



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

- **Powered a Strong Recovery with Minnesota unemployment falling to 2.9%:** Minnesota's unemployment rate has fallen from 4.5% in January 2021 to 2.9% in December 2022, as the state added 157,000 jobs.
- **Led to record 126,000 new Small Business Applications in Minnesota:** In 2021 and 2022, Minnesotans applied to start 126,000 new businesses, the highest 2-year total on record.
- **ARP Provided Direct Pandemic Recovery Funds to All 2,216 Minnesota towns, cities, and counties** – avoiding cuts and investing in public safety, housing, workforce development, and other critical areas.
- **Provided Vital Education Funding to over 330 School Districts in Minnesota to support academic recovery and student mental health and reopen safely:** Over 330 school districts in Minnesota were provided funding to support academic recovery and student mental health and reopen safely.
- **7,860 Child Care Programs in Minnesota Received Support to Help Keep Their Doors Open, impacting up to 204,000 children.**
- **Working Family Tax Relief through the Expanded Child Tax Credit for 653K Minnesota families with 1.2 million children:** In Minnesota, the American Rescue Plan's historic Child Tax Credit benefited an estimated 653,000 families with 1.2 million children.
- **Expanded Earned Income Tax Credit for 288K workers in Minnesota:** The American Rescue Plan's expanded EITC provided up to \$1,500 of tax relief to an estimated 288,000 Minnesota workers without dependent children.
- **Saved 121,000 Minnesotans hundreds of dollars per year on their health care:** In 2022, 121,000 Minnesotans saved hundreds of dollars on their health premiums from the American Rescue Plan. With the Inflation Reduction Act's extension of these savings, 118,000 Minnesotans signed up for quality, affordable care in the 2023 ACA open enrollment period.
- **Emergency Rental Assistance to Thousands of Hard-Pressed Renters in Minnesota:** In Minnesota, state and local governments made 83,000 payments to help families meet their ongoing rent and utilities costs and 185,000 payments to help families address past due rent and utility bills.
- **216,000 Minnesota College Students received direct financial relief through the Higher Education Emergency Relief Program in 2021 alone:** In 2021, 85 Minnesota colleges and universities made direct financial assistance payments to 216,000 college students to help them stay enrolled and cover their bills.
- **33,000 more Minnesota 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 66,000 Minnesota students:** providing about 235,000 connected devices (including hotspots) for students.
- **1,718 Minnesota Restaurants received vital relief** through the American Rescue Plan's Restaurant Revitalization Fund.