

A GUIDE TO THE  
AMERICAN RECOVERY  
AND REINVESTMENT  
ACT OF 2009



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# INTRODUCTION

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (Recovery Act) was signed into law on February 17, 2009. This landmark legislation is intended to create or save more than 3.5 million jobs, including 100,000 in New Jersey. Our state will receive up to \$10 billion in funding for a variety of initiatives within the transportation, infrastructure, health care, housing and neighborhood redevelopment areas. This guide was developed to ensure that New Jersey communities, organizations, businesses and individuals have the opportunity to identify the potential funding opportunities in the bill, whether through the Federal or State government. It contains brief descriptions of programs as well as the relevant website where you may find more detailed information.

The Recovery Act also includes approximately \$7 billion in essential tax relief for New Jerseyans. The Making Work Pay tax cut provides a \$400 tax break (\$800 for married couples) for 3.2 million workers and their families; the American Opportunity Tax Credit makes college more affordable with a \$2,500 credit for 77,000 additional New Jersey families; and the Homebuyer Tax Credit is extended and increased to help aspiring homeowners and stabilize communities. The Act also provides important tax benefits for our nation's small businesses, including an extension of bonus depreciation, an expansion of the Work Opportunity Tax Credit, and additional funding for the New Markets tax credit. Additionally, the Recovery Act will protect more than 1.7 million middle-class New Jerseyans from becoming subject to the Alternative Minimum Tax in 2009.

The information on implementing the Recovery Act funds is updated often so I encourage you to also visit the Recovery Act websites developed by the White House and the State of New Jersey. The websites are:

White House Recovery Act Website: <http://www.recovery.gov/>

New Jersey Recovery Act Website: <http://www.recovery.nj.gov>

The American Reinvestment and Recovery Act of 2009 is an important step to get America's economy back on track and I am pleased to provide this guidebook to help New Jerseyans get access to these funds. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at any of my offices:

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# TRANSPORTATION

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## HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

<b>Funding:</b>	\$27.5 billion; New Jersey will receive \$651.7 million
<b>Administrator:</b>	New Jersey Department of Transportation
<b>Description:</b>	For transportation projects including resurfacing and pavement preservation projects, traffic signal system upgrades, bridge projects, transit projects and intelligent transportation systems. Funds are distributed by formula, with a portion of the funds within each State being sub allocated by population areas.
<b>Website:</b>	<a href="http://www.recovery.nj.gov/recovery/infrastructure/njdot.html">http://www.recovery.nj.gov/recovery/infrastructure/njdot.html</a>

## TRANSIT CAPITAL ASSISTANCE

<b>Funding:</b>	\$6.9 billion; New Jersey will receive \$524.2 million
<b>Administrator:</b>	New Jersey Transit
<b>Description:</b>	These funds will be used to purchase buses and equipment needed to provide additional public transportation service and to make improvements to intermodal and transit facilities.
<b>Website:</b>	<a href="http://www.recovery.nj.gov/recovery/infrastructure/njdot.html">http://www.recovery.nj.gov/recovery/infrastructure/njdot.html</a>

## FIXED GUIDEWAY MODERNIZATION

<b>Funding:</b>	\$750 million; New Jersey will receive \$76.8 million
<b>Administrator:</b>	New Jersey Transit
<b>Description:</b>	These funds will be used for capital projects to modernize or improve existing fixed guideway systems, including purchase and rehabilitation of rolling stock, track, line equipment, structures, signals and communications, power equipment and substations, passenger stations and terminals, security equipment and systems, maintenance facilities and equipment, operational support equipment including computer hardware and software, system extensions, and preventive maintenance.
<b>Website:</b>	<a href="http://www.recovery.nj.gov/recovery/infrastructure/njdot.html">http://www.recovery.nj.gov/recovery/infrastructure/njdot.html</a>

## CAPITAL INVESTMENTS GRANTS

<b>Funding:</b>	\$750 million
<b>Administrator:</b>	Federal Transit Administration
<b>Description:</b>	For light rail lines, rapid rail (heavy rail), commuter rail, automated fixed guideway system, or bus-way/high occupancy vehicle facilities. Priority will be given to projects currently under construction or projects able to obligate funds within 150 days of enactment.
<b>Website:</b>	<a href="http://www.fta.dot.gov/index_9118.html">http://www.fta.dot.gov/index_9118.html</a>

## TRANSIT CAPITAL ASSISTANCE-DISCRETIONARY

<b>Funding:</b>	\$100 million
<b>Administrator:</b>	Federal Transit Administration
<b>Description:</b>	Discretionary grants to public transit agencies to improve energy efficiency, and reduce costs and dependence on foreign oil.
<b>Website:</b>	<a href="http://www.fta.dot.gov/index_9118.html">http://www.fta.dot.gov/index_9118.html</a>

## NATIONAL SURFACE TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM

<b>Funding:</b>	\$1.5 billion
<b>Administrator:</b>	Federal Highway Administration
<b>Description:</b>	Funds will be used for grants to be awarded to state and local governments or transit agencies on a competitive basis for projects that will have a significant impact on the nation, a metropolitan area, or a region. Eligible projects include highway and bridge, public transportation, passenger and freight rail, and port infrastructure investments. No state can receive more than 20 percent of available funds.
<b>Website:</b>	<a href="http://www.dot.gov/recovery/">http://www.dot.gov/recovery/</a>

## CAPITAL ASSISTANCE FOR HIGH SPEED RAIL AND INTERCITY PASSENGER RAIL SERVICE

<b>Funding:</b>	\$8 billion
<b>Administrator:</b>	Federal Railroad Administration
<b>Description:</b>	The Capital Assistance to States—Intercity Passenger Rail Service program provides grants to states to fund necessary capital improvements to improve intercity passenger rail service. Grants to States to provide capital assistance for improving intercity passenger rail service as well as maintaining existing passenger rail corridors.
<b>Website:</b>	<a href="http://www.fra.dot.gov/">http://www.fra.dot.gov/</a> and <a href="http://www.fra.dot.gov/us/content/2157">http://www.fra.dot.gov/us/content/2157</a>

# ENVIRONMENTAL INFRASTRUCTURE

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## CLEAN WATER STATE REVOLVING FUND

<b>Funding:</b>	\$4 billion; New Jersey will receive \$161.3 in formula funding
<b>Administrator:</b>	New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection
<b>Description:</b>	The State of New Jersey may provide loans to finance a wide variety of projects that help to protect, maintain and improve water quality in New Jersey. The loans are generally awarded to municipalities, counties and utility authorities for actions related to improving water quality in the State. The stimulus funds represent 500% increase over direct funding typically received.
<b>Website:</b>	<a href="http://www.recovery.nj.gov/recovery/infrastructure/cwsrf.html">http://www.recovery.nj.gov/recovery/infrastructure/cwsrf.html</a>

## DRINKING WATER STATE REVOLVING FUND

<b>Funding:</b>	\$2 billion; New Jersey will receive \$43.5 million
<b>Administrator:</b>	New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection
<b>Description:</b>	The Drinking Water State Revolving Fund program assists publicly owned and privately owned community water systems and nonprofit noncommunity water systems finance the cost of the infrastructure (including water treatment, storage and distribution lines) needed to achieve or maintain compliance with Safe Drinking Water Act requirements and to protect the public health in conformance with the objectives of the Safe Drinking Water Act.
<b>Website:</b>	<a href="http://www.recovery.nj.gov/recovery/infrastructure/dwsrf.html">http://www.recovery.nj.gov/recovery/infrastructure/dwsrf.html</a>

## SUPERFUND HAZARDOUS WASTE CLEANUP

<b>Funding:</b>	\$600 million
<b>Administrator:</b>	U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
<b>Description:</b>	Funds will go to cleanup hazardous and toxic waste through the Hazardous Substance Superfund program. The EPA will determine what projects will be funded.
<b>Website:</b>	<a href="http://www.epa.gov/superfund/eparecovery/index.html">http://www.epa.gov/superfund/eparecovery/index.html</a>

## LEAKING UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANKS

<b>Funding</b>	\$200 million; <b>New Jersey will receive \$4.9 million in formula funding</b>
<b>Administrator:</b>	New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection
<b>Description:</b>	The federal Leaking Underground Storage Tank (LUST) Trust Fund provides states with grant funding to oversee and conduct the cleanup of discharges from underground storage tanks. The largest single group of USTs covered by this program consists of tanks containing motor fuel at gasoline service stations and commercial establishments. The funding goes to the state and can only be spent on sites already under an enforcement action where the owner is either unwilling or unable to pay for a cleanup. Currently, the NJ Department of Environmental Protection has identified 75 sites that meet that criterion.
<b>Website:</b>	<a href="http://www.recovery.nj.gov/recovery/infrastructure/lusttf.html">http://www.recovery.nj.gov/recovery/infrastructure/lusttf.html</a>

## BROWNFIELDS GRANT PROGRAM

<b>Funding</b>	\$100 million
<b>Administrator:</b>	U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
<b>Description:</b>	Funds are available for clean up, revitalization, and sustainable reuse of contaminated properties. The funds will be awarded to eligible entities through job training, assessment, revolving loan fund, and cleanup.
<b>Website:</b>	<a href="http://www.epa.gov/brownfields/eparecovery/index.htm">http://www.epa.gov/brownfields/eparecovery/index.htm</a>

## DIESEL EMISSION REDUCTION PROGRAM

<b>Funding</b>	\$300 million
<b>Administrator:</b>	U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
<b>Description:</b>	Funds technologies to retrofit emission exhaust systems, such as on school buses and other vehicles, replace engines and vehicles, and establish anti-idling programs - 70% of the funding supports nation-wide, competitive grants, the remaining 30% funds grants to states with approved programs.
<b>Website:</b>	<a href="http://epa.gov/otaq/eparecovery/">http://epa.gov/otaq/eparecovery/</a>

# ENERGY

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## STATE ENERGY PROGRAM

<b>Funding</b>	\$3.1 billion; <b>New Jersey will receive \$73.6 million</b>
<b>Administrator:</b>	State of New Jersey, counties and municipalities
<b>Description:</b>	Funding will be available for rebates to consumers for home energy audits or other energy saving improvements; development of renewable energy projects for clean electricity generation and alternative fuels; promotion of Energy Star products; efficiency upgrades for state and local government buildings; and other innovative state efforts to help save families money on their energy bills. A portion of the funds will go to counties and municipalities and another portion will go to the State.
<b>Website:</b>	<a href="http://www.recovery.nj.gov/recovery/infrastructure/sep.html">http://www.recovery.nj.gov/recovery/infrastructure/sep.html</a>

## WEATHERIZATION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

<b>Funding</b>	\$5 billion; <b>New Jersey will receive \$118.8 million</b>
<b>Administrator:</b>	State of New Jersey, Department of Community Affairs
<b>Description:</b>	Funds will be provided to local Weatherization Assistance Community Action Programs to help provide income-qualified residents with services that reduce household energy use and costs by improving the energy efficiency of their homes while ensuring their health and safety.
<b>Website:</b>	<a href="http://www.recovery.nj.gov/recovery/programs/wap.html">http://www.recovery.nj.gov/recovery/programs/wap.html</a>

## ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND CONSERVATION BLOCK GRANT

<b>Funding</b>	\$3.2 billion; <b>New Jersey will receive \$73 million</b>
<b>Administrator:</b>	State of New Jersey, Counties and Cities and the U.S. Department of Energy
<b>Description:</b>	<p>The funding will be used to reduce total energy use, cut fossil fuel emissions, and improve energy efficiency in vehicle fleets and facilities. Larger counties and municipalities will receive funding directly from the Department of Energy; funds for small counties and municipalities will go through the State. The State will also receive a portion of the funds for its direct use.</p> <p>In addition, there is \$400 million in competitive grant funding available directly from the U.S. Department of Energy.</p>
<b>Website:</b>	U.S. Department of Energy: <a href="http://apps1.eere.energy.gov/wip/block_grants.cfm">http://apps1.eere.energy.gov/wip/block_grants.cfm</a> New Jersey: <a href="http://www.recovery.nj.gov/recovery/infrastructure/eecbg.html">http://www.recovery.nj.gov/recovery/infrastructure/eecbg.html</a>



## BIOMASS PROGRAM

<b>Funding:</b>	\$800 million to be dedicated to projects related to biomass
<b>Administrator:</b>	U.S. Department of Energy
<b>Description:</b>	For research, development and demonstration for converting biomass resources to biofuels.
<b>Website:</b>	<a href="http://www1.eere.energy.gov/biomass/">http://www1.eere.energy.gov/biomass/</a>

## GEOHERMAL TECHNOLOGIES PROGRAM

<b>Funding:</b>	\$400 million to be dedicated for geothermal activities and projects
<b>Administrator:</b>	U.S. Department of Energy
<b>Description:</b>	Research, development and demonstration efforts that emphasize the advancement of enhanced geothermal systems.
<b>Website:</b>	<a href="http://www1.eere.energy.gov/geothermal/">http://www1.eere.energy.gov/geothermal/</a>

## ADVANCED BATTERY MANUFACTURING

<b>Funding:</b>	\$2 billion to support the manufacturing of advanced vehicle batteries and components
<b>Administrator:</b>	U.S. Department of Energy
<b>Description:</b>	For the manufacturing of advanced batteries and components; and to provide facility funding to manufacturers of advanced battery systems and vehicle batteries that are produced in the United States, including advanced lithium ion batteries, hybrid electrical systems, component manufacturers, and software designers
<b>Website:</b>	<a href="http://www.energy.gov/recovery/science_technology.htm">http://www.energy.gov/recovery/science_technology.htm</a>

## ALTERNATIVE FUELED VEHICLE PILOT GRANT PROGRAM

<b>Funding:</b>	\$300 million for the Alternative Fueled Vehicles Pilot Grant Program
<b>Administrator:</b>	U.S. Department of Energy Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy Clean Cities Program
<b>Description:</b>	May be used for the acquisition of alternative fueled vehicles, fuel cell vehicles or hybrid vehicles, including buses for public transportation and ground support vehicles at public airports. The installation or acquisition of infrastructure necessary to directly support an alternative fueled vehicle, fuel cell vehicle, or hybrid vehicle project funded by the grant is also eligible.
<b>Website:</b>	<a href="http://www1.eere.energy.gov/vehiclesandfuels/financial/index.html">http://www1.eere.energy.gov/vehiclesandfuels/financial/index.html</a>

## TRANSPORTATION ELECTRIFICATION

<b>Funding:</b>	\$400 million
<b>Administrator:</b>	U.S. Department of Energy
<b>Description:</b>	Funds will go to a grant program for qualified electric transportation projects that reduce emissions, including electrification of vehicles, truck stop electrification, airport ground support equipment and cargo handling equipment.
<b>Website:</b>	<a href="http://www.afdc.energy.gov/cleancities/progs/solicitations.php">http://www.afdc.energy.gov/cleancities/progs/solicitations.php</a>

## ENERGY EFFICIENT APPLIANCE REBATE PROGRAM AND ENERGY STAR

<b>Funding:</b>	\$300 million
<b>Administrator:</b>	Energy Star in conjunction with the U.S. Department of Energy
<b>Description:</b>	Approximately 15 states have appliance rebate programs currently operating to incentivize the purchase of energy efficient appliances. This program would add federal funds to increase the effectiveness of these programs and to encourage the remaining states to adopt similar programs. This will speed the rollout of appliances that will be able to take advantage of smart meters and spur consumer purchases of smart and energy-efficient appliances.
<b>Website:</b>	<a href="http://www.njcleanenergy.com/main/rebates-and-promotions/rebates-and-promotions">http://www.njcleanenergy.com/main/rebates-and-promotions/rebates-and-promotions</a>
<b>Phone:</b>	(888) 782-7937 (ENERGY STAR Hotline)

## SMART GRID INVESTMENT PROGRAM

<b>Funding:</b>	\$4.5 billion
<b>Administrator:</b>	U.S. Department of Energy
<b>Description:</b>	Funds will go for research and development, pilot projects and federal matching funds for the Smart Grid Investment Program to modernize the electric grid.
<b>Website:</b>	<a href="http://www.oe.energy.gov/information_center/american_recovery_reinvestment_act.htm">http://www.oe.energy.gov/information_center/american_recovery_reinvestment_act.htm</a>

## FOSSIL ENERGY RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

<b>Funding:</b>	\$3.4 billion
<b>Administrator:</b>	U.S. Department of Energy Office of Fossil Energy
<b>Description:</b>	Initiatives will focus on research, development and deployment of technologies to use coal more cleanly and efficiently. Investments will go toward finding and testing new ways to produce energy from coal - such as gasification - and improving techniques to clean or capture and store the emissions from coal-fired power plants
<b>Website:</b>	<a href="http://fossil.energy.gov/aboutus/budget/stimulus.html">http://fossil.energy.gov/aboutus/budget/stimulus.html</a>

## OFFICE OF SCIENCE

<b>Funding:</b>	\$1.6 billion
<b>Administrator:</b>	U.S. Department of Energy Office of Science
<b>Description:</b>	The Office of Science manages fundamental research programs in basic energy sciences, biological and environmental sciences, and computational science. Colleges and universities, non-profit organizations, for-profit commercial organizations, state and local governments, and unaffiliated individuals may submit grant applications.
<b>Website:</b>	<a href="http://www.sc.doe.gov/grants/grants.html">http://www.sc.doe.gov/grants/grants.html</a>

## ADVANCED RESEARCH PROJECTS (ARPA-E)

<b>Funding:</b>	\$400 million
<b>Administrator:</b>	U.S. Department of Energy
<b>Description:</b>	Funds will go to institutions of higher education, companies, research foundations, trade and industry research collaborations, or consortia of such entities, which may include federally-funded research and development centers in order to support high-risk, high-payoff research to accelerate the innovation cycle for both traditional and alternative energy sources and energy.
<b>Website:</b>	<a href="http://www.energy.gov/recovery/science_technology.htm">http://www.energy.gov/recovery/science_technology.htm</a>

# HOUSING, COMMUNITY AND SOCIAL SERVICES

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## PUBLIC HOUSING CAPITAL FUND

<b>Funding:</b>	\$4 billion; <b>New Jersey will receive \$104.69 million in formula funding</b> \$1 billion is available for competitive grants
<b>Administrator:</b>	Formula funding: New Jersey Public Housing Authorities Competitive funding: U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
<b>Description:</b>	Funding will go to local housing agencies to be used for capital repairs and improvements to federally-subsidized public housing. Competitive grants will be used for priority investments, including ones that leverage private-sector financing for renovations and energy conservation retrofits.
<b>Website:</b>	Competitive Funding: <a href="http://www.hud.gov/recovery/phcapfundh.cfm">http://www.hud.gov/recovery/phcapfundh.cfm</a> Formula Allocations: <a href="http://www.hud.gov/recovery/phcfund.cfm">http://www.hud.gov/recovery/phcfund.cfm</a>

## HOMELESSNESS PREVENTION FUND

<b>Funding:</b>	\$1.5 billion; <b>New Jersey will receive \$41.1 million in formula funding</b>
<b>Administrator:</b>	The State of New Jersey; New Jersey Department of Community Affairs
<b>Description:</b>	The funds will provide for a variety of assistance, including: short-term or medium-term rental assistance and housing relocation and stabilization services, including such activities as mediation, credit counseling, security or utility deposits, utility payments, moving cost assistance, and case management.
<b>Website:</b>	<a href="http://www.recovery.nj.gov/recovery/programs/esg.html">http://www.recovery.nj.gov/recovery/programs/esg.html</a>

## NEIGHBORHOOD STABILIZATION PROGRAM

<b>Funding:</b>	\$2 billion in competitive grants
<b>Administrator:</b>	U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, State of New Jersey
<b>Description:</b>	Funds will go to States, local governments, and non-profit entities in areas with the greatest number of foreclosed homes to provide emergency assistance for the redevelopment of abandoned and foreclosed homes. Funds can be used to purchase and redevelop foreclosed homes or vacant properties and demolish blighted structures.
<b>Website:</b>	HUD: <a href="http://www.hud.gov/recovery/nspg.cfm">http://www.hud.gov/recovery/nspg.cfm</a> New Jersey: <a href="http://www.recovery.nj.gov/recovery/programs/nsp.html">http://www.recovery.nj.gov/recovery/programs/nsp.html</a>

## COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT

<b>Funding:</b>	\$1 billion; New Jersey will receive \$26.7 million in formula funding and \$1.9 million for state programs
<b>Administrator:</b>	The State of New Jersey; New Jersey Department of Community Affairs
<b>Description:</b>	The State administers the Small Cities CDBG Program. This program provides grants and loans for community development activities that principally benefit persons of low and moderate income, prevent or eliminate slums and blight, and meet urgent community development needs for which no other resources are available. All non-entitlement towns and counties are eligible to apply.
<b>Website:</b>	<a href="http://www.recovery.nj.gov/recovery/programs/small_cities.html">http://www.recovery.nj.gov/recovery/programs/small_cities.html</a>

## COMMUNITY SERVICE BLOCK GRANT

<b>Funding:</b>	\$1 billion; New Jersey will receive \$27.58 million in formula funding
<b>Administrator:</b>	U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families
<b>Description:</b>	Provides funding to local community action agencies for services for the growing number of low-income families hurt by the economic crisis, such as housing and mortgage counseling, jobs skills training, food pantry assistance, as well as benefits, outreach, and enrollment.
<b>Website:</b>	<a href="http://www.state.nj.us/dca/divisions/dhcr/offices/comact.html">http://www.state.nj.us/dca/divisions/dhcr/offices/comact.html</a>

## CHILD CARE AND DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT

<b>Funding:</b>	\$2 billion; New Jersey will receive \$34.1 million in formula funding
<b>Administrator:</b>	New Jersey Department of Human Services, Division of Family Development
<b>Description:</b>	Provides subsidized child care services through vouchers or contracts with providers to low-income working families and low-income families in which parents are engaged in education or training.
<b>Website:</b>	<a href="http://www.recovery.nj.gov/recovery/programs/child_care.html">http://www.recovery.nj.gov/recovery/programs/child_care.html</a>

## SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

<b>Funding:</b>	\$20 billion
<b>Administrator:</b>	State of New Jersey
<b>Description:</b>	The Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), known in New Jersey as the Food Stamp Program, is a nutrition program that helps low-income individuals and families afford food. This funding will provide SNAP recipients with a 13.6 % increase to maximum SNAP benefits. Recipients do not have to apply since the funding is automatically added to their allotment.
<b>Website:</b>	<a href="http://www.recovery.nj.gov/recovery/programs/food_stamps.html">http://www.recovery.nj.gov/recovery/programs/food_stamps.html</a>

## EMERGENCY FOOD ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

<b>Funding:</b>	\$150 million; <b>New Jersey will receive \$2.1 million in formula funding</b>
<b>Administrator:</b>	State of New Jersey
<b>Description:</b>	Funds will be used to purchase commodities for food banks to refill emptying shelves and to assist with administrative functions
<b>Website:</b>	<a href="http://www.state.nj.us/agriculture/divisions/fn/fooddistrib/tefap.html">http://www.state.nj.us/agriculture/divisions/fn/fooddistrib/tefap.html</a> and <a href="http://www.fns.usda.gov/fns/recovery/recovery-tefap.htm">http://www.fns.usda.gov/fns/recovery/recovery-tefap.htm</a>

## HEAD START PROGRAM

<b>Funding:</b>	\$2.1 billion; <b>New Jersey will receive \$12.77 million in formula funding</b>
<b>Administrator:</b>	U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
<b>Purpose:</b>	Funding is administered directly to Head Start programs in states to provide development, educational, health, nutritional, social and other activities that prepare children to succeed in school.
<b>Website:</b>	<a href="http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/ohs/">http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/ohs/</a>

## SENIOR NUTRITION PROGRAM

<b>Funding:</b>	\$97.7 million; <b>New Jersey will receive \$2.8 million</b>
<b>Administrator:</b>	State of New Jersey
<b>Purpose:</b>	Funding will be used to provide nutritious meals, in group settings and home-delivered, for adults 60 years of age and older. Two-thirds of the funding for New Jersey will go toward senior nutrition programs and the other third will be spent on home delivered meals for frail elderly.
<b>Website:</b>	<a href="http://www.recovery.nj.gov/recovery/programs/senior_nutrition.html">http://www.recovery.nj.gov/recovery/programs/senior_nutrition.html</a>

# ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND SMALL BUSINESS

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## ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE GRANT

<b>Funding:</b>	\$150 million
<b>Administrator:</b>	U.S. Economic Development Administration (EDA)
<b>Description:</b>	Funding will be disbursed through EDA's six Regional Offices in the form of grants to states, local government entities and eligible non-profits to create jobs, general private sector investment by promoting comprehensive, entrepreneurial and innovation-based economic development efforts.
<b>Website:</b>	<a href="http://www.eda.gov/InvestmentsGrants/FFON.xml">http://www.eda.gov/InvestmentsGrants/FFON.xml</a> Regional EDA office for NJ contact: Edward Hummel Email: <a href="mailto:EHummel@eda.doc.gov">EHummel@eda.doc.gov</a> Phone: 215-597-6767

## MICRO-LOAN PROGRAM

<b>Funding:</b>	\$30 million for direct loans
<b>Administrator:</b>	Small Business Administration (SBA)
<b>Description:</b>	Funds will go for small loans to start-up, newly established, or growing small business concerns. Funds are available to nonprofit community based lenders which, in turn, make loans to eligible borrowers in amounts up to a maximum of \$35,000. The average loan size is about \$13,000.
<b>Website:</b>	<a href="http://www.sba.gov/recovery/">http://www.sba.gov/recovery/</a> <a href="http://www.sba.gov/services/financialassistance/sbaloantopics/microloans/index.html">http://www.sba.gov/services/financialassistance/sbaloantopics/microloans/index.html</a>

## 7(A) LOAN GUARANTEE PROGRAM

<b>Funding:</b>	\$375 million was included for the temporary fee reduction for the 7(a) loan guarantee program and the 504 loan program.
<b>Administrator:</b>	Small Business Administration (SBA)
<b>Description:</b>	To ensure small businesses maintain have access to 7(a) loans that may be used to establish a new business or to assist in the operation, acquisition or expansion of an existing business.
<b>Website:</b>	<a href="http://www.sba.gov/recovery/">http://www.sba.gov/recovery/</a> and <a href="http://www.sba.gov/localresources/district/nj/index.html">http://www.sba.gov/localresources/district/nj/index.html</a>

## 504 LOAN PROGRAM

<b>Administrator:</b>	Small Business Administration (SBA)
<b>Description:</b>	Funds will go to ensure small businesses maintain adequate access to 504 loans for fixed asset projects. 504 loans may be used for purchasing land and improvements, including existing buildings, grading, street improvements, utilities, parking lots and landscaping; construction of new facilities, or modernizing, renovating or converting existing facilities; or purchasing long-term machinery and equipment.
<b>Website:</b>	<a href="http://www.sba.gov/recovery/">http://www.sba.gov/recovery/</a> and <a href="http://www.sba.gov/localresources/district/nj/index.html">http://www.sba.gov/localresources/district/nj/index.html</a>

## BUSINESS STABILIZATION PROGRAM

<b>Funding:</b>	\$225 million for loan subsidies and loan modifications
<b>Administrator:</b>	Small Business Administration (SBA)
<b>Purpose:</b>	Funds will go to provide loans on a deferred basis to viable small business concerns that have a qualifying small business loan and are experiencing immediate financial hardship.
<b>Website:</b>	<a href="http://www.sba.gov/recovery/">http://www.sba.gov/recovery/</a> <a href="http://www.sba.gov/localresources/district/nj/index.html">http://www.sba.gov/localresources/district/nj/index.html</a>



# JOB TRAINING & UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE

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## EMPLOYMENT TRAINING – ADULT

<b>Funding:</b>	\$500 million; <b>New Jersey will receive \$9.4 million to be distributed by a formula to local workforce areas</b>
<b>Administrator:</b>	State of New Jersey
<b>Description:</b>	Formula funding to states and local government to facilitate increased training of individuals to train unemployed adults and ensure that supportive services and needs-related payments are available to support the employment and training needs of priority populations, including recipients of public assistance and other low-income individuals.
<b>Website:</b>	<a href="http://www.recovery.nj.gov/recovery/programs/workforce_adult.html">http://www.recovery.nj.gov/recovery/programs/workforce_adult.html</a>

## EMPLOYMENT TRAINING – DISLOCATED WORKERS

<b>Funding:</b>	\$1.25 billion; <b>New Jersey will receive \$32.7 million to be distributed to local workforce areas and additional resources are reserved for statewide services to workers affected by mass layoffs.</b>
<b>Administrator:</b>	State of New Jersey
<b>Description:</b>	To assure that supportive services and needs-related payments that may be necessary for an individual's participation in job training are a part of the dislocated worker service strategy.
<b>Website:</b>	<a href="http://www.recovery.nj.gov/recovery/programs/dislocated_worker.html">http://www.recovery.nj.gov/recovery/programs/dislocated_worker.html</a>

## EMPLOYMENT TRAINING – YOUTH

<b>Funding:</b>	\$1.2 billion; <b>New Jersey will receive \$20.8 million and more than \$17 million of that funding will be distributed to local workforce areas with the remaining funds reserved for the administration of the statewide program.</b>
<b>Administrator:</b>	State of New Jersey
<b>Description:</b>	Funds will go to increase training and employment opportunities through the One-Stop Career Center System.
<b>Website:</b>	<a href="http://www.recovery.nj.gov/recovery/programs/workforce_youth.html">http://www.recovery.nj.gov/recovery/programs/workforce_youth.html</a>

## YOUTHBUILD

<b>Funding:</b>	\$50 million
<b>Administrator:</b>	U.S. Department of Labor
<b>Description:</b>	Funds will be awarded on a competitive basis and will provide services for at-risk youth, who gain education and occupational credentials while constructing or rehabilitating affordable housing.
<b>Website:</b>	<a href="http://www.doleta.gov/recovery">http://www.doleta.gov/recovery</a>

## GREEN JOBS TRAINING

<b>Funding:</b>	\$500 million
<b>Administrator:</b>	U.S. Department of Labor
<b>Description:</b>	These funds will be awarded on a competitively basis by the U.S. Department of Labor and will go to programs to train workers in energy efficiency and renewable energy jobs.
<b>Website:</b>	<a href="http://www.doleta.gov/recovery">http://www.doleta.gov/recovery</a>

## JOB CORPS PROGRAM

<b>Funding:</b>	\$250 million in competitive grants
<b>Administrator:</b>	U.S. Department of Labor
<b>Description:</b>	The funds will support construction and modernization of a network of residential facilities serving at-risk youth. The funds will allow the Office of Job Corps to move forward on a number of ready-to-go rehabilitation and construction projects, including those where competitions have already been concluded.
<b>Website:</b>	<a href="http://www.jobcorps.gov/">http://www.jobcorps.gov/</a>

## UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE

<b>Administrator:</b>	U.S. Department of Labor
<b>Description:</b>	Benefit payments are increased by \$25 per week through December 31, 2009 for individuals receiving Trade Readjustment Allowances, Disaster Unemployment Benefits, regular Unemployment Compensation, Extended Benefits, or EUC. Additionally federal income tax on the first \$2,400 of unemployment benefits is suspended for 2009.
<b>Website:</b>	<a href="http://www.workforcesecurity.doleta.gov/unemploy/">http://www.workforcesecurity.doleta.gov/unemploy/</a>

# HEALTH

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## HEALTH INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

<b>Funding:</b>	\$19 billion; including \$2 billion for planning grants in 2009 and 2010, followed by \$17 billion in grants to Medicare and Medicaid providers beginning in late 2010 and running for five years
<b>Administrator:</b>	State of New Jersey; U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
<b>Description:</b>	Funding will be used to promote the use and exchange of electronic health information in a manner consistent with the Office of the National Coordinator of Health Information Technology's strategic plan. It can be used for planning and implementation grants to states or qualified state-designated entities to facilitate and expand electronic health information exchange; to establish loan programs for health care providers to purchase certified electronic health record technology, train personnel in the use of such technology, and improve the secure electronic exchange of health information; and to provide financial assistance to universities to establish or expand medical informatics programs.
<b>Website:</b>	<a href="http://www.hhs.gov/recovery/index.html">http://www.hhs.gov/recovery/index.html</a> and <a href="http://www.hhs.gov/healthit/">http://www.hhs.gov/healthit/</a> or <a href="http://www.recovery.nj.gov/recovery/grant/#6">http://www.recovery.nj.gov/recovery/grant/#6</a>

## COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER GRANTS

<b>Funding:</b>	\$2 billion for Community Health Center Infrastructure and Services Grants
<b>Administrator:</b>	U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
<b>Description:</b>	Funds are available on a competitive basis to Community Health Centers. Infrastructure funds will go to support renovations and repairs, investments in health IT and critically needed health care. Services Grants are to be used to support new sites and service areas, to increase services at existing sites, and to provide supplemental payments for spikes in uninsured populations.
<b>Website:</b>	<a href="http://www.hhs.gov/recovery/hrsa/healthcentergrants.html">http://www.hhs.gov/recovery/hrsa/healthcentergrants.html</a>

## UNIVERSITY RESEARCH FACILITIES

<b>Funding:</b>	\$1.3 billion through NIH to renovate and equip university research facilities
<b>Administrator:</b>	National Institutes of Health
<b>Description:</b>	Funding will be used for the construction and renovation of extramural research facilities and for the acquisition of shared instrumentation and other capital research equipment.
<b>Website:</b>	<a href="http://www.ncrr.nih.gov/the_american_recovery_and_reinvestment_act/funding_opportunities_and_notices/">http://www.ncrr.nih.gov/the_american_recovery_and_reinvestment_act/funding_opportunities_and_notices/</a>

## BIOMEDICAL RESEARCH

<b>Funding:</b>	\$8.7 billion
<b>Administrator:</b>	National Institutes of Health
<b>Description:</b>	\$7.4 million will be distributed to specific Institutes and Centers and to the Common Fund for biomedical research grants. \$800 million will be used by the Office of the Director for purposes that can be completed within two years, including short-term grants focused on specific scientific challenges, new research that expands the scope of ongoing projects, research on public and international health priorities, and to enhance central research support activities, centralized information support systems.
<b>Website:</b>	<a href="http://grants.nih.gov/recovery/">http://grants.nih.gov/recovery/</a>

## NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE CORPS

<b>Funding:</b>	\$75 million
<b>Administrator:</b>	U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
<b>Description:</b>	Funds will be used for training primary healthcare providers including doctors, dentists, and nurses as well as helping pay medical school expenses for students who agree to practice in underserved communities through the National Health Service Corps.
<b>Website:</b>	Apply for a scholarship here (applications due April 6 <sup>th</sup> ): <a href="http://nhsc.hrsa.gov/applications/scholarship/">http://nhsc.hrsa.gov/applications/scholarship/</a>  <a href="http://www.hhs.gov/recovery/programs/index.html">http://www.hhs.gov/recovery/programs/index.html</a>

## HEALTH CARE WORKFORCE

<b>Funding:</b>	\$200 million
<b>Administrator:</b>	U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
<b>Description:</b>	These funds are to be used for the training of health professionals
<b>Website:</b>	<a href="http://www.hhs.gov/recovery/programs/index.html">http://www.hhs.gov/recovery/programs/index.html</a>

## PREVENTION AND WELLNESS PROGRAM

<b>Funding:</b>	\$950 million; \$300 million of this is for CDC immunization program, \$650 million for evidence-based clinical and community-based prevention and wellness strategies, and \$50 million to states to implement healthcare-associated infection prevention strategies.
<b>Administrator:</b>	U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
<b>Description:</b>	The Department has not decided which agencies will take the lead and if there will be competitive grant opportunities but the CDC is likely to be central to these efforts.
<b>Website:</b>	<a href="http://www.hhs.gov/recovery/programs/index.html">http://www.hhs.gov/recovery/programs/index.html</a> and <a href="http://www.cdc.gov/od/pgo/funding/FOAs.htm">http://www.cdc.gov/od/pgo/funding/FOAs.htm</a>

## COMPARATIVE EFFECTIVENESS HEALTH RESEARCH

<b>Funding:</b>	\$1.1 billion
<b>Administrator:</b>	U.S. Department of Health and Human Services; Administrator on Healthcare Research and Quality and National Institutes of Health
<b>Description:</b>	This funding will be used to conduct or support research to evaluate and compare clinical outcomes, effectiveness, risk, and benefits of two or more medical treatments and services that address a particular medical condition. \$300 million will be administered by AHRQ, \$400 million will be transferred to NIH, and \$400 million will be allocated at the discretion of the Secretary of HHS.
<b>Website:</b>	<a href="http://www.ahrq.gov/">http://www.ahrq.gov/</a> and <a href="http://www.nih.gov/">http://www.nih.gov/</a>

## COBRA CONTINUATION COVERAGE

<b>Funding:</b>	\$24.7 billion
<b>Administrator:</b>	U.S. Department of Labor
<b>Description:</b>	The funding provides for premium reductions and additional election opportunities for health benefits under the Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1985, commonly called COBRA. Eligible individuals pay only 35 percent of their COBRA premiums and the remaining 65 percent is reimbursed to the coverage provider through a tax credit. The premium reduction applies to periods of health coverage beginning on or after February 17, 2009 and lasts for up to nine months for those eligible for COBRA during the period beginning September 1, 2008 and ending December 31, 2009 due to an involuntary termination of employment that occurred during that period.
<b>Website:</b>	<a href="http://www.ahrq.gov/">http://www.ahrq.gov/</a> and <a href="http://www.nih.gov/">http://www.nih.gov/</a>

# PUBLIC SAFETY

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## ASSISTANCE TO FIREFIGHTERS GRANT PROGRAM

<b>Funding:</b>	\$210 million
<b>Administrator:</b>	U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)
<b>Description:</b>	To provide assistance for communities to modify, renovate and upgrade fire stations.
<b>Website:</b>	<a href="http://www.dhs.gov/xopnbiz/recovery.shtm">http://www.dhs.gov/xopnbiz/recovery.shtm</a> and <a href="http://www.firegrantsupport.com/afg/">http://www.firegrantsupport.com/afg/</a>

## STAFFING FOR ADEQUATE FIRE AND EMERGENCY RESPONSE (SAFER) GRANT PROGRAM

<b>Funding:</b>	The Recovery Act waives the cost-share requirement for SAFER grants awarded with fiscal year 2009 and 2010 funding. FY 2009 available funding is \$210 million
<b>Administrator:</b>	U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)
<b>Description:</b>	To help fire departments increase the number of trained "front-line" firefighters available in their communities. The Recovery Act eliminates all non-federal matching requirements for grants during FY 2009-2010.
<b>Website:</b>	<a href="http://www.firegrantsupport.com/safer/">http://www.firegrantsupport.com/safer/</a>

## COMMUNITY ORIENTED POLICING SERVICES (COPS) HIRING GRANTS

<b>Funding:</b>	\$1 billion
<b>Administrator:</b>	Department of Justice, Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS)
<b>Description:</b>	Funds will be used for hiring and rehiring of additional career law enforcement officers.
<b>Website:</b>	<a href="http://www.cops.usdoj.gov/">http://www.cops.usdoj.gov/</a>

## EDWARD BYRNE MEMORIAL JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT PROGRAM

<b>Funding:</b>	\$2 billion; <b>New Jersey will receive \$48 million</b> - 60 percent goes to the State and 40 percent is set aside for local jurisdictions
<b>Administrator:</b>	State of New Jersey and Local Jurisdictions
<b>Description:</b>	Funds can be used for a broad range of activities to prevent and control crime and improve the criminal justice system. This includes law enforcement programs; prosecution and courts; prevention and education; corrections; drug treatment and enforcement; planning, evaluation, and technology improvement; crime victim and witness programs. Funds can be used to pay for personnel, overtime, and equipment. Funds provided to states can be used for statewide initiatives, technical assistance and training, and support for local and rural jurisdictions.
<b>Website:</b>	For a list of state and local allocations: <a href="http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/BJA/recoveryJAG/recoveryallocations.html">http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/BJA/recoveryJAG/recoveryallocations.html</a> Department of Justice: <a href="http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/BJA/recoveryact.html">http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/BJA/recoveryact.html</a> Office of the Governor: <a href="http://www.nj.gov/governor/news/news/2009/approved/20090304a.html">http://www.nj.gov/governor/news/news/2009/approved/20090304a.html</a>

## BYRNE COMPETITIVE GRANT PROGRAM

<b>Funding:</b>	\$225 million in competitive grant funding
<b>Administrator:</b>	U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Assistance
<b>Description:</b>	These grants help state and local communities improve the capacity of local justice systems and may be used for national efforts such as training and technical assistance. Applicants may be national, regional, state, or local public and private entities, including for-profit (commercial) and nonprofit organizations, faith-based and community organizations, institutions of higher education, tribal jurisdictions, and units of local government that support the functioning of the criminal justice system.
<b>Website:</b>	Department of Justice: <a href="http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/BJA/recoveryact.html">http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/BJA/recoveryact.html</a>

## STOP VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN PROGRAM

<b>Funding:</b>	\$140 million; <b>New Jersey will receive \$3.6 million in formula funding</b>
<b>Administrator:</b>	The State of New Jersey
<b>Description:</b>	The STOP (Services, Training, Officers, and Prosecutors) Violence Against Women Formula Grant Program promotes a coordinated, multidisciplinary approach to improving the criminal justice system's response to violent crimes against women. Rules allow 10% of the total award to be used to administer the grant program. The balance of the funding must be allocated as follows: 25% to law enforcement, 25% to prosecution, 30% to victims services, 15% discretionary and 5% to courts
<b>Contact Info:</b>	<a href="http://www.nj.gov/oag/dcj/grants/grants-federal.html">http://www.nj.gov/oag/dcj/grants/grants-federal.html</a> and phone: 609-896-8855

## STATE SEXUAL ASSAULT AND DOMESTIC VIOLENCE COALITIONS

<b>Funding:</b>	\$8.75 million to HHS designated State coalitions
<b>Administrator:</b>	U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Domestic Violence Against Women
<b>Description:</b>	Funds will be provided to state coalitions to support the coordination of state victim services activities, and collaboration and coordination with federal, state, and local entities engaged in violence against women activities.
<b>Website:</b>	<a href="http://www.ovw.usdoj.gov/state_grant_desc.htm">http://www.ovw.usdoj.gov/state_grant_desc.htm</a>

## TRANSITIONAL HOUSING ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

<b>Funding:</b>	\$43 million in competitive funding
<b>Administrator:</b>	U.S. Department of Justice, Office on Violence Against Women
<b>Description:</b>	Funds will be used to provide victim-centered transitional housing services and related support services to assist individuals who are fleeing domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking. Eligible applicants include States, units of local government, Indian tribes, and other organizations with a documented history of effective work concerning domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking. In addition to short-term housing assistance funds may also be used for transportation, counseling, child care, case management, and employment counseling.
<b>Website:</b>	<a href="http://www.ovw.usdoj.gov/thousing_grant_desc.htm">http://www.ovw.usdoj.gov/thousing_grant_desc.htm</a>

## INTERNET CRIMES AGAINST CHILDREN TASK FORCE

<b>Funding:</b>	\$50 million; <b>New Jersey will receive \$901,000 in formula funding</b>
<b>Administrator:</b>	U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Juvenile Justice
<b>Purpose:</b>	Funds will be used to help State and local law enforcement enhance investigative responses to offenders who use the Internet, online communication systems, or other computer technology to sexually exploit children. Applicants are limited to only those State and local law enforcement and prosecutorial agencies who currently receive funds under the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force program.
<b>Website:</b>	<a href="http://ojjdp.ncjrs.gov/recoveryact.html">http://ojjdp.ncjrs.gov/recoveryact.html</a>



## VICTIMS COMPENSATION AND ASSISTANCE

<b>Funding:</b>	\$100 million; <b>New Jersey will receive \$2.4 million in formula funding</b>
<b>Administrator:</b>	State of New Jersey and the Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs
<b>Description</b>	Funds will go to the State to support State compensation and assistance programs for victims and survivors of domestic violence, sexual assault, child abuse, drunk driving, homicide, and other Federal and state crimes.
<b>Website:</b>	<a href="http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/ovc/fund/Recoveryformula.html#victimcompensation">http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/ovc/fund/Recoveryformula.html#victimcompensation</a> <a href="http://nj.gov/oag/njvictims/">http://nj.gov/oag/njvictims/</a>

# EDUCATION AND THE ARTS

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## PELL GRANT

<b>Funding:</b>	\$15.6 million for Pell Grant program
<b>Administrator:</b>	U.S. Department of Education
<b>Description:</b>	Funding will be used to increase the maximum Pell Grant award to \$5,350 for the 2009-2010 school year.
<b>Website:</b>	<a href="http://www.ed.gov/programs/fpg/index.html">http://www.ed.gov/programs/fpg/index.html</a>

## NATIONAL ENDOWMENT FOR THE ARTS

<b>Funding:</b>	\$30 million
<b>Administrator:</b>	National Endowment for the Arts; State of New Jersey
<b>Description:</b>	Funding is available for state arts agencies and regional arts organizations to help preserve jobs in the nonprofit arts sector that are threatened by declines in philanthropic and other support during the current economic downturn.
<b>Website:</b>	<a href="http://www.arts.gov/grants/apply/recovery-states/index.html">http://www.arts.gov/grants/apply/recovery-states/index.html</a> NJ State Council on the Arts <a href="http://www.njartscouncil.org/grant.cfm">http://www.njartscouncil.org/grant.cfm</a>

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