

Analysis of American Recovery & Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA)

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<http://www.recovery.gov>

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Education

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\$173,239,745 **Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA Part B Grants** (section 611) and \$7,575,406 IDEA preschool grants (section 619) (50 percent of IDEA, Part B funds will be sent to SCDE before the end of March 2009, without a requirement of a new state application; remainder of the funds available during the period July 1 to Sept. 30, 2009, conditioned on states providing additional information. A state should make the Part B Grants that it receives in March available to LEAs by the end of April 2009)

\$142,874,121 **Elementary & Secondary Education Act (ESEA) Title I, Part A** (50percent of Title I, Part A will be sent to SCDE before the end of March 2009, without requirement of a new state application; remainder available July 1 to Sept. 30, 2009, conditioned on states providing additional information.)

\$43.6 Million **ESEA School Improvement, Title I-A 1003(g)**(funds will be made available beginning in **fall 2009**, and will be conditioned upon receipt of further information that will be outlined in future guidance)

\$9,155,842 **Education Technology ESEA Title II-D (E2T2) (1/2 formula; 1/2 competitive)** (funds available **fall 2009**, and will be conditioned upon receipt of further information that will be outlined in future guidance)

\$615,000 **McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance**

Education Funds going through other state agencies:

\$5,891,870 IDEA Part C (DHEC [Babynet](#))(A minimum of 50 percent of the funds for the following programs will also be available by the end of March as soon as guidelines are issued)

\$9,686,547 Vocational Rehabilitation (A minimum of 50 percent of the funds for the following programs will also be available by the end of March as soon as guidelines are issued)

\$9.4 million -[Head Start](#) (SC DSS, Leigh Bolick, Program Director)

Employment & Job Training:

\$64,182,967 million for **Job Training and Employment Services** under Workforce Investment Act ARRA pp58-59: Eligible applicants are state governments or institution of higher education or other eligible training provider if determined by the local board.

WIA Training and Employment Services

Adult Employment & Training - \$10.5 million – To provide funding for adult employment and training activities, including supportive services and needs-related payments described in the one-stop delivery system provisions specifically Section 134©(2) and (3) of WIA)

Dislocated Worker Grants - \$28.7 million- To provide funding for employment and training programs for eligible workers who are unemployed through no fault of their own or have received an official layoff notice.

Youth Grants - \$25 million- To provides funding for youth training and employment activities, including summer employment, occupational skills, counseling, mentoring, supportive services, etc

\$120 million for “Community Service Employment for Older Americans”. ARRA p59: Eligible applicants are current grantees.

Housing & Community Development

\$4 billion for Public Housing Capital Fund. ARRA p100: Eligible applicants are public housing agencies. Cannot be used for rental assistance or operating costs, but can rehab or purchase units for affordable housing.

\$2.25 billion for HOME Investment Partnerships Program Block Grants

ARRA p106: Eligible applicants are State housing credit agencies to acquire, rehab, or construct affordable housing & provide rental assistance.

\$2 billion for **emergency assistance for the redevelopment of abandoned & foreclosed homes**

ARRA pp103-104: Eligible applicants are States, units of local government, nonprofit entities, consortia of nonprofit entities. Funds can purchase and rehab vacant foreclosed properties to maintain neighborhood stability. Funds can also land bank.

NSP I: Richland: \$2.2 million

State: \$44.6 million

NSPII: Will be a national-level competition

\$1 billion for **Community Development Block Grants**

ARRA p103: Eligible applicants are 2008 grant recipients

Although all CDBG-eligible activities the emphasis of this funding in ARRA is job creation and infrastructure. Local allocations are about ¼ annual CDBG allocations:

Columbia: \$342,783

Richland: \$371,569

Lexington: \$385,148

Human & Social Services

\$2.1 billion for **Head Start**

ARRA pp.64-65: Eligible applicants are States and local communities, working through a network of community action agencies and other neighborhood-based organizations

\$2 billion for States for **Child Care and Development Block Grants**

ARRA p64: Eligible applicants are State agencies (ultimately the child care development centers benefit by a defined payment source for eligible child)

Emergency Assistance, Food & Shelter

\$5 billion for an “Emergency Contingency Fund for State Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Programs” (**TANF**) ARRA p332: Eligible applicants are State agencies

\$1.5 billion for Homeless Prevention Fund & Rapid Re-housing Activities

ARRA p107: Eligible applicants are States, local governments, and nonprofit agencies

Short (3 months) and medium-term (18 month) rent assistance, utility deposits and payments, moving costs, motel/hotel vouchers, and help to get people back into housing quickly via case management and credit counseling. Locally:

Columbia: \$524,731 (doesn't normally receive allocation)

Richland: \$568,201 (doesn't normally receive allocation)

Lexington: \$588,970 (doesn't normally receive allocation)

State (Gov. Office Equal Opp.): \$11,136,176 (about 9x normal allocation amount)

\$150 million for **Emergency Food Assistance Program**. ARRA p5: Eligible applicants are public or non-profit organizations, a charitable institution, summer camp for children or child nutrition program providing food services, a nutrition program operating under the Older Americans Act of 1965 including congregate sites or delivered meals, and disaster relief.

\$100 million for Emergency Food and Shelter Program

ARRA p50: Eligible applicants are local EFSP Boards (UWM administers the local EFSP Board for four counties). Normal annual amount is \$200 million. United Way of America has not released notification yet to current grantees, but could mean an additional \$200,000 for the four main counties of UWM.

Food & Nutrition

\$19.9 billion for additional Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (**SNAP**) formally called food stamps. ARRA pp. 6-9: Eligible applicants are State agencies. Increases benefit by 13.6%.

\$500 million for Women, Infants, and Children (**WIC**) Program. ARRA p5: Eligible applicants are State agencies (in SC, the program is administered by local DHEC offices)

\$100 million for Senior Meals

ARRA p65: Eligible applicants are State agencies and local Area on Aging agencies; Formula grant distribution. Distribution to SC \$962,818 for congregate meals and \$474,003 for home-delivered meals.

Health

\$87 billion for Federal Medical Assistance Percentage of Medicaid (**FMAP**)

ARRA pp. 382-383: \$172,958,668 additional FMAP for SC

\$100 million - **Medicaid Outreach** and enrollment for enrolling children in Medicaid.

\$24.7 billion for Premium Subsidies for COBRA Continuation Coverage for Unemployed Workers

ARRA pp. 331-352: Eligible applicants are employers and insurers who will receive reimbursement for the 65% share of COBRA. Eligible employees will pay the 35% share of COBRA.

\$2.5 billion for Health Centers Resources and Services

\$1.5 billion for construction, renovation, and equipment, plus the acquisition of health information technology systems for community health centers. ARRA p61.

\$500 million for grants to community health centers

\$500 million for health professions workforce shortages

\$1.3 billion for the extension of the Transitional Medical Assistance (TMA) to December 31, 2010
ARRA p389: Eligible applicants are state governments

\$1 billion for prevention and wellness programs. ARRA p66:

\$300 million to immunization programs

\$650 million for evidence-based clinical & community prevention & wellness strategies

\$50 for activities to implement healthcare associated infections reduction strategies

\$550 million for the extension of the Qualifying Individual Program (assist certain low-income individuals with Medicare Part B premiums). ARRA p391: Eligible applicants are Medicare agencies.

\$134 million for Protection for American Indian Health Care

ARRA p391: Eligible applicants are Indian Health Services, Indian Tribal Organizations, Urban Indian Organizations or health care providers through referral under contract health services

Financial Assistance through the new National Health Coordinator for Information Technology

ARRA p119: Eligible applicants are consumer advocacy groups and not for profit entities that work in the public interest for purposes of defraying the cost to such groups or entities

\$268 Million in Recovery Act Funding Available to Support Hospitals

Eligible hospitals are those that serve a disproportionate share of low-income or uninsured individuals and are known as Disproportionate Share Hospitals (DSH). States receive an annual allotment to make payments to DSH hospitals to account for higher costs associated with treating uninsured and low-income patients. This annual allotment is calculated by law and includes requirements to ensure that the DSH payments to hospitals are not higher than the actual costs incurred by the hospital to provide the uncompensated care. \$8,020,449 increased funding for SC.

National Service \$160 million to carry out the Domestic Volunteer Service Act of 1973 and the National Community Service Act of 1990 (additional Americorps grantees). ARRA p65: UWM has been offered additional VISTA slots. UWM staff is working on agency placements.

\$50 million for “a new initiative” for non-profit capacity building grants”

Tax credits

EITC – increased credit for families with three or more children to \$5,657 (max credit)

Increasing **Child Tax Credit** by reducing the minimum income to from \$8,500 to \$3,000 making more families eligible

‘Making Work Pay’ tax credit of \$400 person & \$800 per married couple phased out at \$75,000 AGI individual and \$150,000 married filing jointly. Taxpayers can receive benefit through reduced payroll deductions or claiming credit on tax return.

‘American Opportunity’ tax credit – financial assistance for college via a \$2,500 credit paid in phases

First time home-buyer tax credit - \$8,000 tax credit

Temporary suspension of taxation of unemployment payments (first \$2,400 tax free in 2009)

