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President Brunner and Members of the City Council:

RE: Scheduling Reports regarding the City's Progress in Preparing Projects for Funding and Identifying and Applying for Grants from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (the Federal Government's "Stimulus Package") provides \$787 billion of funding and tax credits to help stimulate the American economy. City staff is working diligently on a variety of applications for formula and competitive funding related to the Stimulus Package. In an effort to provide the City Council and the public with the most up-to-date information possible, the Council has created standing items on the Stimulus Package at all Council and Committee meetings. Staff reports providing updates on the individual grants will be added to the 10-day or supplemental agenda packets as information becomes available. These standing items will allow the City Administrator, or staff designated by me, to provide updates to the Council and the public and to facilitate timely action by the City Council.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dan Lindheim", written over a horizontal line.

Dan Lindheim
City Administrator

The Basic Facts On The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act

A SPECIAL CITY BRIEFING

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Introduction

President Barack Obama signed the \$787 billion American Recovery and Reinvestment Act in February 2009. The measure provides funding and incentives in two broad categories (1) direct assistance to states, local governments and non-profits, including funding for special needs programs such as unemployment insurance and Medicaid (\$575 billion) and (2) tax relief (\$212 billion). The funding cuts across a broad spectrum of major federal agencies and programs. The discussion below addresses next steps and identifies select funding opportunities most relevant to cities. Should you have a question related to an area not addressed below, please feel free to contact a member of the firm's Public Policy Group. Finally, should you have an interest in pursuing any funding made available through the ARRA, particularly competitive awards, please also be sure to apprise members of your congressional delegation of your interest and your efforts, so they may assist you.

As articulated by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), funding will be distributed through multiple funding streams. For those interested in receiving funding, Polsinelli recommends that you: (1) begin to monitor the new website www.recovery.gov; (2) begin to monitor and review items to be listed in the Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) at www.cfda.gov as well as www.grants.gov; (3) monitor and identify opportunities using the relevant agency websites; (4) identify and communicate with relevant program offices and personnel in the state, regional and national offices administering programs of interest to you; and (5) continue to engage your national industry associations, such as the U.S. Conference of Mayors, National League of Cities, Water Infrastructure Network, American Public Transportation Association (APTA) and others.

OVERVIEW OF NEXT STEPS AS IDENTIFIED BY OMB

FOR THE SPENDING: After the President signs the Recovery Act into law, OMB and Treasury will quickly make the funding provided in the Act available to agencies. Contracts, loan, grants and cooperative agreements have different agency notice requirements. For instance, in making awards via grants and cooperative agreements (versus loans and contracts), federal agencies must comply with the following:

- Within twenty (20) days after enactment of the Recovery Act, agencies shall post funding opportunity announcements (i.e., "synopses") to Grants.gov;
- Within thirty (30) days of enactment, the Grants.gov synopsis shall link to the full announcement on the agency website;
- Information shall include prominent labels and tags in funding opportunity synopses, full funding opportunity announcements, and award notices that clearly distinguish them as "Recovery Act" actions

Federal agencies will allocate these funds in five primary ways:

By Formula. Certain funds in the Act are allocated by a formula – usually set in law – to States and localities. Examples include:

- Medicaid (Federal Medicaid Assistance Percentage payments)
- State Fiscal Stabilization Fund
- Highway Infrastructure Investment

By Competition. Other programs allocate funding through competitive solicitations. In the coming weeks, agencies will distribute requests for proposals and convene panels to evaluate applications. Examples of agencies and programs that have or will hold such competitions include:

- National Institutes of Health
- National Science Foundation
- Broadband program

OVERVIEW OF NEXT STEPS AS IDENTIFIED BY OMB (CONTINUED)

By Demand. Some programs respond directly to demand from eligible individuals, including:

- Premium Subsidies for COBRA Continuation Coverage
- Unemployment Insurance
- Education Pell Grants
- Food Stamps
- Small Business Loans

By One-Time Automatic Disbursement. The Recovery act includes some one time benefits, such as payments of \$250 to Social Security, Veterans and Supplemental Security Income beneficiaries.

By Agency Plan. Many programs in the Act allocate funding according to public operating and spending plans. These programs include:

- Environmental cleanup of nuclear waste sites
- National Parks construction
- Defense and Veterans infrastructure programs

FOR THE TAX CUTS: Many of the tax provisions in the Act will quickly take effect providing relief to taxpayers and businesses across the country.

Through **Recovery.gov**, the public will be able to track spending from the Act. Current estimates are that three-fourths of the spending and tax cuts will occur within 18 months of enactment. Additionally, federal agencies are subject to periodic reporting requirements as outlined in the OMB chart below.

| Section | OMB Reporting Requirement | Period |
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| 2.2 | Major communications | Immediate/Ongoing |
| 2.3 | Formula block grant allocation reports | Immediate/Ongoing |
| 2.4 | Initial weekly reports to help populate early phases of Recovery.gov | 3/3/09 – 5/12/09 |
| 2.5 | Monthly financial reports | Starting 5/8/09 |
| 2.6 | Award-level reporting consistent with what is currently required for USAspending.gov | Starting 5/5/09 |
| 2.7 | Agency-wide Recovery Act plans | NLT 5/1/09 |
| 2.8 | Program-specific Recovery Act plans | NLT 5/1/09 |
| 2.9 | Recipient reporting | Starting 7/10/09 |

Title I -

Agriculture/Rural Development/ Food and Drug Administration

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

- Distance Learning, Telemedicine and Broadband

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| Program Description | Supports broadband infrastructure in rural communities via grants, loans and loan guarantees, under the Rural Utilities Service program |
| Funding Available | \$2.5 billion |
| Who Will Make Award | Secretary of Agriculture |
| Eligible Organizations | Those who are eligible under the RUS Broadband Loan Program, including State or local governments that have authority and capacity to own and operate broadband facilities. |
| Distribution Method | Grants, loans and loan guarantees |
| Next Steps | Secretary of Agriculture will issue a report and spending plan within 90 days of enactment of the Act |

- RUS Rural Water and Waste Disposal Program

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| Program Description | A combination of loans and grants for rural waste disposal, waste water and waste facilities projects. |
| Funding Available | \$1.38 billion in new budget authority, bringing total funding to \$3.8 billion |
| Who Will Make Award | RUS |
| Eligible Organizations | Municipalities, counties, and other public entities |
| Distribution Method | Loans and grants |
| Next Steps | N/A |

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE (CONTINUED)

- Women, Infants and Children (WIC) Nutrition Program

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| Program Description | The Special Supplemental Nutrition program authorized under Section 17 of the Child Nutrition Act of 1966, targeting low-income families. There are 90 WIC State agencies – 50 state health departments, 34 Tribal governments, the District of Columbia, and five territories – and approximately 46,000 authorized retailers. The program operates through 2,000 local agencies in 10,000 sites |
| Funding Available | \$500 million |
| Who Will Make Award | Secretary of Agriculture |
| Eligible Organizations | Local health or human service entities |
| Distribution Method | Non-competitive Grant |
| Next Steps | Contact relevant program office and access agency guidance |

- Commodity Assistance Program

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| Program Description | Emergency Food Assistance |
| Funding Available | \$150 million |
| Who Will Make Award | Secretary of Agriculture |
| Eligible Organizations | States with sub-allocations to public and non-profit entities that provide food assistance to the needy |
| Distribution Method | Grants to States |
| Next Steps | Contact your State office |

Temporary Assistance for Needy Families, Supplemental Nutrition Assistance, Afterschool Meals and Senior Nutrition

In addition to the programs referenced above, ARRA provides --

- \$3 billion for Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF), a State block grant program that provides welfare assistance to eligible low-income families
- \$20 billion for the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP—the former Food Stamp program), which is administered at by the States. Most of the funding for SNAP will be used to increase maximum food stamp benefits by 13.6 percent. About 14 million food stamp households, containing more than 31 million individuals will benefit from the increase
- \$100 million for Afterschool Meals, including the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP), which is a direct local reimbursement program that provides nutrition assistance for young children and adults receiving day care
- \$100 million for the Senior Nutrition Programs, which is a direct stat formula grant program that provides nutrition services to elderly populations, e.g. Meals on Wheels

Title II -

Commerce/Justice/Science and Related Agencies

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

- Economic Development Assistance Program

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| Program Description | To support economic development in distressed communities |
| Funding Available | \$150 million, of which \$50 million is provided for economic adjustment assistance |
| Who Will Make Award | The Economic Development Administration (EDA) |
| Eligible Organizations | Municipalities, States, political subdivisions of a State, and certain not-for-profits, and Indian tribes, or consortia of Indian tribes. |
| Distribution Method | Competitive proposal |
| Next Steps | Prepare to submit an Investment Assistance proposal to EDA. Check the website for guidance and/or contact the relevant program officer |

Note: Of the \$50 million made available for economic adjustment assistance, the bill provides that "the Secretary of Commerce shall give priority consideration to areas of the Nation that have experienced sudden and severe economic dislocation and job loss due to corporate restructuring."

- The Bureau of the Census

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| Program Description | For periodic censuses and related programs |
| Funding Available | \$1 billion through September 30, 2010 |
| Who Will Make Award | The Bureau of the Census |
| Eligible Organizations | To be determined |
| Distribution Method | Not-specified |
| Next Steps | Monitor Bureau's website and Recovery.gov for additional information |

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE (CONTINUED)

- National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) - Broadband Technology Opportunities Program (TOP)

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| Program Description | To provide greater access to broadband services across the country, and to establish a broadband inventory map |
| Funding Available | \$4.7 billion of which \$4.35 billion is for specific purposes related to expanding public computer center capacity, community colleges, public libraries and other activities |
| Who Will Make Award | The National Telecommunications and Information Administration (to some extent in consultation with the Federal Communications Commission) |
| Eligible Organizations | Municipalities, States, political subdivisions of a State, not-for-profits, and Indian tribes, or consortia of Indian tribes, community colleges, libraries, broadband service providers and others determined eligible by the Secretary. |
| Distribution Method | Competitive grants |
| Next Steps | Monitor the Department of Commerce and NTIA websites for information related to eligibility, competitive criteria and how the funding will be awarded |

- NTIA – Digital-to-Analog Converter Box Program

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| Program Description | To assist consumers in the transition from analog to digital television |
| Funding Available | \$650 million, of which \$90 million is reserved for education and outreach including grants to programs that educate vulnerable populations, including senior citizens, minority and low-income communities, and persons with disabilities |
| Who Will Make Award | NTIA |
| Eligible Organizations | Consumers/the public |
| Distribution Method | Coupons will be mailed directly to households, while the funding for education and outreach most likely will be awarded as grants; more specific details probably will be released within 20 days of enactment |
| Next Steps | Continue to monitor the NTIA website |

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

- Office of Violence Against Women – Violence Against Women Prevention and Prosecution Programs

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| Program Description | To support grants to combat violence against women as authorized by Part T of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. 379gg et seq.) |
| Funding Available | \$225 million, of which \$50 million shall be for transitional housing for victims of domestic violence, stalking or sexual assault |
| Who Will Make Award | Office of Violence Against Women |
| Eligible Organizations | Municipalities, States, political subdivisions of a State, and certain not-for-profits, and Tribal governments. |
| Distribution Method | Formula (with the States making sub-allocations to local governments and non-profits); and for the transitional housing component, those funds most likely will be made competitively |
| Next Steps | Contact appropriate state and federal program offices and monitor the DOJ/ Office of Violence Against Women website |

- Office of Justice Programs – State and Local Law Enforcement Assistance (Edward Byrne Formula Grants)

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| Program Description | To support state and local law enforcement and public safety efforts. Funds may be used for prevention, intervention, personnel, equipment, facilities, community policing and many other activities |
| Funding Available | \$2 billion |
| Who Will Make Award | Office of Justice Programs/Bureau of Justice Assistance |
| Eligible Organizations | States and local law enforcement agencies |
| Distribution Method | Formula – 40 percent of the Byrne Justice Assistance Grants (JAG) allocation goes directly from the Justice Department's Bureau of Justice Assistance to local law enforcement agencies by formulas based on the FBI's Uniform Crime Code. Of the other 60 percent passing through the States, 62 percent goes directly to local law enforcement agencies. |
| Next Steps | Eligible entities will probably be notified by the appropriate federal program office. However, please feel free to contact the DC office that administers the program as well to ensure compliance with any application requirements. |

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE (CONTINUED)

- Office for Victims of Crime

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| Program Description | To assist victims of crime, including certain compensation |
| Funding Available | \$100 million |
| Who Will Make Award | Office for Victims of Crime |
| Eligible Organizations | States with established victim assistance and compensation programs |
| Distribution Method | Formula |
| Next Steps | Contact the appropriate State office |

- Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC)

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| Program Description | To help prevent the exploitation of children via the Internet |
| Funding Available | \$50 million |
| Who Will Make Award | Office of Justice Programs |
| Eligible Organizations | State and local governments, including prosecutors |
| Distribution Method | Competitive or Formula, not clear |
| Next Steps | Monitor the appropriate agency website, Grants.gov, Recovery.gov and the Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance, and contact the appropriate DC program office to ascertain timing and guidelines |

- Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS)

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| Program Description | To support the hiring of law enforcement officers |
| Funding Available | \$1 billion |
| Who Will Make Award | The COPS Office at DOJ |
| Eligible Organizations | Municipalities, States, political subdivisions of a State, and Indian tribes, or select consortia |
| Distribution Method | Competitive – ARRA waives both the \$75,000 per officer cap and the 25 percent match. Funds may be used for hiring and rehiring law enforcement officers |
| Next Steps | Monitor COPS website at DOJ, Grants.gov, Recovery.gov and CFDA.gov, in addition to contacting the appropriate program office in Washington to ascertain funding availability and competitive guidelines |

Title IV -

Energy & Water Development/ Department of Defense

CIVIL ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS

- Construction

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| Program Description | To support authorized Army Corps projects, including water-related environmental infrastructure assistance |
| Funding Available | \$2 billion, of which \$200 million is available for water-related environmental infrastructure assistance |
| Who Will Make Award | Secretary of the Army |
| Eligible Organizations | Army Corps projects that typically receive appropriations from the Energy and Water Appropriations subcommittee and which can be completed without requiring any new budget authority |
| Distribution Method | Neither formula nor competitive, based on discretionary allocations to Corps approved projects |
| Next Steps | Secretary must submit a report to the House and Senate Appropriations Committees, within 45 days of the enactment of the ARRA, detailing how he will allocate, obligate and expend these funds. Move quickly to assess whether you have a project on the Corps' list that can be completed without new budget authority. Contact your senior District or Regional Corps representative for guidance |

- Operation and Maintenance

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| Program Description | Additional funding for the Corps Operation and Maintenance efforts, e.g. levees and other activities |
| Funding Available | \$2.07 billion |
| Who Will Make Award | Secretary of the Army |
| Eligible Organizations | Army Corps projects that typically receive appropriations from the Energy and Water Appropriations subcommittee and which can be completed without requiring any new budget authority |
| Distribution Method | Neither formula nor competitive, based on discretionary allocations to Corps approved projects |
| Next Steps | Secretary must submit a report to the House and Senate Appropriations Committees, within 45 days of the enactment of the ARRA, detailing how he will allocate, obligate and expend these funds. Move quickly to assess whether you have a project on the Corps' list that can be completed without new budget authority. Contact your senior District or Regional Corps representative for guidance |

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

The ARRA provides \$16.8 billion for Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy (OEERE) and \$4.5 billion for Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability. Both are discussed below, along with other items of interest including Weatherization Assistance, the State Energy Program and Advanced Battery Manufacturing.

- Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy – Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant (EECBG)

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| Program Description | To assist State, local and Tribal governments with their efforts to reduce carbon emissions, by supporting efforts related to retrofitting buildings, building codes, transportation initiatives and more. Supported by the U.S. Conference of Mayors, EECBG is a new program established in the 2007 Energy Act (EISA) |
| Funding Available | \$3.2 billion (\$2.8 billion is formula and \$400 million is competitive) |
| Who Will Make Award | Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy |
| Eligible Organizations | States (28 percent of formula funding – with a 60 percent pass through to cities and counties), eligible units of local government (68 percent of formula), and Indian Tribes (2 percent of formula) |
| Distribution Method | Formula and Competitive |
| Next Steps | Continue consultation with the U.S. Conference of Mayors and monitor the appropriate agency website, Grants.gov, Recovery.gov and the Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance for proper guidance |

- Weatherization Assistance

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| Program Description | To help reduce the energy bills of low-income households (those with an income of 150 percent of poverty or less) via energy efficiency improvements, including insulation of attics |
| Funding Available | \$5 billion |
| Who Will Make Award | States for sub-allocations to local agencies |
| Eligible Organizations | States and Tribal governments |
| Distribution Method | Formula |
| Next Steps | Contact the appropriate State office |

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY (CONTINUED)

- State Energy Program

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|-------------------------------|---|
| Program Description | Assistance to States for energy assistance and conservation strategies and programs |
| Funding Available | \$3.1 billion |
| Who Will Make Award | States through the appropriate energy office |
| Eligible Organizations | State determination |
| Distribution Method | Formula and competitive grants |
| Next Steps | Contact the appropriate State office |

- Advanced Battery Manufacturing

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| Program Description | To support the manufacturing of advanced battery systems and vehicle batteries, including lithium ion batteries, hybrid electrical systems, software designers and other applications |
| Funding Available | \$2 billion |
| Who Will Make Award | Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy |
| Eligible Organizations | Manufacturers of batteries and possibly others TBD |
| Distribution Method | Competitive |
| Next Steps | Monitor appropriate websites and contact OEERE for additional information |

- Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability

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| Program Description | To help modernize the electric grid, including demand responsive equipment, energy storage research, development, demonstration, deployment and worker training and recruitment |
| Funding Available | \$4.5 billion (\$100 million for worker training and \$10 million for interoperability) |
| Who Will Make Award | Office of Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability |
| Eligible Organizations | Broad eligibility anticipated, depending on the program |
| Distribution Method | To be determined |
| Next Steps | Monitor the appropriate agency website, Grants.gov, Recovery.gov and the Catalog of Federal for further and timely guidance on this program. Also feel free to contact the appropriate DC program office |

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY (CONTINUED)

- Fossil Energy Research and Development

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| Program Description | To promote research and development related to fossil energy |
| Funding Available | \$3.4 billion |
| Who Will Make Award | Office of Fossil Energy |
| Eligible Organizations | Unclear |
| Distribution Method | N/A |
| Next Steps | N/A |

- Innovative Technology Loan Guarantee Program [Also, please see Section 1705 the ARRA – Temporary Program for Rapid Deployment of Renewable Energy and Electric Power Transmission Projects]

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| Program Description | Loan guarantee program promoting the development of innovative energy technology |
| Funding Available | \$6 billion in credit subsidy to cover up to \$60 billion in loans |
| Who Will Make Award | Secretary of Energy |
| Eligible Organizations | Companies and entities needing capital for technology development efforts related to biofuels, renewable energy, transmission systems and much more |
| Distribution Method | Competitive guaranteed loan, not to exceed \$500 million |
| Next Steps | Monitor the appropriate agency website, Grants.gov, Recovery.gov and the Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance, or contact the Department of Energy for further guidance |

Title V - Financial Services/ General Government

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

- Community Development Financial Institutions (CDFI) Fund

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| Program Description | To provide additional funding to support the Community Development Financial Institutions Fund, during the FY09 cycle. Funds may be used for community and economic development, homeowner assistance, and financial services in under-served communities |
| Funding Available | \$100 million |
| Who Will Make Award | CDFI Fund |
| Eligible Organizations | CDFIs or other certified community development organizations |
| Distribution Method | Competitive |
| Next Steps | Monitor activities at the Department of Treasury, which is required to submit a plan to the House and Senate Appropriations Committees within 60 days of the enactment of ARRA |

Title VI - Homeland Security

DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

- FEMA – State and Local Port Security Programs

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| Program Description | Funding is provided for the protection of critical port infrastructure, training, risk management and other activities |
| Funding Available | \$150 million |
| Who Will Make Award | Federal Emergency Management Agency |
| Eligible Organizations | Ports (authorities, owners and operators, and consortia of stakeholders) |
| Distribution Method | Discretionary, Competitive |
| Next Steps | Contact FEMA to assess eligibility and participation in the agency's invitation process |

- FEMA – Fire Assistance Grants

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| Program Description | For modifying, upgrading, or constructing non-federal fire stations |
| Funding Available | \$210 million |
| Who Will Make Award | Federal Emergency Management Agency |
| Eligible Organizations | Non-federal Fire Departments and local governments |
| Distribution Method | Competitive – no individual grant to exceed \$15 million |
| Next Steps | Monitor FEMA websites and other information websites, Grants.gov, Recovery.gov and CFDA. Gov, along with contacting the appropriate FEMA office |

Title VII - Interior/Environment and Related Agencies

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

- State and Tribal Assistance Grants: State Revolving Funds

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| Program Description | Funding is provided to support both the Clean Water State Revolving Fund and Safe Drinking Water Revolving Fund |
| Funding Available | \$6 billion |
| Who Will Make Award | EPA Administrator |
| Eligible Organizations | States |
| Distribution Method | Formula, with distribution to other units of government; 50 percent is reserved for grants to support principal forgiveness, grants and negative interest loans; and 20 percent for green infrastructure |
| Next Steps | Contact the appropriate office in your state |

- State and Tribal Assistance Grants: Brownfields

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| Program Description | To carryout Brownfields projects authorized by section 104(k) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 |
| Funding Available | \$100 million |
| Who Will Make Award | EPA, Office of Brownfields and Land Revitalization |
| Eligible Organizations | State, local and Tribal governments, non-profits, individuals, colleges and universities, industry and quasi-governmental authorities |
| Distribution Method | According to the US Conference of Mayors, EPA currently is in the middle of a Brownfields grant cycle for assessment and cleanup funds (applications were due in November). EPA is planning to utilize the ARRA funds to fund additional qualified applicants who submitted requests in November. If the agency does not have enough quality applications in this current round, it will go back to past qualified applications that were not funded due to lack of funds |
| Next Steps | Please see note above, related to distribution method |

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY (CONTINUED)

- Diesel Emission Reduction Act Grants

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| Program Description | Funding is provided to support Diesel Emission Reduction Act (DERA) grants pursuant to Title VII, subtitle G of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 |
| Funding Available | \$300 million |
| Who Will Make Award | EPA |
| Eligible Organizations | State, local, regional, Tribal, port, school districts, MPOs and other agencies with jurisdiction over transportation and air quality tied to use of diesel fleets, and certain non-profits |
| Distribution Method | Competitive, project grants |
| Next Steps | Monitor EPA and other government grant websites to access guidelines |

Title VIII - Labor/Health and Human Services/ Education and Related Agencies

DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

- Training and Employment Services

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| Program Description | To support "Training and Employment Services" for activities under the Workforce Investment Act (WIA) of 1998 for adult, youth, dislocated workers, Youthbuild, and high growth and emerging industry sectors. In most instances, funds are awarded to States based on a formula with an 85 percent sub-allocation to local WIA Boards (including authority to award a contract to an institution of higher education or another eligible training provider) |
| Funding Available | \$3.95 billion |
| Who Will Make Award | Employment and Training Administration |
| Eligible Organizations | See discussion below |
| Distribution Method | Formula and competitive, discretionary awards |
| Next Steps | Consult with your local Workforce Investment Board and monitor agency and federal information websites |

| Program Name | Adult Employment and Training - Workforce Investment Act | Youth (16-24, including summer youth employment) |
|----------------------------|---|---|
| Funding Available | \$500 million | \$1.2 billion |
| Distribution Method | Formula | Formula |

| Program Name | Dislocated Workers | Dislocated National Reserve Assistance |
|----------------------------|---------------------------|---|
| Funding Available | \$1.25 billion | \$200 million |
| Distribution Method | Formula | TBD |

DEPARTMENT OF LABOR (CONTINUED)

- Training and Employment Services (*continued*)

| Program Name | YouthBuild (Discretionary) | High-Growth and Emerging Industry Training and Placement |
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| Program Description | A program to support the training of youth in the construction industry | Competitive grants for worker training and placement in high growth and emerging industry sectors, with a focus on green jobs |
| Funding Available | \$50 million | \$750 million, with \$500 million reserved for research, labor exchange and job training projects that prepare workers for careers in energy efficiency and renewable energy. Priority also is given for programs that prepare workers for careers in the health care sector |
| Eligible Organizations | Non-profits | TBD, most likely a broad listing |
| Distribution Method | Formula | Competitive |

- Community Service Employment for Older Americans

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| Program Description | To carry out the purposes of Title V of the Older American Act, including community service and work-based training for persons over 55 |
| Funding Available | \$120 million |
| Who Will Make Award | ETA |
| Eligible Organizations | States and certain designated non-profits, with subgrants to local providers |
| Distribution Method | Formula |
| Next Steps | Monitor agency guidance and websites, Grants.gov, Recovery.gov and CFDA.gov |

- Job Corps Centers

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| Program Description | To support construction, rehabilitation, and acquisition of Job Corps Centers. The Secretary of Labor may transfer up to 15 percent of the funds to meet the operational needs of Centers; this may include training for careers in the energy efficiency, renewable energy, and environmental protection industries |
| Funding Available | \$250 million |
| Who Will Make Award | ETA |
| Eligible Organizations | Job Corps |
| Distribution Method | Discretionary through the Job Corps Office |
| Next Steps | Contact the Job Corps Office in Washington |

DEPARTMENT OF LABOR (CONTINUED)

- State Unemployment Insurance

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| Program Description | To support State unemployment operations, including re-employment services |
| Funding Available | \$400 million, of which \$250 million is available for re-employment services |
| Who Will Make Award | ETA |
| Eligible Organizations | States |
| Distribution Method | Formula |
| Next Steps | N/A |

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

- Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA)

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| Program Description | Funding to support three programmatic areas, including grants to health centers, construction, renovation and equipment, and for the acquisition of health information technology systems |
| Funding Available | \$2.5 billion (\$500 million for health centers; \$1.5 million for construction, renovation and HIT; and \$500 million for health professions workforce shortages) |
| Who Will Make Award | Secretary of Health and Human Services |
| Eligible Organizations | Federally Qualified Health Centers, not clear if FQHC look-alikes are also eligible |
| Distribution Method | TBD |
| Next Steps | FQHCs should be notified, otherwise contact the appropriate DC office and monitor appropriate websites and information channels |

- Administration for Children and Families Payments to States for the Child Care and Development Block Grant

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| Program Description | Funding to States to support formula block grants that will result in child care services for an additional 300,000 children in low-income working families |
| Funding Available | \$2 billion |
| Who Will Make Award | Secretary of Health and Human Services |
| Eligible Organizations | States |
| Distribution Method | Formula |
| Next Steps | Contact the appropriate State office |

- Administration for Children and Families – Children and Families Services Program

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| Program Description | Funding to support three programmatic areas, including Head Start, Early Head Start, Community Services Block Grants (CSBG), and other efforts |
| Funding Available | \$3.15 billion (\$1 billion for Head Start; \$1 billion for Early Head Start; \$1 billion for CSBG; and \$50 million for carrying out activities under section 1110 of the Social Security Act) |
| Who Will Make Award | Secretary of Health and Human Services |
| Eligible Organizations | Depends on program component – States, Tribal government, Qualified Health Centers, not clear if FQHC Look-alikes are also eligible |
| Distribution Method | Formula, with subgrants and suballocations |
| Next Steps | Contact the appropriate State office |

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES (CONTINUED)

- Prevention and Wellness Fund

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| Program Description | To promote prevention, disease reduction and wellness with evidence-based strategies, with a focus on CDC, immunization, and clinical and community-based efforts |
| Funding Available | \$1 billion |
| Who Will Make Award | Secretary of Health and Human Services |
| Eligible Organizations | Not clear, States are eligible, and community organizations and local governments most likely will be eligible, along with others |
| Distribution Method | TBD |
| Next Steps | Continue to monitor agency and federal website for further guidance; seek assistance from congressional delegation |

- Administration on Aging

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| Program Description | To provide congregate, home-delivered and other nutrition services to elderly persons, including a targeted focus on Native Americans |
| Funding Available | \$100 million |
| Who Will Make Award | Administration on Aging |
| Eligible Organizations | Those authorized under Title VI of the Older Americans Act of 1965 |
| Distribution Method | Grants |
| Next Steps | Monitor agency and other relevant websites for guidelines and grant announcement; contact the agency also for additional information |

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

- K-12

Funding to support Title I (Education for the Disadvantaged), Impact Aid, School Improvement, Innovation and Improvement, and Special Education. Please see the chart below.

| Program Name | Title I | Impact Aid | School Improvement | Innovation and Improvement | Special Education |
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| Funding Available | \$10 billion | \$100 million | \$3 billion including \$650 million for technology and \$70 million homeless students | \$200 million for performance-based enhanced compensation of teachers and principals | \$12.2 billion for three programs under the Individuals with Disabilities Act, Parts B and C |
| Who Will Make Award | State Education Agencies (SEAs) | Elementary and Secondary Education Office (OESE) | OESE | OESE | Office of Special Education Programs |
| Eligible Organizations | Local Education Agencies (LEAs) | LEAs, with a focus on students in communities connected to the military | LEAs | LEAs, SEAs, non-profits, and others | States, with a subgrant to LEAs |
| Distribution Method | Formula | Discretionary grants | Formula | Discretionary grants | Grants to States |

Note: In addition to providing funding for the programs referenced above, the ARRA provides \$680 million for Rehabilitation Services and Disability Research, supporting vocational rehabilitation, independent living and services for older blind Americans

- Higher Education and AmeriCorps

| Program Name | Title IV - Pell Grants | Student Aid Administration | Title II - Teacher Quality | Institute of Education Sciences | Corporation for National and Community Service |
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| Funding Available | \$15.64 billion | \$60 million | \$100 million | \$250 million | \$160 million |
| Who Will Make Award | Office of Federal Student Aid | N/A | Office of Postsecondary Education | Office of Postsecondary Education | Corporation for National & Community Service |
| Eligible Organizations | Available to undergraduate and graduate students | Office of Student Aid Administration | Institutions of higher education, state and local governments, & others | States | A little over half (\$89 million is reserved for existing AmeriCorps grantees) |
| Distribution Method | Based on need | N/A | Discretionary, competitive | Discretionary, competitive | Discretionary |

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION (CONTINUED)

- State Fiscal Stabilization Fund – (Title XIV of the ARRA)

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| Program Description | To provide general fiscal relief for public schools (K-12) and institutions of higher education, and other activities |
| Funding Available | \$53.6 billion |
| Who Will Make Award | Department of Education/Office of the Secretary |
| Eligible Organizations | States |
| Distribution Method | Formula (based on State population and students enrolled) and Competitive (\$5 billion for Incentive and Innovation grants) |
| Next Steps | Governors must submit applications for funding and funds not committed within 2 years will be re-obligated; 81.8 percent (\$39.54 billion) of formula funding must support elementary, secondary and higher education; the other 18.2 percent (\$8.8 billion) should be used for public safety and other government services (these funds may also be used for repair, renovation and modernization of education facilities) |

Title XII - Transportation/Housing and Urban Development and Related Agencies

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

- Office of the Secretary -- Supplemental Discretionary Grants for a National Surface Transportation System

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| Program Description | Discretionary grant funding is provided for projects that have a significant impact on the Nation, a metropolitan area, or a region |
| Funding Available | \$1.5 billion |
| Who Will Make Award | Secretary of Transportation |
| Eligible Organizations | States, municipalities and transit authorities for numerous types of projects, including highway, bridge, port infrastructure improvements, passenger freight rail, and transit |
| Distribution Method | Competitive grants. Funds available through September 30, 2011; not less than \$20 million and not more than \$300 million; up to 100 percent federal share |
| Next Steps | Monitor appropriate agency and federal websites; DOT shall publish grant criteria no later than 90 days after enactment |

- Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) – Supplemental Funding for Facilities and Equipment

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| Program Description | Supplemental investment in aviation infrastructure |
| Funding Available | \$200 million |
| Who Will Make Award | FAA |
| Eligible Organizations | Airports |
| Distribution Method | Competitive grants, priority given to projects that can be completed within 2 years |
| Next Steps | Administration shall publish the process by which awards will be made within 60 days of enactment of ARRA |

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (CONTINUED)

- Grants-in-aid for Airports

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| Program Description | Supports airport improvements, including runway incursion prevention devices and systems |
| Funding Available | \$1.1 billion |
| Who Will Make Award | Secretary/FAA |
| Eligible Organizations | Airports |
| Distribution Method | Discretionary grants, federal share up to 100 percent |
| Next Steps | 50 percent of funding shall be distributed within 120 days of enactment and the balance within 1 year of enactment; priority given to projects that can be completed in 2 years |

- Federal Highway Administration – Highway Infrastructure Investment

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| Program Description | To fund surface transportation improvements and repairs eligible under the Surface Transportation Program (STP), including passenger and freight rail, port infrastructure, highway and transit research, federal-aid roads, capital operating costs for traffic monitoring, and much more |
| Funding Available | \$27.5 billion, including STP Local Area funding of \$8 billion |
| Who Will Make Award | U.S. Department of Transportation/FHWA, with grants to State Agencies and MPOs |
| Eligible Organizations | State Departments of Transportation and Metropolitan Planning Organizations, a project must be on the relevant metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) or Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) |
| Distribution Method | ARRA funds will be distributed through formula directly to the states which, in turn, will sub-allocate 30 percent of the funding by population. Of each state's apportionment, 3 percent must be reserved for transportation enhancements |
| Next Steps | Make sure your project is on the TIP or STIP list, or seek clarification via the amendment process. State apportionments must be made within 21 days of ARRA's enactment, and states have 120 days after apportionment to obligate the first 50 percent of their highway funds. Once a local area receives funding, it has one year to obligate the funds. There are no federal matching requirements; \$20 million reserved for disadvantaged business bonding assistance |

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (CONTINUED)

- Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) – High Speed Rail & Intercity Passenger Rail Service

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| Program Description | Funding will support high speed rail and intercity passenger rail capital projects |
| Funding Available | \$8 billion |
| Who Will Make Award | Department of Transportation/Federal Railroad Administration |
| Eligible Organizations | States |
| Distribution Method | 100 percent federal funding for discretionary grants; within 60 days of enactment, DOT/FRA will submit a strategic plan to the House and Senate Appropriations Committees; within 120 days, the agency shall issue an interim guidance to applicants; funding remains available through September 30, 2012; high-speed passenger rail service projects get priority |
| Next Steps | Contact the State (the State should be in touch with FRA) and monitor relevant agency and federal websites |

- Amtrak

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| Program Description | Funding for the repair, rehabilitation, or upgrade of Amtrak assets and infrastructure |
| Funding Available | \$1.3 billion, of which \$450 million is available for capital security grants \$850 million |
| Who Will Make Award | Department of Transportation/Federal Railroad Administration |
| Eligible Organizations | Amtrak |
| Distribution Method | Priority given to repair, rehabilitation, and upgrades; funds may not be used to subsidize operating losses; and not more than 60 percent of non-security funding can be used along the Northeast corridor |
| Next Steps | N/A |

- Federal Transit Administration (FTA)

| Program Name | Transit Capital Assistance | Fixed Guideway | Capital Investment Grants |
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| Funding Available | \$6.9 billion | \$750 million | \$750 million |
| Who Will Make Award | DOT/FTA/Secretary | DOT/FTA/Secretary | DOT/FTA/Secretary |
| Eligible Organizations | State Departments, Transit Agencies | Transit Agencies and State Transportation Agencies | Transit Agencies and related bodies |
| Distribution Method | Formula | Fixed Guideway Formula | Priority given to projects under construction that can be obligated within 150 days |

DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (HUD)

- Public Housing Capital Fund

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| Program Description | To support public housing renovation, modernization, financing and related efforts |
| Funding Available | \$4 billion |
| Who Will Make Award | Secretary/Public and Indian Housing Office |
| Eligible Organizations | States |
| Distribution Method | Formula (\$3 billion – based on 2008 guidelines and amounts) and Competitive (\$1 billion – for priority investments, including investments that leverage private sector funding), except the Secretary may determine not to allocate funding to PHAs currently designated as troubled or PHAs that elect not to participate |
| Next Steps | HUD must obligate formula funds within 30 days of enactment and must obligate competitive grants by September 30, 2009. Contact the Office of Public and Indian Housing, or your HUD Regional office, and monitor relevant websites |

- Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)

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| Program Description | To support the CDBG program |
| Funding Available | \$1 billion |
| Who Will Make Award | HUD Secretary and the Office of Community Planning and Development |
| Eligible Organizations | Grantees/communities that received funding in 2008 |
| Distribution Method | FY2008 Formula |
| Next Steps | Grantees must give priority to projects that can award contracts based on bids within 120 days of the date on which funds are made available to them. HUD will develop requirements to expedite the use of funds, including waiving certain program requirements |

DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (CONTINUED)

- Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP)

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| Program Description | To provide emergency assistance for the redevelopment of abandoned and foreclosed homes |
| Funding Available | \$2 billion |
| Who Will Make Award | HUD Office of Community Planning and Development Eligible Organizations: Local governments, states, and non-profits, or certain non-profit consortia (non-profits can submit an application in partnership with for profit entities) |
| Eligible Organizations | Local governments, states, and non-profits, or certain non-profit consortia (non-profits can submit an application in partnership with for profit entities) |
| Distribution Method | Competitive |
| Next Steps | Grant applications to be released 75 days following enactment, with applications due to HUD within 150 days of enactment; HUD can establish a minimum grant size; grantees must spend at least 50 percent of funds within 2 years of when the funding is made available to them – and 100 percent within 3 years; allows for the establishment and operation of land banks; selection criteria includes foreclosure rates, targeting areas with the greatest number and percentage of foreclosures; ability to expend within the established timeframe; and ability to leverage other investments to achieve neighborhood stabilization |

- Home Investment Partnerships

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| Program Description | To provide emergency assistance for the redevelopment of abandoned and foreclosed homes |
| Funding Available | \$2.25 billion |
| Who Will Make Award | State Housing Credit Agencies |
| Eligible Organizations | Owners of projects who have received or receive simultaneously an award of low-income housing tax credits under section 42(h) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1966 |
| Distribution Method | Competitive, based on the percentage of HOME funds apportioned to each State; Housing Credit Agencies must commit at least 75 percent of funds within the 1 year of enactment of ARRA |
| Next Steps | Contact the State Housing Credit Agency |

DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (CONTINUED)

- Homelessness Prevention Fund

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| Program Description | Provides funding to support homelessness prevention and rapid re-housing activities, including rental assistance, housing relocation and stabilization services (credit repair, housing search, mediation, security and rental deposits, and other activities) |
| Funding Available | \$1.5 billion |
| Who Will Make Award | HUD Office of Community Planning and Development |
| Eligible Organizations | Local governments, states, and non-profits, or certain non-profit consortia (non-profits can submit an application in partnership with for profit entities) |
| Distribution Method | Formula – Funds will be distributed using the Emergency Shelter Grant (ESG) formula. HUD may set a minimum grant size |
| Next Steps | Contact the appropriate HUD office and monitor websites; HUD must publish guidelines within 30 days of enactment; grantees must spend at least 60 percent of funds within 2 years of the date on which they become available, and 100 percent within three years |

- Home Investment Partnerships

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| Program Description | To provide emergency assistance for the redevelopment of abandoned and foreclosed homes |
| Funding Available | \$2.25 billion |
| Who Will Make Award | State Housing Credit Agencies |
| Eligible Organizations | Local, state and territories as deemed eligible under sections 411 and 412 of subtitle B of Title IV of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act, pursuant to the formula authorized by section 413 of the Act |
| Distribution Method | Formula – Funds will be distributed using the Emergency Shelter Grant (ESG) formula. HUD may set a minimum grant sized |
| Next Steps | Contact the appropriate HUD office and monitor websites; HUD must publish guidelines within 30 days of enactment; grantees must spend at least 60 percent of funds within 2 years of the date on which they become available, and 100 percent within three years |

DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (CONTINUED)

- Assisted Housing Stability and Energy and Green Retrofit Investments

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| Program Description | To provide energy assistance to owners of properties receiving project-based assistance pursuant to section 202 of the Housing Act of 1959 (elderly), section 811 of the Cranston-Gonzalez National Affordable Housing Act (disabled), or section 8 of the U.S. Housing Act of 1937 (low-income) |
| Funding Available | \$2.25 billion – \$2 billion for payments to owners and \$250 million for grants and loans for energy retrofit and green investments |
| Who Will Make Award | HUD Office of Affordable Housing Preservation |
| Eligible Organizations | Entities participating in the sections 202, 811 and 8 programs |
| Distribution Method | Loans and competitive grants |
| Next Steps | Contact the appropriate HUD regional and national offices, and monitor agency and other federal websites |

- Lead Hazard Control and Healthy Homes

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| Program Description | To support lead abatement and assessment in eligible properties (rental and owner-occupied) |
| Funding Available | \$100 million |
| Who Will Make Award | HUD Office of Healthy Homes and Lead Hazard Control |
| Eligible Organizations | Local governments, states, institutions of higher education, housing authorities, and certain for-profit entities |
| Distribution Method | Competitive and discretionary |
| Next Steps | Contact appropriate HUD office and monitor relevant agency and federal websites; 50 percent of funding must be spent within 2 years of when funds are made available |

Title XIII - Health Information Technology

The ARRA provides three categories of funding for Health Information Technology, including the establishment of the Office of the National Coordinator for Health Information Technology (ONCHIT). An abbreviated description of the three broad categories follows. Should you need additional information, please feel free to contact a member of the Polsinelli Shughart Public Policy Group.

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| Program Description | Health Information Technology |
| Funding Available | <p>The final version of the stimulus contained three pots of money for Health IT. They are as follows:</p> <p>(1) a net figure of \$17 billion for incentive grants to eligible health providers and hospitals under Medicare and Medicaid that adopt acceptable Health IT standards. The Medicare payments (\$44,000 for health providers and a minimum of \$2 million for hospitals) do not start until fiscal year 2011 and Medicaid payments can start right away to states though the amounts are unclear. Health IT standards must be set by the Secretary of HHS no later than Dec. 31, 2009. Payments can be spread out over a five year period or made in a lump sum at the discretion of the Secretary;</p> <p>(2) \$2 billion for grant and loan programs to be administered by the Office of the National Coordinator of Health Information Technology, of which \$300 million is earmarked for supporting regional health information exchanges and \$20 million is earmarked for NIST; and</p> <p>(3) Funds for other government Health IT activities, which include \$85 million for the Indian Health Service, \$1.5 billion to Health Resources and Services Administration for construction and renovation of community health centers for implementation of electronic health records systems at these centers and \$40 million to the Social Security Administration for health IT research and adoption</p> |
| Who Will Make Award | Secretary of Health and Human Services, and the Office of the National Coordinator of Health Information Technology |
| Eligible Organizations | States, regional health information exchanges, health providers, hospitals, community health centers, Indian tribes |
| Distribution Method | Grants and loans, Medicare and Medicaid payments |
| Next Steps | Secretary of HHS must develop Health IT standards by Dec. 31, 2009 and payments to hospitals and providers begin in fiscal 2011. |