



The American Rescue Plan's Impact on Arizona on Two-Year Anniversary

- **Powered a Strong Recovery with Arizona unemployment falling to 4%:** Arizona's unemployment rate has fallen from 6.4% in January 2021 to 4% in December 2022, as the state added 213,000 jobs and now has more jobs than it did pre-Covid.
- **Led to record 228,000 new Small Business Applications in Arizona:** In 2021 and 2022, Arizonans applied to start 228,000 new businesses, the highest 2-year total on record.
- **ARP Provided Direct Pandemic Recovery Funds to All 106 Arizona towns, cities, and counties** – avoiding cuts and investing in public safety, housing, workforce development, and other critical areas.
- **Provided Vital Education Funding to over 210 School Districts in Arizona to support academic recovery and student mental health and reopen safely:** Over 210 school districts in Arizona were provided funding to support academic recovery and student mental health and reopen safely.
- **2,570 Child Care Programs in Arizona Received Support to Help Keep Their Doors Open, impacting up to 239,000 children.**
- **Working Family Tax Relief through the Expanded Child Tax Credit for 859K Arizona families with 1.5 million children:** In Arizona, the American Rescue Plan's historic Child Tax Credit benefited an estimated 859,000 families with 1.5 million children.
- **Expanded Earned Income Tax Credit for 379K workers in Arizona:** The American Rescue Plan's expanded EITC provided up to \$1,500 of tax relief to an estimated 379,000 Arizona workers without dependent children.
- **Saved 200,000 Arizonans an average of \$830 per year on their health care:** In 2022, 200,000 Arizonans saved an average of \$830 on their health premiums from the American Rescue Plan. With the Inflation Reduction Act's extension of these savings, a record 235,000 Arizonans signed up for quality, affordable care in the 2023 ACA open enrollment period.
- **Emergency Rental Assistance to Thousands of Hard-Pressed Renters in Arizona:** In Arizona, state and local governments made 158,000 payments to help families meet their ongoing rent and utilities costs and 120,000 payments to help families address past due rent and utility bills.
- **297,000 Arizona College Students received direct financial relief through the Higher Education Emergency Relief Program in 2021 alone:** In 2021, 60 Arizona colleges and universities made direct financial assistance payments to 297,000 college students to help them stay enrolled and cover their bills.
- **128,000 more Arizona homes and businesses will receive affordable, high-speed internet** through the American Rescue Plan's Capital Project Fund.
- **American Rescue Plan's Emergency Connectivity Fund is addressing the homework gap for 91,000 Arizona students:** providing about 423,000 connected devices (including hotspots) for students.
- **1,326 Arizona Restaurants received vital relief** through the American Rescue Plan's Restaurant Revitalization Fund.