

# **APS Program Operational Plan: Idaho**

State/Territory/District	Idaho
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Budget Allocation	\$1,995,000
Timeline	AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA) OF 2021- Grant 1
	<b>August 2021 – September 2023</b> \$645,450
	AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT OF 2021 - Proposed Grant 2
	<b>August 2022 – September 2024</b> \$1,349,550
Vision 2025	For vulnerable adult Idahoans to have an informative, visible, reliable, and easily accessible support system to reduce their risk to abuse, neglect, and exploitation.
The Vision clarifies what your ARPA Grant 1 Program	assessment support system to reduce their risk to abase, megicet, and exploitation.
aspires to become and to achieve. It is designed to	
inspire by providing a picture of where the program	
is heading in <b>3-5</b> years.	
Note: If you are a part of a larger organization, does	
it have its own future vision? If so, you may want to	
adapt it to your own program.	



#### **Mission Statement**

Mission and Values statements can be an effective tool to educate the public; state and local government officials; state government agencies; provider agencies; and service recipients as to what the Adult Protective Services is and how they do business.

Mission Statements answer four key questions about your APS Program:

- Who do we serve?
- What needs do they have that we can fulfil?
- How do we meet those needs? How do we make the clients' lives better?
- Does it link directly to the Vision Statement?

**Note**: if you are a part of a larger organization, does it have its Mission Statement? If so, you may want to adapt it for your own program.

To lead system creation and network coordination to support vulnerable Idahoans who are at risk for abuse, neglect, and exploitation and to provide support to family and informal caregivers of individuals served by Adult Protective Services.



### **Guiding Principles / Core Values**

Guiding Principles or Core Values guide internal processes and client interactions for your APS Program.

**Note**: if you are a part of a larger organization, does it have its own set of Guiding Principles or Core Values? If so, you may want to adapt it for this program.

- 1. Consumer Focus responsive, self-determination
- 2. Best Business Decision cost effective, sustainable
- 3. Integrity transparency, courage, accountability
- 4. Continual Improvement proactive, evidence based
- 5. Teamwork and Partnerships advocacy, optimism
- 6. Respect culturally appropriate, voice and choice



#### **Goals for Program Improvement**

These are goals to be obtained in order to move your APS program from current practices to your Vision.

Now that you have new funds targeted for your work with APS, what can be enhanced or improved in your current program? These goals must meet the APS Formula Grant requirements. It is recommended these goals become SMART goals (specific, measurable, actionable, and timely).

Using the results of your Environmental Scan, identify key issues that need to be addressed during this planning cycle.

These are goals to move your APS Program from current practices to your Vision #1.

Goal 1: Increase APS staff self-efficacy, job satisfaction, and worker retention.

Goal 2: Strengthen support systems to overwhelmed caregivers of vulnerable adults.

Goal 3: To improve the experiences, health, well-being, and outcomes of individuals served by the Idaho APS.

Targeted Impro	vement Projects				
Purpose/Needs to be filled by ARPA Funds	Inputs (Resources Deployed)	Activities	Outputs from Investment	Short-Term Outcomes	Long-Term Outcomes
			PROJECT 1		
Provide APS clients with goods and services necessary improve their safety, support, and stabilization.	\$985,000.00 of ARPA- Round 1 & 2 funding will support this statewide pilot project for the delivery of APS Intervention Aid to APS clients.	The purchase of goods and services will be made to improve the safety and stabilization needs of APS clients who are at high risk of a crisis or are currently in a crisis.	Each Area Agency on Aging will assign an APS Intervention Aid Project Lead and other project support staff need to accomplish the tasks of this pilot.  Develop a AAA Internal- APS Intervention Aid Procedures Manual that includes the intervention Aid Parameters.  Through Investigation and Prevention services, APS staff will identify APS clients with unmet needs	<ul> <li>AAA-APS Project         Leads and other         necessary APS         project support staff         will be         selected/hired         statewide to ensure         success of this         project while still         being able to fulfill         requirements and         tasks of the APS         program as they         relate to         Investigation and         Prevention services.</li> <li>APS capacity will be         expanded during the         funding period to         accomplish project         goals.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>APS staff will experience greater self-efficacy, job satisfaction, and longer worker retention.</li> <li>APS clients will experience a strengthened support system, improved experiences, and reduced risk because of APS Intervention Aid.</li> <li>APS staff will have access to a pool of funding to meet the emergent needs of APS clients that were previously unable to be fulfilled due to lack of available funds and community resources.</li> <li>A final draft Manual including rules and guidance will be developed for APS Intervention Aid. This draft will incorporate</li> </ul>

			that put them at high risk of a crisis or who are currently in a crisis that will likely affect their health, safety, or wellbeing.  APS clients who are identified as having unmet needs that are necessary for their safety and/or stabilization will have those needs fulfilled through the purchase of goods and services.	<ul> <li>A first draft Manual will be developed for APS intervention Aid.</li> <li>APS project staff will be supported with rules and guidance by way of a manual developed for the implementation of this project.</li> <li>APS staff will feel more empowered, experience greater self-efficacy, and job satisfaction through meet the needs of APS clients with Intervention Aid.</li> </ul>	changes based on lessons learned throughout the project period.  Necessary goods and services will be purchased to reduce or mitigate the risk of APS clients. Self-direction of APS clients will be supported in this process.
			PROJECT 2		
Provide for APS clients' legal needs and APS client family caregivers needs for legal services to support the APS	\$115,000.00 of ARPA- Round 1 funding will support the development and implementation of a program service to support APS clients' legal	The ICOA will contract with Idaho Legal Aid to increase the legal support to vulnerable adults experiencing abuse, neglect,	Increase the general legal knowledge about issues of vulnerable adult and senior abuse, neglect, and financial exploitation, so more vulnerable adults and seniors experiencing	<ul> <li>Referrals of APS         clients and unpaid         APS client caregivers         will be accepted via         the online Idaho         Legal Aid Risk         Detector</li> <li>Written materials         for distribution to</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Vulnerable Adults and their caregivers will have a strengthened legal support system that will improve experiences and outcomes with regard to their legal needs.</li> <li>The general legal education and outreach information will</li> </ul>

clients they	needs and APS	or financial	abuse, neglect, or	vulnerable adults,	be increased regarding issues
care for.	client family	exploitation and	exploitation, and their	seniors, and their	of vulnerable adult and senior
	caregivers with	to the	caregivers can help	caregivers will be	abuse, neglect, and financial
	legal services to	overwhelmed	themselves or avoid	produced.	exploitation.
	support the APS	family	problematic scenarios	<ul> <li>New materials will</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Direct legal support will be</li> </ul>
	clients they care	caregivers of	altogether.	be developed, and	available to APS clients
	for in partnership	APS clients.		current materials	experiencing abuse, neglect,
	with Idaho Legal		Provide direct support	will be updated and	or financial exploitation and to
	Aid.	Idaho Legal Aid	to APS clients and	distributed via ILAS	the overwhelmed family
		will provide	their overwhelmed	Senior Legal	caregivers of APS clients.
		direct legal	caregivers by	Guidebook to	<ul> <li>Cases of vulnerable adult</li> </ul>
		services and	Increasing the legal	seniors, their	maltreatment will be
		increasing the	support to vulnerable	caregivers, and	identified at earlier stages,
		private attorney	adults experiencing	senior practitioners.	when prevention action can
		capacity to	abuse, neglect, or	<ul> <li>Online educational</li> </ul>	be taken rather, rather than
		serve exploited	financial exploitation	materials for	reactive, emergency action.
		vulnerable	and to the	vulnerable adults,	The partnership between APS
		adults.	overwhelmed family	seniors, and their	and Idaho Legal Aid Services
			caregivers of APS	caregivers will be	statewide will be strengthened
		Idaho Legal Aid,	clients.	developed.	through: cross training, an
		Area Agencies		<ul> <li>Self-help forms and</li> </ul>	MOU on information sharing
		on Aging, and	Screen 25% of APS	guides for common	across teams, a standardized
		ICOA will	clients statewide and	legal needs	direct referral procedure,
		collaborate to	10% of caregivers of	following abuse,	advice regarding legal issues
		identify	APS clients for	neglect, or financial	provided to APS workers by
		vulnerable adult	potential legal risk	exploitation will be	Idaho Legal Aid attorneys.
		maltreatment	using the Legal Risk	developed	
		earlier.	Detector.	<ul> <li>Statewide outreach</li> </ul>	
				and education to	

		Partnerships between APS and Idaho Legal Aid Services and ICOA will be strengthened so that clients are better-served, and cases are resolved more smoothly and efficiently.	Utilize a direct referral procedure for 100% of project referralsenabled through the Legal Risk Detector- to ensure direct flow-up with individuals screened for and presenting with legal risk.  Partnerships will be strengthened between agencies with similar goals to ensure vulnerable individuals are better	senior and APS stakeholders will be provided (as permitted by the pandemic) by providing 45-minute "Legal Responses to Abuse, Neglect, and Exploitation" trainings across the state.	
			served.		
			PROJECT 3		
Provide care coordination /case management service to reduce the risk of maltreatment to APS clients who are cared for by overwhelmed	\$150,000.00 of ARPA- Round 1 & 2 funding will support a contract with Area Agency on Aging 3 to pilot a project for the development of an APS Caregiver-	The ICOA will partner with the Area Agency on Aging 3 to develop, pilot, and support a statewide demonstration of the Caregiver- Care	This project efforts will:  Seek to reduce the risk of maltreatment to APS clients who are cared for by overwhelmed unpaid caregivers.	<ul> <li>An APS Caregiver- Care Coordination service will be piloted by Area Agency on Aging 3.</li> <li>Consumer Directed service will be piloted in PSA 3 for APS clients and</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>An APS Caregiver- Care         Coordination Directed service         will be implemented and         demonstrated statewide at         the Area Agencies on Aging         level.</li> <li>Consumer Directed service will         be demonstrated statewide         for APS clients and caregivers         of APS clients.</li> </ul>

unpaid	Care	Coordination	Increase the capacity	caregivers of APS	AAA-staff statewide will
caregivers	Coordination	service. This	of unpaid	clients.	receive training for the
support and	service and	service will	overwhelmed	AAA-APS Project	implementation of the APS
stabilization of	supports	include case	caregivers through	Lead and other	Caregiver-Care Coordination
APS clients.	necessary to	management	targeted Care	necessary APS	service and Consumer
	implement a	and consumer	Coordination Service	project support staff	Directed service.
	statewide	directed	to unpaid caregivers.	will be in place to	<ul> <li>A final draft Guidance / Policy</li> </ul>
	demonstration of	services to		ensure success of	and Procedure for the Idaho
	the APS Caregiver	increase the	Deliver case	the pilot project.	APS Caregiver Care
	Coordination	capacity of	management and	A first Draft	Coordination service will be
	Service.	unpaid	consumer directed	Guidance / Policy	complete.
		caregivers. This	services to reduce	and Procedure for	<ul> <li>Marketing, information, and</li> </ul>
		intervention will	stress, burden, and	the Idaho APS	education resource materials
		seek to reduce	early burnout, to	Caregiver- Care	will be developed.
		stress, burden,	overwhelmed	Coordination service	<ul> <li>The Idaho GetCare-APS data</li> </ul>
		and early	caregivers and	will be written.	management system will be
		burnout, to	minimize the	A first draft	enhanced to fully support the
		overwhelmed	associated risks of	Consumer Directed	statewide implementation of
		caregivers and	maltreatment to APS	Service process will	the APS Care-Coordination
		the associated	clients they care for.	be developed for	and Consumer Directed
		risks of		APS clients and	services.
		maltreatment to		caregivers of APS	
		the Adult		clients.	
		Protective		Guidance will be	
		Services clients		developed for APS	
		they care for.		staff for use when	
				implementing the	
				Consumer Directed	
				service option with	

State Unit on Aging APS Plan Implementation	\$415,750.00 of ARPA- Rounds 1 & 2 will fund the SUA expenses for implementation of the Operational Plan.	The ICOA will Implement and manage the Operational Plan projects, contracts, and budget. ICOA will communicate with ACL project support staff	PROJECT 4  This project efforts will:  >Implement a plan to enhance, improve and expand the ability of Idaho APS to investigate allegations of abuse, neglect, and exploitation.	<ul> <li>APS clients and caregivers of APS clients.</li> <li>An Operational Plan including the budget will be created and submitted to ACL.</li> <li>Contracts will be put in place as necessary executed to carry out projects for the Plan.</li> <li>ARPA funds will be monitored.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>The 6 Projects of the         Operational Plan to improve         and enhance Idaho's APS         system at the state and local         level will be complete.</li> <li>Semiannual federal financial         reports and annual program         reports related to activities         performed will be provided to         ACL.</li> </ul>
		and provide required reports.	>Develop, implement, and deliver programs consistent with the authorizing legislation including costs associated with the projects identified in the Operational Plan.		

Provide dedicated automobiles to conduct the work of APS statewide.	\$326,250.00 of ARPA- Round 2 funding will fund the purchase of up to 6 dedicated APS automobiles statewide and automobile and associated costs as funding allow.	ICOA will enter contracts with Idaho Area Agencies on Aging to provide funding for the purchase of automobiles that will be dedicated for APS use.	Project 5 efforts will:  Increase companyowned automobiles for statewide APS use in conducting work.  Increase APS workforce safety and protection by minimizing the use personal automobiles for transportation for work purposes.	<ul> <li>Contracts will be put in place with each AAA to make funding available for the purchase of one automobile and associated costs as funding allows.</li> <li>AAAs will have one automobile strictly dedicated for the use of APS work.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>APS staff will experience greater feelings of job safety and job satisfaction by knowing that investments are being made to support them in their daily work, their safety and to minimize expenses incurred by extended use of their own automobiles for work.</li> <li>APS staff will have less out of pocket expense due to work related maintenance and wear on to their own personal automobiles.</li> </ul>
		<u> </u>	PROJECT 6		
Better equip Idaho APS with resources to minimize their safety risks and better inform APS clients.	\$3,000.00 of ARPA- Round 2 funding will fund the purchase of materials that are focused to increase professionalism, personal safety and maintain	ICOA will:  Design, print, and deliver an Idaho standardized APS Identification card to each APS worker.	Project 6 efforts will:  Provide for an official Idaho APS Identification Card to 100% of APS staff statewide.	<ul> <li>APS staff will receive an official APS identification card and carry it 100% of the time while working in the field.</li> <li>APS staff will have a more professional look with identification that is</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>APS staff will no longer have to present their personal ID/drivers license to show identification to an APS client, facility workers, or other community partners. This is added safety protection of personal information for the APS worker.</li> </ul>

privacy of APS while working in the field.		standard and known to the community.	<ul> <li>APS clients, their caregivers, and community partners will feel more at ease when engaging with APS staff who carry a professional/standard identification card.</li> </ul>

## **Budget / Spending Plan for ARPA funds** – Semi-annually for 3 to 5 years

Budget/Spending Plan will be used to enhance, improve, and expand the ability of APS workers to investigate allegations of abuse, neglect, and exploitation. Be sure to use separate line items for each major improvement project.

Operational Plan Submission due by January 31, 2022.

ARPA 1- First Grant Allocation - August 2021 - September 2023

	Description	2022 Period 1		2022 Period 2		2023 Period 1	2023 Period 2	Total
Project 1	APS Intervention Aid / Goods and Services	\$	-	\$ -	-	\$ 246,250.00	\$246,250.00	\$ 492,500.00
Project 2	APS Legal Support	\$	-	\$ -	-	\$ 37,500.00	\$ 37,500.00	\$ 75,000.00
Project 3	APS Caregiver Care Coordination	\$	-	\$ -	-	\$ 37,500.00	\$ 37,500.00	\$ 75,000.00
Project 4	SUA APS Plan Implementation	\$	-	\$ -	-	\$ 1,475.00	\$ 1,475.00	\$ 2,950.00
Total						\$ 322,725.00	\$322,725.00	\$ 645,450.00

ARPA 2- Second Grant Allocation - August 2022 September 2024

	Description	2023 Period 1	2023 Period 2	2024 Period 1	2024 Period 2	Total
Project 1	APS Intervention Aid / Goods and Services	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 246,250.00	\$246,250.00	\$ 492,500.00
Project 2	APS Legal Support	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 40,000.00
Project 3	APS Caregiver Care Coordination	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 37,500.00	\$ 37,500.00	\$ 75,000.00
Project 4	SUA APS Plan Implementation	\$103,200.00	\$103,200.00	\$ 103,200.00	\$103,200.00	\$ 412,800.00
Project 5	APS Dedicated Automobiles	\$ 326,250.	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 326,250.00
Project 6	Idaho APS ID	\$ 3,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,000.00
Total		\$432.450.00	\$103,200.00	\$406,950.00	\$406,950.00	\$1,349,550.00

# Summary of ARPA 1 + ARPA 2 Expense

	2022 Period 1	2022 Period 2	2023 Period 1	2023 Period 2	2024 Period 1	2024 Period 2	Total
Summary	0	0	\$755,175.00	\$425,925.00	\$406,950.00	\$406,950.00	\$1,995,000.00