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ST. CHARLES COUNTY ALLOCATES \$4.5 MILLION IN ARPA FUNDS TO NONPROFIT SERVICE AGENCIES, VETERANS

ST. CHARLES COUNTY, MO – The St. Charles County Council this week approved distribution of \$4.2 million of the County’s American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds to the St. Charles County Developmental Disabilities Resource Board (DDRDB) and the Community and Children’s Resource Board of St. Charles County (CCRB). Both agencies partner with local nonprofit organizations to provide services and care throughout the community.

“The DDRB and CCRB are the primary source of services for the developmentally disabled and for children’s resources in St. Charles County,” Ehlmann says. “Because of the support of St. Charles County taxpayers, they have been assisting individuals and families through our many community nonprofits for numerous years. With this additional funding, as a county, we can assist both boards with ensuring there are funds for them to address lost skills, increased costs of personnel, and other eligible ARPA programs.”

The County Council approved the funding at the June 13 regular meeting. This will allow the CCRB and DDRB to conduct an application and grant award process with the funds this summer.

Ehlmann says the County also is distributing up to \$300,000 of ARPA funding to local veterans’ agencies. Numerous organizations serving veterans applied for support and that distribution is being made soon.

“I am also pleased that veterans’ organizations in the county will benefit from this government funding,” Ehlmann says. “The County supports its veterans in many ways, and this is just one more way we are able to assist them.”

St. Charles County has received its \$78 million allotment of ARPA funds. In addition to the \$4.5 million allocation, the St. Charles County Council has approved the following expenditures thus far:

- \$1 million for equipment for the Storm Water Inspection Project
- \$550,000 for employees in 2022, including two in law enforcement and one in Community Development to work with social service agencies and three for the Storm Water Inspection Project.

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About St. Charles County:

St. Charles County, Missouri, founded in 1812, is one of the fastest growing counties in Missouri. With a population of 405,262, is it the state’s third largest county. It is home to 21 scenic county parks of which four are in reserve, encompassing 4,197 acres.

With one of the largest economies in the state, St. Charles County is home to multinational companies including General Motors, Citi, MasterCard Worldwide and Boeing. It is ranked among the top 25 counties in the nation in high-tech job growth by the Progressive Policy Institute and consistently has the lowest unemployment rate in the Metropolitan St. Louis area.

St. Charles County Government has more than 1,170 employees in more than 30 departments and offices who work to make the county an excellent place to live, work and shop. For more information, please visit sccmo.org.