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ARPA: State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds	Direct allocation of $999M to SC counties; $191M to metropolitan cities; $435 for non-entitlement units	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	Water/sewer/stormwater allowable expenditures expanded and allowable capital expenditures defined under Treasury's Final Rule. Funds available under "revenue loss" eligible use category may be used to meet non-federal cost share or matching requirements of other federal programs (not including Medicaid & CHIP programs). *Additional related funding:* + Emergency Rental Assistance (SC $274M) + HOME Partnership Programs (SC $26M) + CDC Public Health Workforce (SC $31M) + Substance Abuse Prevention & Treatment Block Grants SC $19.2M) + Community Mental Health Services Block Grant (SC $21.5M)
Coronavirus Capital Projects Fund	State filed interest and must provide a plan by Sept. 2022 to receive funds		✓			✓							These funds are available to carry out critical capital projects directly enabling work, education, & health monitoring including remote options in response to public health emergency associated with COVID. SC is eligible to receive $188M for broadband.
ARPA: State Fiscal Recovery Funds	State; awaiting approval from SC General Assembly					✓	✓					✓	Governor's Recommendation: accelerateSC-$491M for broadband expansion; $72.5M for cybersecurity for water/wastewater; $500M for state matching program for water/sewer/wastewater infrastructure grants through RIA; $17M for Disaster Relief & Resilience Reserve Fund
Infrastructure Investment & Jobs Act (IIJA)	Counties may qualify for discretionary grants from USDOT or SCDOT; SRF program funds based on eligibility criteria					✓	✓	✓			✓		State will receive $100M for broadband that requires a 25% match. IIJA authorizes additional broadband funding for USDA, FCC, & NTIA. Additional categories – airports; transit/rail/electric buses; electric vehicle charging; ports/waterways. Water/wastewater/stormwater funds available through SRF program with emphasis on disadvantaged communities, lead service lines & emerging contaminants.
CARES II & Rural Broadband Grant Program	Internet service providers					✓							CARES II - SC General Assembly allocated $10M to ORS on July 1, 2021, to assist internet service providers with the completion of broadband projects. Rural Broadband Grant Program - SC Department of Commerce awarded $30M to service providers in Tier IV counties on July 15, 2021.

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SC Rural Infrastructure Authority: Water & Sewer Grants & Loans	SCRIA has $30M total available to grantees in FY2022						💧						Basic Infrastructure Grants: $21M; Economic Infrastructure Grants: $8M; Regional Feasibility Planning Grants: $1M. Governor's Budget includes $2M for RIA to provide planning and technical assistance to utilities
SC Office of Resiliency: Disaster Relief Fund	SCOR has $44M allocated for this fund; counties can apply in the aftermath of a presidentially-declared disaster										🏠		https://scor.sc.gov/
FEMA's Assistance to Firefighters	Counties can apply		🏥		🏛								Fire safety grants fund critically needed resources to equip and train emergency personnel, enhance efficiencies, and support community resilience.
FEMA's Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Grants (SAFER)	Counties can apply		🏥		🏛								Provides funding directly to fire departments and volunteer firefighter organizations to help them increase or maintain the number of trained, "front line" firefighters available in their communities (recruitment, hiring & retention)
US Department of Agriculture	Counties are eligible to apply for grants and loans					📶	💧		🏢	🏠	🏠		www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/all-programs; additional grant/loan area is solid waste
FEMA's Emergency Management Performance Grants	SC Emergency Management Division										🏠		Focuses on all-hazards emergency preparedness
FCC's Emergency Connectivity Fund	Libraries and schools are eligible to apply for $7.17B					📶							Schools and libraries are eligible to apply to provide the tools and services their communities need for remote learning during the COVID-19 emergency period.

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