

ARPC BOARD NOTES JANUARY 2025



OH, THE WORK WE'VE DONE!

Take a closer look at the ARPC effect in 2024!

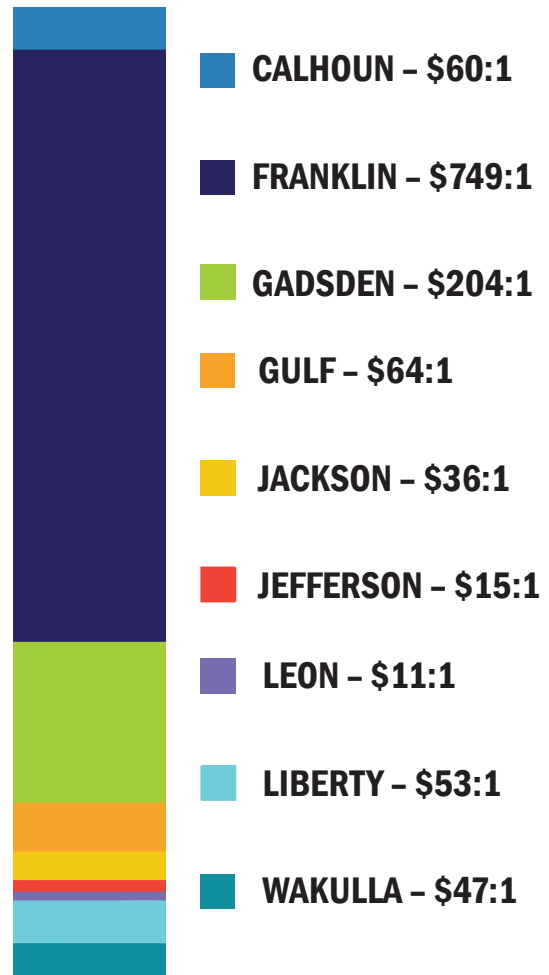
What a year! We've added new programs, doubled in staff, and begun exploring new revenue sources! With a staff of 23 people spanning nine programs, ARPC services a Region that covers over 6,700 square miles, home to nearly half a million people. So we stay pretty busy around here!

During the 2023 - 2024 fiscal year, ARPC staff utilized just over \$87,000 in member dues to generate a return of more than \$6.5 million in additional funding. This resulted in a Regional ROI of \$73 to \$1!

From overseeing the largest living shoreline in the state, to developing an online planning platform for healthcare agencies statewide, our staffs' collective expertise continues to have a lasting impact throughout the Region and beyond.

As the needs and challenges of the Region continue to evolve, so do we! And our passion and commitment couldn't be more evident! For an in-depth look at the work of ARPC, please take a moment to view our 2023-2024 Annual Report in its entirety!

AVERAGE ROI PER COUNTY FY 2019/2020 - FY 2022/2023



42+
CONTRACTS
EXECUTED

\$73:1
REGIONAL
RETURN ON
INVESTMENT

\$6,594,906
2023/2024 TOTAL REVENUE

THE ARPC EFFECT!

JANUARY
2025



**132
JOBS**
created or retained
with RLF funds



270%+
increase in social
media reach

11,454
life-sustaining trips
through Transportation Disadvantaged

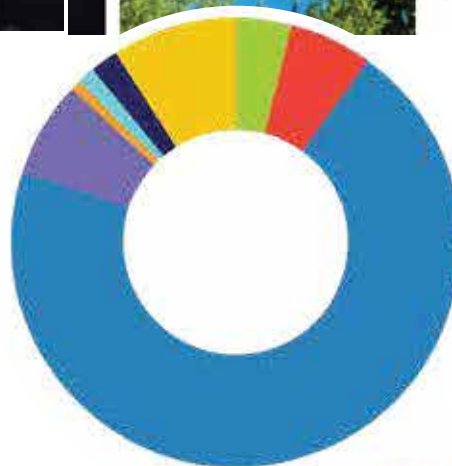


20
housing projects
(built, repaired,
or purchased)



273
students
through ALEPC

14
blog entries



- REVENUE PERCENTAGE PER PROGRAM**
- ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: 4%
 - ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING: 70%
 - GIS: 1%
 - TRANSPORTATION: 7%
 - EMERGENCY PLANNING: 6%
 - HOUSING: 7%
 - GROWTH MANAGEMENT: 3%
 - MISCELLANEOUS PROJECTS: 2%

HOW CAN WE HELP?

ARPC proudly serves as a dedicated catalyst for responsible growth & development in the Apalachee Region of Florida. Our dedicated staff work closely with local governments, community organizations, & stakeholders on a variety of challenges, developing innovative solutions from a regional perspective. Fully committed to collaboration and community engagement, ARPC is better able to position our member governments, creating access and leverage for funding. Our dedicated team works tirelessly to address the unique challenges and opportunities that shape the landscape of our communities.



ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING

GEOSPATIAL PLANNING

TRANSPORTATION PLANNING

EMERGENCY PLANNING

HOUSING

GROWTH MANAGEMENT

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT



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LOCAL PARTNERSHIPS REGIONAL IMPACT



WELCOME TO THE TEAM!

As ARPC continues to grow, our staff exponentially expands upon our efforts to improve quality of life throughout the Region. We are thrilled to welcome Hilary Carrasco who will work closely with our Housing Program Manager, Marcus Thompkins!

ARPC staff are currently working on an annual update of the Apalachee Regional Economic Development Strategy. For more information on this process or how to participate, please contact Caroline Smith, ARPC Economic Development Manager, at csmith@arpc.org.

ARPC ELECTS 2025 OFFICERS!

Congratulations to our 2025 Officers! Commissioner Ricky Jones has been re-elected as Chair, Commissioner Quincee Messersmith will serve as Vice Chair, and Commissioner Porter has retained the position of Secretary/Treasurer. In addition, Greg Slay of the Capital Region Transportation Planning Agency has been elected as an Ex-Officio Member. Congratulations again, and we are thrilled to work with you all towards the betterment of the Apalachee Region.



GRANTS AWARDED!

USDOT SAFE STREETS FOR ALL: ARPC Economic Development staff partnered with ARPC Transportation staff to apply for multi-year project funding to create a Regional Safety Action Plan that would complement work currently underway for the Rural Regional Transportation Plan (RRTP). ARPC was awarded 2-year federal funding in the amount of \$497,839. Project activities will kick off as soon as the contract is in place!

U.S. Economic Development Administration (EDA) Disaster Recovery Coordination Grant: ARPC staff applied for and received a 5-year federal funding award for \$500,000 to conduct disaster resiliency work in the Region. A variety of activities will be conducted under this funding, including an overhaul of the Apalachee Online website.

Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) Beautification Grant: ARPC staff partnered with the Town of Sneads on an application for the 2024 FDOT Beautification Grant to create landscaping improvements along Highway 90. FDOT has awarded \$110,281 to the Town of Sneads to carry out this project.

NEXT ARPC BOARD MEETING: MARCH 27TH, 2025

