



Economic Development Administration (EDA) American Rescue Plan

INVESTING IN AMERICA'S COMMUNITIES

EDA's Mission

To lead the federal economic development agenda by promoting innovation and competitiveness, preparing American regions for growth and success in the worldwide economy.

- Increase America's global ECONOMIC COMPETITIVENESS
- Support COMMUNITY-LED ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
- Help communities develop RESILIENT AND AGILE local economies



\$3 billion in American Rescue Act funding to Invest in America's Communities

This **historic investment** will support bottom-up economic development focused on advancing equity, creating good-paying jobs, helping workers to develop in-demand skills, building economic resilience, and accelerating the economic recovery for the industries and communities hit hardest by the coronavirus pandemic.

EDA investments made under the American Rescue Plan will support the Biden-Harris Administration's commitment not just to build the American economy back to where it was before the pandemic, but to **build back better and stronger**.



\$3 billion in American Rescue Plan funding to invest in:

Jobs for Today



Good Jobs Challenge
Travel, Tourism, &
Outdoor Recreation

Communities Built for All



Economic Adjustment Assistance
Indigenous Communities
Coal Communities Commitment

Regions for the Future



Build Back Better Regional Challenge

Statewide Planning,
Research, & Networks



NOFOs

Description

Total American Rescue Plan funding: \$3B

- 1** **Statewide Planning, Research, & Networks** **\$90M** Invest in economic plans, research to assess the effectiveness of EDA's programs, and support for stakeholder communities around key EDA initiatives
- 2** **Build Back Better Regional Challenge** **\$1B** Transform 20-30 economically distressed regions through substantial investment through groups of 3-8 projects, totaling ~\$25-75M per region; open to proposals up to \$100M **\$100M**
- 3** **Travel, Tourism, & Outdoor Recreation** **\$750M** Accelerate communities impacted by COVID-related travel and tourism decline through state grants (\$510M) and competitive grants (\$240M)
- 4** **Economic Adjustment Assistance** **\$500M** Invest in infrastructure, technical assistance, planning, and revolving loan programs through competitive grants available to every community **\$200M**
- 5** **Indigenous Communities** **\$100M** Additional Economic Adjustment Assistance funds to specifically support Indigenous communities
- 6** **Good Jobs Challenge** **\$500M** Establish or strengthen regional systems to train workers with in-demand skills through employer-driven training, supporting participants with wrap-around services and employer commitments to hire

\$300M Coal Communities Commitment

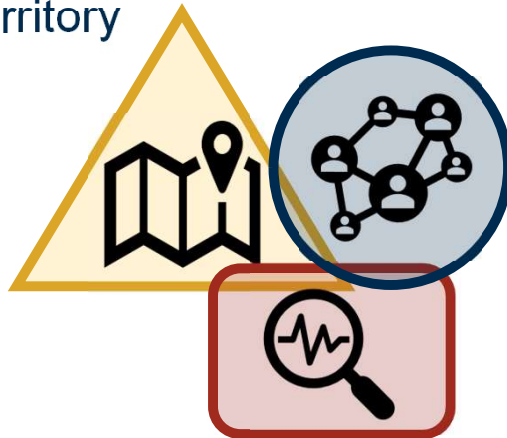


Allocations Specifically for States and Territories

Statewide Planning: \$59M

Invest in economic plans, research to assess the effectiveness of EDA's programs, and support stakeholder communities around key EDA initiatives

\$1 million planning grants to each state and territory



State Tourism Grants: \$510M

Accelerate communities impacted by COVID-related travel and tourism decline through block grants to states and competitive grants

- Award allocations to each state and territory based on economic development indicators in the leisure and hospitality industries
- Can fund destination marketing, but cannot fund economic diversification projects



Coal Communities Commitment

EDA's \$300 million **Coal Communities Commitment** will ensure support for coal communities as they recover from the pandemic, create new jobs and opportunities, and create or expand new industries.

EDA will:

- **Encourages coal communities** to apply to all of the American Rescue Plan programs, offering them the opportunity to successfully compete for large, transformational grants
- Provide **planning and technical assistance grants** to help support states in their effort to develop plans to revitalize coal communities
- Offer opportunities to **develop national communities of practice** to support coal communities in building resilient economies
- Specifically support coal communities through **two Notices of Funding Opportunities (NOFOs)**



Coal Communities Definition

Communities and regions that can reasonably demonstrate how changes in the coal economy have resulted or are anticipated to result in job losses and layoffs in any coal-reliant commercial sector. This includes, but is not limited to:

- Coal mining
- Coal-fired power plants
- Related transportation, logistics, and/or supply chain manufacturing industries

There is no pre-defined list of impacted coal communities.

To demonstrate eligibility, complete applications must provide appropriate third party economic and demographic statistics that document the extent to which contractions in the coal economy have negatively impacted the community or region.



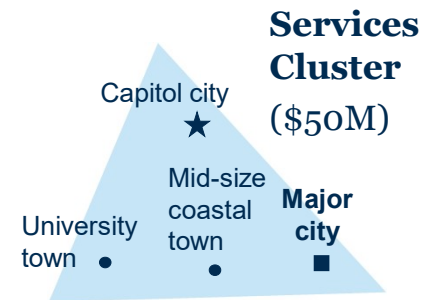
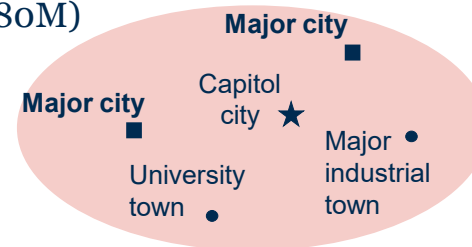
Build Back Better Regional Challenge

\$1 Billion

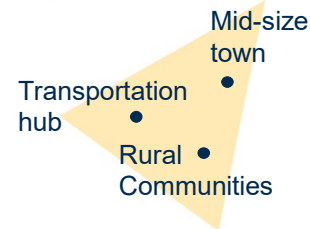
Transform economically distressed communities through substantial investment in regional growth clusters

- Proposals should include regional coalitions, industry support, and high-impact projects with a shared vision for a regional growth cluster
- One key coordinating entity per region
- 3-8 projects per regional cluster
- \$100M to the *Coal Communities Commitment*

Manufacturing Cluster (\$80M)



Ag-tech Cluster (\$25M)



Projects can include:

Planning | Infrastructure | Workforce | Entrepreneurship



Economic Adjustment Assistance

\$200 million to coal communities

Invest in infrastructure, technical assistance, planning, and revolving loan programs through competitive grants available to every community

- Most flexible American Rescue Plan program; intended to fund non-construction and construction activities not already part of another Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO).
- A wide range of technical, planning, workforce development, entrepreneurship, and public works and infrastructure projects are eligible for funding under this program.
- EDA encourages application submissions based on long-term, regionally oriented, coordinated, and collaborative economic development or redevelopment strategies that foster economic growth and resilience. This includes plans aimed at building stronger regional economic links between urban centers and rural areas.



EDA American Rescue Plan Resources

Visit our website for resources: www.eda.gov/arpa

- One-page overviews
- NOFO webinars
- FAQs
- Applicant support tools



Questions?



Visit www.eda.gov/arpa to learn more about the American Rescue Plan programs and find contact information for each.