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### Island County taking applications for Community Service Grants

Island County will begin accepting applications on Friday, Oct. 15 for Community Service Grants under the federal American Rescue Plan Act, or ARPA.

A total of \$2 million in Community Service Grants will be awarded by the Island County Board of Commissioners to local organizations, including senior and veteran services, childcare and development services, support for youth and support for the physical or developmentally disabled.

“It’s super exciting to offer this opportunity to help the community to expand much-needed services,” said Liz Chaffin, Island County ARPA Program coordinator.

Grant money may be used by an organization to expand its reach, modernize services or adapt to needs in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Applications are due by the end of day on Nov. 15, according to Chaffin, who added there is no cost to apply. Only one application per entity will be accepted.

For those who may be inexperienced at applying for grants, the application is two pages and the process simplified.

“Most of it is going to be pretty easy,” Chaffin said.

**Photo caption:** *Liz Chaffin, ARPA program coordinator for Island County*

- For more information about the grants, or to return an application, email to Liz Chaffin at [LC.Chaffin@islandcountywa.gov](mailto:LC.Chaffin@islandcountywa.gov) or mail to Island County ARPA Program, PO Box 5000, Coupeville, WA 98239. Chaffin’s contact phone is 360-679-7397. Applications can be found on the Island County website at [www.islandcountywa.gov/arpa/Pages/ARPA---Community-Service-Grants.aspx](http://www.islandcountywa.gov/arpa/Pages/ARPA---Community-Service-Grants.aspx)
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