



RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE YTOWN ARPA COMMITTEE

Passed by the Washtenaw County Democratic Party (WCDP) Executive Board on County Committee on March 8, 2022, the WCDP Executive Board on March 15, 2022, and the WCDP General Membership on April 25, 2022

WHEREAS, our county, and local municipalities continue to use American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding to invest in our communities, *and*

WHEREAS, the Washtenaw County Democratic Party County Committee is committed to supporting programs and policies that address historical and systemic inequities, *and*

WHEREAS, the Washtenaw County Democratic Party County Committee supports the Washtenaw County Health Department resolution naming racism as a public health crisis¹ as well as federal recommendations that racial equity should be a top priority when considering where and how to spend ARPA funding, *and*

WHEREAS, the Washtenaw County Democratic Party County Committee stands in solidarity with grassroots community groups that are focused on engaging their communities around ARPA funding because an engaged community is vital to our democratic processes and wellbeing,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Washtenaw County Democratic Party County Committee urges local and countywide leaders to partner with organized community groups and to take their recommendations into account when making investments in their communities, *and*

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Washtenaw County Democratic Party County Committee voices our support for the community group YTown ARPA Committee and urges Ypsilanti Township elected officials to continue partnerships with YTown ARPA Committee and other community groups as they consider investments and expenditures using ARPA funds.

¹ <https://www.washtenaw.org/DocumentCenter/View/17191/Washtenaw-County-Board-of-Health---Racism-is-a-Public-Health-Crisis>