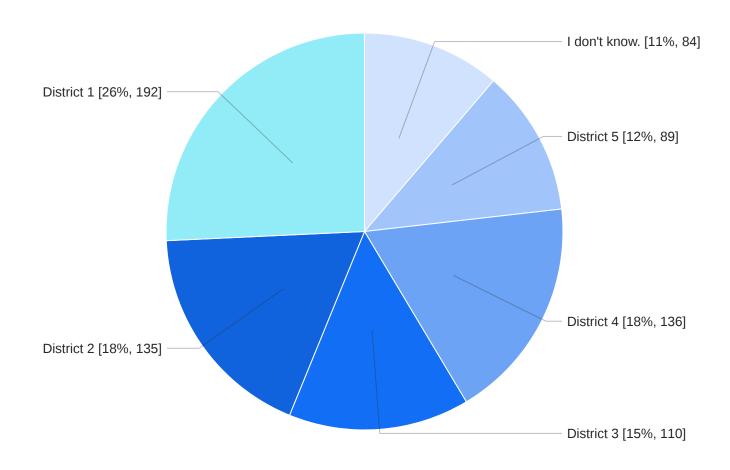


# **Shasta County ARPA Community Input Survey Results**

March 30, 2022 – April 15, 2022 805 Responses

## 1) Which Shasta County District do you live in?

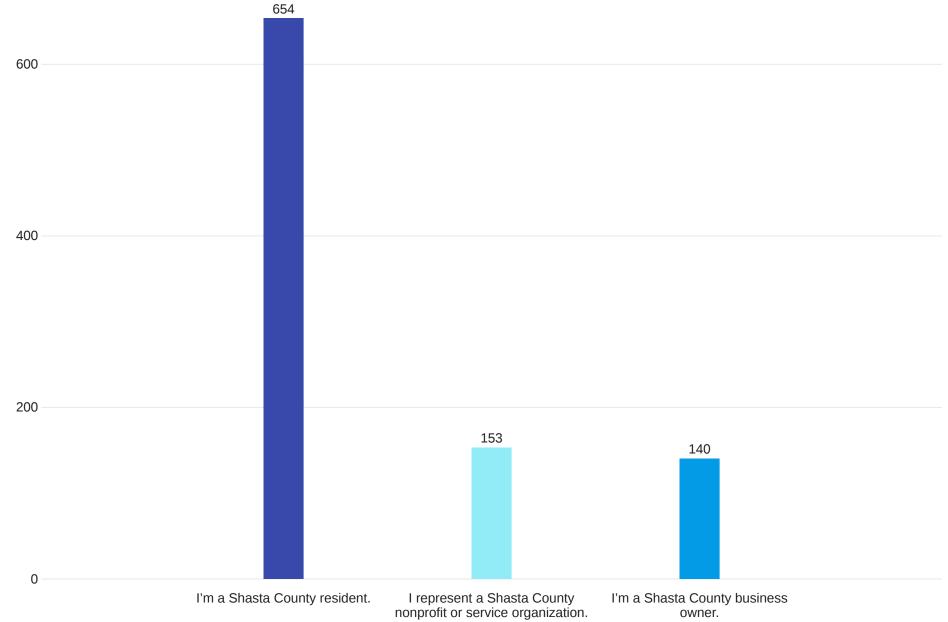
746 Responses



■ I don't know. ■ District 5 ■ District 4 ■ District 3 ■ District 2 ■ District 1

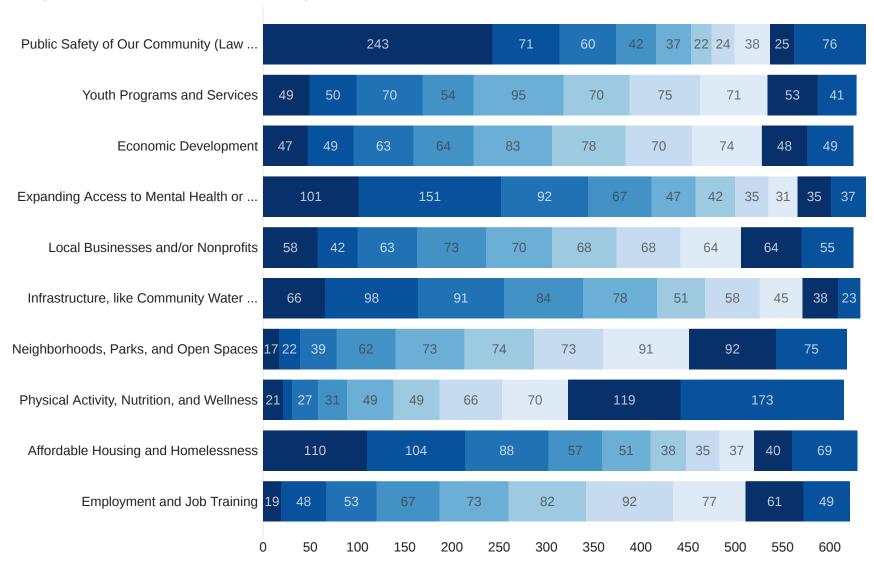
## 2) Tell us about you! (please select all that apply)



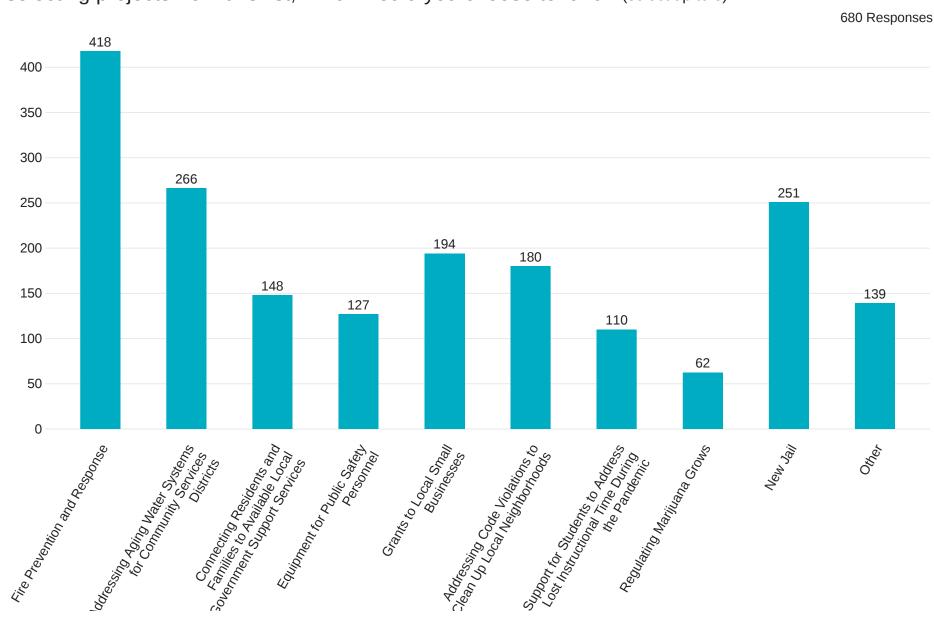


3) What areas do you think are most important for an investment in our community? Rank the following areas from 1 to 10, 1 being most important.

664 Responses



4) Here are some examples of projects that ARPA funds could be used for. If you were selecting projects from this list, which would you choose to fund? (select up to 3)



### 4a) What other projects would you like to see funded?

136 Responses

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Increased focus on aging and failing rural area water systems. These systems are critical to fire protection and customer service to these communities.

Maintenance and repair of rural roads in northern Shasta County!!!!!! Such as mine!!!! I'm at maintain it. Especially since Biden just gave you 34.9 million dollars!!!!

Do your job and

Mental health homeless housing issues so we can have our streets cleaned up and help our police work smarter not harder

Higher education locally

Higher education especially in the Stem areas to help our future entrepreneurs

Mental health and homelessness - I'm sick of the nastiness in Redding that that population brings. We need to help them or become a permanent tent city

Funding higher education and workforce development, especially in the areas of business, technology, and engineering will grow the local economy and the tax base to fund all the other priorities on the wish list, while improving the standard of living of all our north state citizens. Please prioritize ARPA funded projects accordingly.

As a graduate of Simpson University, and a long-time mentor of students both at Simpson and others as well, I'd love to see some of the grant allotted to the expansion of Simpson's business and STEM facilities. SO many Simpson students and faculty have contributed to local youth service as well as local businesses; our former police chief was also a Simpson grad! Thank you for that consideration.

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I would like to see the money allocated to local colleges, especially for business and technology education and classroom facilities and equipment.

Expanding and funding higher education

Providing funds for higher education and encouraging development of the workforce (i.e. business, technology, and engineering). This investment will help grow the local economy (and the tax base to fund all the other priorities on the wish list).

Higher education and job training

funding for higher education and workforce development

**Higher Education** 

ROADS!

Repair and replacement of aging roads. We have terrible roads in Shasta County. In addition, we have a youth problem in this area. We need programs and services for children, especially teens.

MORE LAW ENFORCEMENT IN RURAL SHASTA COUNTY

Non-profits support/Youth programs

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Mental health and rehab facilities

Higher education, workforce development and economic projects that add jobs, increase household incomes and undergird the tax base and make the region more attractive to employers. Projects that make the region more attractive to employers in the fields of business, technology and engineering. Using these funds to create a foundational economy will help provide funding for all the other tax funded projects on the wish lists.

Money to assist the Fire protection districts

Baseline funding for Resource Conservation Districts to provide valuable community services such as fuels reduction and wildfire recovery.

Mental Health supports and services for youth including crisis services

Infrastructure projects that have ongoing benefits for a one-time capital expenditure. The more money is spent on programming or operations, the more it will disappear without any results.

FILL FOOD BANKS

Expanding Food Bank capacity to address food insecurity.

Housing & programs for homeless

Services for survivors of domestic violence/sexual assault.

Non profit funding

Useful services for unsheltered and low income communities. Infrastructure for addressing future emergencies like COVID19. Investment in alternative community models like community banking, worker cooperatives, solidarity economies.

Investment in our youth so they become productive members of society and don't end up in jail

providing affordable broadband, internet for all Shasta County reidents.

Something for the actual people in the community

Our community desperately needs to address the mental health and wellness of our youth. Our County has some of the highest ACEs scores around, and the pandemic has done nothing to help that. Our youth need a safe place to gather with friends, be a part of the community, and participate in enrichment and physical activities that are positive experiences in their life. The YMCA is looking to expand their program and facility to help accommodate these needs. The kids of our County are our future adult citizens; if we don't address their challenges and have positive influential spaces for them to supplement their development, they may end up repeating the cycles they were exposed to in their childhood (drugs, abuse, jail, etc.). Please consider supporting the YMCA in their mission to serve the community, especially since they kept their doors open and provided supportive spaces during the pandemic when many other daycares, schools, and other safe spaces were closed. They are a great asset to the community and will continue to be. We all know that the youth of Shasta County are our future, let's focus on them!

Tiny homes to address homelessness. Low cost drug rehabilitation treatment centers. Additional Mental Health support services from families and individuals experiencing mental illness.

mental health, homeless

Task force to help businesses and citizens by addressing the homeless issues with medical, housing, job training, jobs, clean-up of camps, needs of homeless etc.

Resolve to Stop the Violence program from Community Works West.

Homelessness

Rehabilitation Center

substance use treatment; food bank storage facility; YMCA; tatoo removal equipment; fentanyl campaign; Public Health COVID costs

Support for local non-profits that provide valuable local services, such as KIXE Channel 9.

How about helping the people who lost their jobs because of corvid.

Addressing homelessness, drug abuse, mental health crisis in our county.

Affordable housing for homeless

Mental Health Services, Public Guardian Conservatorship Expansion

Thank you so much for taking the time to survey the community about how to spend the county's American Rescue Plan Act funding. As you know, the YMCA is a local non-profit committed to helping families and kids to get healthy - mentally, physically, and socially. Our membership struggled last year due to Covid restrictions, however, our drive to continue to provide a safe haven for young people in our community never diminished. Throughout the pandemic, the YMCA kept its doors open to the public to provide an open space for fitness and social stability. At one point, when childcare centers closed throughout Shasta County, Shasta Family YMCA became a space for essential workers to leave their children to receive safe, fun, and affordable care while parents continued to work in an essential capacity for our county. Investing in the YMCA allows us the opportunity to continue to provide services that address educational, social, and economic issues in our local community with a particular focus on youth. Teens, more than ever, are coming to the Y after school. They have been deprived of social interaction during the pandemic and they are now showing up in unprecedented droves to the Shasta Family YMCA to spend their time after school. The Y is giving them a place to socialize, work out, play basketball and other sports and use the computers and internet. We all know teens need a safe place to go and the Y has offered that safe space. I urge you to consider investing in the YMCA.

Increased public transit options. Amtrak from Redding to Chico, or Sacramento

The homelessness and mental health issues that are turning into rampant crime and property damage and theft need to be the number 1 priority to improve the standard of living for residents and tourism for our economy.

Youth safety and development

Local YMCA

Dead brush/trees removed and land/fire management. This would save homes, businesses, tourism, and the over all health of our community.

Mental health services through Hill Country, not HHS, which is too top heavy and over funded

Supporting law enforcement through core support of the Medical Forensic Team work in the Domestic Violence space, with women and children at the heart of the work.

Increased funding and expansion of the food bank at Connected Living.

Food Banks and expansion of them

road repairs in district 4

Support for infrastructure updating for the Designated Shasta County Food Bank

Get rid of these illegal grows in the unincorporated areas of Shasta. They are stealing our water, poisoning our land and wildlife, clearcutting our forest and killing people. We need help!

Community events free for everyone

Youth focused activities and safe places to be. Support public health prevention activities. Infrastructure and broadband.

Parks and Recreation

Projects to get homeless individuals a pathway to permanent supportive housing.

Homlessness and rehabilitation programs

Fixing roads, services for mental health and drug addiction services

More resources to behavioral health services

Affordable Housing

Give medical workers docs and nurses a bonus

Roads

Arts and culture

Implement Sherriff Johnson's "Wagon wheel of justice" Plan!!!

Mental health, affordable housing, broadband internet expansion

I would like to see our roads redone and adding more street lights to the areas of 44 (from civic center to Palo Cedro). I would like to better internet (Frontier is a rip off and people are being scammed by them, we need either ATT or Charter up there) in the out lying areas. like Shingletown, Burney, Whitemore. I would also like to see better fire preparedness going on.

Housing for homeless, regardless of whether they are clean and sober

New jail

Broadband for rural eastern part of the county.

Neighborhood beautification and road maintenance that has been patched up for way to long. Pickle ball courts added to Alta mesa park tennis courts.

Health education campaigns (immunizations, diabetes, cancer screening), behavioral health staffing

Send the money back. It was created with debt and does should not be spent.

Programs to get local businesses connected with our students

Housing

Road Improvement

Healthy food programs, job resources and bridge programs, restorative justice

Roads, infrastructurr

Temporary Emergency Housing for low/no income households

Many non-profits assisted during the pandemic and play a critical role in our County's recovery. Please remember them in your plans.

Housing and Affordable Housing Projects

More beautification

Free broadband internet throughout the county

Dispersed equally among residents obviously you people will missuse these funds and nothing will EVER come of this nonsense for show only survey.

If these are COVID relief funds, they should be used as recovery assistance for the businesses and children that suffered most.

#### Economic growth!!!

Monetary assistance to households facing loss of shelter. Including utility bills. Assistance with childcare costs enabling people to work & be self sufficient. ABSOLUTELY NO MONEY TO BUILD A NEW JAIL. Under capital expenditures construction of a new correctional facility as a response to an increase in rate of crime is NOT eligible. (See P. 31 of the Overview of the Final Rule).

Police

Community gardens to help with growing concerns of food insecurity.

Increased access to modern internet for rural residents

Homeless off our streets

Low income housing

city of Redding electric expanded to city of Anderson to eliminate pg&e electric services and do away with psps

Roads, broadband, sewers, water and infrastructure

projects that build systems to support people's physical, mental, emotional, and economic health

Cleaning up the community. Homeless people that are camping in public areas need to be reprimanded for their actions and punished just like a regular Law Abiding Citizen that breaks the law. If I don't wear my seatbelt I get in more trouble than someone who defecates on the sidewalk.

We need to look into the possibility of bringing rain water from Oregon into into our our rivers and streams to keep Shasta lake full. Need to look into diverting rivers or running pipe lines to keep water flowing in.

Many neighborhood scale solar and battery backup to grid energy systems to provide power when fire or other disaster knocks out the grid.

More water playground for the kids it get hot in summer and safer n cleaner parks and doing something about the homeless n druggies

Mental health services for the homeless and soon to be homeless

Mental health facility

Housing and support services for the homeless population, drug treatment center

Recruiting doctors, nurses, teachers. Why is there over 200 on waiting list at all medical groups? More cell towers in foothills, internet too

Through eminent domain, buy run down empty buildings in our county and sell them to developers with qualified development plans for the sites. Sell them to developers at auction, highest bidder gets the project. Fast track the permits and plans to remove the blight in our county as quickly as possible.

More neighborhood park construction and improvements to existing parks and trails

Grants to all businesses up to 100 local employees doing businesses locally.

Shelters for homeless

#### Roads

A system that works for the addicted community. Real rehabilitation and resources instead of book and release with no help. We need to keep them clean long enough to want help and have accessible help that is realistic. Our community and residents are suffering. The homeless and addicted are our community too and need help! Not to be treated as outcasts!!!!! We are a small community so guit acting like big city snobs!

Upgrading school air filtering systems and air filtering systems in essential bussinesses. Providing masks to seniors and others who need and want them. Free medical care for long Covid care.

Clean up the garbage and abandoned vehicles/boats/trailers/RVs

broadband for rural areas

This money is the reason why Americans can't afford groceries or gas. Trying to find a way to blow 35 million dollars on something for the "flu" is a joke.

**Rural Internet** 

Rehabilitation/prevention services

How about rewarding or recognizing those government workers that had to work through the pandemic . The services provided by many government workers had to continue regardless.

It is imperative we restore the county clerk's office with paper ballots and voter ID. There is no excuse when the money for this is insignificant compared to other projects. We will get nowhere in building trust without this.

Expand support/jobs for area preserves/open spaces/riverfrontareas/whiskeytown.

**Unfunded Pensions** 

Mental health support

Countywide broadband availability. Mental health and homelessness programs.

Expanded mental health services

Addressing youth mental health and social emotional learning

YMCA

No kill shelter and spay and neuter programs

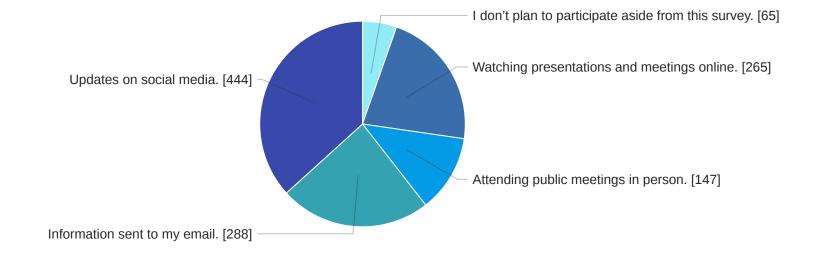
Stemilus Check for lower income residents(Under \$40k households)

Something for mental health.

Shasta County needs to ensure that the County's IT Infrastructure is secure and can withstand and mitigate a potential cyberattack. The County needs to have adequate infrastructure in place in the event of such an attack. The County needs to ensure that all County information systems, computer networks, infrastructure and computer devices are protected.

### 5) How would you like to stay engaged with ARPA projects as they move forward? (select all that apply)

674 Responses



- I don't plan to participate aside from this survey.
   Watching presentations and meetings online.
   Attending public meetings in person.
- Information sent to my email.Updates on social media.