The Core Team is asking for approval of four (4) projects that were previously presented and approved for further analysis by the BCC at the September 28, 2021, Administrative meeting.

The follow slides will provide more detail on each project that is being recommended for approval to proceed.

The Core Team members include:
- Deputy County Manager for Finance
- County Manager's Chief of Staff
- Deputy County Manager for Public Works
- Economic Development Director
- Procurement and Business Services Director
$1,604,167 in ARPA funding to provide housing support and rental assistant services to qualified adults and their family members who have been disproportionately impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. Provide up to 28 people in the first year and 37 people/households in subsequent years.

The Project will follow Permanent Supportive Housing and Harm Reduction evidence-based practices specifically designed for individuals in need of behavioral health supports.

Project participants will

- Have full rights of tenancy under landlord-tenant laws, including control over living space and protection against eviction;
- Have access to supportive case management support service that they need to retain housing;
- Be allowed to live in their homes as long as they meet the obligations of tenancy and case management supports

This project benefit is countywide.
NI-16- FII-NATIONAL DBA UPTOGETHER-BERNALILLO COUNTY RELIEF EXPENDITURE CATEGORY 2.03 (HOUSEHOLD ASSISTANCE: CASH TRANSFERS)

- 1,869,773 in ARPA funding to distribute cash transfers to eligible Bernalillo County residents in the form of one-time payments who were not funded through the CABQ Community Impact Fund.

- Individuals must meet all the following criteria to receive a $1,000 one-time direct cash payment;
  - Experienced financial hardship due to COVID-19 resulting in an inability to cover some or all basic living expenses such as food, transportation, housing, or medical expenses
  - Since March 3, 2021, experienced either
    - A reduction in employment hours of at least 20 hours per week per household
    - Temporary job loss due to a workplace shut-down because of the COVID-19 outbreak or a New Mexico state-imposed closure related to COVID-19
  - Did not qualify for unemployment insurance
  - Did not qualify for one or more federal stimulus checks
  - Lives in a household of at least two individuals
  - Had a household income of less than $75,000 for the 2020 income tax year

- This project benefit is countywide.
Subsequent agreements will be negotiated and executed for each individual project to ensure contractors and/or subrecipients comply with the statutory and regulatory requirements and the terms and conditions of the award.

The County will monitor, review and will certify eligible expenditures in accordance with the reporting requirements to ensure transparency and accountability for the use of all ARPA dollars.

The funding must be spent or encumbered by December 31, 2024, deadline and all ARPA expenditures must be completed by December 31, 2026, as required by federal law.