

The City of Pueblo excelled in 2020-2021 by establishing a partnership with Pueblo County to create the \$1 Million Reading Challenge. This partnership utilizes ARPA funds to incentivize youth to "catch up" from learning time lost during COVID. Bringing ARPA resources together from both the city and the county also brings together the knowledge and manpower from both organizations to serve the community in the best way possible.

We needed a methodology to prioritize and be compliant. In working with ResourceX, we said, What do we really need to do? This has been an incredible tool. It has been standardized and easy to refer back to. It is a community-driven ARPA process to meet the needs of the recovery from COVID.

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