The City of Muncie’s American Rescue Plan includes $1,000,000 to be appropriated to eligible neighborhood associations to use in response to the negative impacts of the COVID-19 Pandemic and promoting a neighborhood environment that is conducive to the physical and mental well-being of its residents.

These funds can be used for a wide range of projects that support the mental and physical health of neighborhood residents, with a few examples of eligible projects below. Wondering if your project is eligible and don’t see it on the list below? Contact Mo Orbin at mlorbin15@gmail.com

**Eligible Use Examples**

**Beautification/Blight Removal**
- Purchase a building/house to demolish it
- Adopt-a-Lot program
- Exterior Home Improvements
- Tree plantings & upkeep
- Community Garden

**Utility & Bill Assistance Programs**

**Direct Payments to Neighbors**

**Home Improvements**

**Parks (Coordination with the Muncie Parks Department is required)**
- Adding features to already created parks
- Updating existing parks
- Creating new parks

**Public Art & Murals (Requires partnership and coordination with Muncie Arts & Culture Council)**

**Purchases**
- Gardening equipment/storage of equipment
- Lawnmower

**Ideas requiring cooperation with the City**
- Streetlights
- Flashing Caution lights to alert drivers of the speed limit
- Bus Shelters

**Not Approved**

**Infrastructure: Sidewalks (installation, repair, upkeep)**

**Marketing: T-shirts, print materials, yard signs (Neighborhood meeting/identification)**