

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009



Understanding the Allocations and Impacts to the State of Delaware

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The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) of 2009

- Provides temporary funding for the purposes:
 - To preserve and create jobs and promote economic recovery.
 - To assist those most impacted by the recession.
 - To provide investments needed to increase economic efficiency by spurring technological advances in science and health.
 - To invest in transportation, environmental protection, and other infrastructure that will provide long-term economic benefits.
 - To stabilize State and local government budgets, in order to minimize and avoid reductions in essential services and counterproductive state and local tax increases.
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Types of ARRA Grants

■ **Formula Grants**

- Non-competitive grants that are awarded to states based on specifications outlined by the federal government

■ **Competitive Grants**

- States compete for (and depending on the grant may be competing against private entities or local governments). The federal government determines the guidelines and the system for choosing which state to give funding to
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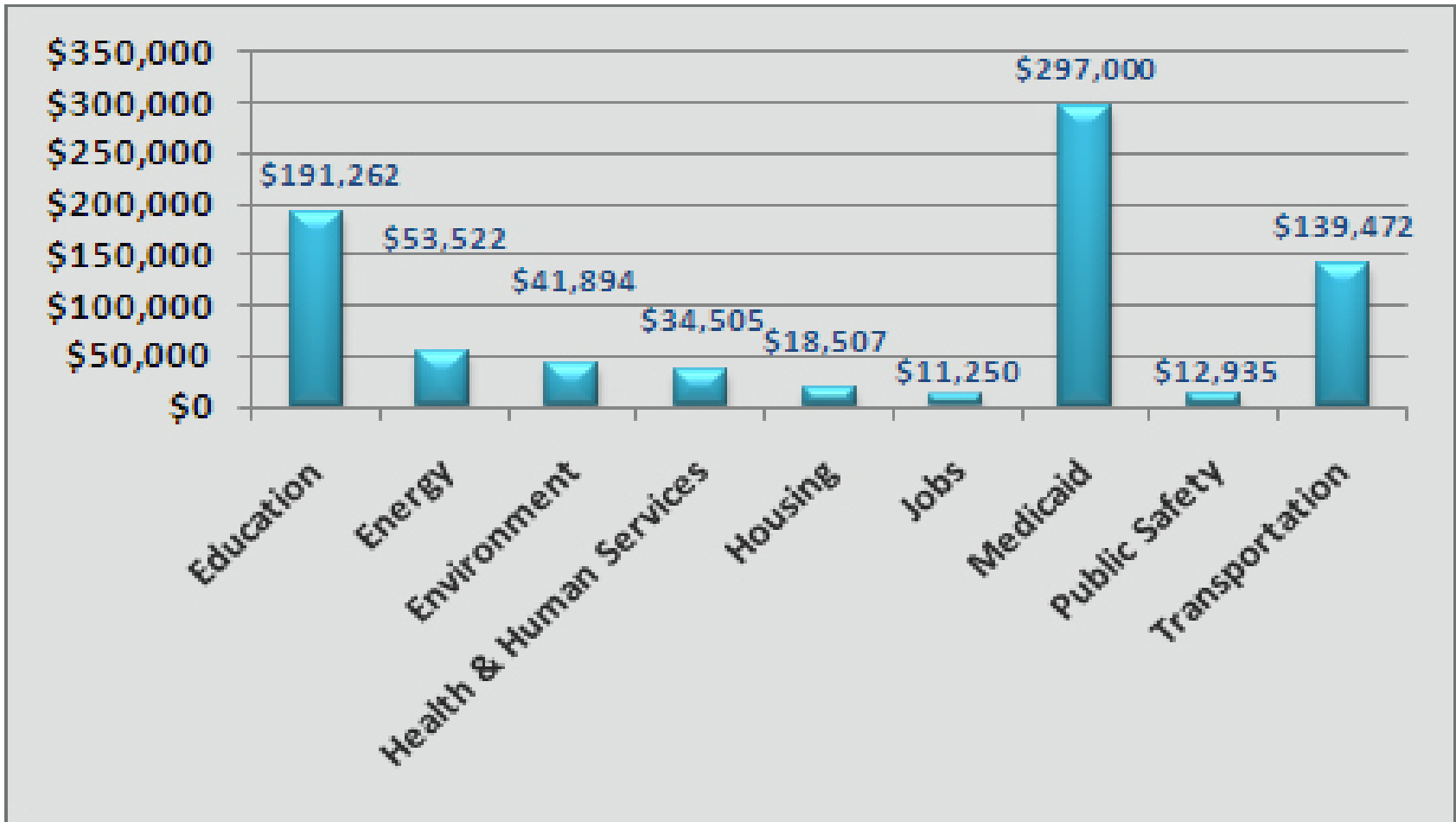
Overview of ARRA Funding to Delaware

An estimated **\$1.161 billion** in stimulus funding will flow into Delaware, not including funds that go directly to Delawareans through tax cuts, increased unemployment benefits, expanded student grants for higher education and other initiatives.

8 Categories of Funding

- Education
- Health & Human Services
- Housing
- Environment
- Energy
- Public Safety
- Transportation
- Jobs

Delaware Stimulus Funding Overview



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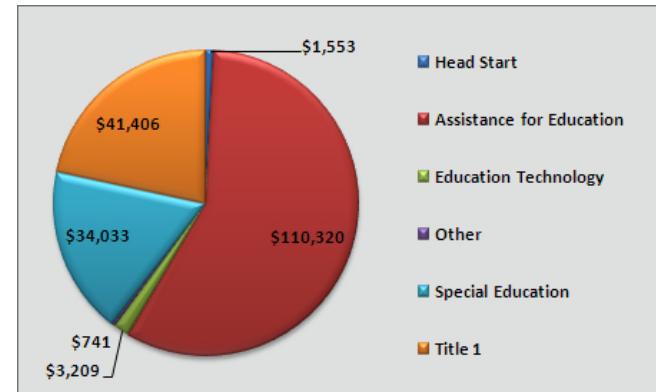
**All amounts are based on federal government projections and funding spans a multi-year period.

Education - \$191,262

Purpose: Improve the quality of education and restore funds for the support of public elementary, secondary, higher education and early childhood education programs and services.

Current stimulus funds for:

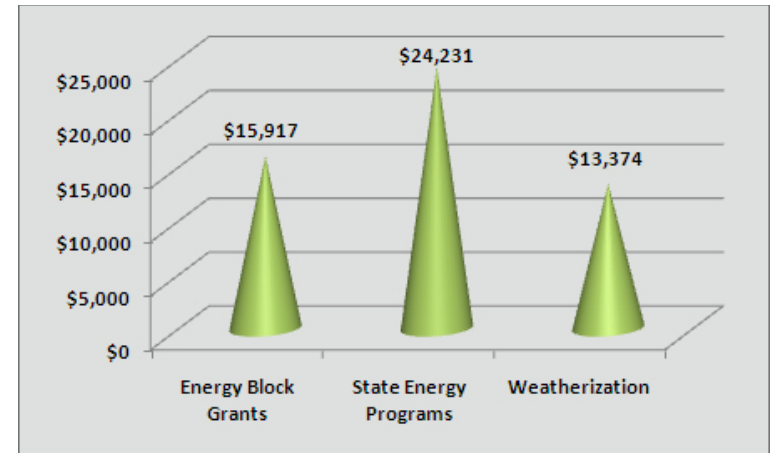
- **Head Start**
 - Programs to support the social and cognitive development of children through the provision of educational, health, nutritional, social, and other services to enrollees
- **Education for the Homeless**
 - Grants also help ensure that homeless children, including preschoolers and youths, have equal access to free and appropriate public education
- **Education technology**
 - To maximize technology's contributions to improving education through developing national educational technology policy and implementing policy department-wide
- **School lunch equipment**
 - To improve the infrastructure in schools while stimulating activity in the economy. Priority will be given to schools that have 50 percent or greater students eligible for free and reduced-priced meals
- **Title 1 and Title 1 School improvements**
 - Funds to local education agencies (LEAs) for schools that have high concentrations of students from families that live in poverty in order to help improve teaching and learning for students most at risk of failing to meet state academic achievement standards
- **Work study**
 - Increases financial aid for low-income college bound students



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Energy - \$53,522

Purpose: Improve energy efficiency, support the transition to clean energy sources and to support research and innovation



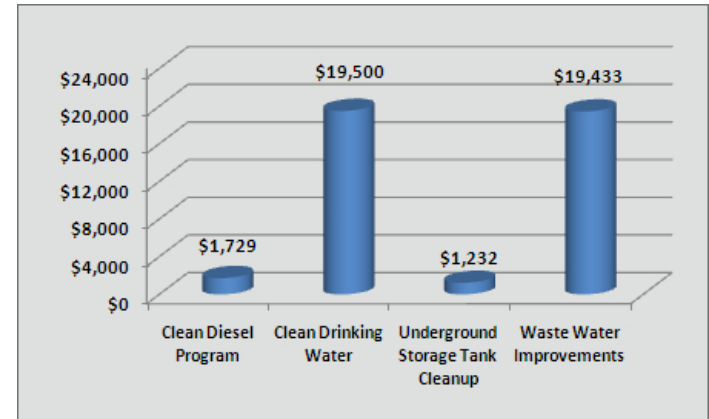
Current stimulus funds for:

- **American Recovery and Reinvestment Act National Clean Diesel Program**
 - Provide effective Clean Diesel Equipment to reduce air pollution
- **Weatherization**
 - Increase energy efficiency of dwellings, reduce total residential expenditures, and improve the health and safety of low-income persons
- **Brownfields Job Training Grant**
 - Development of environmental cleanup and health and safety training programs for the unemployed and under-employed residents of Brownfield-impacted communities
- **Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant Program**
 - Reduction of fossil fuel emissions, reduction of total energy use, and improved energy efficiency in transportation, building and other areas

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Environment - \$41,894

Purpose: To target improvements to public water infrastructure, clean up of contaminated lands, diesel emission reductions, remediation of abandoned mines, preservation of natural and historic resources, restoration of wetlands and habitats, modernization of geological research facilities, enhancements to watersheds and rural water facilities



Current stimulus funds for:

- **Clean Water State Revolving Fund and Drinking Water State Revolving Fund**
 - to make below-market interest rate loans to local governments, individuals, and other qualifying applicants
- **NOAA Coastal and Marine Habitat Restoration Project Grants**
 - Wetland Habitat Restoration
- **Underground Storage Tank (UST) Cleanup**
 - funding for investigating and cleaning up releases of petroleum and hazardous substances from leaking underground storage tanks

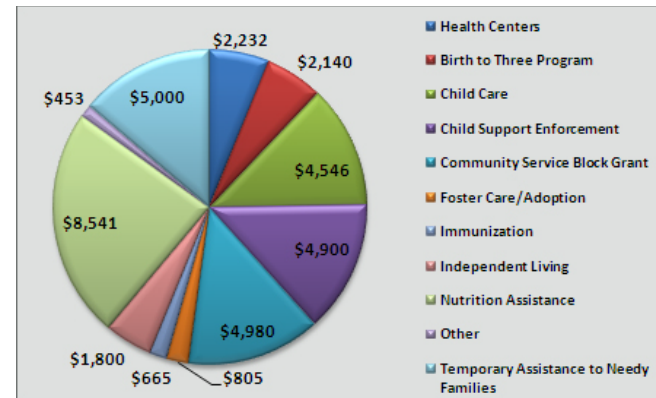
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Health & Human Services - \$34,505

Purpose: To provide additional funds for basic assistance, non-recurrent short term payments, and subsidized employment to programs designed to improve the health & human services.

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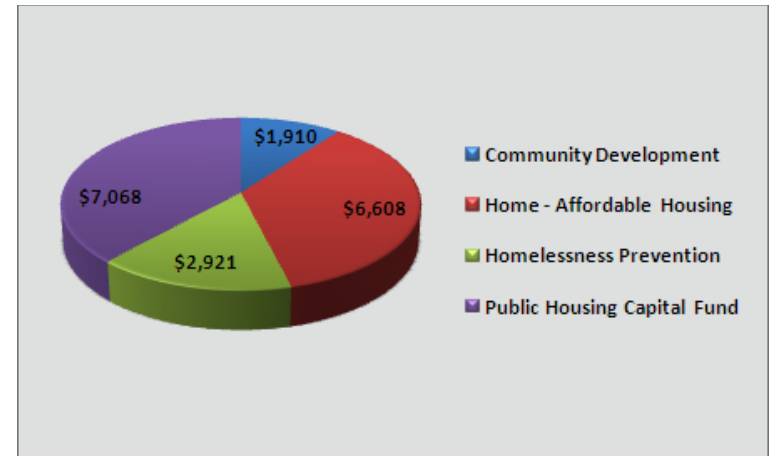
- **AmeriCorps**
 - Volunteers serve through such venues as fire and emergency services, homelessness and hunger, job skills training, home repair and new building, and environmental services
- **Child Support Enforcement Incentive**
 - Title IV-D program for the establishment enforcement, collections and distribution of child support
- **Elderly Nutrition**
 - Provides congregate and home delivered nutrition programs
- **Supplemental Nutrition Assistance (SNAP) Administration**
 - Additional benefits to low-income households that can be used to buy food to improve their diets
- **Immunization**
 - Vaccines for Children (VFC) Program, maintains a registry of immunization information, promotes best practice immunization practices, promotes immunizations across the life span, and administers other necessary vaccines
- **Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF)**
 - Provides a monthly financial benefit to low income families as well as child care and employment and training services



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Housing - \$18,507

Purpose: Funds to enable low to moderate-income persons to purchase new or existing dwellings or new manufactured homes, expand current efforts to provide shelter, food, and supportive services to the nation's hungry and homeless, fund transitional housing for victims of domestic violence, and facilitate the financing of the construction or acquisition and rehabilitation of qualified low-income buildings



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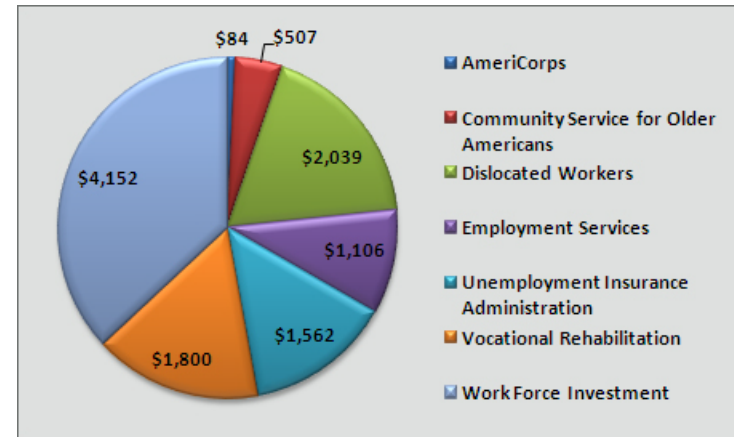
- **HOME investment Partnership**
 - Funds will be used to fill the gaps in development deals created by the weak equity market for Low Income Housing Tax Credits

- **Homelessness Prevention**
 - Provides financial assistance and services to prevent individuals and families from becoming homeless and help those who are experiencing homelessness to be quickly re-housed and stabilized

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Jobs - \$11,250

Purpose: Funds distributed for the assistance of unemployed workers, needy families, or other vulnerable individuals



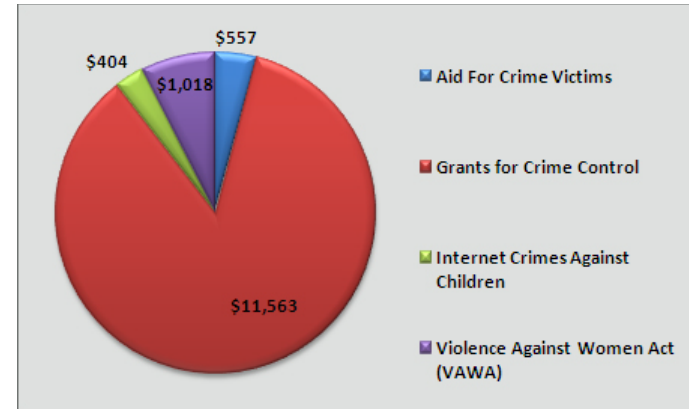
Current stimulus funds for:

- **Wagner-Peyser (employment services)**
 - ARRA funds may be used for a variety of employment services, including job search and placement services for job seekers, appropriate services for employers, and other services
- **Unemployment benefit increase**
 - provides “incentive payments” to states which agree to amend their unemployment compensation laws to provide more generous base-period calculations and adopt less restrictive grounds for disqualifications based on availability of and applicants’ search for work
- **Workforce Investment Act Adult and Youth**
 - Funding designated for employment and training programs for recipients of public assistance, dislocated workers, and other low-income individuals
- **Workforce Investment Act (WIA) Dislocated Worker Activities**
 - funds be used to provide the necessary services to dislocated workers to support their reentry into the recovering job market

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Public Safety - \$12,935

Purpose: Funds for technical assistance, training, personnel, equipment, and supplies that will improve and enhance law enforcement programs, prosecution and court programs, prevention and education programs, corrections and community corrections programs, drug treatment and enforcement programs, planning, evaluation, and technology improvement programs, and crime victim and witness programs.



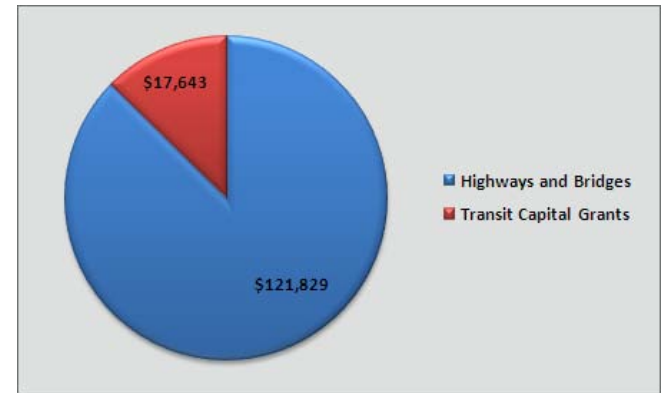
Current stimulus funds for:

- **Crime Victims Assistance and Compensation**
 - Funds to help crime victims respond to the emotion and physical needs, to stabilize their lives after the crime, to understand the criminal justice system, and to help create a measure of safety and security
- **Internet Crimes against Children**
 - To improve effectiveness in responding to online enticement of children by sexual predators, child exploitation, and child obscenity
- **Violence against Women Act**
 - Funds to support the STOP program, to provide assistance to individuals who are homeless or in need of transitional housing
 - Funds for the coordination of federal, state and local entities working to prevent violence against women
- **Community Oriented Police Services (COPS); COPS Hiring Recovery Program (CHRP)**
 - Preserving sworn law enforcement officer jobs for a three year period of time

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Transportation - \$139,472

Purpose: Funds are intended to build and rehabilitate and make safer roads, highways, bridges and ports and launch high-speed rail



Current stimulus funds for:

- **Highways and Bridges**
 - Funding is provided for restoration, repair, construction, rail transportation and port infrastructure projects

- **Transit Capital Grants**
 - Program assistance for capital expenses in urbanized and non-urbanized areas

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Medicaid - \$297,000

- Medicaid furnishes medical assistance to eligible low-income families and to eligible aged, blind and/or disabled people whose income is insufficient to meet the cost of necessary medical services.
- Medicaid pays for: doctor visits, hospital care, labs, prescription drugs, transportation, routine shots for children, mental health and substance abuse services.
- As a result of the ARRA, Medicaid funding percentages can range from a minimum of 50 percent of costs, to as high as 83 percent, while adjusted incrementally each year based on economic changes in the states .
- Funding increases will be in effect from October 1, 2008 through December 31, 2010.

Accountability and Transparency

The ARRA requires that federal and states governments follow these objectives to build in accountability and transparency to the distribution of funds:

1. Recovery funds are awarded and distributed in a prompt, fair, and reasonable manner;
 2. The recipients and uses of all recovery funds are transparent to the public, and that the public benefits of these funds are reported clearly, accurately, and in a timely manner;
 3. Recovery funds are used for authorized purposes and every step is taken to prevent instances of fraud, waste, error and abuse;
 4. Projects funded under the recovery legislation avoid unnecessary delays and cost overruns; and,
 5. Programs meet specific goals and targets, and contribute to improved performance on broad economic indicators.
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