

What does the American Rescue Plan Mean for:

Lincoln Residents

Assistance	Opportunities	Resources
Food assistance	Increased benefits to people who are eligible for the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program	https://www.fns.usda.gov/snap/provisions-american-rescue-plan-act-2021
Food assistance	Increased resources for the Commodities Supplemental Food Program for seniors and individuals in institutions like hospitals	https://www.fns.usda.gov/american-rescue-plan-fact-sheet https://www.fns.usda.gov/wic/american-rescue-plan-act-program-modernization
Food assistance	Improvements to the Women, Infants, and Children program	https://www.fema.gov/press-release/20210318/fema-awards-110-million-emergency-food-and-shelter-program-assist-migrants#:~:text=The%20Emergency%20Food%20and%20Shelter%20Program%20was%20established%20to%20supplement,risk%20of%20experiencing%2C%20hunger%20and
Food assistance	Funding for the emergency food and shelter program	https://www.fema.gov/press-release/20210318/fema-awards-110-million-emergency-food-and-shelter-program-assist-migrants#:~:text=The%20Emergency%20Food%20and%20Shelter%20Program%20was%20established%20to%20supplement,risk%20of%20experiencing%2C%20hunger%20and
Utility assistance	Funding for home energy payments	https://liheapch.acf.hhs.gov/content/liheap-covid-19-updates
Worker assistance	Expanded unemployment insurance assistance	https://www.dol.gov/general/american-rescue-plan
Tax assistance	Stimulus payments, child tax credits, earned income tax credits, dependent care assistance, credits for paid sick and family leave, tax credits for health insurance purchased through the exchange	https://www.irs.gov/newsroom/irs-treasury-disburse-another-37-million-economic-impact-payments-from-the-american-rescue-plan

Lincoln Businesses

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Child Care Agency Assistance	Resources for child care agencies and providers affected by the pandemic	https://www.ncsl.org/ncsl-in-dc/publications-and-resources/health-and-human-services-provisions-in-the-american-rescue-plan-magazine2021.aspx
Small Businesses	Additional funds for the paycheck protection program, payroll costs related to health insurance, economic injury disaster loans	https://www.sba.gov/funding-programs/loans/covid-19-relief-options
Restaurants	Funds available through the Restaurant Revitalization Fund	https://www.uschamber.com/co/events/small-business-update-town-hall/small-business-update-american-rescue-plan-act https://www.sba.gov/funding-programs/loans/covid-19-relief-options/shuttered-venue-operators-grant
Venues	Funds available through the Shuttered Venue Operators Program	https://www.sba.gov/funding-programs/loans/covid-19-relief-options/shuttered-venue-operators-grant

City Agencies

Assistance	Opportunities	Resources
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Aging Partners	Funds for Older Americans Act programs including supportive services and meals	https://www.ncoa.org/article/american-rescue-plan-improves-senior-health-and-financial-security
Public Health	Funding for vaccine confidence activities, vaccines, therapeutics, and medical supplies, as well as testing and contact tracing	https://www.apha.org/News-and-Media/News-Releases/APHA-News-Releases/2021/american-rescue-plan
Public Health	Grants for local public health department workforce development	https://www.apha.org/News-and-Media/News-Releases/APHA-News-Releases/2021/american-rescue-plan
Public Health	Support for home visiting programs for parents	https://mchb.hrsa.gov/maternal-child-health-initiatives/home-visiting-overview
Urban Development	Emergency rental assistance, mortgage assistance, utility assistance	https://www.lincoln.ne.gov/City-Mayor/Housing-Utility-Assistance
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Urban Development	HUD for homeless prevention and supportive services through the HOME Investment Partnerships program formula	https://www.hud.gov/program_offices/comm_planning/home-arp
Urban Development	Homeowner Assistance Fund and allocates funds to states, territories, and tribes to provide homeowners struggling to make mortgage payments due to the pandemic with direct assistance for mortgage payments, property taxes, property insurance, utilities, and other housing related costs	https://home.treasury.gov/policy-issues/coronavirus/assistance-for-state-local-and-tribal-governments/homeowner-assistance-fund
Lincoln Housing Authority	Provides \$5 billion to HUD for emergency Housing Choice Vouchers. Counties support increasing the supply of housing choice vouchers to assist with providing affordable housing for families.	https://www.hud.gov/press/press_releases_media_advisories/hud_no_21_099 https://www.transportation.gov/briefing-room/fact-sheet-us-department-transportation-details-american-rescue-plans-benefits
Transportation	Funding for grants for public transportation	
Fire Safety	Grants for adequate fire and emergency response	https://www.ems1.com/legislation-funding/articles/fire-and-ems-funding-in-the-american-rescue-plan-e2JRDH5fOP5mYv9u/ https://connectednation.org/ohio/2021/03/24/policy-brief-the-american-rescue-plan-and-its-impact-on-broadband/
Libraries	Funding to reimburse schools and libraries supporting remote learning	
City of Lincoln		
Assistance	Opportunities	Resources

Local Assistance	Funds may be used to: 1. respond to the public health emergency with respect to COVID-19 or its negative economic impacts, including assistance to households, small businesses and nonprofits, or aid to impacted industries such as tourism, travel and hospitality 2. for the provision of government services to the extent of the reduction in revenue (i.e. online, property or income tax) due to the public health emergency 3. make necessary investments in water, sewer or broadband infrastructure, or 4. include premium pay for eligible workers performing essential work (as determined by each state or tribal government) during the pandemic	https://www.nlc.org/initiative/covid-19-pandemic-response/
Lancaster County		
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Community Partners		
Assistance	Opportunities	Resources
Food supply chain	Support for food production and farmers	https://www.fns.usda.gov/news-item/usda-004221 https://www.nhsa.org/knowledge-center/center-for-policy-data-and-research/policy/the-american-rescue-plan/
Head Start Child Care and Developr	Funding for Head Start program Provides \$39 billion in emergency funds for the discretionary portion, the Child Care Development Block Grant program (CCDBG)	https://www.acf.hhs.gov/media/press/2021/child-care-funding-released-american-rescue-plan
K-12 education	Resources to stabilize schools, help children experiencing homelessness, and more	https://www.nhsa.org/knowledge-center/center-for-policy-data-and-research/policy/the-american-rescue-plan/ https://www.acenet.edu/Policy-Advocacy/Pages/HEA-ED/ARP-Higher-Education-Relief-Fund.aspx
Higher education	Resources available through the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund, including funding for students in the form of grants	https://www.natlawreview.com/article/american-rescue-plan-act-2021-key-healthcare-provisions#:~:text=Provision%3A%20The%20bill%20allocates%20%243,community%2Dbased%20behavioral%20health%20services.
Mental health	Funding for block grants for community mental health services, treatment of substance abuse, and mitigating the impacts of child trauma	
Physical health	Improvements to the affordable care act exchange, expanded Medicaid coverage, support for Medicaid home and community based services, funding for local nursing facilities, funding for certain Medicare related services	https://www.cms.gov/newsroom/fact-sheets/american-rescue-plan-and-marketplace https://www.faa.gov/airports/airport-rescue-grants/
Airports	Relief for airports	
Good Government		

Assistance	Opportunities	Resources
Administration and auditing procedures	Various Agencies	https://www.hklaw.com/-/media/files/insights/publications/2021/03/americanrescueplankeyprovisions.pdf?la=en
Information technology	Various Agencies	https://www.hklaw.com/-/media/files/insights/publications/2021/03/americanrescueplankeyprovisions.pdf?la=en https://www.doi.gov/pressreleases/interior-department-celebrates-passage-american-rescue-plan
Tribal assistance	Support for the Indian Health Service and Tribal Governments	https://www.ncsl.org/ncsl-in-dc/publications-and-resources/american-rescue-plan-act-of-2021.aspx
State Support	National Conference of State Legislatures information	

*** This is a broad summary and does not capture every aspect of the full American Recovery Plan.**