**ARPA Fund Projects Request**

Deadline: June 30, 2022

About The American Recovery Plan Act (ARPA)

ARPA funds, passed from the federal government through the states to local governments, may fund projects that include maintenance of old infrastructure or building new infrastructure; protection and modernization of cybersecurity infrastructure; environmental remediation; and the provision of police, fire, and other public safety services. In other words, the program provides local governments with the resources to:

* Maintain vital public services
* Build a strong, resilient, and equitable recovery from the pandemic by making investments that support long-term growth and opportunity

Hardwick will receive $855,000. The Selectboard has allocated $500,000 to upgrading the 50 year old waste water treatment plant (WWTP) — about 17% of the total cost of that project. Much of the non-agricultural economic activity and nearly all the educational activity in the Town of Hardwick happens in Hardwick village which the WWTP serves, so helping the WWTP helps virtually everyone in the Town directly or indirectly.

ARPA regulations require that the Selectboard spend the remaining $355,000 by the end of 2026.

**The Requestor**

Name of requestor \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Name of Organization, if applicable \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Contact information — email and phone:

**The Project**

Describe the project (or attach a description)

What is the timeline for the project? When will the ARPA funds be needed? (Note that the Town must spend all funds by the end of 2026.)

What has the requestor already done toward making this dream/vision a reality? (or attach a description)

What is the budget for this project? (or attach a budget)

Does the requestor have funds already “in reserve” for this project so that ARPA funds could complete its funding needs?

How much money has the requestor raised?

How much money has the requestor applied for but has not yet heard about?

Do does this project already receive funds from the Town budget? If so, how much for FY 2023?

What other funding sources have has the requestor identified? (or attach a description)

What will happen to this project if it does not receive ARPA funds?

**The Impact of the Project**

How will this project benefit the Town and/or its residents? (or attach a description)

When this project is completed, what short-term and long-term maintenance requirements will it have? (or attach a description)

Who will maintain it?

What proportion of Hardwick’s residents will feel the impact directly? \_\_\_\_\_\_ (This need not be a precise count.)

What proportion of Hardwick’s residents will feel the impact indirectly? \_\_\_\_ (This need not be a precise count.)