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Senator Jonathan Dismang, Co-Chair
Representative Jeffrey Wardlaw, Co-Chair
Performance Evaluation & Expenditure Review Committee
Arkansas Legislative Council
State Capitol Building
Little Rock, AR 72201

RE: FY 26 American Rescue Plan Act Continuation Request

Dear Co-Chairs:

Pursuant to Section 35 (01 & 02) of Act 1006 of 2025, I am forwarding the attached American Rescue Plan Act Continuation request(s) that have received my approval as Chief Fiscal Officer of the State.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'JL Hudson', is written over the typed name.

James L. Hudson
Cabinet Secretary

Attachment(s)

**CONTINUATION OF DIRECT AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN REQUESTS
FY2026**

ITEM NO.	AGENCY NUMBER	AGENCY NAME	PROGRAM/GRANT NAME	FUNDS CENTER	FUND	FY25 REQ. APPR AS OF MAY 2025	EXPENDITURES AS OF 4/30/25	CONTINUATION AMOUNT	NO. OF POS.	FY25 REVIEW DATE
1.	0480	DOC - Correction	Tucker Water Treatment Plant - Improvements	CC3	FRP4800	3,731,597.00	0.00	3,731,597.00	0	Dec-24
2.	0645	ADH - Health	SNAP for Women, Infants, and Children Modernization Grant	CF7	FRP6456	500,000.00	0.00	500,000.00	0	Sep-25
3.	0395	ADC - ADFA	HOME	AR4	FRP3952	37,249,406.00	2,206,993.00	34,799,293.00	0	Jun-24
4.	0395	ADC - ADFA	State Small Business Credit Initiative	CA6	FRP3951	25,431,805.00	5,943,311.71	16,784,108.00	0	Jun-24
5.	0395	ADC - ADFA	Homeowner Assistance Fund	E33	FRP3950	13,340,349.00	365,925.00	2,756,466.00	0	Jun-24
6.	0645	ADH - Health	Epidemiology/Lab Capacity for Prevention/Control of Emerging Infectious Diseases	CO4	FRP6457	999,844.00	0.00	999,844.00	0	May-25
7.	0710	DHS - DAABH	Older Americans Act - Preventive Health	A05	FPR7147	48,983.00	4,785.00	39,164.00	0	Apr-25
8.	0710	DHS - DAABH	Older Americans Act - Ombudsman	A01	FRP7143	27,792.00	0.00	26,190.00	0	Jun-24, Mar-25
9.	0130	Arkansas Tech University	ALIGN Program	D80	210ARP1	327,208.00	195,227.00	100,000.00	0	Mar-25
10.	0790	ADC - AEDC - Broadband Office	Broadband Capital Projects	CA9	FRP7905	153,464,651.00	39,750,208.00	110,813,220.00	4	Jun-24
11.	0198	Northwest Arkansas Community College	ALIGN Program	D72	220ARP1	656,512.00	0.00	656,512.00	0	Mar-25
12.	0198	Northwest Arkansas Community College	ALIGN Program	D72	220ARP2	2,110,901.00	0.00	2,110,901.00	0	Feb-25
13.	0610	DFA - Budget/Management Services	Family Violence Prevention & Services/Sexual Assault and Rape Crisis	AP1	FRP6102	1,021,384.00	564,813.00	456,571.00	0	Jun-24
14.	0610	DFA - Budget/Management Services	Family Violence Prevention & Services/Domestic Violence Shelter & Supt Svcs	AI2	FRP6101	251,179.00	115,832.00	132,638.00	0	Jun-24
15.	0400	ADA - Agriculture	Resilient Food Systems Infrastructure Cooperative Agreement	BX1	FRP4001	5,613,424.00	27,651.00	5,585,424.00	0	Jun-24
16.	0400	ADA - Agriculture	NAHLN: CO Animal Health Diagnostic Laboratory	BX8	FRP4003	2,000,000.00	441,527.00	1,539,566.00	0	Jun-24
17.	0400	ADA - Agriculture	Arkansas School Garden Project	BW9	FRP4000	555,343.00	110,833.00	441,726.00	0	Jun-24
18.	0145	UA - Little Rock	State Small Business Credit Initiative Technical Assistance Grant Program	D56	201ARPA	450,000.00	195,227.00	265,960.00	0	Jun-24
19.	0145	UA - Little Rock	ALIGN Program	D56	201ARP1	969,200.00	0.00	780,994.00	0	Feb-25
20.	0175	National Park College	HIRED Program	D64	212ARP1	6,000,000.00	0.00	6,000,000.00	0	Jan-25
21.	0710	DHS - DAABH	Adult Protective Services	BZ3	FRP7111	1,815,793.00	287,039.17	1,530,358.00	0	Jun-24, Jan-25
22.	0710	DHS - DDS	Booneville Development Center	BB5	FRP7162	568,150.00	0.00	568,150.00	0	Jun-24
23.	0710	DHS - DAABH	Expanding Public Health Workforce within Aging Network for States	BK2	FRP7113	180,492.00	37,185.00	143,307.00	0	Oct-24
24.	0900	DPHT - Parks and Tourism	State Tourism Grant	AP8	FRP9001	1,552,608.00	215,797.85	1,246,083.00	0	Jun-24
25.	0090	Department of Transportation	Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities Program	BH7	FRP0901	472,024.00	0.00	472,024.00	0	Jun-24
26.	0090	Department of Transportation	Rural Area Program and Rural Transit Assistance Program	BJ2	FRP0902	1,154,271.00	371,142.00	783,129.00	0	Jun-24
27.	0710	DHS - DAABH	Older Americans Act - Home Delivered Meals	AO3	FRP7145	499,014.00	0.00	17,122.00	0	Jun-24
28.	0710	DHS - DAABH	Older Americans Act - Family Caregivers	AO6	FRP7148	221,644.00	76,245.55	64,435.00	0	Jun-24
29.	0129	ASU - Newport	Manufacturing Technician Pathways & Apprenticeship Expansion	D54	229ARP1	250,000.00	0.00	250,000.00	0	Mar-25
30.	0155	UA - Monticello	Arkansas Forest Health Research Center	D58	203ARPA	16,800,000.00	0.00	16,800,000.00	0	Jun-24
31.	0100	Henderson State University	ALIGN Program	D49	209ARP1	761,200.00	0.00	761,200.00	0	Mar-25
32.	0168	UACC - Batesville	HIRED Program	D62	279ARP2	5,000,000.00	121,917.00	4,878,083.00	0	Feb-25
33.	0168	UACC - Batesville	ALIGN Program	D62	279ARP1	368,614.00	124,207.00	244,407.00	0	Mar-25
34.	0192	UACC - Rich Mountain	ALIGN Program	D69	219ARP1	645,850.00	0.00	645,850.00	0	Mar-25
35.	0689	UACC - Morrilton	ALIGN Program	D77	289ARP1	2,024,546.00	0.00	2,024,546.00	0	Feb-25
36.	0710	DHS - DCFS	Community-Based Child Abuse Prevention Grants	AQ2	FRP7122	910,238.00	587,331.44	215,699.00	0	Jun-24
37.	0693	UA - Pulaski Tech	HIRED Program	D79	293ARP1	2,000,000.00	0.00	2,000,000.00	0	Feb-25
38.	0115	SAU - Tech	HIRED Program	D51	217ARP1	5,000,000.00	0.00	5,000,000.00	0	Mar-25
39.	0165	University of Central Arkansas	Aviation Academy	D60	207ARPA	750,000.00	0.00	750,000.00	0	Oct-24
40.	0165	University of Central Arkansas	ALIGN Program	D60	207ARP1	476,100.00	0.00	476,100.00	0	Mar-25
41.	0150	UA - Medical Sciences	ALIGN Program	D57	204ARP1	1,679,566.00	0.00	1,679,566.00	0	Mar-25
42.	0125	ASU - Jonesboro	ALIGN Program	D81	205ARP2	2,598,396.00	0.00	2,598,396.00	0	Mar-25
43.	0193	South Arkansas College	HIRED Program	D70	221ARP1	325,000.00	0.00	325,000.00	0	Feb-25
44.	0685	ASU - Three Rivers	Workforce Facility Expansion	D75	285ARP1	2,819,250.00	0.00	2,819,250.00	0	Feb-25
45.	0675	Black River Technical College	Law Enforcement Training Academy Barracks	D73	275ARPA	4,700,000.00	1,073,090.17	3,626,909.83	0	Jun-24
46.	0128	ASU - Mountain Home	ALIGN Program	D53	282ARP1	625,175.00	388,262.00	236,913.00	0	Mar-25
47.	0160	UA - Pine Bluff	ALIGN Program	D59	202ARP1	1,004,000.00	0.00	1,004,000.00	0	Mar-25
48.	0155	UA - Monticello	ALIGN Program	D58	203ARP1	600,377.62	0.00	600,377.62	0	Jun-24
49.	0190	Phillips CC - UA	HIRED Program	D68	215ARP1	249,000.00	0.00	249,000.00	0	Mar-25
50.	0195	UA - Fort Smith	HIRED Program	D71	216ARP3	4,000,000.00	0.00	4,000,000.00	0	Feb-25
51.	0195	UA - Fort Smith	ALIGN Program	D71	216ARP2	470,589.00	0.00	470,589.00	0	Feb-25

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52.	0195	UA - Fort Smith	ALIGN Program Mercy	D71A	216ARP1	2,033,375.00	0.00	2,033,375.00	0	Feb-25
53.	0115	SAU - Tech - Fire Training Academy	Enhancements/Improvement at Ark. Fire Training Academy	BZ1	217ARPA	5,877,000.00	1,349,897.00	4,527,103.00	0	Jun-24, Jan-25
54.	0125	ASU - Jonesboro	CREST at A-State Careers, Research, Education & Skills Training	D81	205ARP1	7,500,000.00	0.00	7,500,000.00	0	Feb-25
55.	0168	UCCC - Batesville	ALIGN Program	D62	279ARP2	224,334.00	0.00	224,334.00	0	Jun-25
56.	0185	North Arkansas College	ALIGN Program	D67	214ARP1	688,055.71	0.00	688,055.71	0	Jun-25
57.	0193	South Arkansas College	ALIGN Program	D70	221ARP2	396,779.00	0.00	396,779.00	0	Jun-25
58.	0170	UA East Arkansas Community College	ALIGN Program	D63	211ARP1	54,328.00	0.00	54,328.00	0	Jun-25
59.	0120	ASU - Beebe	ALIGN Program	D52	206ARP1	609,860.00	0.00	428,014.00	0	Jun-25
60.	0129	ASU - Newport	ALIGN Program	D54	229ARP2	428,015.00	0.00	428,015.00	0	Jun-25
61.	0192	UA Rich Mountain	ALIGN Program	D69	219ARP2	471,060.00	0.00	471,059.00	0	Jun-25

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1.	0710	DHS - Medical Services	Emergency Aid Relief to Hospitals - Bradley County	AZ5	FRP7178	2,753,472.00	0.00	2,753,472.00	0	Jun-24
2.	0710	DHS - Medical Services	Emergency Aid Relief to Hospitals - Chicot Memorial	AZ5	FRP7178	2,753,472.00	1,376,735.60	1,376,736.00	0	Jun-24
3.	0710	DHS - Medical Services	Emergency Aid Relief to Hospitals - Delta Memorial	AZ5	FRP7178	2,096,000.00	0.00	2,096,000.00	0	Jun-24
4.	0710	DHS - Medical Services	Emergency Aid Relief to Hospitals - Great River Medical Center	AZ5	FRP7178	3,065,625.00	0.00	3,065,625.00	0	Jun-24
5.	0710	DHS - Medical Services	Emergency Aid Relief to Hospitals - Howard Memorial	AZ5	FRP7178	2,753,472.00	0.00	1,376,736.00	0	Jun-24
6.	0710	DHS - Medical Services	Emergency Aid Relief to Hospitals - Magnolia Regional Medical Center	AZ5	FRP7178	1,532,812.00	0.00	1,532,812.00	0	Jun-24
7.	0710	DHS - Medical Services	Emergency Aid Relief to Hospitals - North Arkansas Regional Medical Center	AZ5	FRP7178	1,094,866.00	0.00	1,094,866.00	0	Jun-24
8.	0710	DHS - Medical Services	Emergency Aid Relief to Hospitals - Piggott Community Hospital	AZ5	FRP7178	2,753,472.00	0.00	2,753,472.00	0	Jun-24
9.	0710	DHS - Medical Services	DHS Mental Health & Substance Abuse	CC4	FRP7180	30,000,000.00	7,046,589.00	22,953,411.00	0	Jun-24, Oct-24
10.	0500	ADE - DESE	Literacy, Empowerment, Accountability, Readiness, Networking and School Safety	E65	FRP5010	122,000,000.00	16,214,265.03	122,000,000.00	0	Oct-24,Jun-24
11.	0790	ADC - AEDC	Rural Connect Program	AI3	FRP7903	22,899.00	0.00	22,899.00	1-EH	Jun-24
12.	0810	ADC - DWS - Office of Skills Development	Heightened Industry Readiness through Educational Development Grant Program	CE2	FRP8106	48,002,353.00	3,193,144.41	44,809,209.00	0	Jun-24
13.	0790	ADC - AEDC	Rural Connect Program	AY3	FRP7904	4,676,938.00	206,097.46	1,358,360.00	0	Jun-24
14.	9901	Department of Agriculture	Water Related Projects, Wastewater and Stormwater Projects, Irrigation Projects	AZ1	FRP9901	261,631,736.00	85,582,172.05	169,200,221.00	0	Jun-24
15.	0610	DFA - Budget & Management Services	2023 Victims of Crime Act	BV8	FRP6104	11,845,023.00	7,046,950.31	5,028,912.00	0	Jun-24
16.	0620	DFA - Disbursing Officer	State Fiscal Recovery	AI6	FRP6200	5,696,882.00	2,454,990.83	2,153,653.00	0	Jun-24
17.	0620	DFA - Disbursing Officer	Coalition Against Sexual Assault	AM8	FRP6205	3,145,310.00	1,048,436.50	1,572,655.00	0	Jun-24
18.	0620	DFA - Disbursing Officer	Coalition Against Domestic Violence	AM9	FRP6206	4,140,000.00	2,070,000.00	1,380,000.00	0	Jun-24
19.	0620	DFA - Disbursing Officer	Ozark Rape Crisis Inc	AN1	FRP6207	156,208.00	93,723.99	62,483.00	0	Jun-24
20.	0620	DFA - Disbursing Officer	Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act Consulting Services	BI3	FRP6217	6,793,217.00	4,696,855.00	1,035,860.00	0	Jun-24
21.	0620	DFA - Disbursing Officer	Alvarez & Marsal - Rural Hospital	BJ4	FRP6210	1,777,800.00	837,800.00	340,000.00	0	Jun-24
22.	0620	DFA - Disbursing Officer	CARTI El Dorado	CC8	FRP6218	7,000,000.00	4,181,223.42	2,818,777.00	0	Jun-24
23.	0620	DFA - Disbursing Officer	Mercy Fort Smith	CC9	FRP6219	12,000,000.00	0.00	12,000,000.00	0	Jun-24
24.	9902	ADC - Office of Skills Development	City of Paris Community Center Workforce and Skills Development Grant	BX6	FRP9021	3,800,000.00	980,355.28	2,792,867.00	0	Jun-24
25.	0700	ADE - Higher Education	UCA Aviation Academy	CG5	FRP7001	750,000.00	0.00	750,000.00	0	Nov-24
26.	0900	DPHT - Parks and Tourism	State Park Improvements	BJ9C	FRP9003	9,802,000.00	8,663,957.28	1,129,239.00	0	Jun-24
27.	0900	DPHT - Parks and Tourism	Broadband Infrastructure Needs Within State Parks and Welcome Centers	AP9	FRP9002	1,044,484.00	161,548.27	99,897.00	0	Jun-24
28.	0900	DPHT - Parks and Tourism	Office of Outdoor Recreation - Outdoor Recreation Grants Program	BW1	FRP9004	1,589,000.00	806,483.99	782,517.00	0	Jun-24, Dec-24
29.	0710	DHS - Aging, Adult & Behavioral Health Services	Supporting Evidence-Based Behavioral Health Models	AZ4	FRP7139	2,000,000.00	1,578,214.00	1,308,803.00	0	Jun-24, Oct-24
30.	0710	DHS - Aging, Adult & Behavioral Health Services	Secured Restoration Act 659 Section 3	BJ7	FRP7138	11,886,181.00	0.00	11,886,181.00	0	Jun-24, Oct-24
31.	0950	DPS - Law Enforcement Standards & Training	Construction and Equipment Upgrades	BW2	FRP9500	21,327,363.00	2,962,487.76	17,931,496.00	0	Jun-24
32.	0960	DPS - State Police	Construction and Equipment Upgrades	BW3	FRP9600	20,331,778.00	6,835,261.00	9,947,857.00	0	Jun-24
33.	0960	DPS - State Police	Construction and Equipment Upgrades	CF8	FRP9610	1,200,000.00	446,690.44	753,310.00	0	Sep-24
34.	0990	DPS - Crime Information Center	IT Upgrade	BW4	FRP9900	230,118.00	41,525.45	183,433.00	0	Jun-24
35.	0470	DTSS - Information Systems	State and Local Recovery Funds - Workforce	CE1	FRP470B	11,999,148.00	4,860,472.00	6,900,000.00	0	Jun-24
36.	0790	ADC - AEDC - State Broadband Office	Arkansas Rural Connect Program	AI3	FRP7900	23,611,394.00	0.14	10,074,831.00	0	Jun-24

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The plan amendment provides flexibility to rural hospitals which have not yet met the metrics in their existing sustainability plan to now have an expanded list of defined operational metrics to choose from that better align with their unique circumstances.

Any new metrics selected by hospitals, new tracks, and extended performance timelines will be incorporated into revised sustainability plans and grant agreements. If a hospital achieves the metrics and deliverables of the revised plan and reviews are satisfactorily completed, payment will be made accordingly without further legislative review, up to the amounts already appropriated by ALC.

As noted in the Alvarez and Marsal report dated June 2023, the State of Arkansas has a number of rural hospitals which may have been impacted significantly by the COVID-19 pandemic, increases in the cost of care, and/or reduced revenue. The State retained Alvarez and Marsal to conduct an independent review of the near- and medium-term financial condition and operating performance of Arkansas' rural hospitals to help inform the State's distribution of SFRF support.

Based on the work of Alvarez and Marsal, Department of Finance and Administration (DFA) and Department of Human Services (DHS) worked in collaboration to develop a grant assistance program for qualifying rural hospitals. Payment of the assistance occurred in up to three tranches based on the attainment of operational and financial metrics agreed up by DFA/DHS and the hospitals. The grant awards were approved by ALC in FY 2024.

Based upon feedback from both the hospitals and the consultants, there is interest in amending the program to recognize improvement by hospitals that the self-selected metrics may not adequately reflect. The amendment would allow for the hospitals select a new set of metrics, providing flexibility to the hospitals thus allowing for the next round of payments. These options will not change the amount of funding awarded to the hospitals.

Option 1: Extend the 12-month evaluation period by **six months**, allowing hospitals to meet either the 6-month or 12-month metrics targets **at any time** in the eighteen-month period with a three-month, six-month or twelve-month trailing average to obtain funding tied to the targets.

Option 2: Correct baseline calculation to allow for an equivalent, side by side comparison of the baseline to current operations and to fully recognize improvements made by hospitals in response to the Rural Hospital Sustainability Program.

Option 3: Change one or both selected metrics to any of the five operating metrics listed in the Sustainability Program. Those metrics include Operating Margin, Days in Accounts Receivable, Net, Days Cash on Hand, FTE / Adjusted Occupied Bed and Labor to Net Patient Service Revenue (NPSR). Calculations for these metrics remain the same.

Option 4: Provide any combination of **Option 1**, **Option 2**, and **Option 3** to hospitals.

Option 5: Transition from *Track 2* (Strategic Hospital Improvement) to *Track 1* (Transformative Hospital Reform).

**American Rescue Plan Act
Disbursements to Rural Hospitals
Quarter Ending 1/31/2025**

Total Initial Allocation for Program: 60,000,000.00

Hospital	Allocation Amount	Track 1 % - 50/50	Track 2 % - 20/40/40	Initial Disbursement Date	Initial Disbursement Amount	Second Disbursement Date	Second Disbursement Amount	Third Disbursement Date	Third Disbursement Amount	Total Disbursement Amount	Remaining Disbursement Amount
Arkansas Methodist Medical Center	3,301,356.00	2		10/20/2023	660,271.20	6/25/2024	1,320,542.40	1/2/2025	1,320,542	3,301,356.00	-
Baxter Regional Medical Center	4,589,119.00	2		10/20/2023	917,823.80	6/25/2024	1,835,647.60	1/2/2025	1,835,648	4,589,119.00	-
Bradley County Medical Center	3,441,839.00	2	1	1/26/2024	688,367.80					688,367.80	2,753,471.20
Chicot Memorial Medical Center	3,441,839.00	2		12/15/2023	688,367.80	7/26/2024	1,376,735.60			2,065,103.40	1,376,735.60
Delta Memorial Hospital	2,620,000.00	2		11/17/2023	524,000.00					524,000.00	2,096,000.00
DeWitt Hospital and Nursing Home	1,549,473.00	1		12/15/2023	774,736.50	7/26/2024	774,736.50			1,549,473.00	-
Drew Memorial Hospital	4,926,897.00	1	3	6/22/2023	2,463,448.50	6/13/2024	2,463,448.50			4,926,897.00	-
Eureka Springs Hospital	4,589,119.00	1	2	11/17/2023	2,294,559.50	6/25/2024	2,294,559.50			4,589,119.00	-
Fulton County Hospital	5,000,000.00	1		10/20/2023	2,500,000.00	6/25/2024	2,500,000.00			5,000,000.00	-
Great River Medical Center	3,832,031.00	2		1/26/2024	766,406.20					766,406.20	3,065,624.80
Howard Memorial	3,441,839.00	2		10/20/2023	688,367.80	6/25/2024	1,376,735.60			2,065,103.40	1,376,735.60
Magnolia Regional Medical Center	1,916,015.00	2		11/17/2023	383,203.00					383,203.00	1,532,812.00
Mena Regional Health System	2,737,165.00	1		1/26/2024	1,368,582.50	7/26/2024	1,368,582.50			2,737,165.00	-
North Arkansas Regional Medical Center	1,368,582.00	2		12/15/2023	273,716.40					273,716.40	1,094,865.60
Ouachita County Medical Center	6,077,853.00	N/A	3	9/27/2022	6,077,852.65					6,077,852.65	0.35
Piggott Community Hospital	3,441,839.00	2		11/17/2023	688,367.80					688,367.80	2,753,471.20
South Mississippi County Regional Medical Center	3,441,839.00	1		1/26/2024	1,720,919.50	7/26/2024	1,720,919.50			3,441,839.00	-
<i>Remaining Allocation for Program</i>	<u>283,195.00</u>				23,478,990.95		17,031,907.70		3,156,190	<u>43,667,088.65</u>	<u>16,049,716.35</u>

Footnotes:
1) Hospital sustainability plan has not been finalized for presentation to ALC; finalized and presented to January ALC
2) Originally shown as Track 2 funding in error; 50% of funding has now been released to DHS
3) Disbursements for these hospitals were made in Fiscal Year 2023.