

WisDems: Republican Congressman Scott Fitzgerald rejects millions for Covid relief and recovery for Wauwatosa and West Allis

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(MADISON) — Republican Congressman Scott Fitzgerald voted this week to reject more than \$5.7 billion for Wisconsin's state and local governments, including millions for the counties and cities he represents in Wisconsin's 5th Congressional District.

Fitzgerald joined all of his fellow Republicans in opposing the American Rescue Plan signed into law by President Biden yesterday. In doing so, he opposed more than \$25.1 million for the city of **Wauwatosa** and more than \$32.2 million for the city of **West Allis**. He even fought to stop more than \$264,000 for his hometown of **Juneau**.

Fitzgerald also voted against more than **\$341 million for Fifth District counties**. "Help is on the way for Wisconsin families and businesses, but only because Scott Fitzgerald didn't get his way," said **Chair of the Wisconsin Democratic Party, Ben Wikler**. "The American Rescue plan includes \$1,400 survival checks for American families, extended unemployment benefits, funding for vaccine distribution, and aid to help cities and states pay essential workers and provide vital services. None of those measures should be partisan or controversial one year into a global pandemic, but Scott Fitzgerald continues to put politics over people." The pandemic and recession have simultaneously increased spending needs and devastated revenues for state and local governments. The State and Local Fiscal Aid funding in the American Rescue plan will allow Wisconsin counties and municipalities to retain or rehire first responders, public health officials, and other essential public servants and to preserve critical services for residents. **Below are the funding allocations for Fifth District counties, which Congressman Fitzgerald worked to derail.**

- \$25,181,545 for the city of Wauwatosa
- \$32,289,441 for the city of West Allis
- \$17,035,833 for Dodge County
- \$16,440,426 for Jefferson County
- \$183,417,734 for Milwaukee County
- \$20,144,559 for Walworth County
- \$26,382,957 for Washington County
- \$78,391,713 for Waukesha County