

Is public/community engagement a requirement of my ARPA award?

"Implementation of the Fiscal Recovery Funds also reflects the **importance of public input, transparency and accountability.**" In addition, the IFR establishes certain regular reporting requirements, including requiring local governments to publish information regarding uses of Fiscal Recovery Funds (ARPA) payments in their local jurisdiction. This means your reporting on use of funds will be open for public viewing, perhaps posted on Treasury's website and others, easily found through search engines. "These reporting requirements reflect **the need for transparency and accountability.**" Treasury urges State and local governments "to **engage their constituents and communities** in developing plans to use these payments, given the scale of funding and potential to catalyze broader economic recovery and rebuilding."