

Aldermanic Request:

Funding for Mental Health Initiatives

July 25, 2022

Under Municipal Code Chapter 2-53 for the City of Chicago, the Council Office of Financial Analysis (COFA) is required to conduct financial analyses upon the request of a member of the City Council.

On July 7, 2022, Alderwoman Rossana Rodriguez-Sanchez of the 33rd Ward submitted the following request to COFA:

Is the Framework for Mental Health Equity from CDPH funded with ARPA funds? How about the CARE pilot – is that ARPA?

Framework for Mental Health Equity

The Office of Budget and Management provided COFA with the following funding sources associated with the City's *Framework for Mental Health Equity* totaling \$89.1 million for the fiscal year 2022:

Funding Source	Appropriation
Corporate Fund	\$17,900,000
Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)	\$12,742,000
American Recovery Plan (ARP)	\$52,000,000
CDBG Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES)	\$6,500,000
Total - Fiscal Year 2022	\$89,142,000

Crisis Assistance Response and Engagement (CARE) Pilot

The Department of Public Health (CDPH) confirmed for COFA that the City's *Crisis Assistance Response and Engagement* (*CARE*) pilot program does receive ARP funding, as well as City funding through the Corporate Fund. CDPH provided the following breakdown:

- \$15 million in ARP funding is allocated for the CARE program.
- \$1 million in Corporate Funds is allocated for the CARE program.





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ⁱ CDPH noted that this does not include the personnel costs across the relevant agencies, which are billed to the Corporate Fund or CDBGs.