Libraries Keep Students Learning and Adults Earning/
American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Grant
from the Idaho Commission for Libraries

https://libraries.idaho.gov/grants-funding/arpa-grant/

ALLOWABLE USE OF FUNDS

In addition to the broad funding priorities/categories described on the grant webpage, the items listed below are some examples of allowable uses of IMLS funds. This list does not include everything that is allowable but provides a few examples.

Assistive technologies	Cabling for computers to allow for social distancing
Chat services	Collaborative tools like Google Suite
Collection development, books & online content	Delivery services and equipment
Hotspots (for checkout in schools and libraries)	Live virtual tutoring services and support
Marketing initiatives tied to this grant	Meeting room enhancements to allow for hybrid meetings
Online summer reading programs	Online registration software (address verification)
Open Education Resources / Textbook affordability initiatives	Outreach support
Personnel to support library operations and/or grant projects	Plexiglass dividers, PPE, cleaning supplies
Portable deployable networks (busses, vans)	Portable routers / network boosters / extenders
Public access computers and software	Remote access to public computers or laptops for remote assistance
RFID, Self-check equipment, sorters	Software and security systems
Studio / A/V production equipment	Translation and bilingual support
Video conferencing software & equipment	Virtual or curbside scheduling software
Virtual programming kits (digital camera, tripod, wireless mic, software)	Virtual reference service
Virtual resume and jobseeker support	Website development
Wireless printing software	Workforce development projects

PLEASE NOTE: An individual equipment item which costs over $5,000 will require ICfL approval prior to purchase; Any services (i.e. Overdrive, etc.) paid for with ARPA grant funds have to end by Sept. 30, 2022 or have the portion of service beyond that period paid for by other funds.

Questions about allowable use of funds for the Learning and Earning/ARPA Grant? Want to run an idea past an ICfL staff member to ensure it meets the criteria? Contact ICfL:

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