

# Briefing on American Rescue Plan Act Mental Health Investments

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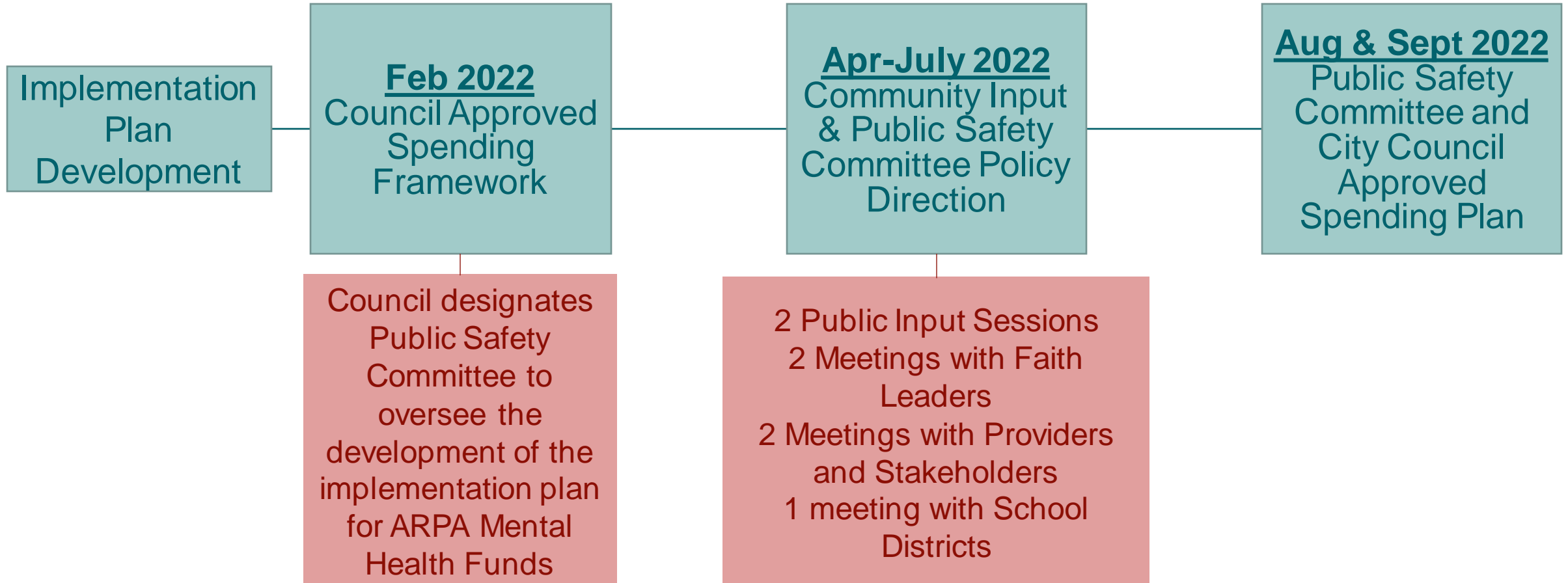




# Presentation Overview

- ARPA Implementation Plan Timeline
- ARPA Mental Health Investments
  - Youth Mental Health
  - Older Adults Mental Health
  - Homelessness and Mental Health
  - Harm Reduction
  - Domestic Violence

# ARPA Spending Framework Development



# ARPA Funding Timeline

A horizontal timeline diagram showing the sequence of ARPA funding events. It consists of five teal boxes connected by a horizontal line. The first box is 'Competitive Solicitation and Contracts'. The second box is 'Nov-Dec 2022 Round 1 Evaluation & Scoring', with a red box below it stating 'Council approves mental health funding recommendations for \$19.3M'. The third box is 'Mar 2023 Round 1 Contracts Begin'. The fourth box is 'May 2023 Round 2 Evaluation & Scoring', with a red box below it stating 'Council approves mental health funding recommendations for \$3.6M with \$1M for consolidated funding'. The fifth box is 'August 2023 Round 2 Contracts Begin'. A wavy teal line is positioned above the timeline boxes.

Competitive  
Solicitation  
and  
Contracts

Nov-Dec 2022  
Round 1  
Evaluation &  
Scoring

Council approves  
mental health  
funding  
recommendations  
for \$19.3M

Mar 2023  
Round 1  
Contracts  
Begin

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Round 2  
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Scoring

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funding

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Round 2  
Contracts  
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## ARPA Mental Health Investments

Youth Mental Health	\$18,000,000
Older Adults Mental Health	\$5,000,000
Homelessness and Mental Health	\$2,563,756
Harm Reduction	\$638,192
Domestic Violence	\$1,000,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$27,201,948</b>

Since  
12/31/23,  
\$6,655,479, or  
24%, has been  
spent



# ARPA Investment: Youth Mental Health

22  
agencies  
awarded

\$18M in  
funding

6 focusing  
on services  
for foster  
care  
involved  
children

Focusing on  
therapeutic  
services for  
youth and  
young adults

12  
providing  
support for  
the whole  
family

2 providing  
specialty  
services to  
children  
with IDD

2 providing  
psychiatric  
services

Expanding  
Metro  
Health's  
Project  
Worth and  
StandUp SA

2 providing  
substance  
use  
interventions



# ARPA Investment: Older Adult Mental Health





# ARPA Investment: Homelessness and Mental Health

4  
agencies  
awarded

\$2.6M in  
funding

2 focusing  
on services  
for foster  
care  
involved  
children

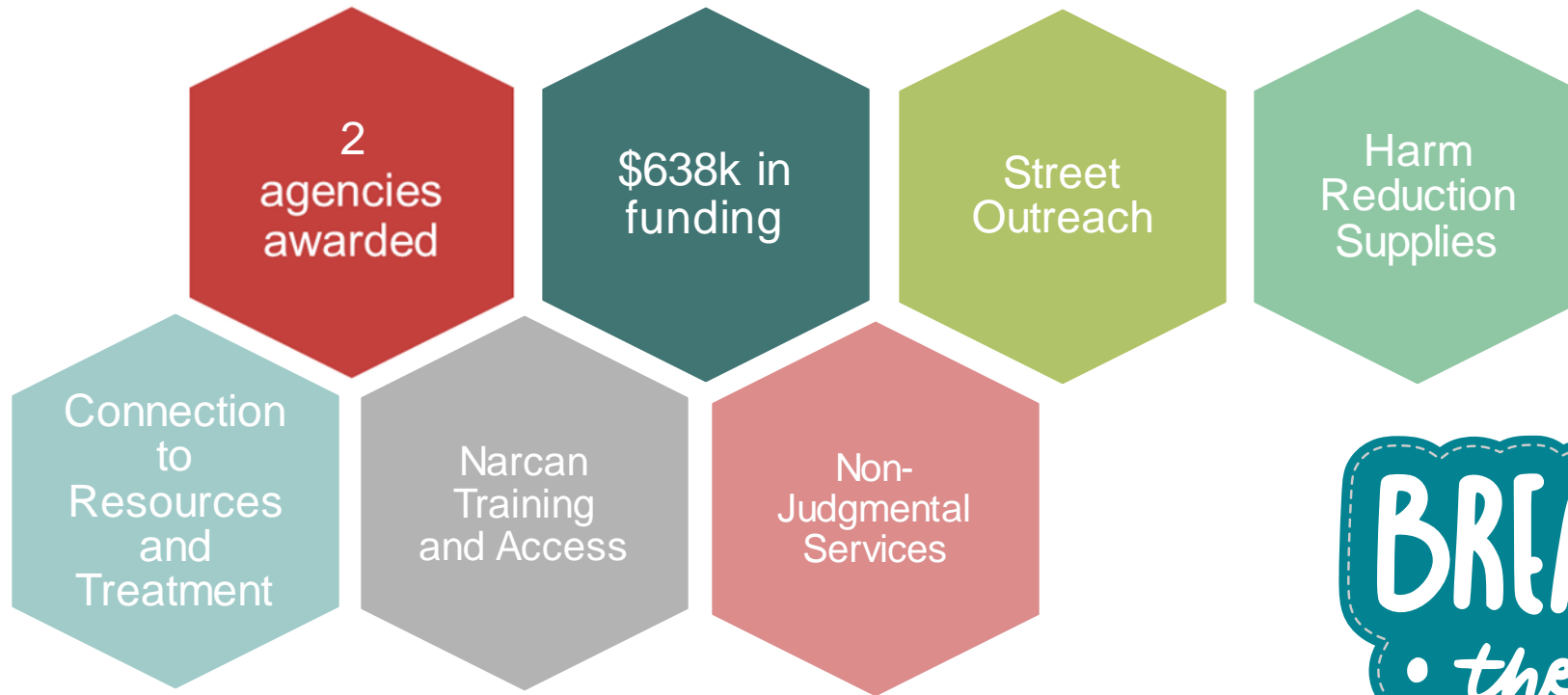
1 focusing  
on acute  
health  
needs of  
the  
unhoused

1 focusing  
on  
services  
for  
Veterans





# ARPA Investment: Harm Reduction



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# ARPA Investment: Domestic Violence

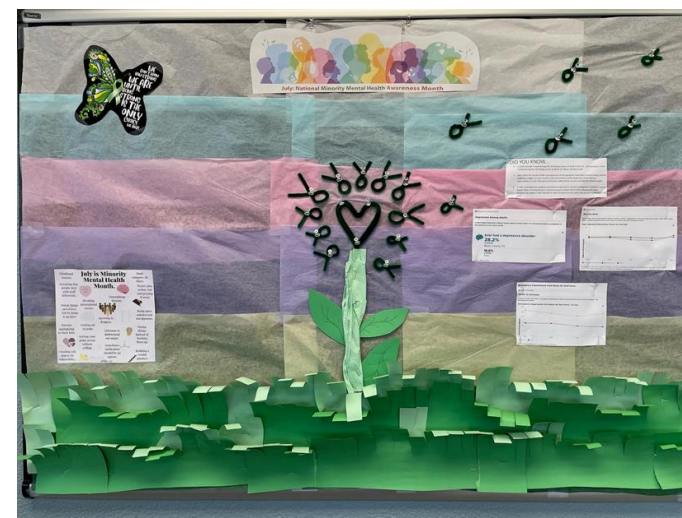
3  
agencies  
awarded

\$1M in  
funding

Domestic  
Violence  
Intervention  
and  
Prevention

Sexual  
Assault  
Crisis &  
Advocacy  
Services

Women's  
and  
Children's  
Shelter



# Standardized Contract Management & Monitoring



Streamlined Contract and Fiscal Monitoring



Performance Metrics that Tie to Equitable Outcomes by  
COVID-19 Impact Area



Quarterly Online Performance Reporting



Technical Assistance As Needed



Onsite Visits and Desk Reviews





# THANK YOU!

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