



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

- **Powered a Strong Recovery with Kansas unemployment falling to 2.9%:** Kansas's unemployment rate has fallen from 3.9% in January 2021 to 2.9% in December 2022, as the state added 51,000 jobs.
- **Led to record 61,000 new Small Business Applications in Kansas:** In 2021 and 2022, Kansans applied to start 61,000 new businesses, the highest 2-year total on record.
- **ARP Provided Direct Pandemic Recovery Funds to All 694 Kansas towns, cities, and counties** – avoiding cuts and investing in public safety, housing, workforce development, and other critical areas.
- **Provided Vital Education Funding to over 280 School Districts in Kansas to support academic recovery and student mental health and reopen safely:** Over 280 school districts in Kansas were provided funding to support academic recovery and student mental health and reopen safely.
- **3,810 Child Care Programs in Kansas Received Support to Help Keep Their Doors Open, impacting up to 119,000 children.**
- **Working Family Tax Relief through the Expanded Child Tax Credit for 348K Kansas families with 621K children:** In Kansas, the American Rescue Plan's historic Child Tax Credit benefited an estimated 348,000 families with 621,000 children.
- **Expanded Earned Income Tax Credit for 168K workers in Kansas:** The American Rescue Plan's expanded EITC provided up to \$1,500 of tax relief to an estimated 168,000 Kansas workers without dependent children.
- **Saved 108,000 Kansans an average of \$786 per year on their health care:** In 2022, 108,000 Kansans saved an average of \$786 on their health premiums from the American Rescue Plan. With the Inflation Reduction Act's extension of these savings, a record 124,000 Kansans signed up for quality, affordable care in the 2023 ACA open enrollment period.
- **Emergency Rental Assistance to Thousands of Hard-Pressed Renters in Kansas:** In Kansas, state and local governments made 114,000 payments to help families meet their ongoing rent and utilities costs and 56,000 payments to help families address past due rent and utility bills.
- **126,000 Kansas College Students received direct financial relief through the Higher Education Emergency Relief Program in 2021 alone:** In 2021, 64 Kansas colleges and universities made direct financial assistance payments to 126,000 college students to help them stay enrolled and cover their bills.
- **21,000 more Kansas 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 41,000 Kansas students:** providing about 78,000 connected devices (including hotspots) for students.
- **601 Kansas Restaurants received vital relief** through the American Rescue Plan's Restaurant Revitalization Fund.