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	Project Summary	Advocate	Explanation	Requested Funds	Links
Easy					
	Town Water feasibility	Stephen Pilcher ACRPC	The Environmental Protection Agency's Clean Water State Revolving Fund and Drinking Water State Revolving Fund both permit planning activities. As the interim rule allows funds to be used for all allowable activities in these funds, yes, planning and design work should be eligible.		
	Town Septic feasibility	Stephen Pilcher ACRPC	same		
	Broadband access		Maple CUD	\$50,000	
	Support local food shelf		Yes - this would be eligible under negative health and economic impacts.		
	Replace income of local no-profit events	Mike New Jane Low	strawberry festival, church dinners, mud bog		
	Digitization of Town Records		Most likely, yes. The State has deemed digitization records to be eligible under previous federal Coronavirus Relief Funding programs. The interim rule references the CRF programs and states in multiple instances that ARPA Local Fiscal Recovery Funding builds on those eligible uses. Further, the guidance allows broad use for mitigating economic impacts of the pandemic. Because access to land records was an issue during the pandemic, this seems to be a reasonable use.		

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	Funding Mentor Programs				
	Reimburse cancelled tax penalty	Stephen Pilcher VLCT		\$6,736	
	Cover administrative costs/grant writing				
	Bristol Rescue	Mark Rickner	Update equipment	\$65,000	<a href="#">Bristol Rescue Squad.pdf</a>
	Monkton Volunteer Fire Department		Update equipment and lost revenue from fundraisers	\$51,879	<a href="#">Monkton Volunteer Fire Department.pdf</a>
	Russell Memorial Library		lost revenue from fundraisers	\$4,000	<a href="#">Russell Memorial Library ARPA Funds.pdf</a>
Medium					
	Conserve/buy forest corridors	Laura Farrell			
	Child Savings Accounts		<a href="#">article link - basic concept is funding kindergartners with \$50 seed deposit and match first \$50 deposited</a>		
	Weatherization Programs				
	Community Solar project				
	Pedestrian/Bike corridors				
	Fund Town Administrator				
	Create Economic Development Fund				

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	Paying Childcare for low-to-middle income		Direct payments		
	make any needed upgrades to Monkton's current parks and recreational areas,		including moving the old school house to the rec field to be used for facility storage, as well as any needed upgrades to fields at there and at Morse park.		
Hard					
	Town run local child care				
	Grant to re-establish General Store		The interim rule states that when providing economic relief to small businesses and non-profits impacted by the pandemic, both loans and grants are eligible uses of the funding.		
	Affordable housing	Sam Burr Stephen Pilcher Mike Hinesdale	In addition, it specifically allows for "building stronger communities through investments in housing and neighborhoods."		<a href="#">Using ARPA for housing.pdf</a>

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	Monkton Museum in old Town Hall	Kristen Farrell	<p>Defray the cost of the building transfer (pay the Town for the building)</p> <p>Perform historically responsible renovations to ready the building to be a museum: including outside work such as painting--given leaded paint, and indoor work such as to upgrades to the heating/cooling systems--with the addition of a heat pump, as well as upgrades needed so it can be insured as a museum.</p> <p>MM&amp;HS museum should be the home of information on cemeteries, people who lived in town, property records with activities, and historical buildings in town. Some sort of permanent electronic record-keeping system should be developed that the town and its committees has access too.</p> <p>This is chance to support the development of a place where Monkton's history is curated for the town for decades to come.</p>		
	Trail around Monkton		<p>During the pandemic there was unprecedented interest in hiking locally and areas became crowded and did not have enough parking</p>		

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	Revolving Community Development Grant		The interim rule states that when providing economic relief to small businesses and non-profits impacted by the pandemic, both loans and grants are eligible uses of the funding. Care should be given to ensure the loan fund is only used for eligible activities throughout the federal grant reporting period (December 2026).		