



SUA-22-IM-02

January 13, 2022

To: AAA Directors

From: Cynthia Brammeier, Administrator  
Gene Hogan, Fiscal Program Manager

Subject: FY21 ARPA Awards

The FY21 ARPA awards from ACL require state and local match. The project period is 4/1/21 through 9/30/24. Nebraska's award is \$7,708,447 covering Title III programs. This is the equivalent of about one year of federal funding. There are about 30 months remaining to spend this award.

The three avenues for match under consideration:

1. Enhanced FMAP savings. Nebraska submitted a proposal in July 2021, and responded to questions regarding the concept. To date, no decision has been made by CMS.
2. Build Back Better Federal legislation waives the match requirement. This is with Congress.
3. Reallocate unspent SFY22 CASA funds for ARPA match for 1/3 of the total ARPA award.

Keep in mind:

1. Match is carved from CASA appropriations to meet federal award requirements on an annual basis.
2. Each agency has unspent CASA funds at this time.

The proposed plan:

1. Award 1/3 of the ARPA funds now, reallocating 5% of SFY22 CASA funds to use as match.
2. Each agency would receive their proportional award of the ARPA funds, based on this percentage.
3. This will require an amendment to the SFY22 awards.
4. A new award of ARPA funds would be issued with the CASA reallocated funds.

This will result in 2 more awards of these funds as follows:

1. Allocate 1/3 of the ARPA funds for FY23, using CASA anticipated for FY23.
2. Allocate 1/3 of the ARPA funds for FY24, using CASA anticipated for FY24.

In summary, at a state level, the awards would total:

	SFY22	SFY23	SFY24
ARPA	\$2,569,483	\$2,569,482	\$2,569,482
CASA as match	\$471,064	\$471,064	\$471,064

By AAA:

	ARP Act Funding								
	Title III-B		Title III-C (1)		Title III-C (2)		Title III-D	Title III-E	
	Fed Allocation	State Match	Fed Allocation	State Match	Fed Allocation	State Match	Fed Allocation	Fed Allocation	State Match
Aging Partners	\$ 152,759	\$ 26,957	\$ 99,625	\$ 17,581	\$ 149,438	\$ 26,371	\$ 14,612	\$ 47,921	\$ 14,094
AOWN	\$ 53,754	\$ 9,486	\$ 35,057	\$ 6,186	\$ 52,585	\$ 9,280	\$ 5,142	\$ 16,863	\$ 4,960
BRAAA	\$ 43,017	\$ 7,591	\$ 28,055	\$ 4,951	\$ 42,081	\$ 7,426	\$ 4,115	\$ 13,494	\$ 3,969
ENOA	\$ 317,846	\$ 56,190	\$ 207,291	\$ 36,681	\$ 310,936	\$ 54,971	\$ 30,403	\$ 99,708	\$ 29,425
MAAA	\$ 62,308	\$ 10,995	\$ 40,635	\$ 7,271	\$ 60,953	\$ 10,856	\$ 5,960	\$ 19,546	\$ 5,849
NENAAA	\$ 90,429	\$ 15,958	\$ 58,975	\$ 10,407	\$ 88,463	\$ 15,611	\$ 8,650	\$ 28,368	\$ 8,343
SCNAAA	\$ 50,233	\$ 8,865	\$ 32,761	\$ 5,781	\$ 49,141	\$ 8,672	\$ 4,805	\$ 15,758	\$ 4,635
WCNAAA	\$ 74,940	\$ 13,225	\$ 48,874	\$ 8,625	\$ 73,311	\$ 12,937	\$ 7,168	\$ 23,509	\$ 6,914
Total	\$ 845,284	\$149,267	\$ 551,272	\$ 97,483	\$ 826,907	\$146,124	\$ 80,853	\$ 265,166	\$ 78,189
Total Federal Allocation	\$	2,569,483							
Total Match	\$	471,064							

If the match is waived through federal legislation, and is no longer required for the awards:

1. Agencies could continue to fund Title III with both ARPA and state dollars as budgeted.
2. Agencies could submit new budgets to redistribute the state CASA dollars within AAA programs as needed.

Action needed from AAAs:

- Respond in writing (a sample is included) to have the SUA redirect 5% of the SFY22 CASA funds to meet ARPA match as indicated above.

Once all 8 AAAs have responded in the affirmative, the SUA will issue amendments and new awards as described in this memo.

Thank you for your consideration on this. It appears to be our best opportunity to issue the awards, and grant access to these funds as intended.

If there is not a consensus from all 8 agencies regarding reallocating the FY22 CASA to meet match requirements for 1/3 of the ARPA funding at this time, the State will issue 1/2 of ARPA in July 2022, and use CASA for the match. The second 1/2 of ARPA awards would be issued in July 2023 with CASA to meet match for ARPA at that time. Of course, if federal action is taken to alleviate this, awards will be issued at that time.

As mentioned, we could hold a conference call to talk through this.

Attachment:

Sample response language

Attachment

(on agency letterhead)

Date

Memorandum

To: Cynthia Brammeier, Administrator, State Unit on Aging

From: AAA Director  
AAA Fiscal Officer (optional)

Subject: ARPA Funding

The \_\_\_\_ would like to accept the ARPA funds awarded by the Administration for Community Living in 2021.

The \_\_\_\_\_ would like to move forward with the ARPA funding proposal presented by the SUA. Please consider this approval to redirect 5% of the SFY22 CASA funds from our agency to meet the match requirements currently in place for the ARPA awards.

I understand if the match requirement is waived through federal legislation or agreement, the agency has a choice to resubmit a new budget and reallocate the funds as needed locally. If the match is provided through enhanced FMAP funds, a journal entry could be utilized to move those funds to other programs within the budget.

All reporting requirements remain in place with these funds, as other programs funded through the SUA.