



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

- **Powered a Strong Recovery with Ohio unemployment falling to 4.1%:** Ohio's unemployment rate has fallen from 6% in January 2021 to 4.1% in December 2022, as the state added 176,000 jobs.
- **Led to record 295,000 new Small Business Applications in Ohio:** In 2021 and 2022, Buckeyes applied to start 295,000 new businesses, the highest 2-year total on record.
- **ARP Provided Direct Pandemic Recovery Funds to All 2,268 Ohio towns, cities, and counties** – avoiding cuts and investing in public safety, housing, workforce development, and other critical areas.
- **Provided Vital Education Funding to 600 School Districts in Ohio to support academic recovery and student mental health and reopen safely:** 600 school districts in Ohio were provided funding to support academic recovery and student mental health and reopen safely.
- **5,650 Child Care Programs in Ohio Received Support to Help Keep Their Doors Open, impacting up to 365,000 children.**
- **Working Family Tax Relief through the Expanded Child Tax Credit for 1.4 million Ohio families with 2.3 million children:** In Ohio, the American Rescue Plan's historic Child Tax Credit benefited an estimated 1.4 million families with 2.3 million children.
- **Expanded Earned Income Tax Credit for 691K workers in Ohio:** The American Rescue Plan's expanded EITC provided up to \$1,500 of tax relief to an estimated 691,000 Ohio workers without dependent children.
- **Saved 260,000 Buckeyes an average of \$813 per year on their health care:** In 2022, 260,000 Buckeyes saved an average of \$813 on their health premiums from the American Rescue Plan. With the Inflation Reduction Act's extension of these savings, a record 295,000 Buckeyes signed up for quality, affordable care in the 2023 ACA open enrollment period.
- **Emergency Rental Assistance to Thousands of Hard-Pressed Renters in Ohio:** In Ohio, state and local governments made 155,000 payments to help families meet their ongoing rent and utilities costs and 158,000 payments to help families address past due rent and utility bills.
- **356,000 Ohio College Students received direct financial relief through the Higher Education Emergency Relief Program in 2021 alone:** In 2021, 198 Ohio colleges and universities made direct financial assistance payments to 356,000 college students to help them stay enrolled and cover their bills.
- **American Rescue Plan's Emergency Connectivity Fund is addressing the homework gap for 174,000 Ohio students:** providing about 304,000 connected devices (including hotspots) for students.
- **2,828 Ohio Restaurants received vital relief** through the American Rescue Plan's Restaurant Revitalization Fund.