

THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN

Rep. John B. Larson

Connecticut's First District



MONEY IN PEOPLE'S POCKETS

- \$1,400 direct payments to qualified individuals
- **Expanded Child Tax Credit**
 - **\$3600 per each child under 6, \$3000 for children 6 and over**
- Expanded Earned Income Tax Credit to include childless adults and seniors
- **Extends \$300 federal supplement to state Unemployment Insurance** and self-employed workers until September
 - \$10,200 of unemployment benefits exempt from federal taxation in for 2020.
- \$3.5 billion for a 15% automatic increase in **supplemental nutrition assistance** (SNAP benefits)

HOUSING ASSISTANCE

- \$125 million for Connecticut residents for mortgage assistance
- **Rental assistance up to \$10,000 and \$1500 for utility payments** for eligible individuals
 - Visit the UniteCT website to learn more about how to apply, or call 1 203-941-6868.
 - Individuals can also find their local Housing Counseling Agencies for help applying
 - Community Renewal Team 555 Windsor Street, Hartford, CT 06120
(860) 560-5501

LOWERING HEALTH CARE COSTS

- Through the American Rescue Plan, it is estimated at least an additional \$85 million dollars annually will become available to help make insurance affordable for CT residents for plan years 2021 and 2022 through Access Health CT
 - As a result of the American Rescue Plan, it is estimated that 34,000 households in Connecticut will be enrolled in plans that are nearly \$0 per month.
- **100% of health care premiums subsidized for free health insurance for unemployed for 6 months** (if employer offers COBRA continuation of benefits)

FUNERAL ASSISTANCE

- Connecticut families who paid for funeral expenses after January 20, 2020, for an individual whose death may have been caused by or was likely the result of COVID-19 can apply for up to \$9,000 of assistance per funeral through FEMA.
- To apply, call the dedicated call center at 844-684-6333; TTY 800-462-7585, Monday-Friday, 9 AM ET - 9 PM ET. No online applications will be accepted.

RELIEF FOR COMMUNITIES

- **\$1.1 billion for CT schools**
- **Total of \$4.3 billion in fiscal relief to the State of Connecticut and our municipalities**

LOCAL AID AND EDUCATION AID

Municipality	City Allocations	Education Allocations	Total
Barkhamsted	\$356,031	\$58,000	\$414,031
Berlin	\$2,017,705	\$822,000	\$2,839,705
Bloomfield	\$2,094,223	\$3,701,000	\$5,795,223
Bristol	\$16,696,137	\$18,865,000	\$35,561,137
Colebrook	\$138,226		\$138,226
Cromwell	\$1,366,364	\$1,260,000	\$2,626,364
East Granby	\$507,487	\$550,000	\$1,057,487
East Hartford	\$14,427,530	\$22,984,000	\$37,411,530
East Windsor	\$1,152,015	\$2,276,000	\$3,428,015
Glastonbury	\$3,404,507	\$1,387,000	\$4,791,507
Granby	\$1,136,119	\$554,000	\$1,690,119
Hartford	\$92,589,710	\$127,312,000	\$219,901,710
Hartland	\$209,314	\$248,000	\$457,314
Manchester	\$14,288,058	\$17,085,000	\$31,373,058
Middletown	\$12,031,417	\$8,105,000	\$20,136,417

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New Hartford	\$657,166	\$121,000	\$778,166
Newington	\$2,963,369	\$3,140,000	\$6,103,369
Portland	\$914,958	\$939,000	\$1,853,958
Rocky Hill	\$1,986,012	\$889,000	\$2,875,012
South Windsor	\$2,583,050	\$1,323,000	\$3,906,050
Southington	\$4,327,857	\$4,143,000	\$8,470,857
Torrington	\$3,361,262	\$6,128,000	\$9,489,262
West Hartford	\$24,828,317	\$10,321,000	\$35,149,317
Wethersfield	\$2,567,845	\$2,632,000	\$5,199,845
Winchester	\$1,046,964	\$1,745,000	\$2,791,964
Windsor	\$2,836,892	\$5,168,000	\$8,004,892
Windsor Locks	\$1,269,113	\$2,417,000	\$3,686,113

SMALL BUSINESS RELIEF

- Extension of the Paycheck Protection Program
- **Creates the Restaurant Revitalization Fund**
 - This program will provide restaurants with funding equal to their pandemic-related revenue loss up to \$10 million per business and no more than \$5 million per physical location

CHILD CARE FUNDING

- The American Rescue Plan will help Connecticut childcare providers and provide subsidies for families to afford care so parents can go back to work
- Low-income individuals should visit the Care 4 Kids website to find out whether they're eligible and apply for a child care subsidy. People can also call Care 4 Kids at 1-888-214-KIDS (5437).
- Day Care providers should contact the CT Office of Early Childhood for more information on how to get assistance, or call 2-1-1

ENERGY ASSISTANCE

- **The new law also provides low income energy assistance.**
 - This program will ensure that Connecticut Energy Assistance Program will continue to serve families.
 - Individuals looking to apply should visit the state Dept. of Social Services website or their local Community Action Agency. In Hartford, that is CRT, who can be reached at (860) 560-5800

RESPONDING TO COVID

- **\$20 billion for the first national vaccination plan**
- **\$7.6 billion for community health centers** so they can vaccinate and treat those who are hard to reach.
- **Funds additional Personal Protective Equipment** for first responders, health care workers
- **Funds mobile vaccination units**
- **Supports Nursing homes** – provides funding for Dept. Health and Human Services strike teams to be sent to nursing home for quick reaction if infections are found and funding for infection control supplies.
- **Mental health funding to address mental health crisis caused by COVID**