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# Lane County faces serious blood supply shortage

SPRINGFIELD, Ore. – PeaceHealth is asking the Lane County community to roll up their sleeves and make a blood donation as soon as possible. Due to difficulties posed by COVID-19, there have been fewer blood drives this year. As a result, Lane County faces a serious shortage of blood supply.

“We encourage anyone who is able to schedule an appointment and visit a blood donation site in this critical time,” said Lisa Corbett, transfusion supervisor at PeaceHealth Sacred Heart Medical Center at RiverBend. There is an especially short supply of type O positive and type O negative blood. Donors with those blood

types are being fast-tracked for appointments but all are welcome and encouraged to donate. Donation appointments at the Bloodworks Northwest Eugene donation site (2211 Willamette Street) can be made by calling 541-484-9111 or by visiting bloodworksnw.org/donate.

## ARPA from A1

sector revenue, using this funding to provide government services to the extent of the reduction in revenue experienced due to the pandemic

- Providing premium pay for essential workers, offering additional support to those who have borne and will bear the greatest health risks because of their service in critical infrastructure sectors
- Investing in water, sewer, and broadband infrastructure, making necessary investments to improve access to clean drinking water, support vital wastewater and storm-water infrastructure, and to expand access to broadband internet.

Transportation and road projects, however, are not included under eligible expenditures, which was a sticking point in some of the workshop's discussion. In the workshop, City Manager Richard Meyers suggested some projects which were considered long-term investments for the community.

Races.” The funds could also pay for local business' advertising in the Lane County visitor's guide. Another project on the table was the drying of biosolids at the wastewater treatment plant for sale to reduce utility costs for ratepayers. In addressing homelessness, Meyers brought up the possibility of using a 1.5-acre piece of property the city has recently purchased at 443 N Douglas Ave. Other projects already in motion and initially funded through last year's CARES Act money such as public sanitation efforts, public building air filtration and the permanent continuation of virtual public meetings are already marked to be funded with the ARPA dollars. Councilor Greg Ervin said one area he would like to the use of funds was in aid for travel, tourism and hospitality. “I have an overwhelming sense that we need to do something visible and impactful for all the residents that will effect everybody and bring up some pride in the town, some appreciation for where we live,” he said. “Beautification is a word that's coming to mind over and over.” He also referenced the city's Housing Needs Analysis committee which pointed to a need for community hubs and enhancing “walkability” through town. He suggested a campaign to bring a community-engaged projects to work on sidewalks and other areas of beautification. The trick, Meyers responded, would be to find ways to make those projects fall under the umbrella of “tourism”. Ervin posited that, in

satisfying the criteria for addressing climate change, improving the walkability of Cottage Grove could potentially decrease vehicle traffic. He said he was also in favor of finding a way to invest in enhancing local food options. “But I hope we really avoid throwing money at things,” he said. Ervin asked for an analysis of the biosolid investment and the return rate-payers might see because “That's as visible, impactful and long-lasting as it gets,” he said. Councilor Candace Solesbee was also in favor of beautification projects and voiced her support for South Lane Mental Health to step into a support role for emergency responders. Councilor Mike Fleck approved of the suggestion of investing in biosolids. He also said he would like to see something along the lines of an Opportunity Village model which could move disadvantaged people into a managed environment and create upward mobility. While he supported the Mobile Crisis Response program, he worried about sustainability of the program once ARPA funds run out. Councilor Chalice Savage said she was on board with ideas such as the biosolid project, but cautioned it would have to demonstrate real return for the community. She said she was also in favor of beautification projects and the Mobile Crisis Response team. Councilor Kenneth Roberts asked whether local farms could benefit from the funds. “It would be nice to have a bigger supply of local food,” he said.

He also suggested investing in innovative housing ideas such as turning commercial properties in residential, developing a strategy for affordable housing for trade workers and stabilizing renters and homeowners. Roberts said he was interested in finding a way to uniquely address homelessness in the area and turn lives around. “I think it's going to take bold and innovative decisions and I think some of this money can be used for that,” he said, citing his own success in a transitional program. “It can be done with the right people involved.” Councilor Jon Stinnett was in favor of the beautification campaign idea, suggesting it start downtown and expand to other parts of town. “Something that showcases the benefit of keeping the place up and being proactive in keeping things clean,” he said. Stinnett was also strongly in favor of improving broadband opportunities which could contribute to the increase in the virtual workforce. “I also like the idea of spending money to work on the homeless issues that we have,” he said. Mayor Jeff Gowing echoed his support for improving local broadband connectivity and also recommended installing public exercise equipment along trails such as the Row River Trail. As the workshop wrapped, Meyers said staff would start putting plans together and would come back to the council as bigger projects came up.

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