

American Recovery and  
Reinvestment Act of 2009  
(ARRA)

City of Tampa Participation

# Purposes and Principles of ARRA

- Preserve & create jobs & promote economic recovery
- Assist those most impacted by the recession
- Provide investments needed to increase economic efficiency
- Invest in transportation, environmental protection, and other infrastructure that will provide long-term economic benefits
- Stabilize State and local government budgets in order to minimize reductions in essential services

# City of Tampa ARRA Goals

Target stimulus funds toward key projects that:

- Are shovel ready
- Reduce operating costs
- Provide an excellent return on investment
- Save or create jobs
- Improve the environment
- Enhance the quality of life in the City of Tampa

Aggressively pursue federal stimulus and other grant opportunities that may result in additional dollars

# City Grants Team

- Arts & Cultural Affairs
- Chief of Staff
- Economic & Urban Development
- Facilities Management
- Fire Rescue
- Growth Management & Development Services
- Intergovernmental Relations
- Parks & Recreation
- Tampa Police Department
- Department of Public Works
- Revenue & Finance
- Solid Waste
- Stormwater
- Technology & Innovation
- Water

# ARRA Funding Categories

- Formula Allocations
- Competitive Grants
- Low Interest Loans

# Community Development Block Grant – R

- \$1,006,016 Formula Allocation
- Maximize job creation and economic benefit
- Projects should promote energy conservation, smart growth, green building techniques or reduce emissions.
- The City shall give priority to projects that can award contracts based on bids within 120 days of the grant agreement
- The City will utilize current RFP process to determine awards

# Homelessness Prevention

- \$1,538,393 Formula Allocation
- Provides financial assistance and services to prevent individuals and families from becoming homeless and help those experiencing homelessness to be quickly re-housed and stabilized
- Funds provide short- and medium-term rental assistance and housing relocation/stabilization services
- The City released an RFP on May 1, 2009 for non-profits to provide an estimated \$998,031 for homeless prevention and \$423,442 for rapid re-housing

# Energy Efficiency & Conservation Block Grant (EECBG)

- \$3,712,100 Formula Allocation
- Provides federal grants to local governments to reduce energy use and fossil fuel emissions, and improve energy efficiency
- The City must submit an Energy Efficiency and Conservation Strategy

# EECBG Formula Grant Projects

- Comprehensive Greenhouse Carbon Footprint Inventory for the City of Tampa
- Municipal Parking Garage Lighting Upgrades
- Upgrading Traffic Signal Lamps to Light Emitting Diodes (LEDs)
- Citywide Energy Management Projects

# EECBG: Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Inventory

- Inventory government operations and conduct a carbon footprint study of all city-owned operations:
  - Identify and rank greenhouse gas emissions and reductions
  - Identify areas for energy efficiency cost savings
  - Validate the sustainable nature of capital projects to better position the City to receive stimulus funds
- Cost: \$70,000

# EECBG: Municipal Parking Garage Lighting Upgrades Project

- Conversion to high efficiency lighting will reduce electrical use by about 55%
- Additional operational and maintenance savings will result from longer lamp life and standardization of fixtures throughout garages
- **Cost:** \$1.25 Million
- **Savings/Payback:** \$316,000 annually/3 years
- **Schedule** – Bid: Fixture purchase September 2009  
Construction: October 2009  
Completion: December 2010

# EECBG: Upgrading Traffic Signals to LED

- The upgrade of signal bulbs to light emitting diodes (LEDs) provides an average savings in electrical cost of 60-70%
- Long lamp life will provide additional operational & maintenance savings
- **Cost:** \$1.92 million
- **Savings/Payback:** \$365,000 annually/5.25 years
- **Schedule - Bid:** December 2009  
Construction: February 2009  
Completion: February 2010

# EECBG: Energy Management Systems

- Enable the reduction of electrical consumption by optimizing operational hours of lighting, equipment, fresh air usage, and interior space temperatures
- Expected savings range from 10%-25%
- **Cost:** \$472,100
- **Savings/Payback:** Varies, based on locations/projects
- **Schedule** – Bid: January 2010  
Construction: March 2010  
Completion: August 2011

# Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant

- \$1,708,038 Formula Allocation
- Purchase technology hardware and software to support TPD's crime-reduction efforts
- Continued deployment of in-car technology
- Acquisition of criminal data systems to support electronic subpoena delivery, citation reporting and emergency contact notification

# National Endowment for the Arts

- \$50,000 Competitive Grant
- Create or preserve jobs to support the arts
- Applied for funding for two contracted jobs: a project manager and an educator
- Through Lights On Tampa, positions will focus on art components and educational outreach for the Riverwalk, Curtis Hixon Park, and Zack Street

# Edward Byrne Memorial Grant

- \$360,933 Competitive Grant
- Comprehensive Community-Based Data Driven Approaches to Preventing and Reducing Violent Crime
- Submitted through Hillsborough County to continue funding the Middle District of Florida's Comprehensive Anti-Gang Initiative

# Edward Byrne Memorial Grant

- \$2,876,899 Competitive Grant
- To save 30 civilian jobs at the Tampa Police Department for two years
- Retention of the 30 jobs will avoid the use of sworn personnel to accomplish operational support duties

# Florida Department of Environmental Protection Safe Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (SRF)

- \$20,000,000 SRF Loan
- Water Main Replacements in Downtown and Davis Islands
- Project Status: Design and Permitting
- Construction Start: 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter FY 2010

# Florida Department of Environmental Protection Clean Water State Revolving Fund (SRF)

- \$10,000,000 SRF Loan
- Drew Park Drainage Improvements project: Major water quality and flooding initiative component of the Drew Park Community Redevelopment Area (CRA) Master Plan
- Loan will supplement overall project funding from the State, Southwest Florida Water Management District, Drew Park CRA and the City's Utility Tax Fund

# Other ARRA Initiatives

- Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP) \$32 Million
- Transportation – District 7 Formula Allocated Funding (Crosstown Connector) \$105,004,102

# Neighborhood Stabilization (NSP)

- The City of Tampa, the Tampa Housing Authority and Bank of America will submit a joint application requesting \$32 Million in NSP funding for public infrastructure @ ENCORE (Central Park Village)

# Crosstown Connector

- I-4/Lee Roy Selmon Crosstown Connector Project ranked #1 on the MPO's priority list of projects for ARRA formula funds
- This City-supported FDOT project is an elevated roadway providing limited access connection between the Crosstown and I-4 to relieve truck traffic volume from local roadways
- Total funds allocated: \$105,004,102  
(90% of all FDOT District 7 stimulus funding)

# CITY OF TAMPA ARRA SUMMARY

- Allocated Formula Dollars: \$ 7,964,547
- Grant Applications to Date: \$ 3,287,832
- Low Interest Loan Applications: \$ 30,000,000
- Other ARRA Local Benefit Initiatives:
  - NSP \$ 32,000,000
  - FDOT \$105,004,102

# General City of Tampa ARRA Information

- Revenue & Finance Department is coordinating ARRA initiatives
- Contact: Sharon Fox, Tax Revenue Coordinator,  
274-8558
- Recovery Website: <http://Tampagov.net/Recovery>