

# What the American Rescue Plan Delivers for California

#### State and Local Aid

• Supports essential government workers, functions, and critical safety net programs by allocating approximately **\$40 billion** to the State of California, cities, and counties.

## **Education**

- Invests approximately \$15 billion to help California's K-12 schools reopen safely and comply with CDC guidelines.
- Allocates **\$5 billion** to California colleges and universities, half of which must go to emergency financial aid to students.

## **Health Care**

- Provides additional funding to address the pandemic, including billions of dollars for vaccines, testing, and tracing.
- Strengthens California's public health system by expanding our public health workforce and infrastructure, including through funding for the National Health Service Corps and community health centers.
- Supports Medicaid by expanding the Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) to provide extra funding and ensures full coverage of COVID-19 vaccinations and treatment.

### **Tax Credits**

- Expands the Child Tax Credit from \$2,000 to \$3,000 per child (\$3,600 for children under 6), and makes it fully refundable and advanceable, which would benefit nearly 8 million California children and lift 553,000 California children out of poverty.
- Improves the Earned Income Tax Credit for 1.85 million California workers without children by nearly tripling the maximum credit and extending eligibility.

# **Housing and Homelessness**

• Addresses California's affordable housing and homelessness crisis by allocating an additional **\$2.2 billion** in emergency rental assistance, **\$1.2 billion** in homeowner assistance, and **\$590 million** in homelessness assistance funding.

### **Child Care**

- Provides **\$3.8 billion** to stabilize California's child care sector and make child care more affordable for families.
- Helps families access high-quality child care by expanding the Child and Dependent Tax Credit to allow families to claim up to half of their child care expenses.

## **Nutrition Assistance**

• Increases SNAP benefits by 15 percent through September 30, 2021, providing an **extra \$117 million per month** to support the millions of Californians that rely on this program.

## **Transportation**

- Provides \$4.6 billion to ensure access to safe, reliable transit services in California.
- Helps California airports respond to the pandemic by appropriating \$898 million in relief.