

Guide to the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009



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Dear Friend:

Our economy is facing an economic crisis not seen since the Great Depression. With unemployment rising above eight percent and the economy shedding hundreds of thousands of jobs per month, Congress was compelled to act and did so in the form of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA). While the recovery bill is not perfect—as legislation resulting from compromise rarely is—the combination of \$300 billion in tax cuts and \$500 billion in government investment will improve the economy in the short and long term. The legislation is expected to create or save 3.5 million jobs in the next two years, 148,000 of them in Illinois alone.

Due to the recovery legislation's immense scope, I have assembled this guide as a beginning point to assist individuals, businesses, community organizations, and local governments in finding resources made available to them by the economic recovery bill. Please keep in mind that while Congress appropriated funding, there are no earmarks in the bill, so individual lawmakers do not have the ability to set aside money for specific projects. Decisions regarding approval of funding and disbursements are up to the State of Illinois or federal agencies. I will continue to work with the state and federal agencies to ensure funding for projects that are tested, vetted, and worthy.

This guidebook is divided into fourteen sections. This guide will distinguish between the programs which are administered through federal agencies and those administered through state agencies. In most cases, the federal funding does not require a local match. I will continue to update and enrich this document as the Act is implemented by various agencies and more information becomes available.

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act requires the White House to maintain a website, Recovery.Gov (<http://www.recovery.gov>), with detailed information on how recovery funds are being spent. The State of Illinois has also created a website regarding the recovery at <http://recovery.illinois.gov/>. I would encourage you to visit these websites for additional information.

I hope you'll find this information helpful. Please do not hesitate to call my office with any questions, comments, or suggestions. Locally you can call 815-726-4998 or you may reach my DC office at 202-225-3635. You can also contact me via my website, www.house.gov/halvorson, as well as find regular updates on what is happening in Congress.

Sincerely,



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Member of Congress

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Tax Relief

More than 35 percent of the package will provide direct tax relief to about 95 percent of American workers, as President Obama pledged, and spur investment and job growth for American businesses.

In addition to the information found below, you may visit an IRS site devoted specifically to the recovery act at: <http://www.irs.gov/newsroom/article/0,,id=204335,00.html?portlet=6>

Individuals

Extension of AMT Relief for 2009

The Act extends tax relief from the individual alternative minimum tax for 2009 by allowing nonrefundable credits to be claimed against the tax and by increasing the AMT exemption amount to \$70,950 for joint filers and \$46,700 for individuals.

Making Work Pay Credit

For 2009 and 2010, qualifying taxpayers (i.e., anyone that is not a nonresident alien, a dependent on another taxpayer's return, or an estate or trust) are eligible for the "making work pay credit," in an amount equal to the lesser of 6.2 percent of the taxpayer's earned income or \$400 (\$800 for taxpayers filing jointly). This credit begins to phase out for individual taxpayers with adjusted gross income of \$75,000 and joint filers with adjusted gross income of \$150,000.

One Time Economic Recovery Payment for Retirees

The Act provides a one-time \$250 payment to persons who were eligible for the following government benefits within the three months prior to enactment of the new law: social security benefits; railroad retirement benefits; veterans' compensation or pension benefits; and supplemental security income benefits. This one-time payment reduces any allowable Making Work Pay credit.

Refundable Credit for Certain Government Retirees

For 2009, The Act provides a refundable \$250 credit (\$500 for taxpayers filing jointly who are both eligible for the credit) for retirees who receive a government pension or annuity from work not covered by Social Security and who weren't eligible to receive the One Time Economic Recovery Payment.

Exclusion of Unemployment Income

For 2009, The Act provides that a taxpayer's gross income does not include the taxpayer's first \$2,400 of unemployment compensation.

American Opportunity Tax Credit

For 2009 and 2010, The Act provides taxpayers a new "American Opportunity tax credit" of up to \$2,500 per year for qualified higher education expenses. The law makes 40 percent of the credit refundable. The credit may be applied against alternative minimum tax liability. The credit will be subject to phase out for individual taxpayers with modified adjusted gross income greater than \$80,000 (\$160,000 for taxpayers filing jointly)

Modified Child Tax Credit

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The Act increases the portion of the child care tax credit that is refundable for 2009 and 2010 to 15 percent of the taxpayer's adjusted gross income up to \$3,000.

Changes in the Earned Income Tax Credit

For 2009 and 2010, the Act increases the credit percentage amount for the Earned Income Credit for families with three or more qualifying children from 40 percent to 45 percent of the taxpayer's first \$12,570 of earned income. The Act also adjusts upward the phase-out range of the credit for 2009 and 2010 to eliminate any marriage penalty.

Refundable First-Time Home Buyer Credit

Last year, Congress provided taxpayers with a refundable tax credit that was equivalent to an interest-free loan equal to 10 percent of the purchase of a principal residence (up to \$7,500) by first-time home buyers. The provision applies to homes purchased on or after April 9, 2008 and before July 1, 2009. Taxpayers receiving this tax credit are currently required to repay any amount received under this provision back to the government over 15 years in equal installments, or earlier under certain circumstances (for example, when the home is sold). The credit phases out for taxpayers with adjusted gross income in excess of \$75,000 (\$150,000 in the case of a joint return).

The Act eliminates the repayment obligation for taxpayers that purchase homes on or after January 1, 2009, increases the maximum value of the credit to \$8,000, allows financing of the home purchase by mortgage revenue bonds (which was prohibited under the prior credit requirements) and extends the period for which home purchases are eligible through November 30, 2009. Like the pre-Act provision, the Act permits a taxpayer to claim the credit on the taxpayer's 2008 tax return for an eligible purchase in 2009. The Act requires a taxpayer to pay back the amount of the credit if the house is sold within three years of purchase. The Act does not eliminate the requirement that a homebuyer must be a "first time" homebuyer to qualify for the credit.

Cost of Individual Provisions

The provisions listed under this heading as "Other Provisions of Interest to Individual Taxpayers," the provisions listed above under the heading "Provisions Indirectly Affecting Businesses," and the first-time homebuyer credit changes were estimated to cost \$247 billion over 10 years or approximately 82 percent of the total cost of the tax provisions in the tax title of the Act and the \$250 payments/credits in the Economic Recovery Payments to Individuals subtitle.

Premium Assistance for COBRA Continuation

The Act provides premium assistance for COBRA continuation coverage for unemployed workers and their families. The assistance is a subsidy of up to 65 percent of cost for up to 9 months. The benefit is phased out for taxpayers with an adjusted gross income above \$125,000 (\$250,000 for joint filers).

Energy Incentives

Advanced Energy Credit

The Act establishes a new 30 percent investment tax credit for qualified investment in a "qualifying advanced energy project." A qualifying advanced energy project is a project that re-equips, expands or establishes a manufacturing facility for the production of (i) property designed to be used to produce energy from renewable resources, (ii) fuel cells, microturbines, or energy storage systems for use with electric or hybrid electric motor vehicles, (iii) electric grids to support the transmission of

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intermittent sources of renewable energy, (iv) property designed to capture and sequester carbon dioxide emissions, (v) property designed to refine or blend renewable fuels or to produce energy conservation technologies, (vi) new qualified plug-in electric drive motor vehicles, qualified plug-in electric vehicles or components designed to for use with such vehicles, or (vii) other advanced energy property designed to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

These generous credits are available only for projects certified by the Secretary of the Treasury under a program established in consultation with the Secretary of Energy. A competitive bidding process applies. Up to \$2.3 billion of credits can be certified.

Extension of Energy Credit for Electricity Produced from Renewable

Resources

The Act includes a three-year extension of the renewable energy production tax credit for wind facilities (through December 31, 2012) and for closed-loop biomass, open-loop biomass, geothermal, small irrigation, hydropower, landfill gas, waste-to-energy, and marine renewable facilities (through December 31, 2013).

Investment Credit in Lieu of Production Credit; Grants from Treasury

Facilities that produce electricity from wind, closed-loop biomass, open-loop biomass, geothermal, small irrigation, hydropower, landfill gas, waste-to-energy, and marine renewable facilities are eligible for a production credit. The credit is spread over ten years and is dependent on the price for electricity. The Act permits owners of such facilities to claim a 30 percent investment tax credit when the property is placed in service in lieu of the production tax credit.

The Act permits taxpayers to receive grants from Treasury in lieu of production tax credits for certain renewable energy facilities and certain renewable energy property. The Treasury Department will issue a grant equal to 30 percent of the cost of the renewable energy facility within sixty days of the facility being placed in service (or, if later, within sixty days of receiving an application for the grant).

Clean Renewable Energy Bonds (“CREBs”)

The Act authorizes an additional \$1.6 billion of clean renewable energy bonds to finance facilities that generate electricity from the following sources: wind, closed-loop biomass open-loop biomass, geothermal, small irrigation, hydropower, landfill gas, marine renewables and trash combustion facilities. This authorization will be subdivided into thirds: 1/3 will be available for qualifying projects of State/local/tribal governments; 1/3 for qualifying projects of public power providers; and 1/3 for qualifying projects of electric cooperatives.

Qualified Energy Conservation Bonds

The Act authorizes an additional \$2.4 billion of qualified energy conservation bonds to finance State, municipal and tribal government programs and initiatives designed to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and other qualified conservation purposes.³² The Act clarifies that qualified energy conservation bonds may be issued to make loans and grants for capital expenditures to implement green community projects and that for programs in which utilities provide ratepayers with energy efficient property and recoup the costs of the property over an extended period of time.

Tax Credits for Energy-Efficient Improvements to Existing Homes

The Act extends through 2010 tax credits for improvements to energy-efficient existing homes. The Act increases the amount of the credit to 30 percent of the amount paid or incurred for qualified energy efficiency improvements. The Act eliminates the property-by-property dollar caps on the credits and provides an aggregate cap of \$1,500 on all property qualifying for the credit in a taxable

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year. The Act also updates the energy-efficiency standards for property qualifying for the credit.

Credits for Alternative Fueling Property

The Act increases for 2009 and 2010 the 30 percent alternative refueling property credit for businesses to a 50 percent credit and increases the cap from \$30,000 to \$50,000. The credit for hydrogen refueling pumps remains at 30 percent, but the cap is raised to \$200,000. The Act also increases the 30 percent alternative refueling property credit for individuals to 50 percent and the cap from \$1,000 to \$2,000 for 2009 and 2010.

Plug-in Electric Drive Vehicle Credit³⁵

The Act expands and modifies tax credits for plug-in vehicles and accessories. First, the Act modifies the credit for plug-in vehicles. The base amount of the credit is \$2,500 and is increased if the vehicle draws propulsion from a battery with at least 5 kilowatt-hours capacity. This revised credit applies to vehicle purchases made after December 31, 2009. 36 Second, the Act allows a new credit of 10 percent of the cost of low-speed vehicles, motorcycles and 3-wheeled vehicles that would otherwise meet the criteria for qualified plug-in vehicle but for the fact that they are low speed or do not have four wheels, for purchases made after the date of enactment of the Act until December 31, 2011. The credit is capped at \$2,500. Third, the Act provides a credit for conversion of a vehicle into a plug-in vehicle through a conversion kit, in an amount equal to 10 percent of so much of the cost of converting that does not exceed \$40,000. The basis in a vehicle used in a trade or business will be reduced by any credit amount that is claimed with respect to that vehicle. In the case of a vehicle used by a tax-exempt entity or a governmental entity, the credit may be claimed by the seller of the vehicle.

Parity for Transit Benefits

The Act equalizes the tax-free benefit employers can provide for transit and parking from March 2011 through December 2010. The benefits are set at \$230 per month for 2009 and indexed for 2010.

S Corporations and Small Business Tax Relief

S Corporation Built-in Gains

The Act includes a temporary reduction in the built-in gains tax period for S corporations. Under present law, an S corporation that sells assets within ten years of converting from C corporation to S corporation status is subject to the built-in gains tax, a corporate tax on the built-in gain that existed at the time of the S election. The Act reduces the 10-year period to 7 years for sales occurring in tax years beginning in 2009 and 2010.

Qualified Small Business Stock

The Act increases the exclusion from income for gain on the sale of certain small business stock held by individuals for more than five years from 50 percent to 75 percent. The benefit would apply to stock issued after enactment and before 2011.

Estimated Taxes for Small Businesses

The Act reduces the required estimated tax payments for 2009 for individuals receiving income from small businesses. The provision applies to an individual if the adjusted gross income shown on the

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individual's return for 2008 was less than \$500,000 and the individual certifies that more than half of the gross income shown on the individual's return for 2008 was income from a small business with average employment of less than 500.

General Business Tax Provisions

Expansion of Work Opportunity Tax Credit

The Act expands the work opportunity tax credit to include credits for hiring two new targeted groups of employees -- unemployed veterans and disconnected youth -- who begin work for the employer in 2009 or 2010. An individual qualifies as an unemployed veteran if he or she was released from active duty in the Armed Forces during the five-year period before hiring and he or she received unemployment compensation for more than four weeks during the year before being hired. A "disconnected youth" is an individual between the ages of 16 and 25 who has not been regularly employed or attended school in the six months preceding hiring and who is "not readily employable by reason of lacking a sufficient number of basic skills."

Net Operating Losses

The Act extends the carryback period for net operating losses for a taxable year ending in 2008 (or at the taxpayer's election, a taxable year beginning in 2008) from two years to five years, but only for businesses that have \$15 million or less in gross receipts.

Bonus Depreciation

In general, businesses are allowed to recover the cost of capital expenditures over time according to a depreciation schedule. Last year, Congress temporarily allowed businesses to recover the costs of capital expenditures made in 2008 faster than ordinary tax depreciation rules would allow by permitting these businesses to immediately write off 50 percent of the cost of depreciable property acquired in 2008 for use in the United States. The Act extends this temporary benefit for one year, generally through 2009 (through 2010 for certain long-lived and transportation property).

The Act also extends through 2009 the temporary increase to \$250,000 of the amount of depreciable property that small and medium size businesses can expense (i.e., deduct immediately). This benefit is phased out if expenditures on depreciable property exceed \$800,000.

Monetization of Accumulated AMT and R&D Credits in Lieu of Bonus Depreciation

The Act extends through 2009 (2010 for certain aircraft and long-production-period property) a provision included in the Housing and Economic Recovery Act that allows taxpayers to elect to forgo bonus depreciation and instead claim additional alternative minimum tax ("AMT") and research credits that they may not otherwise be able to use because of limitations on the use of such credits.

Under this provision, the research or AMT credit limitation for electing corporate taxpayers is increased by 20 percent of the bonus depreciation that could otherwise be claimed. The amount is capped at the lesser of 6 percent of (i) outstanding and unused AMT and R&D credits and (ii) \$30 million.

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A taxpayer that made the election under the prior act for the first tax year ending after March 31, 2008, may elect to not have the election apply to extension property, i.e., property eligible for the election solely by reason of the amendments made by the Act.

Government Contractor Withholding

For payments made after December 31, 2010, current law requires withholding at a 3 percent rate on certain payments made by Federal, State and local governments to contractors providing property or services to the government. The withholding is required regardless of whether the government entity making the payment is the recipient of the property or services, although those with less than \$100 million in annual expenditures for property or services are exempt.

Deferral of Income from Discharge of Indebtedness

Under present law, a taxpayer generally recognizes income when the taxpayer cancels or repurchases a debt for an amount less than its adjusted issue price or when debt is forgiven. Various exceptions apply to the general rule. The Act allows certain businesses to elect to defer recognition of cancellation of indebtedness income (“CODI”) on the “reacquisition” of business debt instruments during 2009 or 2010. The business would defer the CODI for five years in the case of 2009 reacquisition or four years in the case of 2010 reacquisition and then recognize the CODI ratably in income over the following five years.

The new provision applies to debt instruments issued by a C corporation or by any other person in connection with the conduct of a trade or business. A debt instrument is defined as a bond, debenture, note certificate, or any other instrument or contractual arrangement constituting indebtedness.

A “reacquisition” is an acquisition of a debt instrument by the debtor that issued (or is otherwise the obligor under) the debt instrument or a related person to such debtor. The term “acquisition” includes an acquisition for cash, the exchange of the debt instrument or another debt instrument, the exchange of a debt instrument or corporate stock or a partnership interest, and the contribution of the debt instrument to capital. “Acquisition” also includes complete forgiveness of the indebtedness.

Modification of Rules for OID on High Yield Obligations

The Act suspends special rules for original issue discount (“OID”) contained in Section 163(e)(5) of the Code in the case of any “applicable high yield discount obligation” (“AHYDO”) issued during the period beginning September 1, 2008 and ending on December 31, 2009 in exchange for an obligation which was not an AHYDO and the issuer of which is the same as the issuer of the AHYDO. Section 163(e)(5) ordinarily denies a deduction for a portion of the OID on an AHYDO instrument.

The Act gives the Treasury the authority beginning in 2010 to use a higher rate than prescribed by the Code for purposes of determining whether a debt instrument has a yield that will subject it to the AHYDO rules.

Bond Provisions

Recovery Zone Bonds

The Act creates two new categories of bonds for investment in national recovery zones - recovery

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zone economic development bonds and recovery zone facility bonds.

Recovery zone economic development bonds are a new type of tax credit bond that may be issued for qualified economic development purposes, i.e., promoting development or other economic activity in a recovery zone. Recovery zone facility bonds are a new type of tax-exempt private activity bond for capital investments in national recovery zones.

The Act authorizes a \$10 billion total allocation for recovery zone economic development bonds and a \$15 billion total allocation for recovery zone facility bonds. These bonds could be issued during 2009 and 2010. Each State would receive a share of the national allocation based on that State's job losses in 2008 as a percentage of national job losses in 2008. The State allocation would be sub-allocated to local municipalities.

Modification to Tax-exempt Interest Expense Rules for Financial Institutions

Financial institutions are not allowed to take a deduction for the portion of their interest expense that is allocable to the institution's investments in tax-exempt municipal bonds. For purposes of this interest disallowance rule, bonds that are issued by "qualified small issuers" are not taken into account as investments in tax-exempt municipal bonds. Under current law, a "qualified small issuer" is defined as any issuer that reasonably anticipates that the amount of its tax-exempt obligations (other than certain private activity bonds) will not exceed \$10 million. The Act increases this dollar threshold to \$30 million when determining whether a tax-exempt obligation issued in 2009 and 2010 qualifies for this small issuer exception. The small issuer exception would also apply to an issue if all of the ultimate borrowers in such issue would separately qualify for the exception. Under the Act, for purposes of determining whether an issuer meets the requirements of the small issuer exception, qualified 501(c)(3) bonds issued in 2009 or 2010 are treated as if they were issued by the 501(c)(3) organization for whose benefit they were issued (and not by the actual issuer of such bonds).

The Act provides a new 2 percent safe harbor for the interest disallowance rule for financial institutions. Under the safe harbor, tax-exempt obligations issued during 2009 and 2010 that do not exceed 2 percent of the adjusted basis of the financial institution's assets are not taken into account for purposes of the interest disallowance rule.

Qualified School Construction Bonds

The Act creates a new category of tax credit bonds for the construction, rehabilitation, or repair of public school facilities or for the acquisition of land on which a public school facility will be constructed. There is a national limitation on the amount of qualified school construction bonds that may be issued by State and local governments of \$22 billion (\$11 billion allocated initially in 2009 and the remainder in 2010).

Allocations of the national limitation of qualified school construction bonds are divided between the States and certain large school districts. The States receive 60 percent of the national limitation for a calendar year and the remaining 40 percent of the national limitation for a calendar year is allocated to certain large local educational agencies

Qualified school construction bonds must meet the following three requirements:

100 percent of the available project proceeds of the bond issue is used for the construction, rehabilitation, or repair of a public school facility or for the acquisition of land on which such a bond-financed facility is to be constructed;

the bond is issued by a State or local government within which such school is located; and

the issuer designates such bonds as a qualified school construction bond.

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Qualified Zone Academy Bonds

The Act allows an additional \$1.4 billion of Qualified Zone Academy Bonds (“QZAB”) issuing authority to State and local governments in 2009 and 2010, which can be used to finance renovations, equipment purchases, developing course material, and training teachers and personnel at a qualified zone academy.

In general, a qualified zone academy is any public school (or academic program within a public school) below the college level that is located in an empowerment zone or enterprise community and is designed to cooperate with businesses to enhance the academic curriculum and increase graduation and employment rates. QZABs are a form of tax credit bonds which offer the holder a Federal tax credit instead of tax-free interest.

Industrial Development Bonds

The Act, for purposes of industrial development bonds, expands the definition of “manufacturing facility” to include any facility used to create, produce or manufacture intangible property, including any patent, copyright, formula, process, design, knowhow, format, or other similar item. The provision would also treat any functionally related and subordinate manufacturing facility that is located on the same site as the manufacturing facility as a “manufacturing facility” for these purposes.

The Act also describes those physical components of a manufacturing facility that are “ancillary” and subject to a 25 percent limitation in the amount of bond issuance used to build or reconstruct such components.

Alternative Minimum Tax

Interest on private activity bonds is generally treated as an item of tax preference under the minimum tax and included in income for purposes of calculating alternative minimum taxable income. Under the Act, interest on private activity bonds issued during 2009 and 2010 will not be treated as a preference item for purposes of calculating alternative minimum taxable income.

Tax Credit Bonds

Tax credit bonds and tax-exempt bonds provide a subsidy to State and local governments by reducing the cash interest payments that a State or local government must make on its debt. Tax credit bonds differ from tax-exempt bonds in that interest paid on tax credit bonds is taxable, and a portion of such interest takes the form of a tax credit. The tax credit offsets a portion of the cash interest payment that a State and local government would otherwise need to make on the borrowing. The Act, for 2009 and 2010, provides State and local governments with the option of issuing a tax credit bond instead of a tax-exempt bond. Bonds issued under this provision are known as Build America Bonds.

The Act also permits State and local governments to elect to receive a direct payment from the Federal government equal to the subsidy that would have otherwise been delivered through the tax credit for bonds. The Act provides transitional rules for coordination with State law. The Act provides that until a State provides otherwise, the interest on any taxable governmental bond and the amount of any credit under such bond is treated as exempt from Federal income tax for State income tax law purposes.

The Act adds a new Code section that permits regulated investment companies to pass through to their shareholders credits from tax credit bonds. The new provision also allows the tax credits from tax credit bonds to pass through to beneficiaries of real estate investment trusts (REITS).

Provisions Indirectly Benefiting Businesses

Computers as Qualified Education Expenses in Section 529 Plans

The Act expands the definition of “qualified higher expenses” under Section 529 of the Code to include expenses paid or incurred in 2009 or 2010 for the purchase of any computer technology or equipment or Internet access and related services if such technology, equipment or services are to be used by the beneficiary of the Section 529 account and the beneficiary’s family during any of the years the beneficiary is enrolled at an eligible institution. That means that funds can be withdrawn tax-free from Section 529 accounts for such use in 2009 or 2010.

Sales Tax Deduction for Vehicle Purchases

The Act provides taxpayers who itemize deductions (and do not deduct sales taxes in lieu of income taxes) with an itemized deduction for State and local sales and excise taxes paid on the purchase of new cars, light trucks, recreational vehicles, and motorcycles in 2009. Taxpayers who do not itemize also may claim the deduction as an increased standard deduction. The deduction is phased out for taxpayers with adjusted gross income in excess of \$125,000 (\$250,000 for a joint return). Only taxes attributable to the portion of the purchase price that does not exceed \$49,500 may be deducted.

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Transportation

Illinois will receive over \$1.5 billion dollars in transportation funding. A large portion of this funding will be distributed through the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT).

Illinois Department of Transportation
2300 S. Dirksen Parkway
Springfield, IL 62764
(217) 782-7820
<http://www.dot.state.il.us/stimulus/index.html>

For specific information regarding the distribution of funding, to submit a project for funding, or to ask a question related to the ARRA, please visit <http://www.dot.state.il.us/stimulus/index.html>.

IDOT has nine districts, four of which are in the 11th Congressional District.

District 1: Will County
Christopher Holt, Bureau Chief
201 West Center Ct
Schaumburg, IL 60196
Tel. 847/705-4201
Fax. 847/705-4203

District 3: Grundy, Kankakee, Bureau, La Salle, and Livingston Counties
Kenneth Lang, Local Roads Engineer
700 East Norris Drive
Ottawa, Illinois 61350-0697
Tel. 815/434-8402
Fax. 815/434-8484

District 4 & 5: McLean, Woodford
Joseph E. Crowe, Deputy Director
401 Main
Peoria, Illinois 61602-1111
Tel. 309/671-3333

Grant:

Highway Improvement Programs

Amount: \$27.5 billion nationally, \$935,592,704 for Illinois
Type: Funds are distributed by formula, with a portion of the funds within each State being sub allocated by population areas.
Administrator: IDOT

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Purpose: For transportation projects including resurfacing and pavement preservation projects, traffic signal system upgrades, bridge projects, transit projects and intelligent transportation systems.

Eligible Recipients: State Departments of Transportation (DOTs) and Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs)

Website: <http://www.dot.state.il.us/stimulus/index.html>
<http://www.recovery.gov/?q=content/rebuilding-infrastructure>
<http://www.dot.gov/recovery>

Contact: <http://www.dot.state.il.us/Email/Email.asp?from=33>
(217)782-7820

Grant:

Transit Capital Assistance

Amount: \$8.4 billion was included for transit capital assistance grants, \$467,537,681 to Illinois.

Type: Funds are distributed through the existing urban and rural transit formulas - 80% of the capital assistance funds are to be distributed through the Federal Transit Administration's (FTA) urbanized formula; 10% through their rural formula; and 10% through their growing states and high density formula

Administrator: Federal Transit Administration

Purpose: These funds will be used to purchase buses and equipment needed to provide additional public transportation service and to make improvements to intermodal and transit facilities

Eligible Recipients: Designated recipients – generally transit agencies, State DOTs

Website: http://www.fta.dot.gov/index_9118.html

Contact: http://www.fta.dot.gov/index_9118.html

Grant:

Fixed Guideway Modernization

Amount: \$750 million was included for transit capital assistance grants.

Type: Funds are allocated by a statutory formula to urbanized areas with rail systems that have been in operation for at least seven years.

Administrator: Federal Transit Administration / U.S. Department of Transportation

Purpose: These funds will be used for capital projects to modernize or improve existing fixed guideway systems, including purchase and rehabilitation of rolling stock, track, line equipment, structures, signals and communications, power equipment and substations, passenger stations and terminals, security equipment and systems, maintenance facilities and equipment, operational support equipment including computer hardware and software, system extensions, and preventive maintenance.

Eligible Recipients: Public bodies, generally transit authorities or State DOTs

Website: http://www.fta.dot.gov/funding/grants/grants_financing_3558.html

Contact: FTA Office of Program Management, (202) 366-4020

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Grant:

Capital Investments Grants (New Starts & Small Starts)

Amount: \$750 million was included for capital investment grants.
Type: Distributed on a discretionary basis for New Starts and Small Starts projects that are already in construction or are nearly ready to begin construction
Administrator: Federal Transit Administration - U.S. Department of Transportation
Purpose: For light rail lines, rapid rail (heavy rail), commuter rail, automated fixed guideway system, or bus-way/high occupancy vehicle (HOV) facilities
Eligible Recipients: Public bodies, generally transit authorities or State DOTs
Website: http://www.fta.dot.gov/funding/grants/grants_financing_3590.html
Contact: FTA Office of Program Management, (202) 366-4020

Grant:

Transit Capital Assistance-Discretionary Grants

Amount: \$6.9 billion was included for transit capital assistance grants.
Type: Discretionary grants to public transit agencies to improve energy efficiency, and reduce costs and dependence on foreign oil.
Administrator: Federal Transit Administration - U.S. Department of Transportation
Purpose: To provide capital assistance for transit
Eligible Recipients: Designated recipients – generally transit agencies, State DOTs
Website: http://www.fta.dot.gov/index_9118.html
Contact: http://www.fta.dot.gov/index_9118.html

Grant:

National Surface Transportation System - Discretionary Grants

Amount: \$1.5 billion was included for discretionary grants for the National Surface Transportation System.
Type: Discretionary competitive grants
Administrator: U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT)
Office of the Secretary of Transportation
Purpose: To provide funding for projects, including highway and bridge projects, public transportation projects, passenger and freight rail projects, and port infrastructure investments, of national or regional significance.
Eligible Recipients: States, local governments, transit agencies
Websites: <http://www.dot.gov/recovery/>
Contact: DOT – Office of the Secretary of Transportation
(202) 366-4000

Grant:

Capital Assistance for High Speed Rail and Intercity Passenger Rail Service

Amount: \$8 billion was included for Capital Assistance to States and the High Speed Passenger Rail Program.

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Type: Discretionary grants for state government
Administrator: Federal Railroad Administration - U.S. Department of Transportation
Purpose: To provide funding for intercity and high speed passenger rail capital projects
Eligible Recipients: States
Website: <http://www.dot.state.il.us/stimulus/index.html>
Contact: (217)782-7820

Grant:

Capital Grants to Amtrak

Amount: \$1.3 billion included for capital grants to Amtrak for security and non-security improvements
Type: Grants will be given directly to Amtrak
Administrator: Federal Railroad Administration - U.S. Department of Transportation
Purpose: To maintain and improve the national system of intercity passenger rail. In addition to security improvements, repair, rehabilitation, or upgrade of railroad assets or infrastructure, and for capital projects that expand passenger rail capacity including the rehabilitation of rolling stock (locomotives and passenger cars)
Eligible Recipients: Amtrak
Website: www.fra.dot.gov
Contact: <http://www.fra.dot.gov/>

Grant:

Federal Aviation Administration - Airport infrastructure improvements

Amount: \$1.1 billion
Type: Competitive grants
Administrator: Federal Aviation Administration
Purpose: Grants to airports who are part of the National Plan of Integrated Airport Systems (NPIAS) for repairs and improving critical infrastructure to improve safety and reduce congestion
Eligible Recipients: Airports
Website: <http://www.faa.gov/recovery/>
Contact: <http://www.faa.gov/recovery/>

Grant:

Federal Aviation Administration -- Improve FAA power systems

Amount: \$200 million
Type: Competitive awards and grants
Administrator: Federal Aviation Administration

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Purpose: Upgrade the FAA's power system -- \$50 million, modernize aging air traffic control centers -- \$50 million, replace air traffic control centers and TRACONS -- \$80 million, install airport lighting, navigation and landing equipment -- \$20 million

Eligible Recipients: Airports and private entities

Website: <http://www.faa.gov/recovery/>

Contact: <http://www.faa.gov/recovery/>

Grant: **Competitive Grants to Small Domestic Shipyards**

Amount: \$100 million

Type: Competitive grants

Administrator: Department of Transportation

Purpose: grants for investments and improvements

Eligible Recipients: Qualified shipyards

Website: <http://www.dot.gov/recovery/>

Contact: Qualified shipyards

Environment

Grant:

Clean Water State Revolving Fund (SRF)

Amount: \$4 billion included for the Clean Water State Revolving Fund, \$180 million for Illinois wastewater infrastructure projects. ARRA funding is limited to 50% of project or \$10 million cap, whichever is less.

Type: Formula grants to States; project grants from each State SRF.

Administrator: Illinois Environmental Protection Agency

Purpose: To build or improve wastewater treatment plants; agricultural, rural, and urban runoff control; estuary improvement projects; wet weather flow control, including storm water and sewer overflows; alternative treatment technologies; and water reuse and conservation projects.

Eligible Recipients: State Revolving Fund programs

Website: <http://www.epa.state.il.us/water/financial-assistance/economic-stimulus/index.html>

Contact: Geoff Andres, Bureau of Water
217-782-2027

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Grants:

Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (SRF)
Amount: \$2 billion included for the Clean Water State Revolving Fund, \$80 million for Illinois drinking water projects. ARRA funding is limited to 50% of project or \$5 million cap, whichever is less.
Type: Formula grants to States; project grants from each State SRF
Administrator: Illinois Environmental Protection Agency
Purpose: To provide supplemental capital funding for State Revolving Funds
Eligible Recipients: State Revolving Fund programs
Website: <http://www.epa.state.il.us/water/financial-assistance/economic-stimulus/index.html>
Contact: Geoff Andres, Bureau of Water
217-782-2027

Grants:

Brownfields Evaluation and Clean-Up
Amount: \$100 million was included for Brownfields projects, \$4 million to fund Illinois cleanup activities and \$1 million for assessment grants.
Type: Project grants (cooperative agreements)
Administrator: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency- Office of Brownfields and Land Revitalization; Office of Solid Waste and Emergency Response
Purpose: To provide supplemental funding for projects authorized by CERCLA
Eligible Recipients: Indian tribes, State and local governments, quasi-governmental authorities, universities and colleges, industry, and other public and private institutions and individuals
Website: <http://www.epa.gov/brownfields/eparecovery/index.htm>
<http://www.epa.state.il.us/land/brownfields/>
Contact: Steve Colantino, Office of Brownfields Assistance
217-782-6761

Grant:

Hazardous Substance Superfund Hazardous Waste Cleanup
Amount: \$600 million
Type: Project grants (cooperative agreements)
Administrator: EPA, Office of Superfund Remediation and Technology, Office of Solid Waste and Emergency Response
Purpose: To provide supplemental funding for Superfund
Eligible Recipients: States (and political subdivisions thereof), Commonwealths, U.S. Territories and Possessions, and Federally recognized Indian Tribal Governments, including intertribal consortia
Website: <http://www.epa.state.il.us/water/financial-assistance/economic-stimulus/index.html>
Contact: Illinois EPA, Bureau of Land
217-782-3362

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Grant:

Diesel Emission Reduction Program

Amount: \$300 million was included for Diesel Emission Reduction Act (DERA) grants, \$6-\$12 million for Illinois clean diesel projects.

Type: Competitive grants; fund technologies to retrofit emission exhaust systems, such as on school buses and other vehicles, replace engines and vehicles, and establish anti-idling programs

Administrator: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency - Office of Air and Radiation

Purpose: Funding is used to create clean diesel programs that achieve significant reductions in diesel.

Eligible Recipients: A regional, State, local or tribal agency or port authority with jurisdiction over transportation or air quality; and a nonprofit organization or institution that represents or provides pollution reduction or educational services to persons or organizations that own or operate diesel fleets; or has, as its principal purpose, the promotion of transportation or air quality are eligible for assistance under this program. City, county, or municipal agencies, school districts, and metropolitan planning organizations (MPOs) that have jurisdiction over transportation or air quality are all eligible entities under this program

Website: www.epa.gov/diesel/prgnational.htm

Contacts: Darwin Burkhart, Bureau of Air
217-524-5008

Grants:

Leaking Underground Storage Tank Trust

Amount: \$200 million, \$8 million for Illinois.

Type: Formula grants

Administrator: Environmental Protection Agency - Office of Underground Storage Tanks, Office of Solid Waste and Emergency Response

Purpose: Formula grants will be awarded through the Leaking Underground Storage Tanks (LUST) Program

Eligible Recipients: States and Federally recognized Indian Tribal Governments, including intertribal consortia

Website: <http://www.epa.gov/swerust1/ltffacts.htm>

Contacts: Steve Colantino, Illinois EPA
217-785-3497

Grants:

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers – Construction

Amount: \$2 billion for United States Army Corps of Engineers for construction activities.

Type: Discretionary allocations to Corps projects; funding included for ongoing projects, not to initiate new projects.

Administrator: Secretary of the Army - U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

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Purpose: Provides public engineering and construction services for navigation, flood and storm protection, ecosystem restoration, environmental protection, and an array of other purposes.

Eligible Recipients: Army Corps, for managed projects, programs and activities normally funded by Energy and Water Appropriations Acts

Website: <http://www.usace.army.mil/RECOVERY/Pages/default.aspx>

Contact: Rock Island: 309-794-4200

Grants:

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers - Maintenance

Amount: \$2 billion was included United States Army Corps of Engineers for operation and maintenance activities.

Type: Discretionary allocations to Corps projects; funding included for ongoing projects, not to initiate new projects.

Administrator: Secretary of the Army - U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

Purpose: Provides funding for the operation and maintenance of facilities constructed by the Corps.

Eligible Recipients: Corps projects, activities and programs normally funded by Energy and Water Appropriations Acts

Website: <http://www.usace.army.mil/RECOVERY/Pages/default.aspx>

Contact: Rock Island: 309-794-4200

Grants:

Watershed Infrastructure

Amount: \$340 million

Type: Loans

Administrator: National Resources Conservation Service (NRCS)

Purpose: Watershed improvement programs to design and build flood protection, water quality projects, repair aging dams, and purchase and restore conservation easements in river flood zones

Eligible Recipients: Sponsoring local organizations of authorized watershed projects; Local organization means any State, political subdivision thereof, soil or water conservation district, flood prevention or control district, or combinations thereof, or any other agency having authority under State law to carry out, maintain and operate the works of improvement; or any irrigation or reservoir company, water users' association, or similar organization having such authority and not being operated for profit that may be approved by the Secretary; or any Indian tribe or tribal organization having authority under Federal, State, or Indian tribal law to carry out, maintain, and operate the works of improvement

Website: <http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/programs/recovery/implementation.html>

Contact: <http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/programs/recovery/implementation.html>

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Grants:

Rural Water and Waste Disposal
Amount: \$1.38 billion in new budget authority
Type: Direct loans and grants
Administrator: Department of Agriculture -- State Administrators
Purpose: To provide funding for rural waste, waste water and waste disposal programs to support \$3.788 billion in loans and grants for water and waste disposal facilities in rural areas
Eligible Recipients: Public entities such as municipalities, counties, special-purpose districts, Indian tribes, and corporations not operated for profit
Website: <http://www.usda.gov/rus/>
Contact: Patrick Lydic
217-403-6209

Energy

Illinois Incentives Renewable and Efficient Energy

For information on Illinois Incentives for Renewable and Efficiency please visit: www.illinoisenergy.org

Please also visit the DOE Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy's (EERE) Information Center <http://www1.eere.energy.gov/informationcenter/> or call 1-877-EERE-INF (1-877-337-3463)

Grants:

State Energy Efficiency Programs
Amount: \$3.1 billion was included for the State Energy Program.
Type: States receive funding through a formula
Administrator: Illinois Department of Commerce – Bureau of Energy & Recycling
Purpose: States use grants to address energy priorities and program funding to adopt emerging renewable energy and energy efficiency technologies
Eligible Recipients: As determined by States under existing guidelines
Website: www.illinoisenergy.org
Contact: www.illinoisenergy.org
DCEO.Recovery@Illinois.gov

Grants:

Weatherization Assistance Program
Amount: \$5 billion

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Type: States receive funding through a formula
Administrator: Illinois Department of Commerce (IDC) – Bureau of Energy & Recycling
Purpose: To install energy efficiency improvements in the homes of low-income families to reduce their energy bills
Eligible Recipients: As determined by IDC under existing guidelines
Website: www.weatherizationillinois.com
Contact: Randy Bennett
217-558-2889

Grants:

Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant (EECBG)

Amount: \$3.2 billion (\$2.8 billion formula; \$400,000 competitive)
Type: Formula & competitive
Administrator: U.S. Department of Energy - Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy
Purpose: Assists states and local governments in implementing strategies to reduce fossil fuel emissions created as a result of activities within the jurisdictions of the eligible entities and reduce the total energy use. Activities eligible to receive funding include: conducting residential and commercial building energy audits; establishing financial incentives programs for energy efficiency improvements; grants to non-profits organizations to perform energy efficiency retrofits; developing/implementing programs to conserve energy used in transportation; developing and implementing building codes and inspections services to promote building energy efficiency; installing light emitting diodes (LEDs); and developing, implementing, and installing on or in any government building onsite renewable energy technology that generates electricity from renewable sources.
Eligible Recipients: States (to receive 28 percent of formula funding), eligible units of local governments (68 percent of formula), and tribes (2 percent of formula)
Website: http://apps1.eere.energy.gov/wip/block_grants.cfm
Contact: www.illinoisenergy.org
DCEO.Recovery@Illinois.gov
1-877-EERE-INFO (1-877-337-3463)

Grants:

Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy (EERE)

Amount: \$16.8 billion was included for EERE
Type: Grants
Administrator: U.S. Department of Energy - Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy (EERE)
Purpose: 10 energy programs, including the Biomass Program; Building Technologies Program; Federal Energy Management Program; Geothermal Technologies Program; Hydrogen, Fuel Cells & Infrastructure Program; Industrial Technologies Program; Solar Energy Technologies Program; Vehicle Technologies; Wind & Hydropower Technologies Program; and Weatherization & Intergovernmental Program
Eligible Recipients: private sector, state and local governments, national labs, and universities
Website: http://apps1.eere.energy.gov/states/state_specific_information.cfm/state=IL

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Contact www.eere.energy.gov
1-877-EERE-INF (1-877-337-3463)

EERE Program:

Biomass Program

Amount: \$800 million
Administrator: U.S. Department of Energy - Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy (EERE)
Purpose: Applied research, development, demonstration and deployment activities
Website: <http://www.energy.gov/energysources/bioenergy.htm>

EERE Program:

Geothermal Technologies Program

Amount: \$400 million
Administrator: U.S. Department of Energy - Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy (EERE)
Purpose: Applied research, development, demonstration and deployment activities
Website: <http://www.energy.gov/energysources/geothermal.htm>

Grants:

Advanced Battery Manufacturing

Amount: \$2 billion
Type: Competitive grants
Administrator: U.S. Department of Energy - Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy (EERE)
Purpose: For the manufacturing of advanced batteries and components; and to provide facility funding to manufacturers of advanced battery systems and vehicle batteries that are produced in the United States, including advanced lithium ion batteries, hybrid electrical systems, component manufacturers, and software designers
Eligible Recipients: Manufacturers and others determined eligible by Department of Energy
Website: www.eere.energy.gov
Contact: 1-877-EERE-INF (1-877-337-3463)

Grants:

Alternative Fueled Vehicle Pilot Grant Program

Amount: \$300 million
Type: Competitive Grant to state governments, local governments, metropolitan transportation authorities, air pollution control districts, and private or nonprofit entities.
Administrator: U.S. Department of Energy - Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy (EERE) - Clean Cities Program
Purpose: To establish a grant program through the DOE Clean Cities Program to encourage the use of plug-in electric drive vehicles or other emerging electric vehicle technologies. Funds used for the acquisition of alternative fueled

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vehicles, fuel cell vehicles or hybrid vehicles, including buses for public transportation and ground support vehicles at public airports. The installation or acquisition of infrastructure necessary to directly support an alternative fueled vehicle, fuel cell vehicle, or hybrid vehicle project funded by the grant also eligible.

Eligible Recipients: State governments, local governments, metropolitan transportation authorities, air pollution control districts, and private or nonprofit entities

Website: www.eere.energy.gov/cleancities

Contact: 1-877-EERE-INF (1-877-337-3463)

Grants:

Transportation Electrification

Amount: \$400 million for Transportation Electrification grant projects.

Type: Competitive grants

Administrator: U.S. Department of Energy - Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy (EERE)

Purpose: To implement a grant program for qualified electric transportation projects that reduce emissions, including shipside electrification of vehicles, truck stop electrification, airport ground support equipment and cargo handling equipment

Eligible Recipients: States, local governments, and metropolitan transportation authorities

Website: www.eere.energy.gov

Contact: 1-877-EERE-INF (1-877-337-3463)

Grants:

Smart Grid Investment Program

Amount: \$4.5 billion

Type: Various

Administrator: U.S. Department of Energy - Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability

Purpose: To modernize the electric grid, enhance security and reliability of the energy infrastructure, energy storage research, development, demonstration and deployment, and facilitate recovery from disruptions to the energy supply, and authorized purposes.

Eligible Recipients: The Office of Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability projects are planned and implemented in concert with partners from other Federal programs; electric utilities; equipment manufacturers; regional, state, and local agencies; national laboratories; and universities.

Website: www.oe.energy.gov

www.oe.energy.gov/smartgrid.htm

Contact: Office of Electricity, Delivery and Energy Reliability
(202) 586-1411

Grants:

Fossil Energy Research and Development Program (FERD)

Amount: \$3.4 billion

Type: competitive grants and contracts

Administrator: U.S. Department of Energy - Office of Fossil Energy

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Purpose: Research and Development programs include pollution control innovations for traditional power plants, including mercury reduction; improved gasification technologies; advanced combustion systems; development of stationary power fuel cells; improved turbines for future coal-based combined cycle plants; and creation of a portfolio of technologies that can capture and permanently store greenhouse gases.

Eligible Recipients: Universities & private sector

Website: <http://www.fossil.energy.gov/aboutus/budget/stimulus.html>

Contact: Office of Fossil Energy
(202) 586-6660

FERD Program:

Research into Low-Emission Coal Plants

Amount: \$800 million

Type: Competitive grants

Administrator: U.S. Department of Energy - Office of Fossil Energy

Purpose: for the Clean Coal Power Initiative Round III Funding Opportunity

Eligible Recipients: To date, no further details have been released

Website: <http://www.fossil.energy.gov/>

Contact: Office of Fossil Energy
(202) 586-6660

FERD Program:

Industrial carbon capture and energy efficiency improvement projects

Amount: \$1.52 million

Type: Competitive grants

Administrator: U.S. Department of Energy - Office of Fossil Energy

Purpose: A range of industrial carbon capture and energy efficiency improvement projects, including a small allocation for innovative concepts for beneficial carbon reuse

Eligible Recipients: To date, no further details have been released

Website: <http://www.fossil.energy.gov/>

Contact: Office of Fossil Energy
(202) 586-6660

FERD Program:

Grants for identifying sites to store carbon dioxide emissions

Amount: \$50 million

Type: Competitive grants

Administrator: U.S. Department of Energy - Office of Fossil Energy

Purpose: for site characterization activities in geologic formations

Eligible Recipients: To date, no further details have been released

Website: <http://www.fossil.energy.gov/>

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Contact: Office of Fossil Energy
(202) 586-6660

Grants:

Science Program

Amount: \$1.6 billion
Type: Competitive grants
Administrator: U.S. Department of Energy - Office of Science
Purpose: Grants will primarily be awarded for research in high-energy physics, nuclear physics, and fusion energy sciences
Eligible Recipients: Universities, companies, and national laboratories
Website: www.science.doe.gov
<http://www.science.doe.gov/grants/grants.html>
Contact: Office of Science
202-586-5430
<http://www.sc.doe.gov/Contact/index.htm>

Grants:

Advanced Research Projects Agency (ARPA-E)

Amount: \$400 million
Type: Awards
Administrator: U.S. Department of Energy
Purpose: To develop and deploy advanced energy technologies by identifying and promoting revolutionary advances in fundamental sciences, translating those discoveries into technological innovations, and accelerating transformational technological advances in areas that industry by itself is not likely to undertake.
Eligible Recipients: Institutions of higher education, companies, research foundations, trade and industry research collaborations, or consortia of such entities, which may include federally-funded research and development centers.
Website: www.energy.gov
Contact: U.S. Department of Energy
1-800-dial-DOE

Loan:

Innovative Technology Loan Guarantee Program

Amount: \$6 billion
Type: Loan guarantees
Administrator: U.S. Department of Energy - Loan Guarantee Program
Purpose: To promote use of renewable technology to produce electricity and transportation fuels
Eligible Recipients: Any firm, corporation, company, partnership, association, society, trust, joint venture, joint stock company, or governmental non-Federal entity that meets specific guidelines
Website: <http://www.lgprogram.energy.gov/index.html>

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Contact: U.S. Department of Energy - Loan Guarantee Program
202-586-8336

Grants:

Nuclear Waste Environmental Cleanup

Amount: \$5.127 billion
Type: awards based on priorities
Administrator: Department of Energy - Office of Environmental Management
Purpose: accelerate nuclear waste cleanup at sites contaminated as a result of the nation's past nuclear activities
Eligible Recipients: established by Dept. of Energy
Website: <http://www.em.doe.gov/emrecovery/EMRecovery.aspx>
Contact: Cynthia Anderson, Dept. of Energy - Office of Environmental Management
202-586-0738

Grants:

Training of electric grid workers

Amount: \$100 million
Type: To date, no further details have been released
Administrator: U.S. Department of Energy - Office of Electricity Delivery & Energy Reliability
Purpose: Workforce training for smart grid workers
Eligible Recipients: Partners could include non-profits, labor associations, state and local veterans' groups, and state and local governments
Website: www.oe.energy.gov
Contact: U.S. Department of Energy - Office of Electricity Delivery & Energy Reliability
202-586-1411

Bonds:

Clean Renewable Energy Bonds

Amount: \$1.6 billion
Type: Tax-credit bonds
Administrator: Internal Revenue Service
Purpose: Creates interest-free financing for facilities that generate electricity from the following sources: wind, closed-loop biomass open-loop biomass, geothermal, small irrigation, hydropower, landfill gas, marine renewables and trash combustion facilities.
Eligible Recipients: State, local, tribal governments, public power providers, electric cooperatives
Website: www.eere.energy.gov
Contact: 1-877-EERE-INF (1-877-337-3463)

Bonds:

Qualified Energy Conservation Bonds

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Amount: \$2.4 billion
Type: tax-credit bonds issued for capital expenditures
Administrator: Internal Revenue Service
Purpose: Very broad parameters for energy conservation projects including capital expenditure in public buildings, green community programs, renewable energy production, various R&D applications, mass commuting facilities, energy-related demonstration projects, and public energy efficiency education campaigns
Eligible Recipients: To date, no further details have been released
Website: http://apps1.eere.energy.gov/news/news_detail.cfm/news_id=12249
<http://www.irs.gov/taxexemptbond/index.html>
Contact: 1-877-EERE-INF (1-877-337-3463)

Housing

Grants:

Public Housing Capital Fund

Amount: \$4 billion
Type: Competitive & formula grants
Administrator: U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)
Purpose: Office of Public and Indian Housing - Office of Capital Improvements
\$4 billion to be distributed to public housing agencies for capital repairs and improvements to federally-subsidized public housing. \$1 billion was also included for competitive grants for priority investments, including that leverage private-sector financing for renovations and energy conservation retrofits.
Eligible Recipients: Public Housing Agencies (PHAs)
Website: <http://www.hud.gov/recovery/phcfund.cfm>
<http://www.hud.gov/recovery/phcapfundh.cfm>
Contact: HUD - Office of Capital Improvements
(202) 708-1112

Grants:

Homelessness Prevention Fund

Amount: \$1.5 billion
Type: Formula grants
Administrator: Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)
Office of Community Planning and Development
Purpose: Provide basic shelter and essential supportive services to homeless persons, and short-term homeless prevention assistance to persons at imminent risk of losing their own housing due to eviction, foreclosure, or utility shutoffs.

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Eligible Recipients: States, large cities, urban counties, and territories as regularly designated ESG recipients pursuant to the McKinney-Vento Act
Website: <http://www.hud.gov/recovery/homeless-prevention.cfm>
Contact: HUD – Office of Community Planning and Development
(202) 708-1112

Grants:

Community Development Block Grants (CDBG)

Amount: \$1 billion
Type: Formula grant
Administrator: Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)
HUD – Office of Community Planning and Development
Purpose: Provide funding for standard allowable CDBG activities meeting low-income benefit requirements.
Eligible Recipients: Entitlement Communities having received funding in Fiscal Year 2008
Website: <http://www.hud.gov/recovery/cdblock.cfm>
Contact: HUD – Office of Community Planning and Development
(202) 708-1112

Grants:

Neighborhood Stabilization Program

Amount: \$2 billion
Type: Competitive Grants
Administrator : U.S. Department Of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)
HUD - Office of Community Planning and Development
Purpose: To provide funding to for purchase, rehabilitation, and re-occupancy of foreclosed homes, including financing mechanisms, and allowing land banking and demolition.
Eligible Recipients: Local governments, States, and non-profits (or consortia of nonprofits, which may partner with for-profit entities)
Website: <http://www.hud.gov/recovery/nspg.cfm>
Contact: HUD – Office of Community Planning and Development
(202) 708-1112

Grants:

Lead Hazard Reduction Program

Amount: \$100 million
Type: Competitive Grants
Administrator: U.S. Department Of Housing and Urban Development
HUD - Office of Healthy Homes and Lead Hazard Control

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Purpose: To provide funding to abate lead-based hazards in eligible privately owned rental or owner-occupied housing, with various targeting factors by program

Eligible Recipients: Local governments, States, housing authorities, Tribes, institutions of higher education, for-profit firms (not allowed to profit from activity), depending on program

Website: <http://www.hud.gov/recovery/healthy-homes.cfm>

Contact: HUD – Office of Healthy Homes and Lead Hazard Control
(202) 708-1112

Grants:

HOME Investment Partnership Program

Amount: \$2.25 billion

Type: Competitive grant

Administrator: U.S. Department Of Housing and Urban Development

Purpose: Provide capital investments in low-income housing tax credit projects

Eligible Recipients: Affordable housing developers of qualified projects that, within a certain timeframe, received or simultaneously receive a Low Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC)

Website: <http://www.hud.gov/offices/cpd/affordablehousing/programs/home/>

Contact: U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
202- 708-1112

Grants:

Tax Credit Assistance Program (TCAP)

Amount: \$2.25 billion

Type: Formula grant to State agencies; allocated competitively by State

Administrator: U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

Purpose: Funding for capital investment in Low Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) projects

Eligible Recipients: State Housing Credit Agencies that administer the Low-Income Housing Tax Credit Program

Website: <http://www.hud.gov/recovery/tax-credit.cfm>

Contact: U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
202- 708-1112

Grants:

Home Weatherization Assistance Program

Amount: \$5 billion

Type: Formula grants

Administrator: Department of Energy (DOE)
DOE – Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy

Purpose: To install energy efficiency improvements in the homes of low income families to reduce their energy bills

Eligible Recipients: States

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Website: http://apps1.eere.energy.gov/weatherization/recovery_act.cfm
Contact: Jean Diggs, Department of Energy – Weatherization
(202) 586-8506

Loans:

Rural Housing Insurance Fund

Amount: \$200 million
Type: Direct and guaranteed loans
Administrator: Rural Housing Services
Purpose: Funds to insure or guarantee rural housing loans for single-family homes, rental and cooperative housing, and rural housing sites
Eligible Recipients: Rental housing insured loans – Farm owner or to a public or private nonprofit organization
Farm labor housing insured loans – Individuals, corporations, associations, trusts, or partnerships
Website: <http://www.hud.gov/offices/cpd/affordablehousing/programs/home/>
Contact: U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
202- 708-1112

Loans and Grants:

Rural Community Facilities

Amount: \$130 million
Type: Loans and grants
Administrator: U.S. Department of Agriculture - State Rural Development Office
Purpose: To support loans and grants authorized by the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act for rural community facilities including hospitals, health clinics, health and safety vehicles and equipment, public buildings, and child and elder care facilities
Eligible Recipients: Multi-State, regional, private, non-profit 501(c)(3) tax-exempt organizations
Website: <http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/rhs/cf/cp.htm>
Contact: Patrick Lydic
217-403-6209

Small Business / Economic Development

Loan:

Small Business Administration - 7(a) Loan Guarantee and 504 Loan Programs

Amount: \$375 million
Type: Loan

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Administrator: Small Business Administration (SBA)

Purpose: For temporary fee reduction for the 7(a) loan guarantee program and the 504 loan programs.

To ensure small businesses maintain access to 7(a) loans that may be used to establish a new business or to assist in the operation, acquisition or expansion of an existing business.

To ensure small businesses maintain adequate access to 504 loans for fixed asset projects, such as purchasing land and improvements, including existing buildings, grading, street improvements, utilities, parking lots and landscaping; construction of new facilities, or modernizing, renovating or converting existing facilities; or purchasing long-term machinery and equipment.

Eligible Recipients: Qualified small businesses

Website: <http://www.sba.gov/recovery/>
<http://www.sba.gov/services/financialassistance/sbaloantopics/7a/>
<http://www.sba.gov/services/financialassistance/sbaloantopics/cdc504/index.html>

Phone: Small Business Administration
(800) 827-5722

Grant:

Business Stabilization Program

Amount: \$225 million

Type: Grant

Administrator: Small Business Administration (SBA)

Purpose: To provide loans on a deferred basis to viable small business concerns that have a qualifying small business loan and are experiencing immediate financial hardship

Eligible Recipients: Qualified small businesses

Website: www.sba.gov

Phone: Small Business Administration
(800) 827-5722

Grant:

Economic Development Assistance

Amount: \$150 million, with \$50 million for economic adjustment assistance

Type: Competitive Grants

Administrator: Department of Commerce (DOC)
Economic Development Administration

Purpose: To leverage private investment, stimulate employment and increase incomes in economically distressed communities

Eligible Recipients: City or political subdivision of a State, State, public or private non-profit organization or association, district organization, Indian tribe or consortium of Indian tribes, private individual or for-profit organization

Website: <http://www.eda.gov/InvestmentsGrants/Investments.xml>
<http://www.commerce.gov/Recovery/index.htm>

Phone: DOC – Economic Development Administration, Illinois Regional Office

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Pedro R. Garza, Regional Director
(312) 353-7706
DOC – Recovery Team
recovery@doc.gov

Grant: **Community Development Financial Institutions**

Amount: \$100 million

Type: Competitive grants

Administrator: U.S. Department of the Treasury

Community Development Financial Institutions (CDFI) Fund

Purpose: To provide additional capital funding for economic development, business development, and commercial real estate development; affordable housing development and homeownership; and community financial services to underserved communities

Eligible Recipients: Certified Community Development Entity or Community Development Financial Institution, per Treasury processes

Website: <http://www.cdfifund.gov/recovery/>

Phone: CDFI
(202) 622-2455

Loan: **Micro-Loan Program**

Amount: \$6 million

Type: Loan

Administrator: Small Business (SBA)

Purpose: Provides very small loans to start-up, newly established, or growing small business concerns. Under this program, SBA makes funds available to nonprofit community based lenders (intermediaries) which, in turn, make loans to eligible borrowers.

Eligible Recipients: Qualified small businesses

Website: <http://www.sba.gov/services/financialassistance/sbaloantopics/microloans/>

Phone: Small Business Administration
(800) 827-5722

Job Training & Unemployment

The Recovery Act provides an increase in unemployment benefits for all eligible individuals of \$25 per week. These extra benefits are 100 percent federally-funded.

On February 26, the Labor Department announced that the implementation of this provision was beginning in some states as early as the week of March 1. Over the next several weeks, all states will be implementing this increase. The \$25 weekly increase is retroactive, covering weeks of unemployment beginning February 22.

For more information, please contact the Illinois Department of employment security at <http://www.ides.state.il.us/> and 1-888-367-4382.

Grants:

Employment Training Services for Adults

Amount: \$500 million
Type: Formula grants
Administrator: U.S. Department of Labor - Employment and Training Administration (DOLETA)
Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity
Purpose: To provide funding for adult employment and training activities, including supportive services and needs-related payments
Eligible Recipients: States, with 85% suballocation to local Workforce Investment Boards
Website: <http://www2.illinoisbiz.biz/econ/default.htm>
Contact: Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity
312-814-7179

Grants:

Dislocated Workers Employment and Training Services

Amount: \$1.25 billion
Type: Formula grants
Administrator: U.S. Department of Labor - Employment and Training Administration (DOLETA)
Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity
Purpose: 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
Eligible Recipients: States, with 85% suballocation to local Workforce Investment Boards
Website: <http://www2.illinoisbiz.biz/econ/default.htm>
Contact: Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity
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Grants:

Employment Training Services for Youths

Amount: \$1.2 billion
Type: Formula grants
Administrator: U.S. Department of Labor - Employment and Training Administration (DOLETA)
Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity
Description: To provide funding for youth training and employment activities, including summer employment, occupational skills, counseling, mentoring, supportive services, etc.
Eligible Recipients: States, with 85% suballocation to local Workforce Investment Boards
Website: <http://www2.illinoisbiz.biz/econ/default.htm>
Contact: Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity
312-814-7179

Grants:

Unemployment Insurance (Reemployment Services)

Amount: \$250 million
Type: Formula grants
Administration: U.S. Department of Labor - Employment and Training Administration (DOLETA)
DOLETA – Office of Adult Services
Purpose: Funding for reemployment services to connect unemployment insurance claimants to employment.
Website: <http://www.ides.state.il.us/>
http://www.doleta.gov/programs/Wagner_Peyser.cfm
<http://www.doleta.gov/recovery/>
Contact: DOLETA – Worker Profiling and Reemployment Services

Grants:

National Emergency Grants

Amount: \$200 million
Type: Discretionary/ Competitive Grants
Administrator: U.S. Department of Labor - Employment and Training Administration (DOLETA)
Purpose: To expand service capacity at the State and local levels in response to significant events that cannot reasonably be expected within the formula-funded program
Eligible Recipients: States, with 85% suballocation to local Workforce Investment Boards
Website: <http://www.doleta.gov/recovery/>
<http://www.doleta.gov/NEG/>
Contact: DOLETA – National Emergency Grants
(877) 889-5627

Grants:

YouthBuild

Amount: \$50 million

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Type: Competitive grants
Administrator: U.S. Department of Labor - Employment and Training Administration (DOLETA)
DOLETA – Division of Youth Services
Purpose: To provide funding for projects to assist high-risk youth (ages 16-24) to complete their high school education and learn housing construction job skills through work on low-income and affordable housing building or rehab
Eligible Recipients: Nonprofit organizations
Website: <http://www.doleta.gov/recovery/>
http://www.doleta.gov/youth_services/YouthBuild.cfm#content
Contact: DOLETA – Division of Youth Services
(202) 693-3030

Grants:

Green Jobs, High-Growth Industry Training and Placement

Amount: \$500 million
Type: Competitive Grants
Administrator: U.S. Department of Labor - Employment & Training Administration (DOLETA)
Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity
Purpose: These funds are designated for projects that prepare workers for careers in energy efficiency and renewable energy as described in the Green Jobs Act of 2007.
Eligible Recipients: States and Workforce Investment Boards
Website: <http://www2.illinoisbiz.biz/econ/default.htm>
Contact: Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity
312-814-7179

Grants:

Community Service Employment for Older Americans

Amount: \$120 million
Type: Formula grants
Administrator: U.S. Department of Labor - Employment & Training Administration
Purpose: To provide funding for community service and work-based subsidized training programs for low-income persons over age 55
Eligible Recipients: States and 18 designated national nonprofits, often with subgrants to Area Agencies on Aging or other local implementers
Website: <http://www.doleta.gov/recovery>
<http://www.doleta.gov/seniors>
Contact: DOLETA – Senior Community Service Employment Program
(877) 889-5627

Grants:

Job Corps Program

Amount: \$250 million
Type: Competitive grants

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Administrator: U.S. Department of Labor (DOL)
Office of Job Corps

Purpose: The funds will support construction and modernization of a network of residential facilities serving at-risk youth.

Eligible Recipients: Office of Job Corps, for internal priorities

Website: <http://www.dol.gov/dol/topic/training/jobcorps.htm>
<http://www.jobcorps.gov/>

Contact: Job Corps Program
(202) 693-3000

Grants:

Trade Adjustment Assistance for Workers

Amount: Reauthorizes all TAA programs until Dec. 31 2010, increases funding to states by \$575 million nationally

Agency: Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity

Type: Discretionary grants

Description: Fund to help workers at firms who have become (or are threatened to become) fully or partially separated from employment due to trade with foreign countries.

Website: <http://www2.illinoisbiz.biz/econ/default.htm>

Contact: Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity
312-814-7179

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Health

Community Health Centers

The Recovery Act provides a total of \$2 billion for Community Health Centers over the next two years, in order to reduce health care costs by meeting basic health needs for uninsured Americans.

On March 2, President Obama announced the release of \$155 million in Recovery Act funds – the first installment of this \$2 billion appropriation – to support 126 Community Health Centers across the country. These grants totaling \$155 million alone will help provide health services to 750,000 Americans and create 5,500 jobs.

A list of the 126 Community Health Centers receiving this first installment of Recovery Act funding for Community Health Centers can be found at:

<http://www.hhs.gov/recovery/hrsa/applicant.html>

Grants:

Medicaid Federal Matching Assistance Percentage (FMAP) Increase

Amount: \$86.6 billion
Type: Formula grants
Administrator: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)
HHS – Office of Recovery Act Coordination
Purpose: To protect and maintain State Medicaid programs by temporarily increasing Medicaid Federal medical assistance percentage
Eligible Recipients: 50 States and the District of Columbia, with special one-time election provision for territories
Website: <http://www.hhs.gov/recovery/programs/medicaidfmap.html>
Contact: HHS – Office of Recovery Act Coordination
202-619-0257

Grants:

Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA)

Amount: \$2.5 billion
Type: Competitive grants
Administrator: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)
HHS – Office of Recovery Act Coordination
Purpose: To improve the infrastructure of community health centers and address shortages in the health care workforce (FQHCs)
Eligible Recipients: Federally Qualified Community Health Centers (FQHCs)

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Websites: <http://www.hhs.gov/recovery/>
<http://bphc.hrsa.gov/about/apply.htm>

Contact: HHS – Office of Recovery Act Coordination
202-619-0257

Grants: **Community Health Center Services Grants - New Access Point Grants**

Amount: \$155 million

Type: Formula grants

Administrator: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)
HHS – Office of Recovery Act Coordination

Purpose: Funds to create 126 new Community Health Centers.

Eligible Recipients: 126 community-based organizations that submitted highly-rated but unfunded applications to become New Access Points in FY 2008

Website: <http://www.hhs.gov/recovery/hrsa/applicant.html>
<http://bphc.hrsa.gov/recovery/>

Contact: HHS – Office of Recovery Act Coordination
202-619-0257

Grants: **National Health Service Corps**

Amount: \$300 million

Type: Competitive grants and loans

Administrator: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)
HHS – Office of Recovery Act Coordination

Purpose: To fund training for primary healthcare providers in specific health professional in underserved communities

Eligible Recipients: Qualified clinics

Website: <http://nhsc.hrsa.gov/scholarship/apply.htm>
www.hhs.gov/recovery

Contact: HHS – Office of Recovery Act Coordination
202-619-0257

Grants: **Health Care Workforce**

Amount: \$200 million nationally

Office: Bureau of Health Professions

Agency: Health Resources and Services Administration

Type: Competitive Grants, Scholarships, and Loan Repayment

Description: To provide for training of health professions

Website: <http://www.hrsa.gov/help/healthprofessions.htm>
<http://www.hrsa.gov/grants/default.htm>

Contact: 1-877-696-6775

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Grants:

National Institutes of Health (NIH) Office of the Director

Amount: \$8.7 billion
Type: Short-term grants and any funding mechanisms and authorities at the Agency's disposal that maximize scientific and health benefit
Administrator: NIH – Office of the Director
Purpose: To provide funding for specific scientific challenges, new research that expands the scope of ongoing projects, and research on public and international health priorities; and to fund construction and renovation of NIH buildings and facilities
Eligible Recipients: Contact NIH
Website: http://www.nih.gov/about/director/02252009statement_arra.htm
Contact: NIH – Office of the Director
301-496-4000

Grants:

National Institutes of Health (NIH) National Center for Research Resources

Amount: \$1.3 billion
Type: Grants and contracts
Administrator: NIH – Nation Center for Research Resources
Purpose: To repair, renovate or construct extramural research facilities and to acquire shared instrumentation and other research equipment
Eligible Recipients: Contact NIH
Website: http://www.ncrr.nih.gov/the_american_recovery_and_reinvestment_act/
Contact: NIH – National Center for Research Resources
(301) 435-0888

Grants:

Prevention and Wellness Program

Amount: \$1 billion
Type: Competitive grants
Administrator: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)
HHS – Office of Recovery Act Coordination
Purpose: To fight preventable diseases and conditions with evidence-based strategies.
Eligible Recipients: Contact NIH
Website: http://www.ncrr.nih.gov/the_american_recovery_and_reinvestment_act/
Contact: NIH – National Center for Research Resources
(301) 435-0888

Grants:

Comparative Effectiveness Health Research

Amount: \$1.1 billion
Type: Competitive Grants
Administrator: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)

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Agency on Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ)
National Institutes of Health (NIH)

Purpose: To facilitate comparative effectiveness research (CER) used to conduct or support research to evaluate and compare the clinical outcomes, effectiveness, risk and benefits of two or more medical treatments and services that address a particular medical condition

Eligible Recipients: Agencies within HHS; other government agencies; private sector entities with CER experience

Website: <http://www.hhs.gov/recovery/programs/cer/index.html>

Contact: HHS – Office of Recovery Act Coordination
202-619-0257

Grants:

Health Information Technology Grants

Amount: \$2 billion

Type: Competitive Grants

Administrator: Office of the National Coordinator for Health Information Technology (ONCHIT)
Department of Health and Human Services

Purpose: To oversee the development and implementation of a nationwide health information technology (HIT) infrastructure

Eligible Recipients: Consumer advocacy groups and nonprofits that work in the public interest on the Federal adoption of privately developed standards

Website: <http://healthit.hhs.gov/portal/server.pt>

Contact: Office of the National Coordinator for Health Information Technology
Department of Health and Human Services
202-690-7151

Grants:

Health Information Technology Improvements

Amount: \$17 billion

Type: Grant

Administrator: Office of the National Coordinator for Health Information Technology (ONCHIT)
Department of Health and Human Services

Purpose: To improve investments and incentives, through Medicare and Medicaid, to ensure widespread adoption and use of health information technology and electronic health records.

Eligible Recipients: Hospitals and Physicians

Website: <http://healthit.hhs.gov/portal/server.pt>

Contact: Office of the National Coordinator for Health Information Technology
Department of Health and Human Services
202-690-7151

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Grant: **Rural Community Facilities**
Amount: \$130 million
Type: Loans and Block Grants
Administrator: Rural housing service
Purpose: To support grants and loans for critical community facilities in rural communities, such as for healthcare, education, fire and rescue, day care, community centers, and libraries.
Eligible Recipients: Multi-State, regional, private, non-profit 501(c)(3) tax-exempt organizations
Website: <http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/rhs/cf/cp.htm>
Contact: 1-202-720-4323

Grant: **NIH Challenge Grants in Health and Science Research**
Amount: \$200 million
Type: Competitive Grants
Administrator: National Institutes of Health
NIH – Office of the Director
Purpose: Support research on topic areas which address specific scientific and health research challenges that would benefit from significant 2-year jumpstart funds
Eligible Recipients: Domestic research institutions/organizations
Website: http://grants.nih.gov/grants/funding/challenge_award/
<http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-OD-09-003.html>
Contact: NIH - Office of the Director:
301-496-4000
NIH - Office of Extramural Research:
OER-ARRA@mail.nih.gov

Public Safety

Grants: **Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program**
Amount: \$210 million
Type: Competitive Grants
Administrator: Department of Homeland Security (DHS)
DHS - Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)
Purpose: To provide funding for modifying, upgrading or constructing fire stations and nonaffiliated EMS organizations.
Eligible Recipients: Fire stations and nonaffiliated EMS organizations

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Website: <http://www.usfa.dhs.gov/fireservice/grants/afgp/index.shtm>
<http://www.fema.gov/recovery/>

Contact: FEMA - Assistance to Firefighters Grants, help desk
(866) 274-0960

Grants:

Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grants Program

Agency: \$2 billion
Type: Formula Grants
Administrator: Department of Justice (DOJ)
DOJ - Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA)
Purpose: Funds to help states and local governments support activities to prevent and control crime and improve the criminal justice system enforcement.
Eligible Recipients: State and local agencies
Website: <http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/BJA/recoveryJAG/recoveryjag.html>
Contact: BJA - Office of Justice Programs
1-866-859-2687
BJA – Recovery
JAGRecovery@usdoj.gov

Grants:

Byrne Competitive Grants

Amount: \$225 million
Type: Competitive Grants
Administrator: Department of Justice (DOJ)
DOJ - Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA)
Purpose: To provide funding for broad-based public safety prevention, intervention, and suppression activities; law enforcement personnel; community-policing; prosecution and court programs; corrections and community corrections programs; drug treatment and enforcement; planning and evaluation; technology improvements; crime victim and witness programs, etc.
Eligible Recipients: Local, State, and Tribal governments, and non-profit organizations
Website: <http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/BJA/recovery/RecoveryByrne.pdf>
Contact: BJA - Office of Justice Programs
1-866-859-2687
BJA – Recovery
JAGRecovery@usdoj.gov

Grants:

Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) Hiring Grants

Amount: \$1 billion
Type: Competitive Grants
Administrator: U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ)
DOJ - Office of Community Oriented Policing Services

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Purpose: To provide funding for hiring and rehiring of additional career law enforcement officers

Eligible Recipients: Local, State, and federally-recognized Tribal governments, and other multi-jurisdictional or regional consortia

Website: <http://www.cops.usdoj.gov/Default.asp?Item=2108>

Contact: COPS Office Response Center
(800) 421-6770

Grants:

STOP Violence Against Women Program

Amount: \$175 million

Type: Formula funding

Administrator: U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ)
DOJ - Office on Violence Against Women

Purpose: To provide funding for law enforcement, prosecution, and victim services enhancements, such as training public safety and court related personnel, expanding specialized units, enhancing technology, etc.

Eligible Recipients: States, with required local and nonprofit suballocation percentages for various law enforcement and victim services

Website: <http://www.ovw.usdoj.gov/recovery.htm>
http://www.ovw.usdoj.gov/stop_grant_desc.htm

Contact: OVW STOP Unit
(202) 307-6026

Grants:

Transitional Housing Assistance Program

Amount: \$50 million

Type: Competitive Grants

Administrator: U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ)
DOJ - Office on Violence Against Women

Purpose: May be used for transitional housing, short-term housing assistance, support services designed to enable individuals who are fleeing domestic violence, violence, sexual assault, or stalking to locate and secure permanent housing and integrate into a community by providing those individuals with services such as transportation, counseling, child care services, case management, employment counseling, and other assistance.

Eligible Recipients: Local, State, and Tribal governments, and certain qualified nonprofit service providers

Website: <http://www.ovw.usdoj.gov/recovery.htm>
http://www.ovw.usdoj.gov/thousing_grant_desc.htm

Contact: OVW STOP Unit
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Grants:

Victims Assistance and Compensation

Amount: \$100 million
Type: Formula Grants
Administrator: U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ)
DOJ - Office for Victims of Crime
Purpose: To provide services and compensation victims of criminal violence.
Eligible Recipients: States with an established crime victim compensation program
Website: <http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/ovc/fund/Recoveryformula.html>
Contact: DOJ – Office of Victims of Crime
(800) 851-3420

Grants

Rural Law Enforcement

Amount: \$125 million
Type: Competitive Grants
Administrator: Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA)
Purpose: The funding is for grants to combat drug-related crime and other law enforcement activities in rural areas.
Eligible Recipients: Local, State, and Tribal governments, and national, regional and local non-profit organizations
Website: <http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/BJA/recoveryact.html>
<http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/BJA/recovery/RecoveryRuralLE.pdf>
Contact: BJA – Office of Justice Programs
(866) 859-2687

Grants

Assistance for Law Enforcement along the Southern Border and in High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas (HIDTA)

Amount: \$30 million
Type: Competitive Grants
Administrator: Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA)
Purpose: To provide assistance to local law enforcement along the Southwestern border or in High-Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas to combat criminal drug activity.
Eligible Recipients: Local law enforcement
Website: <http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/BJA/recoveryact.html>
<http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/BJA/recovery/RecoverySouthernBorder.pdf>
Contact: BJA – Office of Justice Programs
(866) 859-2687

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Grants:	Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Task Force Program
Amount:	\$50 million
Type:	Competitive Grants
Administrator:	Department of Justice (DOJ) – Office of Justice Programs (OJP) DOJ OJP– Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention
Purpose:	To enhance responses to offenders who use computer technology to sexually exploit children, including forensic and investigative components, training and technical assistance, victim services, and community education.
Eligible Recipients:	Public agencies (including state agencies, units of local government, public universities and colleges, and tribal governments) and private organizations (including faith-based and community organizations)
Website:	http://ojjdp.ncjrs.gov/recoveryact.html http://ojjdp.ncjrs.gov/funding/FundingDetail.asp?fi=121
Contact:	Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (202) 307–5911

Child Care

Grants:	Child Care and Development Fund
Amount:	\$2 billion
Type:	Formula Grants
Administrator:	U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) HHS - Administration for Children and Families
Purpose:	To provide subsidized child care services through vouchers or contracts with providers to low-income working families.
Eligible Recipients:	States
Website:	http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/ccb/law/guidance/current/pi2009-03/pi2009-03.htm
Contact:	Kathleen Penak, Child Care Bureau Regional V Program Manager (312) 353-3270

Grants:	Head Start / Early Start Programs
Amount:	\$2.1 billion was included for Head Start Program funding and the expansion of the Early Head Start Program nationally. \$26,953,151 for Illinois
Type:	States will receive formula funding
Agency:	U.S. Department of Health and Human Services - Administration for Children and Families
Description:	Funding is administered directly to Head Start programs in states to provide

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development, educational, health, nutritional, social and other activities that prepare children to succeed in school.

Website: <http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/ohs/>
Contact: 1-877-696-6775

Grants:

Community Services Block Grant (CSBG)

Amount: \$1 billion was included for Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) nationally. \$47,572,435 for Illinois
Type: States will receive formula funding
Agency: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services -Administration for Children and Families
Description: Provides funding to local community action agencies for services for the growing number of low-income families hurt by the economic crisis, such as housing and mortgage counseling, jobs skills training, food pantry assistance, as well as benefits, outreach, and enrollment.
Website: <http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/ocs/csbg/>
Contact: 1-877-696-6775

Grant:

Rural Community Facilities

Amount: \$130 million nationally
Agency: U.S. Department of Agriculture - State Rural Development Office
Type: Competitive Grants
Description: Funds to support grants and loans to rural areas for critical community facilities, such as for healthcare, education, fire and rescue, day care, community centers, and libraries.
Website: <http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/rhs/cf/cp.htm>
Contact: 1-202-720-4323

Grants:

Education for Homeless Children and Youth

Amount: \$70 million nationally
Agency: Department of Education
Type: Formula funding to States
Description: Funds to provide services to homeless children including meals and transportation when high unemployment and home foreclosures have created an influx of homeless kids.
Website: <http://www.ed.gov/programs/homeless/index.html>
Contact: 1-800-872-5327

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Education

\$400.7 million will be allocated in grants directly to local Illinois school districts using an existing federal formula. An additional \$2.1 billion was given to the state of Illinois through the State Fiscal Stabilization Fund and will be distributed through the State Board of Education (<http://www.isbe.state.il.us>).

Grant:

State Fiscal Stabilization Fund

Amount: \$53.6 billion, \$2.1 billion for Illinois
Administrators: State Governor
Description: To provide fiscal relief to the States to prevent tax increases and cutbacks in critical education and other services.
Website: <http://www.isbe.state.il.us>
<http://www.isbe.net/arra/default.htm>
State Funding Amounts: <http://www.ed.gov/about/overview/budget/statetables/index.html>
Phone number: 217-782-5886

Grant:

IDEA Special Education

Amount: \$12.2 billion , \$506 million for Illinois
Type: States will receive formula funding.
Administrator: State Department of Education
Description: To assist States and school districts with paying for the rising cost of special education for students with disabilities.
Website: <http://www.isbe.state.il.us>
<http://www.isbe.net/arra/default.htm>
State Funding Amounts: <http://www.ed.gov/about/overview/budget/statetables/index.html>
Phone number: 217-782-5589

Grant:

Education for the Disadvantaged

Amount: \$13 billion
Type: States will receive formula funding for Title I of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act.
Description: Provides local educational agencies (LEAs) with supplemental education funding, especially in high-poverty areas.
Website: <http://www.isbe.state.il.us>
<http://www.isbe.net/arra/default.htm>

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State Funding Amounts: <http://www.ed.gov/about/overview/budget/titlei/fy09recovery/index.html>

Grant:

Education Technology

Amount: \$650 million was included for the Enhancing Education through Technology program, \$26.5 million for Illinois
Type: States will receive formula funding
Description: Funds for State, district, and school efforts to integrate technology in the classroom
Website: <http://www.isbe.state.il.us>
<http://www.isbe.net/arra/default.htm>
<http://www.ed.gov/about/overview/budget/statetables/index.html>
Phone: 800-872-5327

Grant:

Vocational Rehabilitation

Amount: \$540 million was included for Vocational Rehabilitation State Grants, \$18.2 million for Illinois
Type: States will receive formula funding
Description: To help individuals with disabilities prepare for and engage in gainful employment.
Website: <http://www.isbe.state.il.us>
<http://www.ed.gov/policy/gen/leg/recovery/index.html>
<http://www.ed.gov/about/overview/budget/statetables/index.html>
Phone: 800-872-5327

Grant:

Teacher Quality Enhancement Competitive State Grants

Amount: \$300 million nationally
Agency: U.S. Department of Education - Office of Postsecondary Education
Type: Competitive grants to states and school districts
Description: \$200 million for competitive grants to school districts and states to provide financial incentives for teachers and principals who raise student achievement.
\$100 million for competitive grants to states to address teacher shortages and modernize the teaching workforce.
Website: <http://www.ed.gov/programs/heatqp/eligibility.html>
Phone number: 800-872-5327

Grant:

Statewide Longitudinal Data Systems Grant Program

Amount: \$250 million was included in competitive grants was provided for the Statewide Longitudinal Data Systems Program.
Agency: Department of Education - Institute of Education Sciences
Type: Competitive Grants to States
Description: Grants to design and develop data systems that analyze individual student data to find ways to improve student achievement.

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Website: <http://nces.ed.gov/programs/slds/>
Phone: 202-502-7300

Grants:

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Amount: \$70 million
Agency: Department of Education
Type: Formula funding to States
Description: Funds to provide services to homeless children including meals and transportation when high unemployment and home foreclosures have created an influx of homeless kids.
Website: <http://www.ed.gov/programs/homeless/index.html>

Higher Education

Grant:

Student Financial Assistance (Pell Grants)

Description: To provide need-based scholarships for undergraduate students.
Type: Students may fill out the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) to determine if they are eligible to receive a Federal Pell Grant or Work-Study funds.
Website: <http://www.ed.gov/programs/fpg/index.html>
<http://www.ed.gov/about/overview/budget/statetables/index.html>
Phone: 800-433-3243

Grant:

College Work Study

Amount: \$200 million, \$10.1 million
Agency: Department of Education - Office of Federal Student Aid
Description: Funding for part-time employment opportunities to assist students in financing the costs of postsecondary education
Type: Formula Grants
Website: <http://www.ed.gov/programs/fws/index.html>
State Funding Amounts: <http://www.ed.gov/about/overview/budget/statetables/index.html>
Phone: 800-433-3243

Grant:

Rural Community Facilities

Amount: \$130 million
Agency: U.S. Department of Agriculture - State Rural Development Office
Type: Competitive Grants

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Description: Funds to support grants and loans to rural areas for critical community facilities, such as for healthcare, education, fire and rescue, day care, community centers, and libraries.

Website: <http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/rhs/cf/cp.htm>

Phone: 217-403-6200, 202-720-4323

Grant:

Independent Living State Grants

Amount: \$18.2 million, \$570,697 for Illinois

Type: States will receive formula funding

Description: To provide independent living (IL) services to individuals with significant disabilities

Website: <http://www.isbe.net/arra/default.htm>

State Funding Amounts: <http://www.ed.gov/about/overview/budget/statetables/index.html>

Rehabilitation Services: <http://www.ed.gov/programs/rsailstate/index.html>

Phone: 202-245-7404

Grant:

Services for Older Individuals who are Blind

Amount: \$34.3 million, \$1.5 million for Illinois

Type: States will receive formula funding

Description: Grants are made to states to support services for individuals age 55 or older whose severe visual impairment makes employment difficult to obtain.

Website: <http://www.isbe.net/arra/default.htm>

State Funding Amounts: <http://www.ed.gov/about/overview/budget/statetables/index.html>

Rehabilitation Services: <http://www.ed.gov/programs/rsailstate/index.html>

Phone: 202-245-7404

Grants:

Education for Homeless Children and Youth

Amount: \$70 million, \$2 million for Illinois

Agency: Department of Education

Type: Formula funding to States

Description: Funds to provide services to homeless children including meals and transportation when high unemployment and home foreclosures have created an influx of homeless kids.

Website: <http://www.ed.gov/programs/homeless/index.html>

Phone: 202-401-0962

Grants:

Historic Preservation Fund for Historically Black Colleges and Universities

Agency: National Park Service

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Funding: \$15 million
Type: Competitive Grants
Description: These funds will be used for historical preservation competitive grants for historically black colleges and universities.
Website: http://recovery.doi.gov/contracts_grants_nav.php
HBCU Grants: <http://www.nps.gov/history/hps/hpg/hbcu/index.htm>
<http://www.grants.gov/>
Phone: 800-518-4726

Arts

Grants:
National Endowment of the Arts Competitive Grants
Agency: National Endowment of the Arts (NEA) - National Foundation on the Arts and Humanities
Amount: \$30 million
Type: Competitive Grants (Matching requirement waived)
Description: Grants to fund arts projects which preserve jobs in the non-profit arts sector threatened by declines in financial support.
Website: www.nea.gov
Helpful Link: <http://www.nea.gov/grants/apply/index.html>
E-mail: frankelr@arts.gov

Food Assistance

Grant:
Supplemental Nutrition Assistance
Amount: \$19.9 billion, \$935.5 million
Type: States will receive formula funding
Agency: Department of Agriculture
Purpose: To supplement State's existing food stamp program.
Description: Funds will temporarily increase benefits provided under the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program and help cover administrative and management costs.
Website: <http://www.fns.usda.gov/fsp/snap.htm>
State Contacts: http://www.fns.usda.gov/fsp/contact_info/hotlines.htm
Phone: 800-843-6154

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Grant:

Senior Nutrition Programs

Amount: \$100 million, \$2.2 million
Type: States will receive formula funding
Agency: Department of Health and Human Services through the Administration on Aging
Purpose: To provide for an additional amount of funds for "Aging Services Programs."
Description: Programs that bring seniors together to eat in group settings and deliver nutritional and dietary safe meals to seniors.
Website: <http://www.aoa.gov/>
Phone: 202- 619-0724

Grant:

School Lunch Program

Amount: \$100 million, \$3.3 million
Type: States will receive formula funding and provide competitive grants within the state
Agency: Department of Agriculture through USDA
Purpose: To carry out a grant program for National School Lunch Program equipment assistance.
Description: Federal school meal program that provides nutritionally balanced, low-cost or free lunches to children each school day.
Website: <http://www.fns.usda.gov/cnd/lunch/>
Phone: 703-305-2286

Grant:

Emergency Food Assistance

Amount: \$150 million, \$3.8 million for Illinois
Type: States will receive formula funding.
Agency: Department of Agriculture
Description: TEFAP provides USDA commodities to states, who distribute food through local emergency food providers.
Purpose: To provide for costs associated with the distribution of commodity foods.
Website: <http://www.fns.usda.gov/fdd/programs/tefap/>
Phone: 217-782-2491

Grant:

Supplemental WIC Nutrition Program

Amount: \$500 million
Type: Allocated as the Secretary deems necessary
Agency: Department of Agriculture through USDA
Description: WIC provides Federal grants to States for supplemental foods, health care referrals, and nutrition education for low-income women, infants, and children who are found to be at nutritional risk.
Purpose: To support participation should cost or participation exceed budget estimates
Website: <http://www.fns.usda.gov/wic/howtoapply/default.htm>
Phone: 800-323-4769

Telecommunications

Grants:

Broadband Technology Opportunities Program

Amount: \$4.7 billion
Agency: National Telecommunications and Information Administration
Description: Grants to provide access to broadband service in underserved areas.
Type: Competitive Grants
Website: <http://www.ntia.doc.gov/otiahome/top/about.html>
Phone: 202-482-2000

Grants:

Distance Learning, Telemedicine, and Broadband

Amount: \$2.5 billion
Agency: USDA: Rural Utility Service
Description: Funding is available through grants, loans and loan guarantees for broadband infrastructure.
Type: Grants and Loans
Website: <http://www.usda.gov/rus/telecom/dlt/dlt.htm>
<http://www.usda.gov/rus/telecom/dlt/2009-program/2009%20DLT%20Toolkit%20.pdf>
Phone: 202-720-9554

Coupon:

Digital TV Conversion Coupon Program

Amount: \$650 million, \$40 coupon available
Agency: Federal Communications Commission
Description: Funds to continue the coupon program to enable American households to convert from analog television transmission to digital transmission. Your TV signal is switching to “digital.” For more than fifty years, TV broadcasters have sent their shows to your TV using “analog” signals. By June 12, full power analog signals will be gone and most of the stations you watch will use only the new digital signals. However your local broadcaster may make the transition before then, and some already have. The converter box will attach to your TV and let you go on getting free TV. With the converter box you can get a better picture and more channels. The antenna you have should work with the box. You can buy a converter box at a retail store. The boxes will cost \$40 to \$70. You can get two \$40 coupons per household from the US Government to help you pay for up to two boxes. (One coupon per box only. Please note that these coupons will expire 90 days after mailing.

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Type: coupons to individuals
Website: <http://www.dtv.gov/>
Phone: 888-225-5322