The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA)

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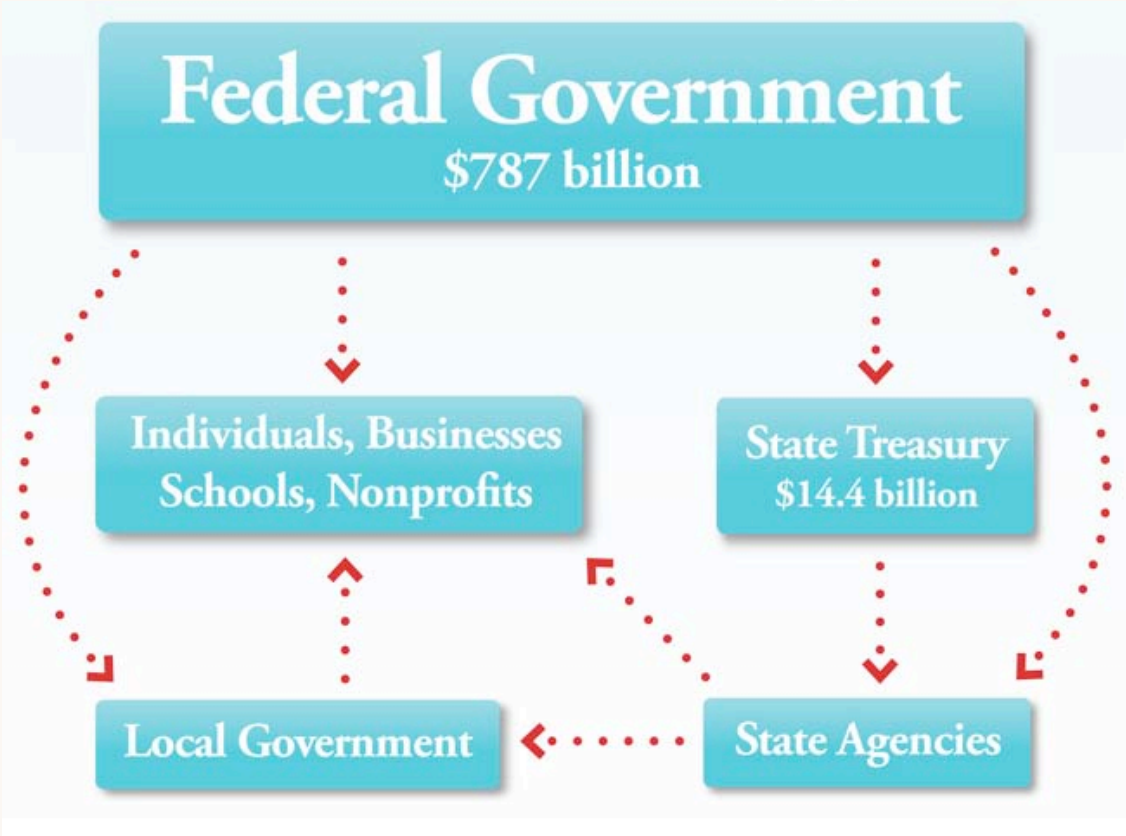
ARRA Overview



ARRA Overview

The Big Picture

- 38% Tax cuts (payroll taxes, tax credits, etc.)
- 38% Aid (Increase in Medicaid, unemployment benefits, food stamps, etc)
- 24% Additional spending (transportation, energy projects)

ARRA Overview

Early Money

- To the unemployed: an extra $25 a week, plus an extra 13 weeks of benefits
- Food-stamps: 13.6% increase in monthly benefits. In Texas, the average benefit increased to $314 – an increase of $38
- Tax cuts: $400 per individual ($800 per couple) reflected in take-home pay increase
- One-time $250 payment to Social Security recipients

ARRA Overview – Texas

The Texas Legislature appropriated $14.4 billion in stimulus amounts for fiscal years 2009 and 2010

Agencies have applied for an additional $1.6 billion in federal competitive grants

According to state agency reporting, Texas agencies have currently been awarded $8.2 billion in stimulus funds.

(as of 7-25-09)

ARRA Overview – Texas

Top 10 Texas State Agencies

The top 5 agencies account for $13.4 billion or about 93 percent:

1. Texas Education Agency - $5.9 billion
2. Health and Human Services Commission - $4.2 billion
3. Texas Department of Transportation - $2.3 billion
4. Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs - $565.1 million
5. Texas Workforce Commission - $436.8 million
6. Higher Education Coordinating Board and Higher Education Institutions - $338.4 million
7. Comptroller of Public Accounts (SECO) - $287.8 million
8. Office of the Governor – $101.4 million
9. Department of Assistive and Rehabilitative Services - $87.6 million
10. Office of the Attorney General - $64.7 million

ARRA Overview - Local Government

Local governments in Texas will receive about $2.7 billion in stimulus funds directly from the federal government.

- Example - $163 million in Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grants (EECBG) – sent to approximately 10 counties and 74 cities directly, referred to as “entitlement” communities

Additional amounts will flow through state agencies

- Will depend on decisions at each agency
- Example - Remaining “non-entitlement” EECBG community funds are being routed through SECO – SECO has discretion

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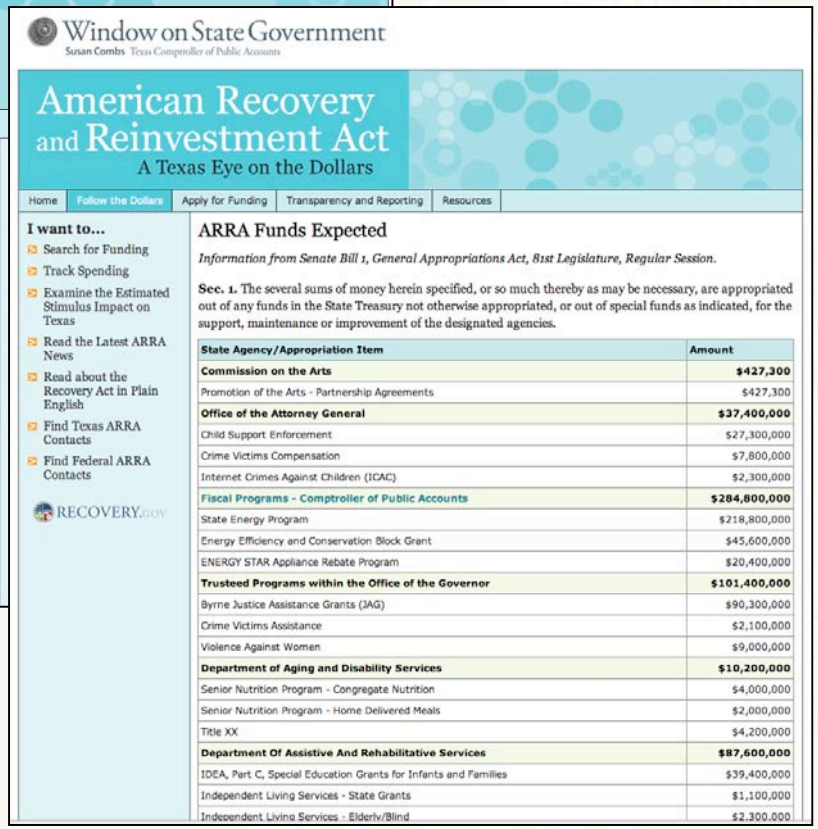

State Agency/Appropriation Item	Amount
Commission on the Arts	**$427,300**
Promotion of the Arts - Partnership Agreements	$427,300
Office of the Attorney General	**$37,400,000**
Child Support Enforcement	$27,300,000
Crime Victims Compensation	$7,800,000
Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC)	$2,300,000
Fiscal Programs - Comptroller of Public Accounts	**$284,800,000**
State Energy Program	$218,800,000
Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant	$45,600,000
ENERGY STAR Appliance Rebate Program	$20,400,000
Trusteed Programs within the Office of the Governor	**$101,400,000**
Byrne Justice Assistance Grants (JAG)	$90,300,000
Crime Victims Assistance	$2,100,000
Violence Against Women	$9,000,000
Department of Aging and Disability Services	**$10,200,000**
Senior Nutrition Program - Congregate Nutrition	$4,000,000
Senior Nutrition Program - Home Delivered Meals	$2,000,000
Title XX	$4,200,000
Department Of Assistive And Rehabilitative Services	**$87,600,000**
IDEA, Part C, Special Education Grants for Infants and Families	$39,400,000
Independent Living Services - State Grants	$1,100,000
Independent Living Services - Elderly/Blind	$2,300,000

http://www.window.state.tx.us/recovery/follow/expected.php

ARRA Overview – Want more detail?

Window on State Government

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American Recovery and Reinvestment Act

A Texas Eye on the Dollars

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I want to...

- Search for Funding
- Track Spending
- Examine the Estimated Stimulus Impact on Texas
- Read the Latest ARRA News
- Read about the Recovery Act in Plain English
- Find Texas ARRA Contacts
- Find Federal ARRA Contacts

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Estimated Impact on Texas

The Comptroller's office has compiled the spreadsheet below with details on the provisions of the federal stimulus bill, estimates of federal spending and the estimated amounts Texas might expect to see (please note the numbers are subject to change):

Estimated Stimulus Impact on Texas: Download the detailed spreadsheet* (PDF, 146KB) *Updated July 21, 2009*

**Notes on the data:*

- *The intent of this initial spreadsheet is to*
  document, with a brief high-level descrip
  The order follows the stimulus bill, so you
  spreadsheet.
- *The spreadsheet is a work in progress an*
  more guidance on the funding included i

Amounts are estimates and are subject to change. Federal amounts are from the bill text and reflect appropriated authority. These estimates were compiled from several sources including federal agencies, state agencies, Federal Funds Information for States (FFIS), Legislative Budget Board and Comptroller of Public Accounts. Figures shown here may differ from other sources due to differences in calculation of amounts based upon formulas.

Columns marked "unknown" indicate state or local entities may receive federal funds but the amount is not known at this time. Columns marked "n/a" indicate that state or local entities are not expected to receive federal funds.

	American Reinvestment and Recovery Act	Federal Amount - in millions	State Amount - in millions	Direct Amounts to Local Gov'ts and Individuals - in millions	Amounts Allocated to Federal Projects in Texas	State Agencies Affected	Notes
Division A—Appropriations Provisions							
Title I—Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration							
p. 2	Agricultural Buildings and Facilities and Rental Payments	$24	n/a	n/a	n/a		Construction, repair, improvement for USDA headquarters facilities in Washington DC.
	Office of Inspector General	$23	n/a	n/a	n/a		Oversight and audit of USDA programs, grants and activities funded by this Act.
p. 3	Agricultural Research Service (ARS) Buildings and Facilities	$176	n/a	n/a	$1.3		Deferred maintenance at ARS facilities.
	Farm Services Agency	$50	n/a	n/a	n/a		Maintain and upgrade IT system.
	Natural Resources Conservation Service: Watershed and Flood Prevention	$290	n/a	n/a	$21.5		Operations. Of the total, $145 million is for purchasing and restoring floodplain easements, with a limit of $30 million for any one state. NRCS will provide 100% construction costs and the locals provide the land rights. $145 million for technical and financial assistance to watershed projects. The Texas Region of the NRCS has requested $29 million.
	Natural Resources Conservation Service: Watershed Rehabilitation	$50	n/a	n/a	$4.8		Watershed rehabilitation program. Applicants will provide 35% of program costs; NRCS covers the remaining 65%. The Texas Region of the NRCS has requested funding for six projects (all dams).
	Rural Housing Insurance Fund Program Account (RHIFPA) – Direct Loans	$1,000	n/a	unknown	n/a		Housing loans direct from USDA to low-income rural individuals. The amount Texans will receive deoends on the number of qualified applicants.
	Administrative costs for RHIFPA Direct Loans	$67	n/a	unknown	n/a		Includes the cost of modifying loans.
	Rural Community Facilities Program Account	$130	n/a	unknown	n/a		Cost of direct loans and grants. USDA Rural Development Mission for schools, libraries, childcare, medical clinics - direct application process - municipalities, counties, and special-purpose districts, as well as to non-profit corporations and tribal governments.
	Rural Business Program Account	$150	n/a	unknown	n/a		Loans and grants direct to individuals, businesses, local government and nonprofits for rural economic development projects. Loans and grants to entities in Texas will depend on number of qualified applicants.
	Rural Water and Waste Disposal Program	$1,380	n/a	$17.0	n/a		Direct Loans and grants through the Rural Utilities Service for rural water, waste water and waste disposal programs. Each loan is limited to $10,000; grants may be for up to 75% of project cost.
	Distance Learning, Telemedicine and Broadband Program	$2,500	n/a	n/a	n/a		Competitive grants, loans, and loan guarantees for projects in areas without existing broadband service and where at least 75% of the beneficiaries live in rural areas. Recipients of these funds cannot also receive money from the Commerce Dept's NTIA broadband program, which also receives funding under this bill.
p. 5	Food and Nutrition Service Child Nutrition Programs	$100	$11.5	n/a	n/a	Texas Dept. of Agriculture (TDA)	Grants for National School Lunch Program equipment.
	Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children (WIC)	$500	unknown	n/a	n/a	Texas Dept. of State Health Services (DSHS)	$400 million placed in reserve for possible increased caseloads; $100 million for facilities and technology upgrades; up to 1% can be used for admin. costs.
	Commodity Assistance Program	$150	$10.3	n/a	n/a	TDA	Emergency food assistance (food pantries, soup kitchens and other feeding organizations). $100 million nationwide is for food products. Estimated that Texas will receive $8.2 million worth of food. Of the $150 million national total, $50 million is for distribution/administrative costs, and of that, $25 million must be made available in FY 2009. Texas will receive $2.1 million for program administration. TDA provides funds based on county poverty and unemployment rates. It is a 60/40 formula based 60 percent on poverty and 40 percent on unemployment.
p. 6	Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)	$19,991	n/a	$1,430.0	n/a		Increases benefits using 113.6% of June 2008 amount (i.e., $20 billion). State allocations are based on program participation (75%) and on participation increases

http://www.window.state.tx.us/recovery/follow/EstimatedStimulusImpactonTexas.pdf

ARRA Overview - Federal Spending in TX

$2.3 billion will be spent on federal government projects in Texas (estimated)

Military, Army Corp of Engineers, NASA, Etc…

ARRA – Accountability and Reporting

Let me be clear: We will be displaying vast amounts of data… Our technical people tell me that when all is said and done, we will give you a clear view of spending from the national level to the state, cities and even neighborhood level.

Earl E. Devaney, Chairman
Recovery Accountability and Transparency Board
July 16, 2009

ARRA – Accountability and Reporting

1. Each state agency receiving funds must submit quarterly progress reports beginning Dec. 31, to Governor, Legislative Budget Board, State Auditor and Comptroller.
2. Each agency must maintain a Web site and post all reports to federal and state officials. This Texas Department of Transportation tool is an example of reporting the contracts awarded, including the ultimate recipient of the money: http://apps.dot.state.tx.us/apps/project_tracker/stimprojects.htm
3. Audits will be conducted by federal and state auditors (Auditors are already reviewing the approval processes at federal agencies).

ARRA – Accountability and Reporting

4. Local governments: You can expect to report to the agency (state or federal) from where you received your money.
   - Some of the reporting will be agency specific, depending on the use of funds.

5. News media interest could be intense. Some organizations already have dedicated staff and space to reporting on the stimulus program.

Reporting – Who is Involved?

Federal

- **Recovery Accountability and Transparency Board**
  - Quarterly and annual reports on the use of Recovery Act funds and any oversight matters.
- **U.S. Office of Management and Budget**
  - Coordinating the development of government-wide guidance for ARRA reporting.
- **U.S. Government Accountability Office**
  - The Recovery Act requires the GAO to do bimonthly reviews of the use of funds by selected states and localities.
  - Longitudinal study of 16 states & D.C., including
    - Texas, California, New York, Florida, Ohio, Georgia
    - These states are estimated to receive about two-thirds of the intergovernmental grants funds available through the Recovery Act.
  - Localities sampled within selected states

Reporting – Who is Involved?

Federal - continued

- **U.S. Government Accountability Office**
  - Most recent report issued July 2009
  - Noted concerns that appear to be fairly common
    - State and local officials waiting on additional guidance from the federal government before expending funds
    - Highway projects prioritized on "project readiness" with less priority on economically distressed areas
    - Funds used to stabilize state budgets and to cope with fiscal stresses
    - Noted generally concerns regarding accountability, risk, data accuracy

Reporting – Who is Involved?

State

Transparency – Comptroller's Office Initiative

- At both the state and federal levels, transparency and accountability are critical parts of the Recovery and Reinvestment Act. Comptroller website: http://www.window.state.tx.us/recovery
- Weekly reporting by agencies

Also

- Governor, Legislative Budget Board, State Auditor
  - Agency plans due to LBB by 9-30-09

ARRA Section 1512 Reporting

Most programs are subject to "**ARRA Section 1512 Reporting**"

(so named based on the section of ARRA that contains the reporting requirements)

- Are you a "prime recipient"?
- A "sub-recipient"?
- Both?

ARRA Section 1512 Reporting

- These reporting requirements only apply to non-Federal recipients who receive funding provided through discretionary appropriations – most programs for local governments

- Programs subject to 1512 reporting can be found at:

www.whitehouse.gov/omb/assets/memoranda_fy2009/m09-21-supp1.pdf

(Latest update July 13, 2009)

ARRA Section 1512 Reporting Requirements - Timeline

- 1-10 days following the end of the quarter - recipients and delegated sub-recipients enter reporting information onto www.FederalReporting.gov

- REVIEW
  - Days 11-21 for Prime Recipient Review, including delegated sub-recipient reports
  - Days 22-29 for Federal Agency Review; Recipient/sub-recipient may update report if flagged

- 30 days following the end of the quarter – reports are made available to the public on www.Recovery.gov

1512 Reporting Requirements

- **Prime Recipient:**
  - Owns recipient data and sub-recipient data
  - Responsible for accuracy and timeliness of Section 1512 reporting requirements
  - Ensures accurate and complete information
  - Performs data quality reviews for material omissions and/or significant reporting errors
  - Works with the designated sub-recipient to address any data quality issues

ARRA Section 1512 Reporting Requirements – Data Elements

Prime Recipient:

- Federal Funding Agency Name
- Award identification
- Recipient D-U-N-S
- Parent D-U-N-S
- Recipient CCR information
- CFDA number, if applicable
- Recipient account number
- Project/grant period
- Award type, date, description, and amount

Reporting Requirements – Data Elements (cont.)

- Amount of Federal Recovery Act funds expended to projects/activities
- Activity code and description
- Project description and status
- Job creation narrative and number
- Infrastructure expenditures and rationale, if applicable
- Recipient primary place of performance
- Recipient area of benefit
- Recipient officer names and compensation (Top 5)
- Total number and amount of small sub-awards; less than $25,000

Reporting Requirements – Data Elements (cont.)

Prime Recipients MAY delegate 1512 reporting to Sub-Recipients

Sub-Recipient reporting:

- Sub-recipient D-U-N-S
- Sub-recipient type
- Amount received by sub-recipient
- Amount awarded to sub-recipient
- Sub-award date
- Sub-award period
- Sub-recipient place of performance
- Sub-recipient area of benefit
- Sub-recipient officer names and compensation (Top 5)

Reporting Requirements – Data Elements (cont.)

Recipient Vendor

- D-U-N-S or Name and zip code of Headquarters (HQ)
- Expenditure amount
- Expenditure description

Sub-Recipient Vendor

- D-U-N-S or Name and zip code of HQ

What is a D-U-N-S Number?

- Dun & Bradstreet (D&B) provides a D-U-N-S Number, a unique nine digit identification number, for each physical location of your business.

  D-U-N-S Number assignment is FREE for all businesses required to register with the US Federal government for contracts or grants. It can be created within 1 business day.

- To obtain a DUNS number:

  http://fedgov.dnb.com/webform

How to Report to www.FederalReporting.gov

- **There are three basic methods to submit reports into** www.FederalReporting.gov
  - Online data entry in a Web browser
  - Excel spreadsheet – uploaded to site
  - Custom software system extract in XML

- Specific reporting information is located at:

  Recipient Reporting Data Model located at

www.whitehouse.gov/omb/assets/memoranda_fy2009/m09-21-supp2.pdf

Job Reporting

- Prime recipients are required to report an estimate of jobs directly created or retained by project and activity or contract.
  - "Created job" - new position created and filled or an existing unfilled position
  - "Retained job" existing position that would not have been continued were it not for Recovery Act funding
  - A job cannot be counted as both created and retained

Job Reporting - Continued

- Don’t count “Indirect Jobs”
- Don’t count “Induced Jobs”
- Jobs that provide indirect support, e.g., clerical/administrative staff, institutional review board staff members, departmental administrators, are NOT counted as jobs created/retained.
- Prime recipients are required to generate estimates of job impact by directly collecting specific data from sub-recipients and vendors on the total FTE resulting from a sub-award.

Resources

Comptroller's Recovery Website:
www.window.state.tx.us/recovery/

Official sites for Federal Government
www.Recovery.gov
www.FederalReporting.gov

Other
www.Recovery.org

TWC Employer Initiatives – weekly email listing of ARRA funding opportunities
Contact Shannon at 512-936-2523

What additional Recovery Act Implementation Guidance is available?

- February 20, 2009 M-09-10 Initial Implementing Guidance for the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 www.whitehouse.gov/omb/assets/memoranda_fy2009/m0910.pdf
- February 25, 2009 Bulletin No.09-02 Budget Execution of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 Appropriations www.whitehouse.gov/omb/assets/bulletins/b09-02.pdf
- March 2009 OMB Circular No. A-133 Single Audit Compliance Supplement www.whitehouse.gov/omb/circulars_a133_compliance_09toc/
- April 3, 2009 M-09-15 Updated Implementing Guidance for the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 www.whitehouse.gov/omb/assets/memoranda_fy2009/m09-15.pdf

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- May 11, 2009 M-09-18 Payments to State Grantees for Administrative Costs of Recovery Act Activities
  www.whitehouse.gov/omb/assets/memoranda_fy2009/m09-18.pdf
- June 22, 2009 M-09-21 Implementing Guidance for the Reports on Use of Funds Pursuant to the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009
  www.whitehouse.gov/omb/assets/memoranda_fy2009/m09-21.pdf
- June 22, 2009 M-09-21 Supplement 1 – List of Programs Subject to Recipient Reporting
  www.whitehouse.gov/omb/assets/memoranda_fy2009/m09-21-supp1.pdf
- June 22, 2009 M-09-21 Recipient Reporting Data Model
  www.whitehouse.gov/omb/assets/memoranda_fy2009/m09-21-supp2.pdf

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