



CITY OF WINSTON-SALEM, NC

2022 (FY23) FEDERAL ACTION PLAN

ISSUE	ACTION ITEMS
COVID-19 RELIEF AND RECOVERY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support additional flexibility with ARPA Local Relief Funds. • Support ongoing funding to address the expanded impact on mental health caused by the pandemic. • Continue to help small businesses in recovery efforts.
COMPETITIVE GRANTS, CONGRESSIONALLY DIRECTED SPENDING AND SHOVEL READY PROJECTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support all efforts by the City to secure additional federal resources for local priorities. A list of grants and projects requesting federal support will be provided and listed separately as notices for those opportunities, and the criteria for them, are announced.
AFFORDABLE HOUSING and HOMELESSNESS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support federal funding for permanent affordable housing, fair housing, programs that assist housing for veterans, and resources to prevent and end chronic homelessness, including LGBTQ homelessness especially as it relates to youth. • Support programs that help renters move into home ownership. • Federal assistance needed for building inspectors to stay in public sector, which has a huge impact on affordable housing. • Extend HUD audits beyond annually, which is duplicative and costly to local governments.
COMMUNITY, ECONOMIC and WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increase federal investment in job creation, workforce development training, trade training, job placement and apprenticeship programs. • Increase investment in small businesses. • Support reentry programs that focus on areas vital to reintegration back into the community, including employment, education, mentoring, substance abuse, and mental health treatment. • Create code education and workforce development grant opportunity for teaching low-income children computer science. • Fund programs to restore and revitalize underserved neighborhoods and to fight poverty. • Support funding to enhance Historic Districts. • Expand designations in Opportunity Zones Program.

PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE	<p>TRANSPORTATION</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The City requires significant investments in roads, bridges, greenways, public transit and EV infrastructure to maintain safety and environmental standards and needs full congressional support in efforts to pursue every opportunity available as created by the Infrastructure and Investment Jobs Act. • Expand funding for urban circulators, and work to bring passenger rail back to the City. • Expedite release of Federal Transit Administration funds and support flexibility to use for operations.
PUBLIC SAFETY	<p>POLICE DEPARTMENT</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support federal funding to help local law enforcement agencies with crime prevention; community collaboration programs / community policing; forensic science, computer forensics units, and other crime solving technology enhancements; rape kit processing and prosecuting; initiatives to fight human trafficking; and reducing gun violence. <p>FIRE DEPARTMENT</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Direct more competitive grant funding to career fire departments, and provide low- or no-match funding for staffing them. • Streamline and expedite the application and award process for AFG, SAFER and FPS grants.
QUALITY OF LIFE	<p>ARTS AND HUMANITIES</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fund NEA’s programs that enhance access to arts and humanities at the local level. • Set aside funds for African-American historically significant projects. • Create grant opportunity to help low income children learn career options in the arts. <p>PARKS AND RECREATION:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Seek grant funding eligibility for local park and recreation departments to meet Americans with Disabilities Act compliance. <p>HEALTH AND WELLNESS:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support funding for urban infrastructure and community gardens and to combat food deserts, food insecurity and childhood obesity, with access to healthy foods. • Support programs that address the health and wellness of the senior population. • Support programs to treat mental health and oppose efforts to transfer the costs for mental health treatment from the federal government to the local level. <p>EQUALITY</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support human rights legislation, including but not limited to equality and social justice for African-American and LGBTQ people.
UNFUNDED MANDATES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Oppose legislation that imposes unfunded mandates on local government.



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