

Timestamp	Please provide suggestions on how you think the Town of Richmond should allocate our ARPA funds.
8/23/2022 16:43	Town Center improvements
8/23/2022 17:19	Infrastructure for affordable housing - extending water/sewer services, creation of pedestrian and bike connectivity Creation of an Affordable Housing Trust Fund whereby affordable housing projects can apply for capital funding from the Town to use to develop housing.
8/23/2022 19:05	Public enclosed Ice Rink or Public Pool
8/24/2022 20:57	Sidewalk up to Valley View Rd., mountain bike pump track, swimming pool, ice rink
8/25/2022 17:00	2 Tennis Courts at Volunteers Green. Jericho, Hinesburg, Charlotte, Waterbury, Williston, Essex, etc, basically every town around us has courts except us!
8/26/2022 8:32	1. widen Cochran Road to allow for a bike/runner lane on both sides of the road; 2. redo/fix sidewalks on lower Bridge Street (and elsewhere in town that have uneven sidewalks) Not knowing the exact guidelines for the use of the funds, I would like to suggest the following: Use the funds to improve on the landscape of the properties owned by the Town of Richmond. The Town has not done a good job maintaining, other than mowing, the landscape around the Town Center, Volunteers Green, the Round Church Green and along Bridge ST and Main St. #1 In the early 1980's, a landscape plan as drawn up for the area around the bandshell at Volunteers Green. For a number of years this area was maintained by volunteers, myself included. As volunteer time became scarce, this area got out of control with weeds, suckers on the crabapple trees, overgrown shrubs, etc. Every now and then #2 Develop a plan for the continued use and maintenance of the rest of Volunteers Green which would include sprucing up the restrooms and concession stand and having a pavilion built that could be used for group functions and the Farmers Market. The FM is now crowded up by the bandshell and causes degradation to that area with the #3 The Round Church is a historic building and a tourist attraction. Many tourist stop by to see the church during the summer and fall, The Historical Society does a good job keeping the church maintained. However, the Round Church Green belongs to the Town and is need of an upgrade. The grass is in poor shape and is in need of being #4 The area around the library and Town Center were nicely landscaped years ago when they became used as town facilities. Little effort, other than mowing or by volunteers, has been made to keep these areas weed free and looking nice. Of particular note right now is the area in front of the Post Office. This area is overgrown with weeds I would agree in part with our Highway Department head that Highway should not be responsible for keeping our Town properties landscaped. However, right now, Highway is all that we have available to address some of these concerns and its involvement seem decreases each year.
9/9/2022 20:56	3: I would like to add that when I was guiding at the Round Church recently I noticed that the Cochran monument is in need of a good cleaning. [1]
8/28/2022 19:50	Hi- not sure of the process with input but here are a few ideas that I have: Beautification of the down town area is needed. Funds to give the library a face lift is needed-design an outdoor meeting spot there in the back for groups to meet. Love to see a project for more river access--perhaps behind the band stand to allow folks to have a sit
8/28/2022 21:38	Multituse paths (walk/jog/run/bike) on or beside major roads (route 2, hinesburg, huntington, cochran, etc) safely _away_ from motorized traffic to allow for non-motorized travel into downtown (and to the bus at the park and ride) and allow for people living downtown to travel out of of town to reach natural areas (particularly those owned by t
8/29/2022 7:03	3: Continue to improve sidewalk & curbs for safer walking opportunities for families (main street, bridge street), improved street light would be wonderful, additional parking
8/29/2022 11:36	Create sidewalk from the Southview neighborhood to Richmond Elementary School.
8/31/2022 10:11	As a former member of the Transportation Committee, I believe the funds could be used for the following projects: Project 1. Develop the river walk into a bike / hiking trail that goes from the green, along the river, and then across the agricultural land to the Park and Ride. Project 2. Develop the Richmond CBD streetscape. New signage, lighting, brick pavers, street trees, and benches. As a Landscape Architect, I have several design ideas for both projects
9/2/2022 7:28	2: A few ideas: #1 Bike/pedestrian path from the Village to the Park and Ride. We can and should figure this out! If we could do only one thing, this should be it. #2 Develop more parking at peak recreational areas - Jonesville Bridge, Dugway Road. Do not rely on private landowners to solve the problem. #3 Tennis courts/pickleball courts. Pickleball is super popular, and an important Senior Center activity. Would complete making Richmond a total recreational draw. #4 Improve parking at Volunteer's Green area. Recreational and Farmer's Market need outstrips capacity. We can make better parking all along the road along the green through some widening, and could reconfigure to get more parking.
9/3/2022 21:13	2: I'd like to suggest that we become the first town in Vermont to cover 100% of our municipal electric bills with local renewables by investing the full ARPA amount in local solar and providing an annual municipal tax break to Richmond residents with the savings (or leveraging those savings to continue to invest in other ways in our town).
9/6/2022 9:49	5: A pool at the elementary and middle school or tennis courts I would love to have a Richmond Community Center with a pool, and a gym perhaps with an indoor track. Room for community gatherings and perhaps a space for a small Richmond museum of some type. Space for a senior center (with our active CSC) having more that just an office. Big dream! Any help needed for our wonderful library and activities held there. Helping to encourage and funding for high quality childcare programs including home day care, after school care, any summer care programs for young children and families. Help for families to afford Audubon camps, swim programs and other opportunities. Maybe a supported community room with activities for kids and families at River Support to help families "button up" their homes to become more energy efficient. The improvement along Church Street will be great w new sidewalks, curbs etc. Buried power lines with interesting street lights would look good. Definitely more apartments degined for accessibility and for senior population within the village so that walking to PO, Town Center, library, stores etc would be possible. And yes, more affordable housing. Love hearing that Habitat for Humanity maybe building in Richmond, however that would be one or two homes, I think. Continued support for our small businesses already in town and support to keep the storefronts that we have filled. Funding to those great community groups such as the town band, farmers market, the new community events group, 4th of July and any type of activities that support the sense of community in our town. Support to the organizations that are maintaining all of the wonderful trails in town. Continue w support for local outdoor spaces and outdoor activities. Ice rink, xc groomed trails at the park, and more.
9/6/2022 20:52	4: A community pool for all age-use, at the far end of Volunteers Green. With a retractable enclosure it could be indoor/outdoor for year-round use.
9/6/2022 21:01	1: A community center, with a pool
9/6/2022 21:10	2: Paved bike/recreation path adjacent to Cochran road that runs from the round church to route 2. If a bike lane is considered instead please ask how we will keep it free of debris so it's safe for bikes to use. We may also need to consider how to slow the traffic down. 1. Create a roundabout to replace the traffic light 2. Install traffic calming measures on Bridge Street, Cochran Road & Huntington Road including raised pedestrian crossings, speed bumps, flashing cross walks. 3. Install protected bike/pedestrian lanes throughout town (especially on Cochran Road, and Bridge St). 4. Purchase an easement through the Farr land and the Degraaf land to connect to the Park & Ride and Johnny Brook Road from the village. 5. Extend sidewalks on both sides of Bridge Street.
9/7/2022 14:23	4: A community pool for all age-use, at the far end of Volunteers Green. With a retractable enclosure it could be indoor/outdoor for year-round use.
9/8/2022 10:46	2: A rec space modeled on Bristol's Hub for teens: http://bristol skate park.com
9/8/2022 20:06	4: way stop at the intersection of Cochran/Thompson/Bridge/Richmond roads. The left turn from Bridge onto Cochran is very dangerous and it's an accident waiting to happen. Those out of town (as well as those in town) do not understand the yield rules. In general, Cochran is dangerous due to lack of visibility and activity traffic (walkers, r
9/8/2022 20:06	4: continue to maintain graffiti-free bridge supports along route 2
9/9/2022 8:28	4: I'd love to see the Town employ a Recreation director. This person could organize sports leagues for our youth (like youth soccer, for example, which depends wholly on a volunteer to run the league -- which is really a part-time job at least). I'd also love to see a dog park and tennis courts. Finally, I'm interested in what the Richmond Food S

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9/10/2022 8:48:11	I think the town should lean into it becoming a recreation destination, specifically around Cochran road, by increasing accessibility and the safety of that area. Mainly, a multi-use recreational path (or at worst, a regular sidewalk) along the road, connecting Cochran road to the town and providing a safe option for the MANY bikers, runners a
9/10/2022 11:41	Play ground improvements in the park and at RES; Rec paths connecting neighborhoods; town pool ; Afterschool programs ; dog park ; tennis courts ; community center for all ages
9/10/2022 20:25	I think we should make something like the bristol hub in richmond. Their website is here: http://bristolsskatepark.com/ . It's a great place with school supplies, computer stations, musical instruments, a 3d printer, a ping pong table, etc. It would be great to have a place for teens to hang out at. Another thing that would be good to use the arpa
9/12/2022 15:26	Tennis courts also lined for pickleball
9/12/2022 17:28	Improved Rec facilities...A basketball court, accompanied by new, modern, playground equipment with more climbing opportunities for bigger kids
9/14/2022 10:54	I would love to see as much money as possible used to fund clean energy initiatives. Including upgrading town energy systems and vehicles and encouraging residents to convert to clean energy. I don't think anything could be considered more important. I would also like to see money used to fund affordable housing initiatives and to prov
9/14/2022 20:58	The town should improve our outdoor sport options. Baseball fields should be enhanced with better fields and fences. Soccer fields should be improved as well. Baseball courts should be added or enhanced. More indoor sport options should be available as well so kids can play in the winter.
9/14/2022 21:11	Our 3 sons play Richmond Little League Baseball and the 1 thing that is very evident to us and the towns that visit us to play is what poor shape our fields are in. Kids have gotten hurt playing due to the uneven terrain and we don't even have a scoreboard. Revamping or moving the fields to a non-flood zone would be amazing for improv
9/19/2022 10:50	Tennis / Pickleball (basketball) courts and potentially skate-parks--> Richmond is way behind all of our neighbors for recreation...
9/19/2022 23:06	Some kind of community center steam/water house- heated indoor swimming pool down by far end of soccer fields with adjacent cedar saunas or steam rooms. These maybe would only be open from November-April, to save on energy and logistical staffing costs for the town, and the pool maybe open year round?
9/23/2022 15:15	2 Ideas - 1) Cochran Rd is really unsafe for cyclists and runners and frequently used by recreationists - would love to explore better options for a sidewalk and/or bike lane. 2) fenced dog park near volunteer green would be great!
9/24/2022 17:01	Multi use trail between Cochran's & cross VT trail by Farr Farm
9/28/2022 18:00	Sidewalks! We have these beautiful new curbs, and it would be nice to have equally finished sidewalks rather than the buckled asphalt and hodge-podge we have now.
9/28/2022 18:46	Tennis/pickle ball and basketball courts
	--pedestrian access/bike path to the community forest (and the whole rte 2/Cochran road loop would be amazing! but at least to the ACF)
	--community recreation center which includes communal places to work, eat your lunch, swap things (like I think the town of Hinesburg has a cleats exchange bin where parents can take one-leave one as kids cycle through sports cleats--there are a lot of other things that could be shared and recycled/reused in a community center type pla
	--a nature play zone somewhere in the volunteers green...or could be somewhere else in town but that would probably make most sense... so it's not just the built environment type play structures but one that encourages kids to play in and with nature, log bridges, stumps for climbing and testing bodies, 'loose parts' like sand, stones, leaves
9/28/2022 19:45	
10/9/2022 19:49	I think we should part of the funds to support the youth, the elderly and the most disadvantaged people in our town. This could include programs to feed people, provide rides to services (medical, MAT, etc), free mental health counseling, assistance paying bills, and any service that will help reduce the stress and burden of poverty.
10/10/2022 14:3	Make community meeting spaces at the Town Center larger; could one include a kitchen?
10/13/2022 17:3	Purchase a number of Town owned, portable, mobile cameras able to be used to protect and manage wildlife/natural resource protection: eg to record/document wildlife and human activity in our new Andrews Community Forest to guide its management and /or to be put at other sites around town that repeatedly tend to attract dumping in c
10/13/2022 18:3	Solar power and battery system for the town center building. This is a great opportunity to get clean energy for our public building.
10/13/2022 21:2	I think we should have a dog park
10/14/2022 10:4	Dog park, better/more bike lanes
10/14/2022 12:1	I would love to see the funds used for the playground at the Volunteer's Green. It gets very crowded, the equipment is outdated and for younger children, and it is not universally accessible. I feel that a lot of town residents would benefit from an improved play structure and it would be more accessible to all. It could also benefit from some d
10/15/2022 10:0	Undeveloped land - woodlots, fields, meadows for wildlife. I'd love to see areas that do not have trails or human access (with the exception of necessary medical/emergency/fish-n-game officials). The parceling of Vermont's land is having a huge impact on habitat destruction and safe spaces for animals to roam and protection of endangered
	Improve public transit and connectivity throughout the greater Richmond area- add a bus line (streetcar would be more exciting) building a loop from the Lucky Spot, Richmond Park and Ride, down Bridge Street, take Cochran's Rd and come back on Rt 2.
10/15/2022 10:2	Increase affordable housing in Richmond
10/15/2022 13:2	Help tenants of Riverview Commons purchase their property
10/15/2022 20:1	The one-time infusion of ARPA funds to our Town provides a unique opportunity and a time to 'think big.' I would love for us to consider building a Community-Recreation-Arts Center at the Brown's Court field. Our community needs a central place to gather, recreate, and support artistic ventures. This space could host multiple organizatio
10/17/2022 8:26	To support the town and surrounding towns in launching a long overdue Prevention Coalition (Mental Health and Substance Use). The Chittenden East Towns are an identified gap area in need. We are the only area in Chittenden County with no formal coalition and no support. There is a clear need for the 13-24 age group (and beyond). T
	The building of a true community center with a health and wellness "flare / vibe". This community center also has a pool and hot tubs / sauna for wellness. Community supported/ supplemented funding for childcare and afterschool programs. The entire system of childcare (including after-school care) needs more revenue streams besides parents to contribute to the cost of running the program in order to pay teachers livable wages...and literally keep programs open. So supporting children a
10/24/2022 19:5	A functional ride-share and errands-share app. (Town wide app) > this could also be a "challenge" for some students at CHMS or MMU...
Email	
Email	Suggestion - Infrastructure to support Cell Phone Reception
	Hello, Thank you for asking for input. There are two areas I thought the town might focus these monies: 1) Parking and town signage. Specifically welcome to Richmond signage on all roads leading into our town. Spruce things up in the area where there are signs and upgrade all signs. There are new parking areas for recreation. Make them permanent with signage directing folks to those areas for mountain biking and river parking. 2) Capitalize on the fact that Richmond is a recreation draw. Better parking for hiking trails. Increase hiking trails please do not mix mountain biking and hiking. I think we have enough mountain biking trails! Create areas for permanent pickleball courts for all and basketball courts for youth. Increase recreational parking. Thanks for listening.
Email	I recommend investing in high speed broadband coverage and mobile phone coverage/cell towers. For the following reasons: Cell phone coverage: improve ability to reach EMS whether you are in your vehicle and require assistance out on the road or from in your home particularly if your power goes out and your home phone becomes disabled. High speed internet- as seen during the COVID 19 pandemic many people had the option to work from home but many didn't have reliable internet connections making this difficult. Also children attending school required reliable internet for remote learning. Better, faster internet coverage would help small businesses also many struggle w Thank you,
Email	I think everyone in the community would agree that protected paths to and from town on major roadways would be a great addition. Jericho Rd, Cochran Rd, etc. As someone who lives off Jericho Rd, I would love a way to feel safe riding with the kids into town. Unfortunately the sidewalk doesn't extend past the school.
	Dear Committee
	There was a bad accident recently at the 4 corners in Richmond. There was no easy way around as the road was closed for hours. Lets build connecting roads to better get around town. May I suggest the following. 1. connect Pleasant St. to Lemroy Ct. and Depot St. to Main St. this will give a bypass around the Bridge st. - Rt. 2 corner. 2. Connect Johnnie Brook Rd. to Huntington Rd. This would bypass all of Richmond, and allow you to go to Huntington or Cochran Rd. Why build Recreational items that will benefit only a few and add to the parking problem we have, when we can build something that will benefit the whole community and make it safer Respectfully
Email	https://nationalfitnesscampaign.com/fitness-court Some initial contact has been made to explore this opportunity further.
Email	Sincerely, #1 - Widen and improve Cochran Road to make it more pedestrian/biker safe and friendly, maybe add some signage. #2 - Reconfigure Volunteers Green fields and parking for safer ingress and egress of pedestrians and autos. #3 - Improve Brown's Court, add a pickle ball court, add a pergola or something for protection from the weather, add benches.
Email	#4 - Improve/add any handicapped accessible entrances as needed.

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Email	<p>Hello, I'm not sure if these items I will speak to in this email is part of this, but I sure hope so as it has been a problem in our neighborhood for years and years. You mentioned in your website something about "acquisition of abandoned property". I'd like to put a spin on that and ask a few questions. Is there anything that can be done about residences where there are humans actually currently living that are so dilapidated and run down that the Board of Health should condemn? There are a couple of these residences in my area. One trailer looks uninhabitable with grass waist high (Huntington/Richmond main road) and another home that has way too many people living there and has about 5 junk cars and mobile homes in the backyard just rotting away (Dugway Rd, Huntington end). These horrendous properties bring down house values for everyone in the area and are gross to look at.</p> <p>Is this something that can be suggested for this ARPA and have some standards that residents must follow? Or is this complaint for a different department?</p> <p>Please let me know, Thank you, 802-578-2631 if you'd like to chat</p>
Email	<p>Hi,</p> <p>I reviewed the town plan and ARPA allowed funds uses. Is there anywhere that provides information around: How prior funds were used Which small businesses, industries, and demographics in Richmond may have been most impacted Summary of what 2018 town plan objectives are funded vs not and to what extent. I think that would help inform community feedback. I feel I would be able to make a more informed response with some or all of that information in hand.</p> <p>IE...if there are households or businesses that are on the brink of insolvency for reasons attributable to the pandemic, those more immediate short term needs could take precedence over funding long term infrastructure projects that may already be funded or could be funded through alternative future efforts.</p> <p>Cheers,</p>
Email	<p>I would like to see the money spent on community trails, a new playground, cycling infrastructure. I offer these suggestions:</p> <p>If allowed by the granting policies, I suggest paying down/off whatever loans the town has that would show an immediate reduction in property taxes. Immediate reduction of property taxes by pro-rating the total windfall amount with the largest shares going to the lowest income property owners. Since the town "double dips" the mobile home park, give residents of the Riverview Commons Mobile Home Park a one year "pass" on any property taxes due. Use the money to enhance the Chittenden County Fish & Game shooting range; new building, new shooting tables/rests, new targets butts, making it more welcoming, easy to use, and safety conscious. Digitize land records in an easy-to-use format; including who is in default of non-payment of their property taxes. Lastly, I would caution against use of this one-time windfall to begin/start any new ventures that will fall flat in a year or two without more additional funding that will only increase property taxes. That's no way to run a budget.</p>
Email	<p>Fix the town center. Dear Board Members,</p> <p>This is not my original idea, saw it on Facebook, but I think this is the best way to benefit the most members of our community. Create a bike, walking, running, skating lane on Cochran Road. It is already heavily used for these activities and it would make it more safe for drivers, like me who want to give them space, and those vulnerable bodies enjoying their exercise</p>
Email	<p>Thank you for considering my suggestion. Hey Folks,</p> <p>I'd love to see some of the ARPA money spent on improvements to Cochran road for safety and recreation sake. I was recently up in Quebec with my family and noticed their great road infrastructure for popular roads for recreating. Check out the picture attached. I think we need elongated speed tables along the road (and at every road intersection)</p>
Email	<p>Thanks for considering! Hi All</p> <p>Thanks for the opportunity to make suggestions. I have several ideas, in no particular order --</p> <p>Generally improve town-owned infrastructure to improve energy efficiency, lower energy costs, improve safety & security of town-owned properties: Contribute toward the Town Center redesign & energy efficiency work to have a building that saves energy, is easy to maintain and that will meet the town's needs for the next 100 years. Improve street lighting and energy efficient lighting in the village and in town-owned parking lots -- solar lights, LEDs, motion-detectors -- whatever the newest, lowest cost with enough lighting for safety and security (safety is particularly an issue in the Town Center parking lot at night--not from persons but falling on unseen ice or other obstacles) Solar panels on all town-owned buildings where it can be done--help with electric bills and lessen dependence on oil or natural gas. Could be part of Town Center redesign. Bury electric lines through the village (aesthetics and lessen storm outages?) Benefit members of our community -- Add another EV charging station -- maybe in the other town parking lot or another place in central village area. Establish a grant program for energy efficiency projects like weatherization or solar panels- work with Efficiency Vermont? Improve internet services to support students and adults who work from home (keep them here) -- grant programs? Tennis/pickleball/basketball courts -- add to town amenities not just rely school-owned.</p>
Email	<p>Do a community solar project? Sidewalks up Jericho Road--combine with an educational program (incentives) that encourage children (parents) to walk to school--lessen that 7:45 am traffic jam--and get kids (and parents) moving--lessen auto use and pollution.</p>
Email	<p>I would love to see the power and phone lines along Bridge Street placed underground.</p>

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Timestamp	Esteemed ARPA Committee members, thank you for the opportunity to offer suggestions for use of Richmond's ARPA. Here, in no particular order, are my top five...
Email	<p>Make Richmond fire safe(r): Connect a smoke alarm in every house and business directly to a receiving unit at the fire station. These units could report fires when people are not home and when they are asleep. This could significantly reduce emergency response times saving lives and protecting homes.</p> <p>Make Richmond more photogenic: the Bridge Street bridge at sunset offers one of Richmond's most picturesque sights, but the view West is marred by cables (the three lowest cables are the problems—TV/cable/internet). Use a bit of ARPA funds as incentive to get Waitsfield telecom to move the cables higher, orto run them under the bridge.</p> <p>Make Richmond more walkable: Add a sidewalk on the east side of Bridge Street from the Town Center to Main Street. The Transportation Committee and Highway Department have already completed scoping on this project. It is shovel-ready.</p> <p>Make Richmond more accessible: Invest in a micro-transit system that can get people to/from Riverview Commons, the Park & Ride, Richmond Village and Jonesville. Possible forays to Waterbury and Williston too, perhaps?</p> <p>Engage More Richmonders (Richmondtonians?): Seed a town projects manager/volunteer coordinator position to source grant opportunities and engage more community members on town committees and on local projects. Three years of ARPA funding should be enough to get the program started and to begin collecting grant funds and c</p>
Email	Jon
Email	Hello all.
Email	I'm currently in the stage of exploring the feasibility of opening a bike shop in Richmond. I understand that there already is a bike shop in town and that business has done a commendable job of serving the community to the best of their capacity for a long time. With the growth in popularity of cycling in the past handful of years and the der
Email	My question to you, first and foremost, is whether or not the available ARPA funding is able to be allocated to a venture such as this, the opening of a new business?
Email	Regards,
Email	Hey all...
Email	First and foremost thank you for taking your time and energy on this very important topic. And...thank you for the variety of ways to input ideas!
Email	Two thoughts...
Email	1. A safe recreational path along Cochran road. I'm sure others have added this obvious idea.
Email	2. Extend the Volunteers Green by purchasing the farmland at the back of the park. Now this is privately owned by the farming family and they would need to be part of this discussion. While this farmland may still be needed by the farm, perhaps the money can be put in a fund to grow if the farmland is going up for sale in the future. Ju
Email	Best to you all and this endeavor!
Email	ARPA money be used to fund improvements recommended in the Bridge Street Corridor Study (2021) and construction of the sidewalk on the east side of Bridge Street (Sidewalk Scoping Study, 2022). These improvements will have Town wide benefits, and that the projects are scoped, have construction estimates, and for the Bridge Street Corridor Study have engineering drawings. These projects can meet the time deadlines attached to the ARPA funds.
Email	Hi I'd like to submit some ideas for the ARPA funds and hope to add additional ones as I learn more about it:
Email	Allocate funds to support ACF Trail development
Email	Allocate funds to support town infrastructure such as - A Town Solar array, Heat/Cooling pumps for Municipal buildings, Town Library/Center Renovations, Flood mitigation barrier along the Winooski River.
Email	With summers getting hotter, create a Splash Pad for people to cool off.
Email	Allocate funds to mitigate flooding of public buildings that have the greatest risk of flooding .
Email	respectfully
Email	I'd like to see the ARPA money used to spruce up the town and catch up on deferred maintenance and put-off projects.
Email	Childcare facilities probably have maintenance and upgrades they had to put off, so perhaps all the registered childcares could submit proposals and have the town directly pay contractors from the fund. My child was saying how nice it is that Riverview Commons has a playground and open field for playing games, but that the pla
Email	(Disclosure: While we do not live in Riverview Commons, my children often go walking there because our road is not safe for traveling on foot.)
Email	Hello. Please find attached a document compiling experiences submitted to me from several pedestrian and cyclist users of Cochran Rd. I would like to add these stories to the existing evidence showing clearly that Cochran Rd is an immediate safety risk to our community in need of urgent attention. Please let the community know what is https://docs.google.com/document/d/1UAdO53s6RAnesaETQpkVivvCtZFaeDtP2ZWicOZXgm/edit?usp=sharing
Email	Hello,
Email	My family would love to see a paved recreation path, where we could safely walk long distances.
Email	Thank you to all committee members! ----Hello, Could I take back or recall this idea? Do like the recreation theme, but our need is filled by convenience of Willi bike path in this regard. Can do pavement walking on village sidewalks too.
Email	Thank you! ----"Richmond village sidewalks :)
Email	Hello ARPA board, while painting the soccer fields at volunteers green this morning I thought that providing a fund for rec sports to draw from could be a low-cost high-value use of a portion of the funds. Many Richmond residents use these fields and programs. Since they are 100% volunteer run, even a small amount would go a long way!
Email	Josh and Annie, I'd be curious to hear your thoughts on a number that would allow baseball and soccer to be free to residents for the next 5,10,15 years?
Email	Thanks,
Email	This is a good idea. The expenses for the spring season for Little League were around \$17,000 this year. This included everything from shirts, hats, team equipment, field paint, field chalk, as well as a few items that will last for a few seasons such as frames for batter's boxes, sandbags for field tarps, and a line striping machine.
Public Forum	Another idea to add to the ARPA list is to renovate the baseball fields. There are three at Volunteers' Green and one at Brown's Court. The infields could really use a complete overhaul, to have the playing surface smoothed, more clay added, and have real mounds built. Little League now runs for spring, summer, and fall seasons, with abo
Public Forum	More pedestrian safety. Cochran Rd esp lower speed limit. Speed bumps. Pedestrian lane on Cochran
Public Forum	More pedestrian safety measures
Public Forum	Ongoing savings - leverage other sources of funding eg energy efficiency/solar. Town Center renovations. Location for community solar. Lower cost housing augment energy efficiency funding
Public Forum	Inflation reduction act matching
Public Forum	Two utilities. Mobile homes
Public Forum	Deferred maintenance. Town center renovation. Can't use facilities for elders because of means testing (she is too wealthy), need elder facilities open to all (Richmond Terrace)
Public Forum	Leverage money - focus on purposes that would have matching available
Public Forum	Pedestrian/Bike safety also leveraging funds. Better living options for adults with disabilities, preferably downtown Richmond, maybe at Buttermilk. 17 people in their group but more are always coming forward. State regs about >2 residents. Lighting at Church re path not on roads. Focus on Volunteers Green. Level the Farmers Marke
Public Forum	Lighting in Village, rec path, preers paths off road
Public Forum	Town Center, weatherizing. Leverage funds, pedestrian paths, path parallel to Rt 2
Public Forum	Work on Volunteers Green, new playground, upgrade what is there, Rec Committee is looking for grants already.
Public Forum	Spend money to bring the community together. Community gathering spaces, incl WINTER. Leverage funds.
Public Forum	Purchase Riverview Common. Richmond PD Staff - OT
Public Forum	Properly placed white lines in road stop lights. Would look to buy lot. Rent goes up every Sept. Cap on lot rents
Public Forum	Every 2 trailers share a septic tank. Effluent gets pumped to treatment. Where is leach field?

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Public Forum	Have less water lately?
Public Forum	Build a car wash. Divvy up money to all tax payers
Public Forum	To have police back to regular coverage. Community policing
Public Forum	Platform at Volunteers Green for people to sit and look at the river
Public Forum	River platform. Bulbs refrigerator replacement?
Public Forum	Use \$ to improve sidewalks in the Village. Better walkability everywhere for people with strollers and disabilities. Improve safety @ traffic light. We've had lots of near misses there w/ people turning left.
Public Forum	Affordable (really!) housing so busiuness can hire, younger workers can return home to Richmond & folks can drive less
Public Forum	Improve the green spaces and gardens in Town - clean up the weedy garden in the park, prune the trees, plant flowers, maintain the gardens (volunteers would help if the gardens were put in). Add more benches and picnic tables in the park. New benches near the library. Weed and clean up the green space near the Town Center. Paint
Public Forum	Ideas: local arts pop-ups to draw people into Town - community based how to improve parking w/o paving or taking open land out - need creative use of existing space. *Low income housing!
Public Forum	Community Pottery Studio
Public Forum	Share land/ open town land to develop as community access gardens for folks to grow their own food. Integrated composting. Options for chicken/eggs. Hoophouses
Public Forum	A public space w/ charging and showers and inexpensive camping option in town primarily for Long Trail Hikers. LT is gaining popularity and hikers bring seasonal dollars to our market and resaturnants. The only thing missing is a place to shower and sleep
Public Forum	Sidewalk on Cochran Rd, solar panels on town building after upgrades
Public Forum	Outdoor learning spaces/experiential learning experiences. More yurts for community use. Paved parking
Public Forum	I like the approach of prioritizing projects that the town has defined over time. It should like we have a good sense of what would bring a lot of value to Richmond. Let's continue to brainstorm and also value the wisdom of many...AND trails.
Public Forum	EV busses & incentives for parent to put their kids on the bus instead of driving them!! Bike path to Park & Ride (could be elevated over RR where it abuts Rt2. Spa/sauna next to the rivers. Street trees along Bridge St in Village going up Jericho Rd. Roundabout or anything that's safer than current Bridge/Cochran/Huntington. Weatheriz
Public Forum	Affordable Housing & rentals in the Village/environs. Trees/plants along the main throughfare - Bridge St green the area along the sidewalk. Dirt/gravel path for connecting village to Riverview Commons Mobil Home Area. Cooperative housing/businesses. Town Center that "houses" services for mental health and wellness and has space
Public Forum	More hiking trails
Public Forum	New Park Playset - Silas age 6. Fix Bridge Street once and for all. Bike Paths everywhere. Town Pool/Swimming Hole. Thank you
Public Forum	Donate money for playground at RES Poiget
Public Forum	Expanded recreational points of interest: Tennis courts, splash pad, basketball courts. Bike/Walking path along Cochran Rd. Parking lot at bottom of Dugway. Multi/Intergenerational programming in a community space/center. Town sponsored dances.
Public Forum	Outdoor in-ground pool. Make the road better
Public Forum	(1) Full path down the length of Cochran Rd to Jonesville. This should support bikers, runners, walkers. This allows for safe recreation and walkability (To reduce trips in cars into Town). (2) Incentives for parents to put their kids on bus
Public Forum	Donate book to the library
Public Forum	Inground pool
Public Forum	Splash pad. Bike/skate park
Public Forum	Community gathering spaces. Indoor pool attached to CHMS. Expand indoor gym spaces at CHMS for community use - tennis, pickleball, volleyball, Odyssey of Mind, chess/checkers. Connect village to park & ride - I don't know how. Develop - or incentivize development of Depot St & Railroad St for more housing.
Public Forum	Bike path on Cochran Rd. Tennis courts
Public Forum	Community pool. Parent - child co-op
Public Forum	Bike Pump Track
Public Forum	Parent Child Care co-op also splash pad
Public Forum	bus to sersa to williom. Some walk only nature trails in the forest
Public Forum	Gaga pit at the park (it's a really fun game)
Public Forum	Kort!
Public Forum	Round-about at N end of Cochran Rd near Round Church
Public Forum	paved bike path along Cochran Rd
Public Forum	(1) parent childcare coop Location , staff and 1st year funding, (2) expanded sidewalks to park n ride, or Bike lanes - more \$ to Richmond Elementary
Public Forum	Bike access/ walking access from Village Center to Park & Ride. Sidewalk to Southview
Front Porch Foru	Pedestrian safety improvements on Bridge Street (@ Jolina Court/Railroad St and @ Bridge/Huntington/Thompson/Cochran intersection)
Front Porch Foru	Sidewalk on east side of Bridge Street
Front Porch Foru	Fence around Maple Wind Farm to keep cows from getting out
Front Porch Foru	Bike paths/sidewalks on Cochran Road
Front Porch Foru	Raised pedestrian crossings on Bridge Street
Front Porch Foru	Connect Pleasant Street to Lemroy Court and Depot Street to main Street, connect Johnnie Brook Road to Huntington Road
Front Porch Foru	Tennis courts
Front Porch Foru	Community center, preferably near Riverside Commons, with transportation to/from neighborhoods. Center to include gymnastics and ninja spaces, pool, climbing walls, ice rink, community rooms, food pantry
Email	Ride services for elderly residents
Email	Safety improvements and traffic calming on Cochran Road
Email	Emergency resilience, e.g. generator for CHMS
Email	Digitize Richmond's land records (estimated cost \$75,000)
Email	New public computer for land records
Email	Funding for community celebrations (estimate: \$50,000)
Email	Funding for Richmond conference room improvements, e.g. computers, cables, projectors
Email	Cemetery fence
Email	Upgraded playground equipment
Email	Modernize water and wastewater infrastructure
Email	Replace police department radios
DropBox	Bike & Walk lane on Cochran Rd from Round Church to Duxbury
DropBox	TENNIS COURTS! (Please, please, please) Track, basketball courts
DropBox	Tennis courts, track, basketball courts
DropBox	Please consider at least implement speed hills/speed bumps starting at intersection of Cochran and Thompson and at least thru the first entrance fo the River trail and possibly unitl Cochran Ski Area due to the many pedestrians, mountain bikes, cyclists, runners, and X-C trainers who utilize this section of Cochran Rd for recreation. Due t
DropBox	Recreation paths and sidewalks!!! #1 Priority connecting the Village to the Park and Ride. Other considerations; Round Church to Cross VT Trail and to Cochran Rd/River Trail
DropBox	Solar array mounted on roof of Richmond Fire Department
DropBox	Maybe some of the the COVID money could help tenants toward buying the mobile home park
DropBox	Left hand turn at light on Rt 2 & River Rd

Timestamp	Please provide suggestions on how you think the Town of Richmond should allocate our ARPA funds.
DropBox	Digitization of important land records. Restoration of Town Center Building. NOT Water/Sewer projects or sidewalk projects as they are able to access much funding. YES to something fun for the community pickle ball courts at Browns Court
DropBox	Family fun center - batting cages, mini golf, and driving range
DropBox	A track (indoor or outdoor). Mini golf and driving range. Dog park
DropBox	Fix town center. Basketball court VG. Pickleball court BC
DropBox	Basketball court at the Park. Pickle ball court Browns Court. Bombardier Meadow parking increased and signage
DropBox	Richmond should have a community center with an indoor pool gym area to support gymnastics/cheer, indoor soccer, basketball, indoor batting cages, etc, homework/community support for kids going home to empty houses and opportunities for elder residents to share their knowledge & skills w/ community children. There are several
DropBox	Infrastructure improvement to benefit the majority of residents or are dangerous: i.e., Cochran Rd, sidewalks
DropBox	Passenger Rail Station. Tennis Courts. Air Conditioning at Public Schools/Cooling Stations. Electric school buses. Solar powered level 3 chargers
DropBox	Bonuses for employees at Richmond Market, Richmond Town Garage, Schools, and others that remained open during the most dangerous first months of the pandemic. Fund for Richmond Rescue and Richmond Vol Fire Dept.
DropBox	Make setps to the area where the farmers market is in front of the bandstand for ease of climbing up there
DropBox	Improve safety and walkability in the village for pedestrians. (See AARP Richmond Study for notes on recommended improvements)
DropBox	Bike path - activity path - looping Cochran's Road with Rt 2
DropBox	Bike path OR Walk/Run Path along Rt 2! Even partial.
DropBox	More tesla Police level 3 chargers
DropBox	Sidewalk/bike path: To the commuter lot; from RES to Jericho Center; fire station to Jonesville; on Cochran Rd Round Church to Fays Corner. There are so few places to just walk in the village. Dog park. Thank you.
DropBox	(1) Public town tennis and paddle board courts. (2) A senior center
DropBox	Senior Center: Activity/workout room, pool table(s), computer room/reading room
DropBox	Richmond Officers so many wonderful things for young, elders, and visitors. New sidewalks!! A pretty center along Bridge Street and across the Bridge to the Round Church (past a lovely park as well) SO - in my opinion (and thank you for this opportunity for folks to offer suggestions) I'd vote strongly for a well paid Police Dept that will
DropBox	#1 Bike Path - Richmond to Park & Ride. #2 Community Center - space for classes, events, co-working, etc. #3 Public sauna
DropBox	Bike path connecting Richmond to Park & Ride. Build a Richmond Community Center. Purchase private land for the sole purposes of conservation (no trails, no development).
DropBox	Weatherization/essential home repair works to preserve/improve housing stock. Securing free lunch for schools.
DropBox	(1) New sidewalk on east side of Bridge St between East Main and Esplanade. (2) Sidewalk and pedestrian improvements on west side of Bridge St - West Main and Railroad Street. (3) Replace sidewalks - both East Main and West Main.
DropBox	I would love to have Tennis Courts, a skate Park for kids and or basketball court
DropBox	(1) Trail from the Village to the Park & Ride. (2) Sidewalk repairs. (3) Road shoulders for walking from the Village to: Johnny Brook Trail, Rivershore Trail, Old Jericho Road Trail, Williams Hill Trail
DropBox	1. Use for something with long-term benefits like Town Hall renovations. 2. Use it for lower income Richmond resident like NO cost energy efficiency on a Red Park or the Trailer Park.
DropBox	Town Center renovations - \$600,000. Off-alignment rec path - Village to Park & Ride \$300,000. NO MONEY to individuals or to non-profits. All to Town gov't projects.
DropBox	Tennis court. Bike Path. Indoor Ice Rink
DropBox	Tennis/Pickleball courts. Bike path/safety on Cochran's Rd or in preserve along Winooski River.
DropBox	Set criteria before deciding where to spend ARPA. (1) Use as IX investment - not for sustaining current expenses as it will end. (2) Invest in areas that will increase Town income (tourists). (3) Infrastructure IX \$ (bike path). (4) Improve public transit capability.
DropBox	One time payment to small businesses in Town that were forced to close. Also supplement Richmond's water system updates.
DropBox	I would like to see an alternate route for oversized trucks etc.
DropBox	ARPA funds: My first thought was for a community pool/aquatic center like UVAC. But I don't think \$1.2million is enough for that so for other ideas: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> River trail maintenance. I'm sure there are volunteers who help but the trail still needs funds for supplies like gravel or lumber. Riverbank reinforcement. Erosion has taken a toll on the riverbanks in many parts of Richmond so funds to help plant good riverbank trees and plants to help keep the river healthy. Land. Expand the community to include wildlife. Bear, deer, birds, butterflies bees, woodchucks, beavers, snakes, frogs, turtles and more deserve to live, too. Maybe some wildlife safe-crossing culverts and/or bridges; more land that is kept free from development; invasive controls to deal with knot-weed and loosestrife, etc.; revitalize That one-acre parcel on Cochran - the plot that used to be Mary Houle's house. It would be nice to see something more interesting there than a pile of rocks. Could it be turned into a small park with a picnic table and room for a few cars? Bike racks and trash cans at the parking areas along Cochran Road - especially during the warmer seasons. If trash cans aren't viable, how about signs reminding visitors to pack it in/pack it out. And that includes everything - banana peels, orange rinds, apple cores, dog poop, etc. A path along Cochran road for cyclists and runners and walkers. The library and town offices. I don't know what they need but I'm sure those buildings need something and both serve the entire community. While I'm not including a vote for tennis courts because I think such interest is very small, I want to suggest that should tennis courts be under consideration that they be marked to allow for pickle-ball, too. Pickle-ball is incredibly popular and growing in popularity and is much more accessible to more people than is tennis.
DropBox	(1) Preserve some undeveloped land for wildlife. No biking or hiking trails. (2) Promote accessory dwelling units on developed land, to help increase affordable housing. (3) Basketball or tennis courts at Volunteers Green.
DropBox	Bury all the unsightly power lines in the Village so it looks like the quintessential Normal Rockwell town it is
DropBox	Extend sewer line out Rt 2 to Reap's good to do in conjunction with Rt 2 rebuild. We will more than repay itself in the long run.
DropBox	Community Pool. New sidewalks thru town with granite curbs. Tennis courts. Rec center
DropBox	What about putting the funds toward renovation of the Town Cemetery/RFL
DropBox	I would like to see as much funding as possible put toward repairs/renovations of the RFL building and the Town Center. Thank you!
DropBox	Funds to help support the diminishing allocation from Comcast that MMCTV counts on to keep running and staffing community based media and info
DropBox	Install a level 3 fast charger. It would bring more tourists to town (if that is what we want). The current slow level 2 chargers is almost unuseable.
DropBox	ARPA Funds should be used to pay down the bond on the Town's water/sewer infrastructure improvements. Water and sewer rates have increased many fold over the past 30 years and have become prohibitively costly to the average household.
DropBox	(1) Library replace all fluorescent light fixtures with LED fixtures (\$5000). (2) Round Church replace benches as they are all in bad shape - except for Tim's. (3) Volunteer Green - help with any improvements that are needed in this area
DropBox	Pay off Town debt and give a tax break.
DropBox	Refresh Volunteers Green, playground, and walking trails
DropBox	Create a multi-purpose trail (bikes, walkers, wheelchairs, strollers, scooters, trikes, etc) along the river westward to meet up with a pedestrian bridge across the river to Johnnie Brook Rd to the Cross VT Trail. Richmond desperately needs a safe place for children and older adults to get out and move. It would be the perfect add on to the
DropBox	A Volunteers Green refresh - a new updated playground and amphitheater, and more accessible river walking trails.
DropBox	Maker space. Add general use computers in library
DropBox	Tennis courts/skate park at Volunteers green or other Richmond location
DropBox	Olympic size pool / Olympic running track. Tennis court and Basketball court
DropBox	Improve parking and access for swimming holes on Huntington River
DropBox	Please ensure that good highspeed internet connectivity is available for those who need it for school, running a business working remotely.
DropBox	Bike/running trails
DropBox	Would like a bike/walking lane on Wes White Hill Rd
DropBox	Dog Park. Pickleball or Tennis courts
DropBox	Outdoor/indoor pool. (Similar to Stowe Swimming Hole)

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DropBox	Dog Park. Tennis/Pickleball courts
DropBox	Tennis courts at CHMS or other location in Richmond should be able to do 4 courts for under 1.2 million.
DropBox	(1) Skate park. (2) Tennis courts
DropBox	Police Officer. Update Library Town Office
DropBox	Fire department and or EMT equipment
DropBox	Community gym w/ pool. Dog park
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DropBox	A hard surface area made for tennis, basketball, pickleball that can be flooded in winter as part of the skating rink similar to Huntington
DropBox	Use money to update Town Center and Library
DropBox	If unable to build bike lanes for all roads, putting them on each side of Cochran (being flattest road in Town) would definitely help provide safety for all
DropBox	New sand toys and storage bin to keep them in at playground (VG) pavilion with 8-12 picnic tables under it, would provide more shade in the summer.
DropBox	Must not be used for recurring expenses. PUT all into an endowment: Interest available annually. Town Center. Recreation path connectivity.
DropBox	I think trail widening and maintenance on the River Trail parallel to Cochran Rd would be a great use of extra funds. There is much poison ivy along the trail and the road. Thank you!
DropBox	Help subsidize fiber optic installation where cell service is poor. Downtown parking to support businesses (if allowed). Some small one-time bonus to EMTs & Fire guys. Land trust.
DropBox	Pickleball court and tennis court. Walking trail (not hiking) at least 3 mi. Biking path. CSC donation. Thank you
DropBox	More welcoming signage when coming into Richmond. Stricter enforcement of up keep of properties visible junk or delapidated blgs would be removed or fixed.
DropBox	**High Quality affordable childcare**, *Making people with junkcars etc, etc, in their yard clean it up. Or broken down trailers with waist high grass. *Have a bike/walking trail that wander around town - paved.
DropBox	A skateboard/bike/rollerblade park (could use w/ snowboards in winter?) @ VG
DropBox	A sidewalk/bike lane on Cochran Rd for safer alternative exercise & Transportation also Rt 2 to Park and Ride.
DropBox	I believe this money should be toward improving the infrastructure of trails, sidewalks and paths for non-motorized transportation
DropBox	Replace/upgrade existing equipment and infrastructure. Any road crew trucks due for upgrade, water dept equipment, insulate & renovate Town Hall & Library
DropBox	Put and man an exchange "barn" at recycling or at Town Center. Sidewalk extended to South View
DropBox	Tennis courts. Childcare/senior center/community center. Community garden
DropBox	Maker's Space - woodshop, metal shop, pottery kiln
DropBox	More room for exercisers (bikers, walkers, joggers) on existing roads in & around Richmond. Bike lanes, ADA curbs. *Connect Park & Ride to Town safely.
DropBox	Tennis courts/paddle tennis/ pickle ball courts. Skate park
DropBox	Improve or add on to Fire Station. Build by-pass around Village. Reduce our taxes. Improve parking on Bridge St.
DropBox	Community pool & tennis courts
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DropBox	A community pool /water slide/spalsh area (in the VG park?) like Essex Maple Street - to generate income and give swim lessons to Richmond, Huntington, Hinesburg, Jericho, Bolton Residents
DropBox	A PHARMACY!! An exercise center - treadmills, bikes, zumba, pilates, yoga, etc
DropBox	(1) Do an air quality study in Riverview Mobil Home Park, particularly Hilltop Drive. (2) Smoke, mold, urine, septic - stagnant ground smell why are park rules not enforced?
DropBox	From the underpass put a sidewalk up Jericho Rd in Richmond
DropBox	Let's make Calvin Coolidge proud and be frugal VTERS and send the money back. Decrease the federal dept & stop the needless spending.
DropBox	(1) Install speed tables at either end of Cochran Rd (25 mph speed areas). (2) Lower speed on Cochran Rd at 45 to 35 mph. (3) Widen Cochran to allow for bikes and pedestrians.
DropBox	More parking at Bridge St. Bike lane on Cochran Rd. More solar/wind energy
DropBox	Community pool or bike path from Richmond to Huntington. Popular bike route but not very safe on the main road.
DropBox	How about getting with Huntington and make a bike/running path between Richmond and Huntington. It is popular but dangerous with no room to ride or run. Or even just a bike path from end of Dugway to Mayo Rd. It is a dangerous stretch there.
DropBox	(1) Setup a long term fund for emerald ash borer. (2) Sidewalks and curbs! Keep up the great work. (3) Add bike lanes wherever practical and post a few roads for "no unmotorized vehicles" since they cannot be made safe (e.g. too narrow). (4) Benches along River Trail for Walkers to rest. (5) A water spigot near VG playground.
DropBox	Create friendly bike land and longer river walk path on Cochran Rd much needed!
DropBox	A recreation path, separate from the highway - it would be safer & more enjoyable. Better lighting on Bridge St between market and Round Church
DropBox	Lower our Real Estate costs
DropBox	Pay down EXISTING debt
DropBox	Please consider using these funds to build a sidewalk and/or bike path at Cochran Rd. This would be the most comprehensive and effective way to protect pedestrians & cyclists, encourage movement away from fossil fuel, reliant transportation, and prevent motor vehicle collision due to unsafe passing conditions when avoiding pedest
DropBox	Ice rink. Turf sports complex
DropBox	Repair and paint bandshell and install permanent ramp or stairs
DropBox	Affordable housing - apartments, condos. Infrastructure support - roads, sewer, water.
DropBox	Community center with pool (& therapy pool), large gym rea (basketball, turf?) exercise rooms for classes (pilates, etc) Thinking of the elderly, epidemic of obesity, Town swim team. Buiding community and a healthier one at that.
DropBox	Community center with pool. More electric vehicle ports around town. Spigot on far ends of soccer field. The fountain is far away from where you are actually playing. Make Gary Bressor finish his house!!! Majoy eyesore to the town.
DropBox	(1) Biking walking path from Park & Ride to center of Richmond. (2) Parking at Gillett Pond Access & Dugway Rd lower gorge. (3) Community pottery studios
DropBox	Bike path Park & Ride to Town Center. Parking & Access to Gillett Pond. Parking on Dugway Rd Lower Gorge. Tennis courts
DropBox	Donate portion to Richmond Mountain Trails for trail building and maintenance. Complete all paving and curbs in downtown so that road is smooth and even and looks good everywhere.
DropBox	Gaga Pit at the Park. Tennis Courts, skate park, Bball Hoop/Court
DropBox	Fix our roads - Bridge St - our paved roads through town! The railroad crossing. Less holes, dips, humps, ruts, PLEASE!
DropBox	Sidewalks, trails
DropBox	A Town Shuttle to Bolton Valley. A permanent 4 season hockey rink (slab, no roof, boards) oval would be amazing. Community Rec Center. Town Nordic Groomer for the VG
DropBox	Signs for cyclists to ride single file. Bike lane
DropBox	We could love to see Tennis & Pickle Courts in Richmond along with development of a Rec Program (Future Pool, etc)
DropBox	Thinking of the impact of COVID on elderly in our community - broadband internet & access for all community center to support all ages, outdoors - walking/bike path on Cochran Rd to Park & Ride
DropBox	Thinking of the huge impact COVID has had a families w/ children - anything that will support them/ childcare, afterschool opportunities, tutoring, & ways to support educational losses, internet access and equipment. Community center for all ages. Help the money childcare lost.
DropBox	Flashing light for pedestrian crosswalk in front of Round Church and speed radar to improve safety and speeding on Bridge St.
DropBox	Senior Center. Rec areas, basketball, pickleball, tennis etc.

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DropBox	Fix our roads - Bridge Street - The railroad crossing - pave, pave through town, less holes, dips, humps, ruts, PLEASE!
DropBox	This is for entire community not special interest groups. Please use for roads, bridges, ambulance, fire trucks. This would serve all.
DropBox	Fire trucks, fire house, roads, bridges. Please no bike paths or dog park. This is supposed to be for the community.
DropBox	Tennis courts/ ice rink
DropBox	Bike path
DropBox	(1) New generator for CHMS as it is very old and this is designated disaster shelter for Richmond. (2) Land records should all be on computer so you can view from home. (3) Renovate or replace Town Center whatever is most cost effective (long term). (4) Advertise the dangers of taking opioids/ if hooked w
DropBox	I would like the money invested into either the Town Center and Library or used for resources for disaster relief. I DO NOT want the funds given to a Town Dept that we supply with our tax dollars - ex. water & sewer, roads, schools. I think the money is better spent enhancing our community spaces/disaster r
DropBox	(1) Invest in more parking in Village. (2) Land records computerized. (3) Renovate Town Center keep historical. (4) NO MORE FUNDS spent on bike paths. (5) No money spent on water and sewer. We do not need to pay for other peoples projects
DropBox	(1) Land records all should be on computer for attorneys to view at their office. (2) New generator CHMS a must as it is designated shelter for our Town. (3) Renovate ore replace Town Center long term what is cost affective. *I do NOT want any Funds to be use for Water/Sewer Dept.
DropBox	A basketball/pickleball court
DropBox	A great way to use this money would be to invest it in solar arrays that would benefit the town to provide electricity for all town offices, fire dept, police dept, Rescue, etc. Reducing town expenses for years to come!
DropBox	Tennis / Pickleball Courts
DropBox	*Affordable childcare with reasonable hours guarantee RES pre-K plus wraparound at 3yo subsidize Little Tots. Public restroom at Volunteers Green. Bike path/lanes
DropBox	Paved trail for walkers, joggers, kids, strollers, people with wheel chairs etc. Maybe along the river trails.
DropBox	More housing for young families and others seeking to live in Richmond
DropBox	Improve recreational facilities in Volunteers Green & boat launch, equipment shed, permanent goals for soccer, technology for Library, free wifi for all of downtown Richmond.
DropBox	Indoor pool and exercise room. This would benefit all ages, and we need indoor options for winter.
DropBox	(1) Local incentives for heat pumps for space and water heating. (2) Creation of Richmond home energy score system. (3) Local support for electric service upgrades when homes and businesses install electric HVAC, appliances, and EV chargers.
DropBox	Parking lot and path to access cross VT trail by foot. Dog park.
DropBox	Work on green by ORC. Town landscaping
DropBox	Bike Path (not bike lane on road) - to Park & Ride, -to Williston, - to Jericho, Waterbury. Parallel or next to train tracks? *Something (a path) that could be groomed by a piston bully in the winter for cross country skiing connect to VAST?
DropBox	Winter use indoor community ctr for yoga, ping pong, pickleball, volleyball, chess/games, - could also house a gym/exercise facility
DropBox	I am hoping that something can be accomplished in the area of affordable housing
DropBox	Pedestrian/bicycle (multi-purpose) trail along the railroad ROW from the Village to Jonesville. Multi-purpose connector from Andrew's Town Forest to the Village.
DropBox	Bike paths off the road. Town campground for recreational enthusiasts = \$\$. Buy a piston bully to groom snow at park and other properties for x-c skiing (connect to bike paths).
DropBox	Bike lanes. Gillet Pond improvements. Run Path updates along
DropBox	Indoor Farmer's Market open year-round and perhaps solar powered with batteries and electrical backup. A year-found venu for farmer's produce, foods, crafts, and merchandise.
DropBox	Tennis courts! Tennis is a life-long sport for all ages! Courts need very little maintenance. MMU has a tennis team - a great investment for Richmond Community!
DropBox	Dog Park. Technology investment in Library
DropBox	I'd like to see traffic patterns "cleaned up" on Bridge St near Hatchet & Spruce. Line painting would be a big help. Also a pedestrian divider by Spruce to stop kids from falling into the road might be good.
DropBox	\$1.2M in ARPA Funds. \$1.2M in funds for qualified community related projects
DropBox	PAVED walking/biking (not biking like at Cochrans) path around the town. Community pool. Career firefighters. School resource officer (Police). Community center with areas to play sports insde (basketball courts/etc similar to Middlebury). New upgraded playground. Rotary at traffic light or dedicated turni
DropBox	Bike Path? Like Stowe's? PLEASE find alternate travel for runners/bikers etc on Cochran Rd. It is NOT safe for drivers or athletes! Thank you!
DropBox	If possible how about we spend the money on police, fire & rescue or any of the towns outstanding debts
DropBox	A bike/rec path along Cochran Rd for the safety of bikers, runners, strollers
DropBox	Cochran Road Rec Path
Email	Dear ARPA committee members, I have three suggestions for the ARPA money in this order: Renovate the Town Center for the next generations GaGa Ball pit at Volunteer Green Pickle Ball Court at Volunteer Green Safe sidewalks and bike lanes Thank you for your hard work and considering my suggestions.
Email	We would like the spend the money to improve sidewalks, bike paths, improve intersection traffic at rte. 2 and Main Street and 5 mile speed reduction on all roads except those already at 25 mph. Thank you for considering our thoughts and for working on this committee. Pete and Pat Koledo 54 Valley View F
Email	https://rvshare.com/blog/wildlife-bridges/ My suggestion Maybe over cochran road by River Trail or Krista Kemp's horse farm or over I89 wherever most animals cross in the Richmond area.
Email	Good morning, I am a Richmond resident and I am a member of the Richmond Recreation Committee. During the last public input meeting I attended virtually and raised the suggestion of using some of the ARPA funds to revitalize Volunteer's Green. Last fall, the Recreation Committee submitted an application for a VOREC As a parent of two elementary school kids, I utilize Volunteer's Green often as a community member and it is a wonderful community center where the public can engage in recreation and connect with others in their community. It has been many years since the structures there were built by volunteers and the Thank you,
Email	Thanks for the ground rules file. It certainly is an exhausting amount of information. I missed the cut off for input, but my sense is to use the one time \$ to help the development of the community which sorely needs more affordable housing (for folks entering the work force). I would shy away from any investment that is going to require Thanks for helping better understand the framework.

Timestamp	Please provide suggestions on how you think the Town of Richmond should allocate our ARPA funds.
Email	<p>To the ARPA Committee members,</p> <p>First off, thank you so much for serving on this important committee!</p> <p>I have two wishes for the ARPA money that I believe would make a lasting impact for Richmond.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1) If you look at some of the towns around us, they have Recreation Departments that do amazing work for the kids and adults. Essex and Colchester are shining examples. However, Richmond is not Essex or Colchester -- I realize this. I also realize that our town has voted down a Recreation Director at Town Meetings in the past. I would2) I realize that the town is in the midst of sidewalk studies. Here's the sidewalk that would have a lasting impact: Huntington Road from the Johnnie Brook Trail (through the curves by the Farr farm) to the Round Church. The other sidewalks in the study are going to get funded easily. This stretch right here would have a lasting impact an <p>If you want me to submit my suggestions in another way, please let me know -- I'd be glad to do whatever is necessary.</p> <p>Best regards,</p>

[1] Responder updated this value.