

Making a Difference



Community Investment

- Cooperated to fund the permanent homeless shelter operated by Pueblo Rescue Mission.
- Allocated \$4.6 million to small business in 2020 from the 1/2 cent Sales Tax Fund.
- Distributed \$6 million in Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security Act (CARES) Act.
- Currently distributing \$36.7 million in American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) aid to Pueblo.
 - \$8 million in sanitary sewer improvements for developers.
 - \$1 million for children to read during the summer of 2021 and 2022 with the Pueblo City-County Library "Reading Pays" program through ARPA funding.
- Creation of the Pueblo Food Project.
 - Pueblo Food Project has spent nearly \$750,000.00 on local food for hunger relief due to the pandemic.
- Grant writer position established in 2021.
 - \$62,633,357 grants awarded in last two years.

Community Collaboration

- Creation the Energy Advisory Commission.
- Establishment of Just Transitions Committee and secured \$460,000 grant to fund a Just Transitions Coordinator.
- Partnered with the Pueblo Conservancy District for the pedestrian bridges across the Arkansas River to the levee with Department of Local Affairs (DOLA) grant.
- Creation of the Mayor's Youth Advisory Council for high school and college students to contribute to the Pueblo community.

Development and City Maintenance

- Creation of the online permitting process in 2021 for developers.
- Revision of Land Use codes to allow multiple uses in downtown buildings.
- Revision of roadway requirements for developers.
- Paved 59.06 lane miles of road in the last four years.
- The City committed \$10 million investment toward road improvements in the 2022 annual budget and will continue to allocate the same in 2023 annual budget.

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National Collaboration

- One of 40 mayors selected to participate in the Bloomberg Harvard Cities Leadership Initiative.
- Pueblo was selected as one of 11 cities to participate in the Bloomberg Center for Public Innovation at Johns Hopkins University's 2022 Innovation Training program.
- Invited to the White House to attend Communities in Actions: Building a Better Colorado to participate in roundtable discussions regarding the impact of ARPA the Inflation Reduction Act and the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) funding.