcare to Arkansans.

Thank you for your assistance. If you need additional information, please contact Misty Eubanks, DHS CFO, at 501-320-6327.

Sincerely,

Kristi Putnam, Secretary
Arkansas Department of Human Services

KP:mbe

cc: Robert Brech, Administrator
DFA – Office of Budget

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