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The America Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009

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Overview

On February 17, 2009 President Barack Obama signed into law the American Recovery and Investment Act of 2009 (Act). The Act is a sweeping economic stimulus bill that provides resources to various programs and other efforts with the purpose of reinvigorating the nation's economy. According to the Obama administration, the \$787 billion package will create or save approximately 3.5 million jobs over the next two years and invest funds in a variety of different sectors, including: health care, energy, infrastructure, education and public safety.

General Provisions and Accountability and Transparency Provisions

The Administration has taken steps to ensure that funds distributed from the Act will be subject to vigorous transparency and accountability. Included in the Act are several general provisions that would 1) restrict usage of funds from certain projects, including zoos, aquariums, golf courses, swimming pools, or casinos; 2) include a Federal prevailing wage requirement; 3) require that buy American provisions are upheld; and 4) require compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). Additionally, the following measures have been taken to ensure accountability:

Certifications: A Governor, Mayor of other chief executive must certify that infrastructure investments have been fully vetted as required by law and are an appropriate use of taxpayer dollars. Certification shall include a description of investments and estimated total funds to be used. Certification will be posted the government website www.recovery.gov and is required before funds will be made available.

Reports on use of Funds: Recipients must submit a report to the federal agency from which it receives funds stating 1) total funds received; 2) amount expended or obligated; 3) list of projects or activities with details on jobs created and retained and, for state and local governments, a description of purpose, total cost and rationale for funding the investment with Act funds and a point of contact; and 4) detailed information on subcontracts or sub-grants awarded. Funding recipients must also register with the Central Contractor Registration Database.

Federal Oversight: A new federal agency has been established to coordinate and conduct oversight of funds to prevent fraud, waste and abuse.

Protections: The act prohibits retaliation against whistleblowers.

Important Federal Grant Information

Counties will be required to register with the federal government in order to receive grant funding. The federal government uses a central website for all discretionary grant applications, known as FedConnect. Applicants need to obtain a DUNS (Data Universal Numbering System) number. A DUNS number is a unique number that identifies an organization and helps track the distribution of grant money. The web link for submitting applications through FedConnect is:

https://www.fedconnect.net/FedConnect/PublicPages/FedConnect_Ready_Set_Go.pdf.

Before submitting an application through FedConnect each organization must complete the following steps:

- Step 1: Request a DUNS Number at <http://fedgov.dnb.com/webform/displayHomePage.do>
- Step 2: Register with the Central Contractor Registry (CCR) at <http://www.ccr.gov/>.
- Step 3: E-Business Point of Contact must register in FedConnect at <https://www.fedconnect.net/FedConnect/>.

Timeframe

February 19, 2009:	Federal Agencies to begin reporting their formula block grant awards.
March 3, 2009:	Federal Agencies to begin reporting use of funds.
May 3, 2009:	Federal Agencies to make Performance Plans publicly available. Federal Agencies to begin reporting on their allocations for entitlement programs.
May 20, 2009:	Federal Agencies to begin reporting their competitive grants and contracts.
July 15, 2009:	Recipients of Federal funding to begin reporting on the use of funds.
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The following is based on information compiled by CSAC, the League of California Cities and Yolo County. Staff will continually update the following table as more information becomes available.

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RURAL DEVELOPMENT			
RURAL WATER AND WASTE DISPOSAL PROGRAM	Discretionary grants and loans to rural communities for drinking water and wastewater treatment facilities with priority to smaller (10,000 or less) and poorer communities. Applicants may include municipalities, counties, special purpose districts, Indian tribes, and non-profits.	\$1.38 billion loan authority (supports \$3.788 billion in loans) \$968 million for grants	Questions and application material are available from the USDA Rural Development manager located at any of USDA's Service Centers. Service Center locations can be found at: http://offices.sc.egov.usda.gov/locator/app . Information can also be found at: http://www.usda.gov/rus/water/states/ca.htm
RURAL BROADBAND INFRASTRUCTURE DEPLOYMENT	The Rural Utilities Service shall make competitive grants and loans through its distance learning, telemedicine and broadband programs.	\$2.5 billion	Grants to be administered by the Department of Agriculture Rural Utilities Service (RUS), through its distance learning and telemedicine and broadband programs. Visit the USDA Rural Development page at: http://www.usda.gov/rus/telecom/dlt/dlt.htm
RURAL COMMUNITIES FACILITIES PROGRAM	The Secretary shall provide financing to local governments, nonprofit corporations and Indian Tribes; funds can be used for health care facilities, emergency services, libraries and other community needs	\$130 million Funds will be distributed through the Rural Economic and Community Development state offices.	Information can be found at: http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/rhs/cf/cp.htm
COMMERCE, JUSTICE, STATE (CJS)			
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM	Funding distributed by formula to regions and then by competitive grant within regions.	\$150 million (\$50 million may be transferred to federally authorized regional economic development commissions; \$50 million to assist communities with sudden job dislocation)	Information can be found at: http://www.eda.gov/InvestmentsGrants/FFON.xml

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<p>DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE</p> <p>BROADBAND TECHNOLOGY OPPORTUNITIES PROGRAM</p>	<p>Competitive grants to state and local governments, nonprofits and public-private partnerships.</p>	<p>\$250 million for competitive grants for innovative programs to encourage sustainable broadband adoption</p> <p>\$200 million to upgrade technology and capacity at public computing centers (libraries and community colleges)</p>	<p>Application details will be announced by the National Telecommunications and Information Administration.</p> <p>Visit the Department of Commerce National Telecommunications and Information Administration webpage at: www.ntia.doc.gov/otiahome/top/index.html</p>
<p>DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE</p> <p>BYRNE JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANTS</p>	<p>Formula grants to state and local governments.</p>	<p>\$2 billion</p>	<p>FAQ page: http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/BJA/recoveryJAG/JAGrecoveryFAQ.pdf</p> <p>Byrne-JAG Local Solicitation (for counties eligible for a direct grant) due June 17 (DUE DATE WAS EXTENDED): http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/BJA/recoveryJAG/JAGrecoveryLocal.pdf</p> <p>California State Agencies Administering State Pass-Through to Local Jurisdictions: California Byrne-JAG Agencies</p> <p>State/Counties: A portion of JAG funds allocated to the state are distributed to local governments through a grant through the California Emergency Management Agency (formerly the Office of Emergency Services). CalEMA will receive approximately \$135 million in Bryne-JAG federal stimulus funds. The state is required to pass-through 67% of the \$135 million. CalEMA is currently working with the California Council on Criminal Justice (CCCJ) to determine the funding strategies for the state share of Byrne-JAG stimulus funding and the process by which local jurisdictions can apply for funds. More information is expected in June after the CCCJ meets to vote on funding strategies for Byrne-JAG stimulus funding. The public meeting notice for the June CCCJ meeting will be posted on the CalEMA/OES public notice webpage. Furthermore, until the website for CalEMA is complete, grant applications will be available at www.oes.ca.gov.</p>

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			Federal Contact: United States Office of Justice Programs: www.ojp.usdoj.gov/BJA/recoveryact.html
DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE BYRNE JUSTICE ASSISTANCE COMPETITIVE GRANTS	Competitive peer-reviewed grants to State, local and tribal governments and national, regional and local non-profit organizations	\$225 million	FAQ Page: http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/BJA/recovery/RecoveryByrneFAQ.pdf - FAQ has yet to be posted but this is the webpage it will be posted too shortly. Competitive Grant Local Solicitation due April 27: http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/BJA/recovery/RecoveryByrne.pdf Federal Contact: United States Office of Justice Programs: www.ojp.usdoj.gov/BJA/recoveryact.html
DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE RURAL LAW ENFORCEMENT	Competitive awards for drug enforcement and other law enforcement programs in rural states and rural areas, including hiring police officers	\$125 million	Local Solicitation Due April 22: http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/BJA/recovery/RecoveryRuralLE.pdf Other updates on this program as well as a link to a forthcoming FAQ page can be found at this website: http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/BJA/recoveryact.html .
DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE COMMUNITY ORIENTED POLICING	Competitive grants to local governments for hiring of additional law enforcement officers	\$1 billion Bill waives 25 percent local match and \$75,000 per officer cap	Local governments will apply directly with the Federal Department of Justice, COPS Office for grants. A reference guide to assist agencies in determining if they are available can be found here . To apply directly for funds please go to the USDOJ COPS - Community Oriented Policing Services webpage. Applications can be submitted online from March 16, 2009 through April 14, 2009. To listen to a podcast or download a transcript regarding the COPS Recovery program click here . Federal Contact: US Department of Justice, COPS Office: www.cops.usdoj.gov
DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE DETENTION TRUSTEE	Federal Detention Trustee distributes funds to state and local governments holding federal detainees.	\$150 million \$50 million for construction/renovation; \$100 million for operational costs	

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<p>ASSISTANCE FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT ALONG THE SOUTHERN BORDER AND IN HIGH INTENSITY DRUG TRAFFICKING AREAS (HIDTA)</p>	<p>Competitive grants to HIDTA and state and local law enforcement agencies.</p> <p>HIDTA Eligibility: In order for a HIDTA to apply for funding under Categories I-IV, the Director of the HIDTA must authorize a designee from a participating state, local, or tribal law enforcement agency to apply on behalf of the HIDTA. The Director must sign a statement which expressly authorizes the designee to apply on behalf of the HIDTA. BJA will consider applications from multiple law enforcement agencies located within the same HIDTA. This signed statement must be attached as part of the application</p>	<p>\$40 million</p>	<p>Southern border consists the following states: California, Arizona, New Mexico and Texas</p> <p>It appears that funding is available to state and local law enforcement agencies (which are defined as state and local prosecutors, parole, probation, and community corrections agencies) as well as those who have formed a HIDTA. If a HIDTA region applies they must follow the HIDTA criteria as defined in column two.</p> <p>Local Solicitation Due April 17: http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/BJA/recovery/RecoverySouthernBorder.pdf</p>
<p>INTERNET CRIMES AGAINST CHILDREN TASK FORCE</p>	<p>Competitive grants to state and local governments for investigations.</p>	<p>\$50 million</p> <p>DOJ must report on how it will distribute funding within 60 days of enactment.</p>	<p>The ICAC program is a national network of 59 coordinated task forces, representing more than 2,000 federal, state, and local law enforcement and prosecutorial agencies engaged in proactive investigations, forensic examinations, and effective prosecutions. Stimulus funding will be used to help state and local law enforcement agencies develop effective, sustainable responses to online child victimization and child pornography. Information regarding funding will be available soon on the following webpage: http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/recovery/</p> <p>Federal Contact: www.ojp.usdoj.gov</p> <p>Applicants are limited to only those States and local law enforcement and prosecutorial agencies who are currently</p>

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			<p>receiving funds under the ICAC Task Force Program.</p> <p>Link to Solicitation (application due April 8, 2009): http://ojidp.ncjrs.gov/grants/solicitations/FY2009/ARRAICACTaskForceProgram.pdf</p>
OFFICE OF VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN	Formula and competitive grants for state and local governments	<p>\$225 million</p> <p>\$175 million for STOP Violence Against Women Formula Grants; \$50 million in competitive grants for Transitional Housing Assistance.</p>	<p>STOP grants: Grant information will be available at: www.ovw.usdoj.gov/stop_grant_desc.htm.</p> <p>Transitional Housing: Grant information will be available at: www.ovw.usdoj.gov/thousing_grant_desc.htm.</p> <p>Federal Contact: http://www.ovw.usdoj.gov</p> <p>The California Emergency Management Agency (Cal EMA) is in the process of applying on behalf of California for VAWA Stimulus Funding. Funding will fall into four categories: law enforcement, prosecution, victim services and courts. Information regarding how counties can apply for stimulus funding will be on the agencies website: http://www.oes.ca.gov/. Cal EMA does not expect to receive the award until late spring.</p>
ENERGY, WATER, FORESTRY			
ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS	Discretionary grants to accelerate ongoing work or begin new projects that can be completed in one year.	<p>\$4.6 billion, allocated as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Construction (\$2 billion) • Operations and Maintenance (\$2.075 billion) • Mississippi Rivers and Tributaries (\$375 million) • Formerly Utilized Sites Remedial Action Program (\$100 million) • Investigations (\$25 million) • Regulatory Program (\$25 million) 	<p>While there are no direct appropriations to the state, the Corps is a partner with the state on federally authorized flood control projects for which costs are shared among federal, state, and local governments. These include projects in the State Plan of Flood Control, modifications to Folsom Dam, and other projects in Central and Southern California. In some cases, the state Department of Water Resources (DWR) has “fronted” the federal share of funding, mainly through bonds (Proposition 1E), in order to expedite the projects.</p>
US DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE	Funds will be distributed in the form of direct loans from the agency.	<p>\$28 billion</p> <p>Loans will be used to purchase items such as farm equipment, feed, seed,</p>	<p>Visit the USDA webpage at: http://www.usda.gov/wps/portal/?navid=USDA_ARRA</p>

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<p>USDA—NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE (NRCS)</p>	<p>Funds for floodplain easements and investments in watershed infrastructure improvements.</p>	<p>fuel and other operating expenses.</p> <p>\$290 million for watershed & flood protection operations</p> <p>\$50 million for the watershed rehabilitation program</p>	<p>Watershed Rehabilitation</p> <p>Any of the over 11,000 dams in 47 states that were constructed under the four watershed programs (PL-534, PL-566, Pilot, or RC&D) are eligible for assistance under this authority. Priority for funding of projects is based on a priority ranking system that considers the condition of the dam and number of people at risk if the dam should fail. NRCS may provide technical assistance and 65% of the total rehabilitation project cost.</p> <p>Watershed Operations</p> <p>This program provides assistance to sponsoring local organizations of authorized watershed projects, planned and approved under the authority of the Watershed Protection and Flood Prevention Act of 1954 (P.L. 83-566), and designated watersheds authorized by the Flood Control Act of 1944 (P.L. 78-534). Information can be found at: http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/programs/WSRehab/index.html</p>
<p>BUREAU OF RECLAMATION</p>	<p>Discretionary grants for development, maintenance, management and restoration or water and related natural resources in the 17 Western States.</p>	<p>\$1 billion</p> <p>\$50 million for California Bay-Delta Restoration, \$60 million for rural water projects to be expended primarily on water intake and treatment facilities; and \$10 million for inventory and evaluation of existing infrastructure focusing on canals potentially impacting population centers.</p> <p>Funds to be used for projects that: can be obligate/executed quickly, will result in high immediate employment; have little schedule</p>	<p>Funds will be spent directly by federal agencies on federal projects and programs in the state or administered directly by federal agencies to individual grantees in the state. Traditionally, a majority of funding for the Bureau of Reclamation, which only operates in western states, has been allocated to California-related projects, including the federal Central Valley Project and the Colorado River Project.</p> <p>Visit the US Department of Interior’s webpage at: http://www.doi.gov/</p>

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		risk; can be executed by contract or direct hire of temporary labor; will complete a projected phase or will provide a useful service that does not require additional funding.	
US FOREST SERVICE	Funds for capital improvement projects and maintenance.	\$1.15 billion, including \$500 million for hazardous fuels reductions, forest health protection, and rehabilitation and hazard mitigation activities.	Visit the US Forest Service’s webpage at: http://www.fs.fed.us/
DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND CONSERVATION BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM	Cities with populations over 35,000 and counties with populations over 200,000 receive funding by formula; local governments that do not receive formula funding are eligible for pass-through funding from States.	\$3.2 billion \$2.8 billion for formula grants; \$400 million for competitive grants	DOE will issue program guidance in the <i>Federal Register</i> that will give specific instructions on how to apply for this program. Federal Contact: DOE website: EERE’s Weatherization and Intergovernmental Program, http://www.eere.energy.gov/wip
STATE ENERGY PROGRAM	Formula and discretionary grants.	\$3.1 billion Grants to state energy programs to further emerging renewable energy and efficiency technologies.	The DOE will be developing the specific rules and criteria for the SEP and will oversee the distribution of the funds to each state. To obtain the SEP Funds, the Secretary of Energy must receive certain assurances from the governor.
SMART GRID	Grants to electric utilities to support modernization of the electrical grid and enhance the security and reliability of the grid	\$4.5 billion, including \$100 million for worker training	Visit the federal Department of Energy’s webpage at: www.doe.gov
ALTERNATIVE FUELED VEHICLES PILOT PROGRAM	DOE shall award 30 pilot grants through Clean Cities program to states, local governments, metropolitan transportation authorities, air pollution control districts or private and non-profit entities for the purchase of	\$300 million	Visit the federal Department of Energy’s webpage at: www.doe.gov

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	alternative fuel vehicles, fuel cell or hybrid vehicles, including buses for public transportation. Grants are also available for infrastructure to support the vehicles		
TRANSPORTATION ELECTRIFICATION	Competitive grants for states, local governments and transportation agencies for qualified electrification projects that reduce emissions, including shipside electrification of vehicles, truck stop electrification, airport ground support equipment and cargo handling equipment.	\$400 million	Funds will be distributed through US Dept of Energy. Local governments should develop a list of ready-to-go plug-in hybrid and transportation electrification projects. Federal Contact: http://www.eere.energy.gov
WEATHERIZATION ASSISTANCE	Formula grants to States with pass-through to local communities.	\$5 billion	Low income residents in California can apply for weatherization funding through the State Department of Community Services and Development. Federal Contact: http://www.eere.energy.gov/wip
FINANCIAL SERVICES			
DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS FUND	Discretionary funding to Community Development Financial Institutions (community development banks, credit unions, venture capital funds, revolving loans) to invest in affordable housing, small businesses and community development in underserved communities	\$100 million	Secretary of Treasury to submit detailed expenditure plan 60 days after enactment.
DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY SMALL BUSINESS CAPITAL AVAILABILITY	Expands existing loan programs to increase government financing of small businesses; allows SBA to guarantee up to 90 percent for	\$636 million	

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	eligible loans		
HOMELAND SECURITY			
FEMA STATE AND LOCAL PROGRAMS	Formula grants to State and local governments to upgrade security for infrastructure assets	\$300 million \$150 million for transit, rail and Amtrak and \$150 million for port security	With regard to public transportation security, funds will be distributed at the discretion of the Secretary of Homeland Security. Regulations will be adopted and released by the Secretary. Federal Contact: Federal Emergency Management Agency, www.fema.gov/government/grant/tsgp/index.shtm
FIREFIGHTER ASSISTANCE GRANTS	Competitive grants to fire departments for projects that support homeland security.	\$210 million No grant above \$15 million.	The Grant Programs Directorate of the Federal Emergency Management Agency administers the grants in cooperation with the U.S. Fire Administration. Funds will be distributed at the discretion of the Secretary of Homeland Security. Regulations will be adopted and released by the Secretary. Visit the Federal Emergency Management Agency's webpage at: www.firegrantsupport.com/afg/
DISASTER ASSISTANCE DIRECT LOAN PROGRAM ACCOUNT	Loans to communities that have had their local economy significantly impacted by a presidentially declared disaster	Loans up to 50 percent of the pre-disaster revenue instead of \$5 million cap if the local government has suffered a loss of 25 percent or more in tax revenues.	Visit the Federal Emergency Management Agency's webpage at: www.firegrantsupport.com/afg/
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION			
BROWNFIELDS	Competitive grants to State and local governments for environmental site assessment and cleanup	\$100 million No cost share requirement	Competitive grants will likely go through the USEPA Brownfields Assessment, Revolving Loan Fund, and Cleanup Grants program. Federal Contact: http://www.epa.gov/brownfields/pilot.htm
SUPERFUND	EPA funding for cleanup at existing superfund sites and to initiate construction at new sites	\$600 million	Visit the Environmental Protection Agency's webpage at: http://www.epa.gov/superfund/
LEAKING UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK TRUST FUND	Grants to State and local governments	\$200 million	The state is expected to receive between \$15 million and \$17 million in the first year of funding and may be eligible to receive an additional \$5 million in the second year should other states be unable to fully utilize their grants. It is likely that the state will require minor legislative changes to allow

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			federal funds to be deposited specifically into the Underground Storage Tank Petroleum Contamination Orphan Site Cleanup Fund in addition to other funds annually made available in the state budget. The state matching requirements for this program are waived for the ARRA funds.
CLEAN WATER STATE REVOLVING FUNDS	Formula Grants to States and territories to capitalize their loan funds for publically owned waste water facilities	\$4 billion Waives cost share requirement.	<p>Your project must appear on the PPL to be eligible to receive <u>financial assistance</u>.</p> <p>If you currently have a project on the PPL it is important to update your information. For applicants with new eligible projects NOT on the PPL it is important to apply as soon as possible in light of anticipated funding for projects contained in the federal economic recovery bill. The following link provides you with links to: the Financial Assistance Application Submittal Tool (FAAST); the 2008/2009 CWSRF PPL; the FY 2009/2010 Adoption Schedule; instructions on how to update information on existing projects for applicants who did not use the FAAST System last year; and, Instructions for New Projects.</p> <p>Clean Water State Revolving Funds: http://www.swrcb.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/grants_loans/srf/index.shtml#announcements</p>
DRINKING WATER STATE REVOLVING FUNDS	Formula Grants to States and territories to capitalize their loan funds for publically owned drinking water facilities	\$2 billion waives state and DC cost share	<p>Safe Drinking Water State Revolving Funds: http://www.cdph.ca.gov/CERTLIC/DRINKINGWATER/Pages/DWPfunding.aspx</p> <p>Pre-Applications for SDWSRF funds are DUE FEBRUARY 27, 2009.</p> <p>Website for SDWSRF universal pre application: http://www.cdph.ca.gov/certlic/drinkingwater/pages/UniversalPreApplication.aspx</p>
DIESEL EMISSIONS REDUCTION ACT (DERA)	Competitive grants and loans to State and local governments to reduce diesel emissions	\$300 million Grants and loans awarded nationally for on- and off-road diesel emission	\$90 million will be allocated directly to states (of which the CA Air Resources Board [ARB] expects the state to receive at least \$1.8 million). The remaining balance—\$210 million—is to be awarded directly by U.S. EPA as competitive grants. As

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		reduction projects, including for diesel engine retrofit and replacement. Waives cost share requirement.	U.S. EPA's grant guidelines have yet to be developed, it is not known what amount of grant funds that the state could potentially access directly. Therefore, it is unknown whether the state could use these funds, for example, to offset state agency costs (proposed by the Governor to be funded from the General Fund and special funds) to comply with ARB's recently enacted diesel regulations.
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES			
TEMPORARY INCREASE IN FMAP FUNDING	Increase in the Federal Medicaid Assistance Percentage (FMAP) paid to states for Medicaid benefits, Title IV-E foster care and adoption assistance and Medicaid Disproportionate Share Hospital (DSH) payments.	\$87 billion total over nine quarters California will receive nearly \$12 billion over nine quarters (Oct. 2008 through December 2010)	Visit the Center on Budget and Policy Priorities' Web page on this issue: http://www.cbpp.org/2-13-09sfp.htm
TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE TO NEEDY FAMILIES (TANF)	Emergency funding for the program, but unclear how it will be disbursed to each state. Also extends the transitional Medicaid program for families leaving welfare from June 30 to Dec. 31, 2010.	\$2.5 billion total	Visit the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Administration for Children and Families Web site at: http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/ofa/
FOOD STAMP (SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE) PROGRAM	Funding to increase maximum food stamp benefits by 13.6 percent in April 2009 and	\$20 billion total \$19 billion for benefit increase and \$290 million in administrative funds to states to manage the change and rising caseloads.	Visit the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Food and Nutrition Service Web page at http://www.fns.usda.gov/snap/
CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT	Restores the 2006 20 percent cut in federal child support funding by restoring the federal match until September 30, 2010.	\$1 billion total California could receive \$154 million over two years.	Center for Law and Social Policy fact sheet: http://www.clasp.org/publications/statebystateatch021309.pdf
WORKFORCE INVESTMENT ACT TRAINING AND EMPLOYMENT	Formula and discretionary grants to states and localities for job training and employment services	\$3.950 billion total California is estimated to receive \$188.5 million for youth services,	Visit the California Workforce Investment Board Web site for updates on accessing the funding: http://www.calwia.org/

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SERVICES	for dislocated workers, youths, and adults.	\$225 million for dislocated workers, and \$80.9 million for adult activities. Includes funding for competitive grants for worker training in high growth industries.	
HEALTH RESOURCES SERVICES ADMINISTRATION COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTERS	Formula and discretionary grants.	\$2.5 billion total \$500 million for grants to public health centers to provide services. \$1.5 billion for construction and renovation of facilities and IT equipment for public health centers, including community health centers.	Visit the National Association of Community Health Centers Web site for FAQ's and answered on accessing the funding: http://www.nachc.org/appropriations.cfm
CHILDCARE DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT	Formula Grants to States for child care grants to low-income families.	\$2 billion total	U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families: http://www.acf.hhs.gov/ Center for Law and Social Policy (CLASP) for information: www.clasp.org
SENIOR NUTRITION PROGRAMS	Formula Grants to States	\$100 million	Visit the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Administration on Aging Web site at http://www.aoa.gov/
EMERGENCY SHELTER GRANT PROGRAM	Grants for homelessness prevention activities, 25 percent of which goes to states and 75 percent to localities.	\$1.5 billion total \$190 million to California, to help and estimated 25,000 families avoid homelessness.	Visit the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's online fact sheet at http://www.hud.gov/recovery/homeless-prevention.cfm
HEALTH CARE INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (HIT)	Accelerates adoption of health IT systems	\$19 billion total Bulk of funding will go to Medicare and Medicaid providers over a 6-year period. Must have 20-30 percent Medicaid or Medicare patient volume. Up to \$11 million for hospitals.	Visit the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Health Information Technology home page at: http://www.hhs.gov/healthit/ .
PREVENTIVE HEALTH AND HEALTH SERVICES BLOCK	Additional funding for state and local public health departments, immunization programs, hospital	\$3 billion total	U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Centers for Disease Control and Prevention web page:

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GRANTS	infection prevention, and evidence-based disease prevention.		http://www.cdc.gov/nccdphp/blockgrant/
MILITARY CONSTRUCTION			
DEFENSE BASE CLOSING	Funding for cleanup activities at closed installations dating back to the 1988 round	\$300 million	
TRANSPORTATION			
AIRPORT IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM	Discretionary grants for airport construction projects.	\$1.1 billion Secretary shall award 50 percent of grants within 120 days and the remainder within 1 year.	Grants will be awarded at the Secretary's discretion. AIP funds are typically first apportioned into major entitlement categories such as primary, cargo, and general aviation. Remaining funds are distributed to a discretionary fund. Setaside projects (airport noise and the Military Airport Program) receive first attention from this discretionary distribution. The remaining funds are true discretionary funds that are distributed according to a national prioritization formula. Federal Contact: Federal Aviation Administration: Southern California: (310) 725-3644; Northern California: (650) 876-2778 www.faa.gov/airports_airtraffic/airports/regional_guidance/western_pacific/aip/
HIGHWAY INFRASTRUCTURE	Funds distributed by formula to states with a portion suballocated to metropolitan areas.	\$27.5 billion After set-asides for federal lands, territories, oversight and other items, \$27.66 billion should be apportioned to states via formula. Half of the \$27.66 billion is apportioned to states through Surface Transportation Program formula and the other half is apportioned through the FY 2008 obligation limitation ratio distribution.	Funds will be apportioned within 21 days after enactment of the legislation to the state. The State in considering implementing legislation that would alter the allocation method provided by the federal legislation therefore the allocation of funds between the State, regions, and cities and counties is yet to be finalized. Regional agencies along with cities and counties have been compiling lists of eligible projects. Local governments should immediately contact their regional agency to determine if their projects are eligible and work with regional agencies to secure necessary funding should no local pass through be included in any state legislation.

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		<p>States have 120 days after apportionment (apportionment must be made within 21 days of the law's enactment) to obligate the first 50 percent of their highway apportionments and until one year after apportionment to obligate the remainder. The 50 percent of the funds not obligated within that time will be redistributed to other states that have met their obligation requirement. Suballocated funds are <u>not</u> subject to the 120 day redistribution requirement. The Secretary can exempt states from the redistribution requirement only with extreme circumstances and after giving notice to Congress.</p>	<p>The Federal Highway Administration has released spending guidance and a list of frequently asked questions that can be accessed at http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/economicrecovery/index.htm.</p> <p>Federal Contact: Federal Highway Administration: http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/economicrecovery/index.htm</p>
<p>COMPETITIVE SURFACE TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM</p>	<p>Discretionary grants for surface transportation projects of national, regional, metropolitan area impact.</p>	<p>\$1.5 billion.</p> <p>Highway and transit projects are eligible as are passenger rail and freight rail transportation projects, and port infrastructure investments including multimodal port facilities.</p> <p>Maximum grant is \$300 million and minimum grant is \$20 million (but the Secretary can waive the minimum size threshold).</p> <p>Not more than 20 percent of the \$1.5 billion can be allocated to any particular state.</p> <p>\$200 million of program is available to pay subsidy and administrative costs of projects eligible for TIFIA financing.</p>	<p>The Secretary of the Federal Highway Administration will release the criteria for the funding no later than May 18, 2009. Applications will be available within 180 days after release of the criteria, and projects will be selected no later than February 17, 2010. The Federal Highway Administration has released spending guidance that can be accessed at http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/economicrecovery/index.htm.</p> <p>Federal Contact: Federal Highway Administration: http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/economicrecovery/index.htm</p>

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TRANSIT CAPITAL ASSISTANCE	Urbanized and rural formulas.	<p>\$6.9 billion for formula grants.</p> <p>\$100 million is taken off the top for discretionary grants to make transit systems more energy efficient.</p> <p>Remainder is distributed 80 percent by urbanized area formula, 10 percent by the non urbanized area formula, and 10 percent by the high growth and high density formula.</p> <p>Same obligation and redistribution process as for highways applies.</p>	<p>Funds will be distributed to existing transit recipients 21 days after enactment of the legislation. Fifty percent of funding must be obligated with 180 after apportionment, and all other funds must be obligated within one (1) year of apportionment. Any funds not obligated within these time periods will be withdrawn and redistributed under the Competitive Surface Transportation Program. The Federal Transit Administration has released guidance that can be found at: http://www.fta.dot.gov/index_9118.html.</p> <p>Federal Contact: Federal Transit Administration Regional Office: (415) 744-3133</p> <p>The Office of Program Management: (202) 366-4020, www.fta.dot.gov/funding/grants/grants_financing_3561.html</p>
RAIL MODERNIZATION	Fixed guideway modernization formula.	<p>\$750 million</p> <p>No matching funds required.</p> <p>50 percent of funds must be obligated within 180 after apportionment, and all other funds must be obligated within 1-year of apportionment.</p>	<p>Funds are allocated by a statutory formula to urbanized areas with rail systems that have been in operation for at least seven years. The Federal Transit Administration has released guidance that can be found at http://www.fta.dot.gov/index_9118.html.</p> <p>Federal Contact: Federal Transit Association Regional Office: (415) 744-3133</p> <p>The Office of Program Management: (202) 366-4020, www.fta.dot.gov/funding/grants/grants_financing_3558.html</p>
NEW STARTS	Discretionary grants.	<p>\$750 million</p> <p>Secretary shall give priority to projects in construction or able to obligate funds within 150 days of enactment.</p>	<p>Grants will be made at the Secretary's discretion. Application guidelines will be available on the New Starts website (see below). The Federal Transit Administration has released guidance that can be found at http://www.fta.dot.gov/index_9118.html.</p> <p>Funds are available until September 30, 2010.</p> <p>Federal Contact: Federal Transit Administration: http://www.fta.dot.gov/planning/planning_environment_5221.html</p>

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HIGH SPEED RAIL/INTERCITY PASSENGER RAIL	Discretionary grants for intercity passenger rail and high speed rail.	\$8 billion	<p>The Secretary of the Federal Railroad Administration will release a strategic plan for use of the funds no later than April 18, 2009. The Department of Transportation will release guidance to applicants on grant terms, conditions, and procedures no later than June 17, 2009. There will be separate instructions for high speed rail, intercity rail, and congestion grants.</p> <p>Federal Contact: Federal Railroad Administration: http://www.fra.dot.gov/us/content/199</p>
HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT			
PUBLIC HOUSING CAPITAL FUND	Formula and discretionary grants for public housing authorities.	<p>\$4 billion</p> <p>\$3 billion through existing formula; \$1 billion for competitive grants</p>	<p>\$3.0 billion to be distributed to public housing authorities under the same formula used in 2008, except that the Secretary may determine not to allocate funding to “troubled” or to agencies that elect not to accept funding. \$1.0 billion competitive will likely be available through application process to be created by HUD.</p> <p>Federal Contact: Department of Housing and Urban Development Office of Capitol Improvements, Public and Indian Housing. www.hud.gov/offices/pih/programs/ph/capfund/index.cfm</p>
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANTS	Existing Community Development Block Grant formula.	<p>\$1 billion</p> <p>Recipients must give priority to contacts based on bids within 120 days from the date the funds are made available to the recipient.</p>	<p>Funds will be distributed under the same CDBG formula used in 2008. See 42 U.S.C. § 5301 et seq.)</p> <p>Funds remain available until September 30, 2009.</p> <p>Federal Contact: Department of Housing and Urban Development Community Development Block Grant Program http://www.hud.gov/offices/cpd/communitydevelopment/programs/</p> <p>State Contact: Department of Housing and Community Development Community Development Block Grant Program, http://www.hcd.ca.gov/fa/cdbg/PlanTech.html</p>
HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIPS	Formula funding for state and local governments to expand supply of affordable housing to	\$2.25 billion	<p>Funding to state housing credit agencies per formula based on percentage of HOME funds apportioned to the state. State agencies then distribute competitively to project owners per a qualified allocation plan to owners who receive</p>

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	low- and very low-income people.		<p>low income tax credits.</p> <p>Housing credit agencies must commit at least 25 percent of funds within one year of enactment, 75 percent in two years, and all funding in three years.</p> <p>Funds remain available to HUD until September 30, 2009.</p> <p>Federal Contact: Department of Housing and Urban Development Home Investment Partnership Program www.hud.gov/offices/cpd/affordablehousing/programs/home/</p> <p>State Contact: California Tax Credit Allocation Committee (CTCAC) www.treasurer.ca.gov/ctcac/index.asp</p>
NEIGHBORHOOD STABILIZATION PROGRAM	Competitive grants to state and local governments and non-profit entities to redevelop abandoned and foreclosed homes.	<p>\$2 billion.</p> <p>Eligible entities are states, local governments, and no-profit entities.</p>	<p>Secretary will publish criteria within 75 days after enactment. All applications due within 150 days of enactment.</p> <p>Federal Contact: Department of Housing and Urban Development Neighborhood Stabilization Program www.hud.gov/offices/cpd/communitydevelopment/programs/neighborhoodspg/</p> <p>State Contact: Department of Housing and Community Development Neighborhood Stabilization Program www.hcd.ca.gov/fa/nsp/</p>
ASSISTED HOUSING STABILITY & ENERGY & GREEN RETROFIT INVESTMENTS	Owners of property receiving Section 8, Elderly or Disabled Funds.	<p>\$2.25 billion</p> <p>\$2 billion for project based rental assistance for a 12-month period. In addition, \$250 million for grants or loans for energy retrofit and green investments in such assisted housing.</p>	<p>Housing assistance per formula, Energy and Green Retrofit per competitive grants and loans under process to be developed by HUD secretary.</p> <p>Federal Contact: Department of Housing and Urban Development Office of Housing Choice Vouchers: www.hud.gov/offices/pih/programs/hcv/</p> <p>Office of Affordable Housing Preservation: www.hud.gov/offices/hsg/omhar/</p>
HOMESLESS PREVENTION	Formula grants to State and local governments.	<p>\$1.5 billion</p> <p>Grants will provide short term rental assistance, housing relocation, and stabilization services for homeless</p>	<p>Per the Emergency Shelter Grant program to grantees under formula authorized by Section 413 of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act. Secretary will establish additional requirements as necessary within 30 days of enactment.</p>

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		families and those at risk of being homeless.	<p>Recipients must spend 50 percent of funding within 3 years and all funding within three years. Secretary will establish a minimum grant size.</p> <p>Federal Contact: Department of Housing and Urban Development Emergency Shelter Grant Program, http://www.hud.gov/offices/cpd/homeless/programs/esg/</p> <p>State Website: Department of Housing and Community Development Emergency Shelter Grant Program, http://www.hcd.ca.gov/fa/fesg/</p>
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION	Unknown at this time.	\$150 million	<p>According to the website of the Community Development Financial Institutions Fund, Community Development Financial Institutions (CDFIs) and Community Development Entities (CDEs) provide capital, credit and financial services in economically distressed communities. These community-based lenders are used to responsibly deploy resources to support homeowners and businesses.</p> <p>The legislation appropriates an additional \$100 million, of which \$90 million will apply to the CDFI Program, \$8 million to the Native Initiatives, and \$2 million to administrative expenses.</p> <p>Secretary of Treasury to submit detailed expenditure plan 60 days after enactment.</p> <p>Federal Contact: Department of the Treasury Community Development Financial Institutions Fund, http://www.cdfifund.gov/</p>
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION	Unknown at this time.	\$150 million	<p>The funding provision specifically refers to leveraging private investment, stimulating employment, and increasing incomes in economically distressed communities. Generally, the Economic Development Administration (within the Department of Commerce) assists state and local interests design and implement strategies to adjust or bring about change in distressed economic areas. Program focuses on areas that have experienced or are under threat of serious structural damage to the underlying economic base. Aids the long-range economic development of areas with severe</p>

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			<p>unemployment and low family income problems; aids in the development of public facilities and private enterprises to help create new, permanent jobs.</p> <p>\$50 million set aside for Economic Adjustment Assistance with priority given to areas suffering sudden severe dislocation and job loss due to corporate restructuring. Additional \$50 million set may be transferred to federally authorized regional economic development commissions.</p> <p>Federal Contact: Department of Commerce Economic Development Administration, www.eda.gov</p>
<p>LEAD-BASED PAINT HAZARDS</p>	<p>Competitive grants to state and local governments.</p>	<p>\$100 million</p>	<p>Competitive grants to local governments and nonprofit organizations for lead paint removal related to older and low income housing. Funds to be awarded first to qualified applicants that had applied under the Lead Hazard Reduction Program Notices of Funding Availability for fiscal year 2008 but were not awarded due to funding limitations.</p> <p>Remaining funds will be added to the Lead Hazard program announced in the 2009 NOFA. Each 2009 applicant shall demonstrate capacity to carry out the proposed use of the funds.</p> <p>Funding available until September 20, 2011. Recipients must spend 50 percent of funds in 2 years and all funds in three years. Secretary may recapture funds if timelines are missed.</p> <p>See 2009 Notice of Funding Availability, Lead Hazard Reduction Program</p> <p>Federal Contact: Department of Housing and Urban Development Lead Hazard Reduction Program, www.hud.gov/offices/lead/lbp/lhc.cfm</p>

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