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.