



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

- **Powered a Strong Recovery with Delaware unemployment falling to 4.6%:** Delaware's unemployment rate has fallen from 5.7% in January 2021 to 4.6% in December 2022, as the state added 16,000 jobs.
- **Led to record 90,000 new Small Business Applications in Delaware:** In 2021 and 2022, Delawareans applied to start 90,000 new businesses, the highest 2-year total on record.
- **ARP Provided Direct Pandemic Recovery Funds to All 60 Delaware towns, cities, and counties** – avoiding cuts and investing in public safety, housing, workforce development, and other critical areas.
- **Provided Vital Education Funding to 18 Delaware School Districts to support academic recovery and student mental health and reopen safely:** 18 Delaware school districts were provided funding to support academic recovery and student mental health and reopen safely.
- **870 Child Care Programs in Delaware Received Support to Help Keep Their Doors Open, impacting up to 45,000 children.**
- **Working Family Tax Relief through the Expanded Child Tax Credit for 116K Delaware families with 188K children:** In Delaware, the American Rescue Plan's historic Child Tax Credit benefited an estimated 116,000 families with 188,000 children.
- **Expanded Earned Income Tax Credit for 48K workers in Delaware:** The American Rescue Plan's expanded EITC provided up to \$1,500 of tax relief to an estimated 48,000 Delaware workers without dependent children.
- **Saved 32,000 Delawareans an average of \$1210 per year on their health care:** In 2022, 32,000 Delawareans saved an average of \$1210 on their health premiums from the American Rescue Plan. With the Inflation Reduction Act's extension of these savings, a record 35,000 Delawareans signed up for quality, affordable care in the 2023 ACA open enrollment period.
- **Emergency Rental Assistance to Thousands of Hard-Pressed Renters in Delaware:** In Delaware, state and local governments made 23,000 payments to help families meet their ongoing rent and utilities costs and 20,000 payments to help families address past due rent and utility bills.
- **34,000 Delaware College Students received direct financial relief through the Higher Education Emergency Relief Program in 2021 alone:** In 2021, 11 Delaware colleges and universities made direct financial assistance payments to 34,000 college students to help them stay enrolled and cover their bills.
- **American Rescue Plan's Emergency Connectivity Fund is addressing the homework gap for 1,000 Delaware students:** providing about 44,000 connected devices (including hotspots) for students.
- **285 Delaware Restaurants received vital relief** through the American Rescue Plan's Restaurant Revitalization Fund.