



# **AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT**

City Manager's Office  
Office of Management and Budget  
March 23, 2021

# AGENDA

- Context of Federal Funding
  - Rules and Requirements
  - Considerations and Opportunities
- Funding Approach and Process
  - High Level Approach
  - Next Steps
  - Council Actions
  - Questions for Council

# DIRECT CITY FUNDING - \$63 M

## Uses

- Public Health emergency
  - Responding to the COVID-19 pandemic and covering costs incurred from the public health emergency
  - Addressing the negative economic impacts on households, local businesses, and nonprofits
- Replacing lost, delayed, or decreased revenues due to COVID-19 to provide services
- Providing hazard pay to local government essential workers or grants to private employers for essential workers
- Making necessary investments in water, sewer, and broadband infrastructure

# DIRECT CITY FUNDING

## Timing

- Approximately \$31.5 M in 2021 & \$31.5 M in 2022
- Spending allowed through 2024

## What we don't know?

- Waiting on US Treasury Guidelines (similar to CARES Act)
- Rules very important (for example calculation of loss revenues)
- Other Federal funding to benefit Tacoma residents: County funding, Tacoma funding through programs like HOME and ERAP

# CONSIDERATIONS

- Federal guidance, rules, and process
- Inclusiveness and partnerships
- Getting assistance to those most in need
- One-time
- Revenue loss, reductions, and deferred maintenance
- Spending through 2024

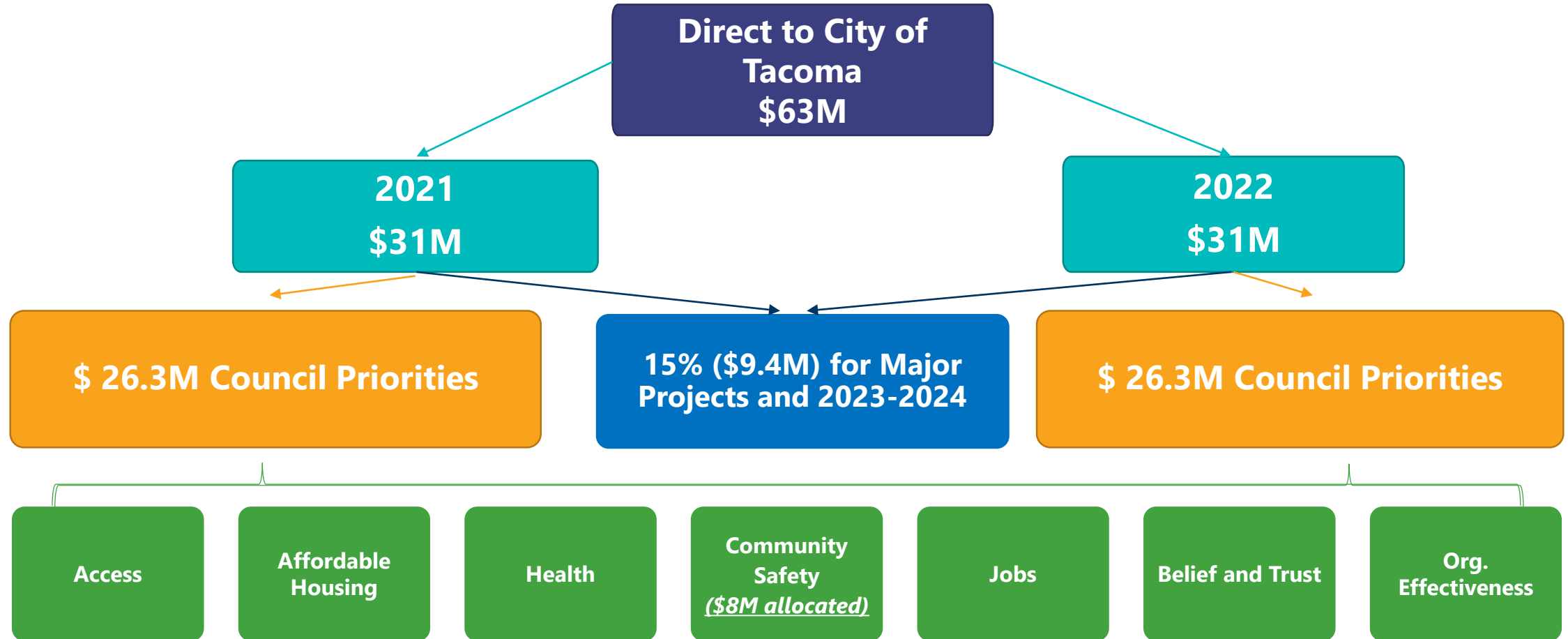
# OPPORTUNITIES

- Advance **anti-racist transformation** goals and seed projects with generational impact
- Use **strategic timing** to maximize impact, avoid gaps in support for those most in need, and build partnerships
- Identify programs with co-benefits related across **Council priorities and anti racist transformation**
- Thoughtful and **inclusive community participation**
- Advance **equity in budgeting** by leveraging support through Bloomberg's Budgeting for Equity & Recovery Program



# FUNDING APPROACH AND PROCESS

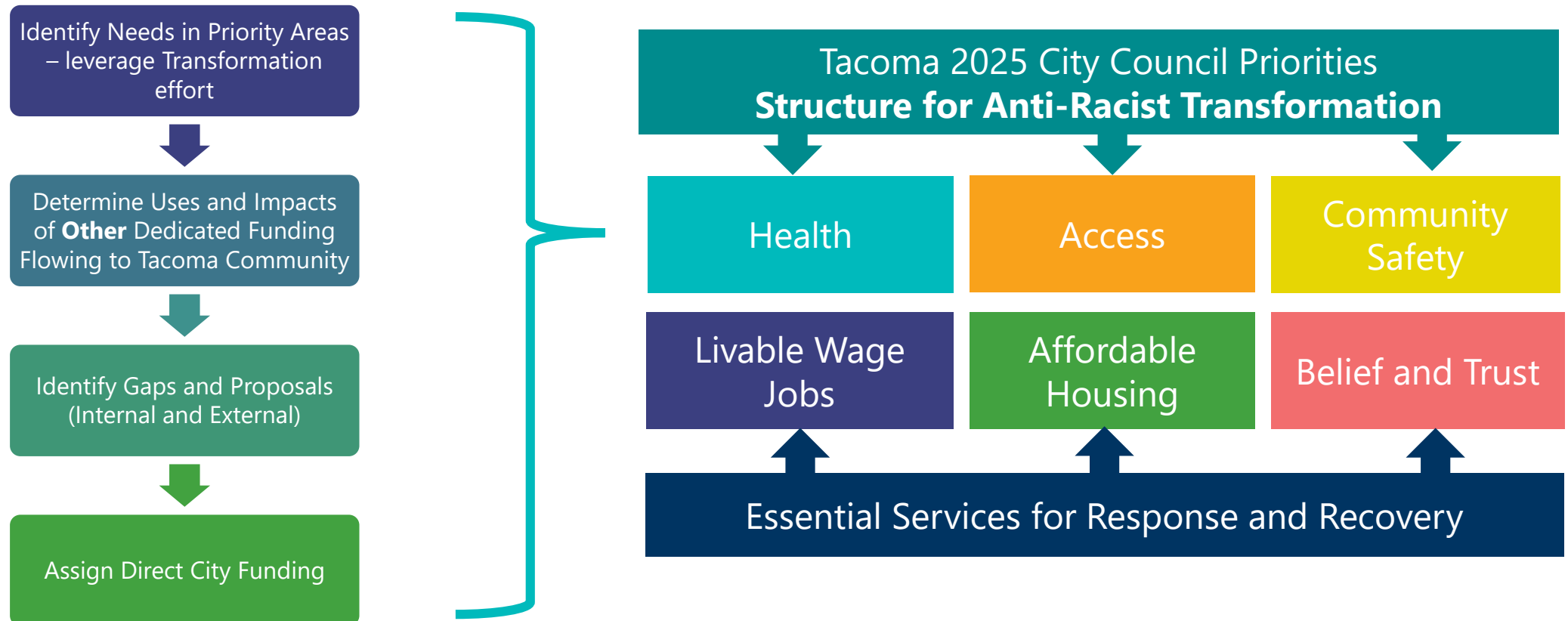
# EXAMPLE STRUCTURE 2021-2024



2021-2022

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# HIGH LEVEL APPROACH





# NEXT STEP IS TO COME BACK ON...

- Engagement – Participatory Budgeting, County, Business and Non-Profit Community, etc.
- Distribution Percentages to Council Priority Buckets
- Funding Timelines
- Reporting

**March 23 –  
Structure and  
Approach**

**April 13 –  
Engagement and  
Distribution  
Strategy**

**April 27 –  
Distribution  
Proposals**

**May 11 –  
Distribution  
Approval**



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