

ARPA Community Survey

1. Are you a Yakima County resident or business owner?

	Count	Percentage
1. I am a Yakima County resident	172	90%
2. I am both a Yakima County resident and business owner	19	10%
3. None of the Above	1	1%
Total:	192	100%

2. What is your age?

	Count	Percentage
1. 18-25 years old	8	4%
2. 26-35 years old	26	14%
3. 36-40 years old	26	14%
4. 41-50 years old	39	20%
5. 51-65 years old	54	28%
6. Older than 65 years old	37	19%
7. No Response	2	1%
Total:	192	100%

3. Please select which city/town in which you reside.

	Count	Percentage
1. Gleeed	2	1%
2. Grandview	5	3%
3. Granger	1	1%
4. Moxee	8	4%
5. Naches	5	3%
6. Outlook	2	1%
7. Selah	41	21%
8. Sunnyside	18	9%
9. Tampico	1	1%
10. Tieton	2	1%
11. Toppenish	3	2%
12. Union Gap	1	1%
13. Wide Hollow	6	3%
14. Yakima	83	43%
15. Zillah	3	2%
16. Outside of Yakima County	1	1%
17. No Response	10	5%
Total:	192	100%

4. Please select at least five areas where Yakima County should invest its ARPA funding (based on the guidance for eligibility provided by the U.S. Treasury Department).

	Count	Percentage
1. Roadway & Sidewalk Improvements	106	13%
2. Public Safety Facilities and Equipment	104	13%
3. Mental Health Assistance	95	12%
4. Substance Abuse	78	10%
5. Infrastructure Investment for Economic Development	63	8%
6. Upgrades to Existing Parks & Trails (Parks and Recreation)	61	8%
7. Improved Broadband/Public WIFI	58	7%
8. Expansion of Water Storage	46	6%
9. Creation of Pocket Parks & River Access	38	5%
10. Mitigation for Infrastructure Improvement Projects	38	5%
11. Increased Green Space	35	4%
12. Increase Access to Clean Water/Water Rights	32	4%
13. Wastewater Upgrades	26	3%
14. Water Main Replacements	23	3%
15. Stormwater Enhancements	10	1%
Total:	813	100%

5. What is your perceived impact of COVID-19 on your community?

	Count	Percentage
1. Mental Health	100	25%
2. Increased Crime	85	22%
3. Substance Abuse/Overdose	65	16%
4. Gang Violence	49	12%
5. Drug Issues in Youth	41	10%
6. Other	55	14%
Total:	395	100%

If you checked "other", please type your answer below.

	Count	Percentage
1. Additional stress to Fire / EMS / Law Enforcement	18	31%
2. Death and long-term illness	6	10%
3. Economic downturn	6	10%
4. Housing	6	10%
5. Politics	4	7%
6. Public safety	4	7%
7. Unemployment	4	7%
8. Lack of outdoor/community activities	3	5%
9. Loss of local businesses	3	5%
10. Domestic violence	2	3%
11. Abandoned pets	1	2%
12. Academic loss	1	2%
13. Mental health	1	2%
Total:	59	100%

6. What is your home-ownership status?

	Count	Percentage
1. Homeowner	166	87%
2. Rent Free	4	2%
3. Renter	20	11%
Total:	190	100%

7. What is your employment status?

	Count	Percentage
1. Full-time	139	73%
2. Part-time	9	5%
3. Retired	37	19%
4. Student	1	1%
5. Unemployed	4	2%
Total:	190	100%

8. [SHORT ANSWER] What are some other uses of ARPA funds that Yakima County should consider that was not listed?

	Count	Percentage
Fire / EMS / Law Enforcement staffing/hazard pay	57	39%
Public safety	15	10%
Roads/sidewalks/bicycle lanes	15	10%
Correction officer staffing/hazard pay	14	10%
Homelessness	6	4%
Adequate County staffing/pay	5	3%
Housing	5	3%
Community/youth activities	4	3%
Capacity building	3	2%
Mental health	3	2%
Animal shelters	2	1%
Assistance for Healthcare facilities	2	1%
Education	2	1%
Build new Sheriff's Office	1	1%
Cyber security	1	1%
DOC repairs	1	1%
Drug & alcohol abuse treatment	1	1%
Foodbanks	1	1%
Hazzard pay for all that worked during COVID	1	1%
Low-income assistance	1	1%
Public transportation	1	1%
Senior support	1	1%
Small businesses	1	1%
Upgrade Courthouse security	1	1%
Well water quality/contamination	1	1%
Total:	145	100%

9. If you are an employer, which of the following statements best describes your current employee situation?

	Count	Percentage
1. I am fully staffed and have no difficulties in finding and retaining employees	8	5%
2. I am fully staffed, but have had difficulties in finding and retaining employees	7	5%
3. I am understaffed and have difficulty finding and retaining employees	22	15%
4. Not applicable to my situation	111	75%
Total:	148	100%