

STIMULUS FUNDING FOR PEOPLE EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS

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US DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY		
<p>CHILD TAX CREDIT</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CARES Act • American Rescue Plan Act 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Expands the Child Tax Credit for one year • Raises credit to \$3,600 for children under 6 and \$3,000 for children under 18. • Makes Child Tax Credit fully refundable and paid automatically on a monthly basis from 7/21 - 12/21 • Remaining balance available upon families' filing 2021 tax return. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • More than doubles monthly income of many families' experiencing or at-risk of homelessness.
<p>ECONOMIC IMPACT PAYMENT</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CARES Act • American Rescue Plan Act 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Three Economic Impact Payments of \$1,400 for individuals who are not claimed as a dependent. • Eligible if income is: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> » \$150,000 if married and filing a joint return » \$112,500 if filing as head of household or » \$75,000 for eligible individuals using any other filing status 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Those who filed taxes or received previous Economic Impact Payments should receive third payment automatically. • Treasury commits to outreach to homeless and other social service programs to ensure assistance reaches those who require the most help accessing the Economic Impact Payment.
<p>EMERGENCY RENTAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM 1 & 2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • COVID-19 Economic Relief Bill/Consolidated Appropriations Act (ERAP 1) • American Rescue Plan Act (ERAP 2) • \$46 billion (total) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$25 billion Emergency Rental Assistance (ERAP-1) fund established by FY2021 Consolidated Appropriations Act • Administered by Dept. of Treasury • Funds go to states and localities for distribution. • Authority to spend expires 9/30/2022. • American Rescue Plan awarded an additional \$21 billion (ERAP-2). Authority to use expires September 30, 2025. • At least 90% of awarded funds to be used for direct financial assistance including rent, rent arrears, utilities and home energy costs and arrears, and other expenses related to housing. • 10% of funds available for housing stability services 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ERAP-2 has slightly different rules more favorable to renters. • ERAP funds can be used to help currently homeless people and people living in doubled up situations to secure and pay for new housing. ERAP funds only require a rental obligation.

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<p>HOMEOWNER ASSISTANCE FUND</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> American Rescue Plan Act \$10 billion 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Up to \$10 billion allocated to states, DC, territories, Tribes or Tribal entities, Dept. of Hawaiian Home Lands to assist homeowners impacted by the pandemic. Funds are prioritized for socially disadvantaged households. Funds can be used to prevent mortgage delinquencies and defaults, foreclosures, loss of utilities or home energy services, and displacement of homeowners experiencing financial hardship. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> May also prevent some homelessness
<p>STATE AND LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUND</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> American Rescue Plan Act \$350 billion 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$350 billion in emergency funding for state, local, territorial, and Tribal governments to address falling revenue and rising need. \$195.3 billion to states; \$130b to localities, and \$20 billion to tribal governments. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Funds can be used to fill gaps in homelessness services and other programming.

US DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

<p>EMERGENCY HOUSING CHOICE VOUCHERS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> American Rescue Plan Act \$5 billion 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$5 billion set aside for the establishment of incremental, tenant-based Emergency Housing Vouchers (EHVs), renewal of EHVs, administration of EHVs, and related expenses including security deposit assistance. Eligibility: individuals and families who are homeless; at- risk of homelessness; fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or human trafficking; or recently homeless and for whom providing rental assistance will prevent the family's homelessness or having risk of housing instability. A previously leased EHV may not be re-issued after September 30, 2023, and an EHV that has never been issued may be initially issued and leased after September 30, 2023. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> » No later than July 31, 2021, PHAs must have entered into a memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with their community's CoC(s). The purpose is to establish a partnership for the administration of the EHVs to decide: what services will be offered; who will pay for services; which populations will be prioritized; how referrals will be processed; and roles and responsibilities CoCs and PHAs. All referrals for EHVs must come through the CoC's Coordinated Entry System or from a Victims Services Provider. CoCs are responsible for determining whether the tenant from either source qualifies under one of the four eligibility categories for EHVs. PHAs receive \$3,500 per EHV voucher to be used for: housing search assistance, security and utility deposits, landlord recruitment and outreach, landlord incentive payments, moving costs, essential household items, renter's insurance (if required by the lease), and tenant-readiness services. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Up to 70,000 EHVs are allocated to public housing agencies (PHAs). HUD may waive any provision of any statute or regulation used to administer the amounts made available with the exception of Fair Housing, nondiscrimination, labor standards and the environment. CoCs can adjust their current priority lists, but should still focus on high need people.
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<p>HOMELESS ASSISTANCE AND SUPPORTIVE SERVICES PROGRAM (AKA HOME-CV)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> American Rescue Plan Act \$5 billion 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$5 billion under the HOME Investment Partnerships Program, which can be spent until September 30, 2025, for the following activities. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tenant-based rental assistance. Development and support of affordable housing Supportive services, including transitional housing, housing counseling, and prevention Acquisition and development of non-congregate shelter, which may be converted to permanent affordable housing, emergency shelter, or remain as non-congregate shelter units. Eligible: people experiencing homelessness; at-risk of homelessness; fleeing, or attempting to flee, domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking; to prevent in other populations where providing supportive services or assistance would prevent the family's homelessness or would serve those with the greatest risk of housing instability; or veterans and families that include a veteran's family member that meet one of the preceding criteria. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Housing activities can include real property acquisition, site improvement, conversion, demolition, financing costs, relocation expenses of anyone displaced, administrative and planning costs, operating expenses of CHDOs Services funded can include Housing Counseling and homelessness prevention services. Affordable housing includes permanent housing for disabled homeless persons, transitional housing, and single room occupancy housing. \$25m for technical assistance \$50m for HUD's admin costs HUD may waive any provision of statute or regulation except related to fair housing, nondiscrimination, labor standards, and environment. HOME cost limits, matching requirements, and CHDO set-aside requirements do not apply. CoCs can adjust their current priority lists, but should still focus on high need people.
<p>NEIGHBORHOOD REINVESTMENT CORPORATION</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> American Rescue Plan Act \$100 million 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$100 million is awarded to Neighborhood Reinvestment Corporation through September of 2025, to support approved housing counseling intermediaries, State HFAs and NeighborWorks organizations to provide housing counseling services. Prioritizes services to minority and low income populations and neighborhoods. Services to households facing housing instability – eviction, default, foreclosure, loss of income, or homelessness. Services include education, outreach, training, technology and other program support. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Source of funding for homelessness prevention.

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<p>NATIVE AMERICAN AND NATIVE HAWAIIAN HOUSING BLOCK GRANTS</p> <p>(\$455 million)</p> <p>INDIAN COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT</p> <p>(\$280 million)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> American Rescue Plan Act 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Funds will be distributed by formula. Grants can be used as authorized with focus on response to the pandemic. Fund eligible affordable housing activities. Fund rental assistance to eligible Native Hawaiian families both on and off Hawaiian Home Lands. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Source of housing funding for Native American and Native Hawaiian people exiting non-congregate shelter, etc.

US DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

<p>TANF PANDEMIC EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE FUND (PEAF)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> American Rescue Plan Act \$1 billion 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$1 billion to states, tribes and territories by formula. Provide nonrecurrent short-term benefits (NRST) to low-income families with children impacted by the pandemic. States, etc. informed HHS by 4/21 as to their election to receive funds. Any funds not claimed by states may be reallocated to other states. NRST benefits can be used to provide financial assistance to low-income families to meet a crisis need that is expected to be short-term and non-recurring. States have until 9/30/2022 to expend allocated funds, and additional 12 months to spend re-allocated funds. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> TANF non-recurrent short term benefits are defined as aid that addresses a specific episode of need and does not exceed four months. Funds not allocated will be re-distributed. Emergency housing and homelessness assistance are eligible activities, as are food aid, utility payments, clothing allowances, and back-to-school payments. But all must be short term (maximum 4 mos.). Not eligible are tax credits, childcare, transportation, short-term education and training. NRST benefits have been used for eviction prevention, security deposits, first month's rent and/or up to four months of rental assistance for homeless households.
<p>FAMILY VIOLENCE PREVENTION AND SERVICES</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> American Rescue Plan Act \$247.5 million (FY 2021 Appropriations Act - \$196 million) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$247.5 million for Family Violence and Prevention Services (FVPS) programs and eliminates match requirements for new funds \$180 million awarded to states on a formula basis. States then award funds to local programs. Eligible activities for domestic violence survivors include emergency shelter, counseling and support services. \$18 million is for Tribes. \$49.5 million will be used to provide grants to support culturally specific populations. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Funding is in addition to the \$196 million appropriated for FVPS for FY 2021. Shelter assistance can be defined as providing rental assistance to help survivors retain or regain housing.

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<p>SUBSTANCE ABUSE AND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES BLOCK GRANTS (AT SAMHSA)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> American Rescue Plan Act \$1.5 billion - Community Mental Health Services \$1.5 billion - Prevention and Treatment of Substance Abuse 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$1.5 billion for each of two block grants: Community Mental Health Services Block Grant (MHBG) and Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Block Grant (SABG). Funding to states and territories To be expended by September 30 2025. Funding to states, territories and tribes. The MHBG program enables states and territories to provide comprehensive community mental health services and address needs and gaps in existing treatment services for those with severe mental health conditions. The SABG program allows states and territories to plan, implement and evaluate activities to prevent, treat and help more people recover from substance use disorder. This funding will also allow recipients to make investments in existing prevention, treatment and recovery infrastructure, promote support for providers and address unique local needs to deliver substance use disorder services. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MHBG: provides comprehensive mental health services to adults with serious mental illness and children with serious emotional disturbance. Support to individuals in rural and homeless populations. States that receive the money are required to develop a state plan. SABG: plans, implements, and evaluates activities that prevent and treat substance abuse. Serves pregnant women and parents with dependent who have a substance use and/or mental disorder; people who inject drugs, people with tuberculosis/communicable diseases, HIV/AIDs or at risk. Supports prevention, treatment and recovery for people experiencing homelessness or involved in the criminal justice system.
<p>PUBLIC HEALTH WORKFORCE (PHW)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Community Health Centers (CHC) and Community Care (CC) American Rescue Plan Act \$7.66 billion - PHW \$7.6 billion -- CHCCC 	<p>PUBLIC HEALTH WORKFORCE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Funds to remain available until expended to establish, expand, and sustain a public health workforce. Awards to State, local, and territorial public health department . Hire and train people to be case investigators, contact tracers, social support specialists, community health workers, public health nurses, disease intervention specialists, epidemiologists, program managers, laboratory personnel, informaticians, communication and policy experts. Staff can be employed by State, territory, or local public health departments, or by nonprofits with expertise and that works with the State, etc. Focus on medically underserved areas <p>COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER AND COMMUNITY CARE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Funds to remain available until expended for grants to federally qualified health centers and certain entities under the Native Hawaiian Health Care System. To expand workforce, services, and community outreach largely around the pandemic. Establish and strengthen community partnerships and referrals for housing, childcare, food banks, employment, education counseling, legal services, and other related services. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Can be used to provide services to people experiencing homelessness and unsheltered people.

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<p>MEDICAID</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> American Rescue Plan Act Home and Community Based Services 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Act temporarily increases by 10% the federal medical assistance percentage (FMAP - the federal government's share of most Medicaid expenditures) for certain Medicaid expenditures for Home and Community Based Services. This began April 1, 2021, and ends March 31, 2022. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Home and Community Based Services (HCBS) provide older adults and people with disabilities with health services in their homes and communities, thus keeping them out of institutions. By having the federal government pay a greater share of Medicaid costs, States can either deliver more assistance, or they can use the increased federal share to reduce State expenditures, and use the released State funds to deliver assistance NOT covered by Medicaid.
<p>RURAL HEALTH CARE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> American Rescue Plan Act \$1 billion 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) will provide \$460 million to 4,600 rural health clinics. \$398 million will be provided to small rural hospitals. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Focus is on COVID response.

US DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

<p>ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOL EMERGENCY RELIEF - HOMELESS CHILDREN AND YOUTH</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> American Rescue Plan Act \$800 million - homeless children and youth (\$123 billion overall) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Funds to identify homeless children and youth. Outreach to homeless children and youth. Provide wrap-around services in the COVID-19 context and any assistance children and youth need to attend and fully participate in school activities. Funds made available to state educational agencies. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Department of Education definition of homeless is different from that of HUD (includes people doubled up for economic reasons).
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