



Employment and Nutrition Programs

American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009

A summary of programs expected to bring funds to New Hampshire



Funds shown are one - time only funds unless fiscal year allocations are indicated

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Program Title: **National School Lunch Program Equipment Assistance**

Short Description: Competitive grants to school food authorities for equipment.

ARRA Appropriation nationwide: \$100,000,000

Estimated New Hampshire Funds: Unknown – Allocation not yet announced

Granting Agency: U.S. Department of Agriculture

Managing Agency: N.H. Department of Education

Status: **Awaiting Federal Allocation of Funds.**

Award Criteria: Funds allocated to states proportional to NH's administrative expense allocation of the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act.

States competitively grant funds to school food authorities based on need and priority given to schools with over 50% of students eligible for free or reduced price meals.

Time Line for use: By April 17, 2009, the Secretary of Agriculture will make funds available to States.

Details: ARRA - page 5.

- National School Lunch Program
- http://www.fns.usda.gov/cnd/Lunch/AboutLunch/ProgramHistory_6.htm

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Program Title: **Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (Food Stamps)**

Short Description: Increased funding to meet increased demand

ARRA Appropriation nationwide: \$500,000,000

Estimated New Hampshire Funds: Unknown

Granting Agency: U.S. Department of Agriculture

Managing Agency: N.H. Department of Health and Human Services

Status: By April 17, 2009 available as needed to meet program requirements
Division of Family Assistance (DFA) administrative allocation has not yet been issued.
Additionally, Federal guidance on use restrictions and tracking have not been issued.

Award Criteria: No changes from current criteria.

Time Line for use: By April 17, 2009, the Secretary of Agriculture will make funds available to States.

Details: ARRA - page 5.

- The maximum monthly food stamp allotment for a household size of 4 will increase \$80, from \$588 to \$668. Similar increases will accrue for other household sizes as well. This would go into effect April 1,2009.
- Increase mandated within one month of bill's passage; DFA is on pace to implement this on April 1, 2009
- Increase should be accompanied by a client notification. DFA will be doing a press release.
- \$300 million available for State administrative costs
 - a) \$145M in FY 2009
 - b) \$150M in FY 2010, out of which \$4.5 M is reserved for FNS oversight activities
- Incentives for States to improve outreach
 - a) 75% of funding allocated based on 12 months of historical data

25% of funding allocated based on increase in number of households participating

- SNAP Memoranda to Regional Administrators:
<http://www.fns.usda.gov/FSP/rules/Memo/09/022309.pdf>
- SNAP Adjustments by State:
<http://www.fns.usda.gov/FSP/rules/Memo/09/021809.pdf>

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Program Title: **Commodity Assistance Program**

Short Description: Increase in commodities and funds for distribution costs that will provide additional food to food distribution programs, food pantries, and soup kitchens.

ARRA Appropriation nationwide: \$150,000,000

Estimated New Hampshire Funds: \$341,340

Granting Agency: U.S. Department of Agriculture.

Managing Agency: N.H. Department of Administrative Services, (Belknap CAP)

Status: Awaiting federal allocation

Award Criteria: 75% of funds for each fiscal year allocated to States on share of households in supplemental nutrition assistance program.
25% of funds for each fiscal year allocated to States on the increase in households in the supplemental nutrition assistance program over the last 12 month period.

Time Line for use: By April 17, 2009, the Secretary of Agriculture will make funds available to States.

Details: ARRA - page 5.

General TEFAP site, not updated for stimulus as of 3/3/09

<http://www.fns.usda.gov/fdd/programs/tefap/>

2/26/09 Memo USDA:

“Public Law 111-5, the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA), was signed into law by President Obama on February 17, 2009. The ARRA provides TEFAP \$150 million in additional funding. Under the ARRA, the Secretary may use up to \$50 million of that total for costs associated with the distribution of commodities, including up to \$25 million in fiscal year 2009.

Funds provided through the ARRA are intended to be obligated quickly; therefore, State agencies should begin identifying food and administrative needs immediately. We will be in touch with you shortly with more information about the ARRA and the availability of food and related distribution costs for TEFAP.”

Of the \$341,340 granted, \$272,935 is funded for food while \$68,405 is funded for administration.

All information is the best available as of 3/06/09 and is subject to change. Estimated funds may change significantly as federal agencies finalize allocations and/or competitive grants are awarded.

Program Title: – **Increase in Unemployment Benefits Assistance for Unemployed Workers and Struggling Families – Sec. 2002**

Short Description: Additional \$25 per week to recipients of unemployment compensation.

Appropriation nationwide: Determined by demand.

Estimated New Hampshire Funds: \$600,000 (DES estimate).

Granting Agency: Department of Labor

Managing Agency: Department of Employment Services

Status: Dependent on Agreement between State and Department of Labor.

Award Criteria: Eligible recipients of State unemployment benefits.

Time Line for Use: Program begins after State enters into agreement and ends January 1, 2010.

Details: ARRA – Pages 323-325

Program Title: Unemployment Compensation Modernization :Assistance for Unemployed Workers and Struggling Families –Sec. 2003

Short Description: Grants for the making of unemployment compensation modernization incentive payments – Changes in base period and eligibility requirements.

ARRA Appropriation nationwide: \$7,000,000,000

Estimated New Hampshire Funds: \$33,000,000 Total;
\$11,000,000 base period;
\$22,000,000 eligibility requirements
(DES estimates).

Granting Agency: US Department of Labor

Managing Agency: NH Department of Employment Services

Status: **Dependent on Certification of State Law.**

Award Criteria:

- Use a base period that includes the most recently completed calendar quarter before the start of the benefit year for purposes of determining eligibility for unemployment compensation; or
- provides that, in the case of an individual who would not otherwise be eligible for unemployment compensation under the State law because of the use of a base period that does not include the most recently completed calendar quarter before the start of the benefit year, eligibility shall be determined
 - Part time work seekers are eligible
 - Workers who leave employment because of domestic violence are eligible (*N.H. Senate Bill 144, sponsored by Senator Hassen, meets this requirement*)
 - Workers who leave employment to care for immediate family members who are ill are eligible
 - Workers who move to accommodate a spouse's relocation are eligible
 - Workers who have exhausted employment benefits, but are enrolled in a State-approved job training program are eligible
 - Dependent allowances are provided of \$15 per week subject to State maximums

Time Line for use: State may submit application until April 27, 2009. Department of Labor has 30 days after submission to notify State of Findings.

Details: ARRA – pages 326-328

All information is the best available as of 3/06/09 and is subject to change. Estimated funds may change significantly as federal agencies finalize allocations and/or competitive grants are awarded.

Program Title: **Dislocated Worker Employment and Training**

Short Description: Services to help find employment, including training

ARRA Appropriation nationwide: \$1,250,000,000

Estimated New Hampshire Funds: Unknown

Granting Agency: U.S. Department of Labor

Managing Agency: New Hampshire Workforce Opportunity Council

Status: Services are currently available – contact a One-Stop Career Center.

Award Criteria: Not yet announced.

Details: ARRA - page 59.

The Adult and Dislocated Worker Program, under Title I of the Workforce Investment Act of 1998, is designed to provide quality employment and training services to assist eligible individuals in finding and qualifying for meaningful employment, and to help employers find the skilled workers they need to compete and succeed in business.

- NH works website: <http://www.nhworks.org/>
- Department of Labor recovery website: <http://www.dol.gov/recovery/implement.htm>

NH Works has 13 physical locations where one may research jobs and use computers, phones and faxes free of charge. Each NH Works Center is attended by a friendly staff t committed to helping to find the best career solution for you.

If you have any questions or about NH Works e-mail info@nhworkforce.org or call toll-free at 1-866-NHWORKS.

Program Title: **Adult Training and Employment Services**

Short Description: Priority use of funds is for services to public assistance recipients and other low income individuals.

ARRA Appropriation nationwide: \$500,000,000

Estimated New Hampshire Funds: Unknown – competitive application process

Granting Agency: U.S. Department of Labor

Managing Agency: Workforce Opportunity Council

Status: Services are currently available, contact NHWorks

Award Criteria: Priority of funds given to individuals described in 134(d)(4)(E) of the Workforce Investment Act of 1998.

Time Line: Not yet announced

Details: ARRA - page 58.

- General website on Adult Training and Employment: http://www.doleta.gov/programs/general_info.cfm
- NH Works website: <http://www.nhworks.org/>

Program Description

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Services are provided through One-Stop Career Centers. There are three levels of service:

- Core services - includes outreach, job search and placement assistance, and labor market information available to all job seekers;
- Intensive services - Includes more comprehensive assessments, development of individual employment plans and counseling and career planning; and
- Training services - Customers are linked to job opportunities in their communities, including both occupational training and training in basic skills. Participants use an "individual training account" to select an appropriate training program from a qualified training provider.

All information is the best available as of 3/06/09 and is subject to change. Estimated funds may change significantly as federal agencies finalize allocations and/or competitive grants are awarded.

Program Title: Worker Training and Placement in High Growth and Emerging Industry Sectors

Short Description: New Competitive Grant Program for research, labor exchange, and job training for energy efficiency, renewable industries, and healthcare.

ARRA Appropriation nationwide: \$750,000,000

Estimated New Hampshire Funds: Unknown – competitive application process.

Granting Agency: U.S. Department of Labor

Managing Agency: New Hampshire Workforce Opportunity Council

Status: Awaiting U.S. Department of Labor announcements on grant terms, conditions, criteria, and timelines.

Award Criteria: Competitive Grants.

Details: ARRA - page 59.

Competitive grants of \$750,000,000 are provided for a program of competitive grants for worker training and placement in high growth and emerging industry sectors. Of the total, \$500,000,000 is to be used for research, labor exchange, and job training projects that prepare workers for careers in energy efficiency and renewable industry industries. In awarding remaining funds, priority shall be given to projects that prepare workers for careers in the health care sector.

- Department of Labor recovery website:
<http://www.dol.gov/recovery/implement.htm>

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Program Title: **Job Corps**

Short Description: Funds for construction, rehabilitation, and acquisition of Job Corps Centers.

ARRA Appropriation nationwide: \$250,000,000

Estimated New Hampshire Funds: Unknown – competitive application process

Granting Agency: U.S. Department of Labor

Managing Agency: New Hampshire WorkForce Opportunity Council

Status: Awaiting federal allocation of funds.

Time Line for use: Preference to activities that can be started and completed expeditiously, including a goal of using at least 50 percent of the funds for activities that can be initiated not later than 120 days after the date of the enactment of this Act. Recipients shall also use grant funds in a manner that maximizes job creation and economic benefit. ARRA, Sec 1602

Details: ARRA - page 60

New Hampshire hopes to receive funds to start construction on a planned Jobs Corps facility in New Hampshire.

Program Title: **Unemployment Insurance and Employment Service
Operations & Reemployment Services**

Short Description: Additional funds for the Department of Employment Security to
provide re-employment services to unemployment claimants.

ARRA Appropriation nationwide: \$400,000,000

Estimated New Hampshire Funds: Allocation not yet announced.

Granting Agency: U.S. Department of Labor

Managing Agency: N.H. Department of Employment Services

Status: Awaiting allocation by U.S. Department of Labor.

Details: ARRA - page 59-60.

- Department of Labor site:
http://www.doleta.gov/programs/Wagner_Peyser.cfm

The Wagner-Peyser Act of 1933 established a nationwide system of public employment offices known as the Employment Service. The Act was amended in 1998 to make the Employment Service part of the One-Stop services delivery system.

The One Stop delivery system provides universal access to an integrated array of labor exchange services so that workers, job seekers and businesses can find the services they need in one stop and frequently under one roof in easy-to-find locations.

Program Title: **Youth Activities**

Short Description: Emphasis is placed on creating summer employment opportunities for youth, but year-round youth activities are also envisioned. Age eligibility for youth services with these funds is raised from 21 to 24.

ARRA Appropriation nationwide: \$1,200,000,000

Estimated New Hampshire Funds: Unknown

Granting Agency: U.S. Department of Labor

Managing Agency: New Hampshire Workforce Opportunity Council

Status: Services are currently available – contact NH Works.

Award Criteria: Not yet announced.

Time Line for use: Not yet announced.

Details: ARRA - page 58.

- NH works website: <http://www.nhworks.org/>
- Department of Labor recovery website: <http://www.dol.gov/recovery/implement.htm>

NH Works has 13 physical locations where one may research jobs and use computers, phones and faxes free of charge. Each NH Works Center is attended by a friendly staff t committed to helping to find the best career solution for you.

If you have any questions or about NH Works e-mail info@nhworkforce.org or call toll-free at 1-866-NHWORKS.

Program Title: **YouthBuild**

Short Description: YouthBuild provides job training and educational opportunities for at-risk youth ages 16-24.

ARRA Appropriation nationwide: \$50,000,000

Estimated New Hampshire Funds: Not yet announced

Granting Agency: U.S. Department of Labor

Managing Agency: New Hampshire Workforce Opportunity Council

Status: Services available now, contact NHWorks.

Details: ARRA - page 59.

- NH Works website: <http://www.nhworks.org/>
- Youth services website:- http://www.doleta.gov/youth_services/

YouthBuild provides job training and educational opportunities for at-risk youth ages 16-24 while constructing or rehabilitating affordable housing for low-income or homeless families in their own neighborhoods. Youth split their time between the construction site and the classroom, where they earn their GED or high school diploma, learn to be community leaders, and prepare for college and other postsecondary training opportunities. YouthBuild includes significant support systems, such as a mentoring, follow-up education, employment, and personal counseling services; and participation in community service and civic engagement.

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Program Title: **Community Service Employment for Older Americans**

Short Description: Part-time employment opportunities for low income seniors

ARRA Appropriation nationwide: \$120,000,000

Estimated New Hampshire Funds: Unknown – competitive application process

Granting Agency: U.S. Department of Labor

Managing Agency: New Hampshire Workforce Opportunity Council

Status: Services available now, contact NHWorks

Award Criteria: Proportional to allotment in program year 2008

Time Line: Funds available for obligation on February 17, 2009. Funds allotted by March 17, 2009.

Details: ARRA - page 59.

- NH Works website: <http://www.nhworks.org/>
- Department of Labor seniors website: <http://www.doleta.gov/seniors/>

The Senior Community Service Employment Program (SCSEP) is a community service and work based training program for older workers. It was authorized by Congress in Title V of the Older Americans Act of 1965 to provide subsidized, part-time, community service work based training for low-income persons age 55 or older who have poor employment prospects. Through this program, older workers have access to the SCSEP services as well as other employment assistance available through the [One-Stop Career Centers](#) of the workforce investment system.

Program Title: **Child Care and Development Block Grants**

Short Description: Supplement state general funds for child care assistance for low-income families

ARRA Appropriation nationwide: \$2,000,000,000

Estimated New Hampshire Funds: \$4,736,238
(Center for Law and Social Policy estimate)

Granting Agency: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

Managing Agency: N.H. Department of Health and Human Services

Status: Awaiting information from federal DHHS

Details: ARRA - page 64.

Center for Law and Social Policy Description:

“Economic recovery funds for child care will be allocated as CCDBG Discretionary funds and subject to the rules of that funding stream. Discretionary funds do not require a state match. According to CCDBG law, discretionary funds must be obligated (or legally committed) within two years and spent within three years. Discretionary expenditures are included in the 4 percent requirement for spending on quality initiatives. The bill specifies that \$2 billion in child care funding will be available through September 30, 2010.

Portions of these funds may be allocated through FY 2009 and FY 2010 by HHS. The bill reserves approximately \$255 million for quality initiatives, including \$94 million to improve the quality of infant/toddler care. These funds are included in the \$2 billion allocated to states. Estimates of state allocations are based on estimated FFY 2009 CCDBG Funding Allocations (Prior to Appropriation), which are based on the previous Bush Administration’s FY 2009 budget request and are subject to change (<http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/ccb/law/allocations/current/state2009/2009allocations.htm>).”

CCDBG Excluding Targeted Funds	\$4,117,946
Targeted Funds: Quality	\$391,539
Targeted Funds: Infant/Toddler	\$226,753
Total	\$4,736,238

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Program Title: **Homeless Prevention (Emergency Shelter)**

Short Description: Funds to be used for eligible homeless prevention/intervention activities.

ARRA Appropriation nationwide: \$1,500,000,000

Estimated New Hampshire Funds: \$4,612,322

Granting Agency: U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development

Managing Agency: Department of Health & Human Services

Status: Information expected from on HUD on 3/19/09

Award Criteria: Funds to be used for provision of short or medium term rental assistance, housing relocation, and stabilization services including housing search, mediation or outreach to property owners, credit repair, security or utility deposits, utility payments, rental assistance, moving cost assistance, case management or activities related to rapid re-housing of homeless persons

Time Line: . 60% of funds must be expended within 2 years of date funds become available, 100% must be expended within 3 years of that date. Un-expended funds at the 2 year date (60%) will be subject to the “recapture” and reallocation.

Details: ARRA - page 107

Housing and Urban Development link:

- <http://www.hud.gov/>

Program Title: **Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)**

Short Description: An emergency fund that can be accessed for increased expenditures related to increased assistance caseloads.

ARRA Appropriation nationwide:

Estimated New Hampshire Funds:

Granting Agency: Labor, Health and Human Services

Managing Agency: Department of Health & Human Services

Status:

Award Criteria:

- 80% of the increase in basic assistance (cash welfare) if the state's TANF caseload increased compared to 2007 or 2008.
- 80% of any increase in spending on subsidized employment.
- 80% of any increase in spending on short-term, non-recurrent benefits.
- Allows States the option of using caseload reductions from FY 05 to either FY 07 or FY 08 when calculating its caseload reduction credit for FY10 and FY11.
- Also allows any unspent TANF funds (often referred to as carryover balances) to be spent on any benefit, service or activity allowable under TANF, including Business Process Reengineering (BPR) and supporting technology
- To be eligible to drawdown funds, states do not have to increase absolute levels of spending, just spending in the three categories listed above.
- Federal methodology has not yet been issued describing whether solely state funded programs States implemented to meet the 50% participation rates will be included as "caseload increase" for reimbursement.

Time Line: .

Details: ARRA - 332

Estimated New Hampshire Funds Based on Governor's Budget

NH will receive reimbursement for 80% of new costs due to 2009 and 2010 caseload increases. We are unable to determine how much we might receive. NH can show a modest increase in the 1st quarter of '09 but only if solely state funded programs are included in the calculation. It is unclear whether we will have caseload increases in other quarters; the amount of money we can draw down is unclear. However, any extra money would already be being spent on assistance to this caseload increase. Federal guidance has not yet been issued.

Also, this new legislation provides a one-time payment of \$250 to Social Security and Supplemental Security Income beneficiaries.

All information is the best available as of 3/06/09 and is subject to change. Estimated funds may change significantly as federal agencies finalize allocations and/or competitive grants are awarded.

Program Title: Foster Care/Adoption Services

- **Short Description:** Temporary FMAP increase of 6.2 percentage effective 10/1/2008 through 12/31/2010
- FMAP increased above 56.2% based on increases in unemployment rates
- By September 30, 2011, states must report on how these funds were expended
States must pay claims timely to remain eligible for increased FMAP

ARRA Appropriation nationwide:

Estimated New Hampshire Funds:

Granting Agency: Administration for Children and Families (ACF)

Managing Agency: Department of Health & Human Services

Status: ACF is developing the claiming process for these funds.

Award Criteria: Funds are available to offset general funds budgeted except that no amounts attributable to increased FMAP can be credited to or deposited to any reserve or rainy day fund.

Time Line: . Current

Details: ARRA – page 335

Estimated New Hampshire Funds Based on Governor’s Budget

Numbers expressed in thousands

	Q2- SFY09	Q3- SFY09	Q4- SFY09	Q1- SFY10	Q2- SFY10	Q3- SFY10	Q4- SFY10	Q1- SFY11	Q2- SFY11
Foster Care & Adoption Assistance									
Base Cost	\$7,958	\$7,958	\$7,958	\$7,400	\$7,400	\$7,400	\$7,400	\$7,400	\$7,400
Base FMAP	6.20%	6.20%	6.20%	6.20%	6.20%	6.20%	6.20%	6.20%	6.20%
Additional Funds	\$493	\$493	\$493	\$459	\$459	\$459	\$459	\$459	\$459

All information is the best available as of 3/06/09 and is subject to change. Estimated funds may change significantly as federal agencies finalize allocations and/or competitive grants are awarded.

Program Title: **Medicaid To The Schools FMAP**

Short Description: Stimulus funds would pass through to local school districts.

ARRA Appropriation nationwide:

Estimated New Hampshire Funds:

Granting Agency: U.S. Department of Health & Human Services

Managing Agency: Department of Health & Human Services

Status: Awaiting details from Federal HHS

Award Criteria: Same as Medicaid FMAP

Time Line: Current

Details: ARRA – page 383

**Estimated New Hampshire Funds Based on Governor’s Budget
Numbers expressed in thousands**

<i>Rounded to \$000)</i>	Q2- SFY09	Q3- SFY09	Q4- SFY09	Q1- SFY10	Q2- SFY10	Q3- SFY10	Q4- SFY10	Q1- SFY11	Q2- SFY11
Medicaid to Schools									
Funds Go to School Districts									
Mcaid-Cost Base	\$5,750	\$5,750	\$5,750	\$5,750	\$5,750	\$5,750	\$5,750	\$5,750	\$5,750
Base FMAP	6.20%	6.20%	6.20%	6.20%	6.20%	6.20%	6.20%	6.20%	6.20%
Additional Funds	\$357	\$357	\$357	\$357	\$357	\$357	\$357	\$357	\$357

All information is the best available as of 3/06/09 and is subject to change. Estimated funds may change significantly as federal agencies finalize allocations and/or competitive grants are awarded.

Program Title: **FMAP Related to Increases in State Unemployment Rate**

Short Description: Increase in state unemployment monies based on unemployment rate.

Estimated New Hampshire Funds:

Granting Agency: U.S. Department of Health & Human Services

Managing Agency: Department of Health & Human Services

Award Criteria:

Details: ARRA – page 192

In addition to the 6.2% increase in federal financial participation for Medicaid and Foster Care/Adoption Services, if the State's unemployment rate increases, the State is entitled to additional FMAP. The base period is the lowest average monthly unemployment rate for any a 3-consecutive month period since January, 2006. For NH that would be the 3.37% rate for the 3 months ended December 2007.

<u>Unemployment Change</u>	<u>FMAP Increase</u>	<u>Base FMAP</u>	<u>Total FMAP Enhancement</u>
<1.4% points	0.00%	6.20%	6.20%
>1.5%-<2.5% points	2.92%	6.20%	9.12%
>2.5%-<3.5% points	4.51%	6.20%	10.71%
3.5% + points	6.11%	6.20%	12.31%

The unemployment at January 2009 rate of 5.1% would not qualify for the enhancement. If, however, the unemployment rate increases as has been projected by some economists, the NH FMAP enhancement could be as follows: If the State unemployment rate remains constant as in 2/09, the State would be eligible for a 2.92% increase under FMAP

Program Title: **Child Support Enforcement**

Short Description: The Stimulus Bill temporarily restores funding to the Child Support program for the duration of the bill. The Federal Government pays States an incentive payment for performance achieved in five specific areas. Prior to the Deficit Reduction Act of 2005, States had been allowed to use incentives as a 34% match to draw additional 66% Federal funds. The ARRA reinstates this matching ability. For NH, the temporary restoration of the "matching" capability will result in an additional \$6.9 million dollars in federal funds.

ARRA Appropriation nationwide:

Estimated New Hampshire Funds: \$6,900,000

Granting Agency: U.S. Department of Health & Human Services

Managing Agency: Department of Health & Human Services

Status: ACF is developing the claiming process for these funds

Award Criteria: Funds to be used for any child support purpose, including business process re-engineering and supporting technology.

Time Line: Available through September 30, 2010.

Details: ARRA – page 335