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When asked to defend a massive spending agenda, President Biden said:

“What would they have me cut? What would they have me leave out?”

We are glad you asked, Mr. President.

Cash for Creativity

Los Angeles County, California is spending \$22 million of its American Rescue Plan funds on “[creative recovery](#)” – including \$5 million on a make-artwork program for artists. The [Creative Works Jobs for Artists](#) program will:

“Engage artists, intermediaries, and cultural organizations to develop artist-led projects and public programs.”

That is certainly a *creative* way to define “COVID relief.”

Hopefully these artists can paint a picture that is worth a thousand words, because Los Angeles has a lot of explaining to do.

Stay tuned for more.

Source: [Board of Supervisors Allocates Over \\$22 million for Arts and Creative Recovery](#), Los Angeles County Department of Arts and Culture, August 3, 2021
[LA County Phase One American Rescue Plan 2021](#), Chief Executive Office, County of Los Angeles