

## CA POLICY BRIEF July 2010

# ARRA: Health-Related Spending Update

Federal agencies are currently distributing grants from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) of 2009 throughout the United States. State and local organizations in California expect to benefit from \$2.4 billion in spending on special education, and almost \$750 million for other health-related programs and services.

ARRA grant funds are scheduled for ongoing release throughout the remainder of 2010 and into 2011.

### Distribution of Funding

Most grants of interest to Local Educational Agencies (LEAs) or Local Governmental Agencies (LGAs) originate at the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), Centers for Disease Control (CDC), or Department of Education, and are distributed in California through the state's Department of Education (CDE) and Department of Public Health (DPH).

### ARRA Funded Health-Related Services in California

Federal reporting on ARRA indicates that \$494.2 million will be spent locally in the state of California for support to the following areas:

Health-Related Services	ARRA Funding
Immunizations for 45 localities	\$10.7 million
Programs and tracking for homeless children for 175 school districts	\$13.8 million
Childcare assistance and development at 135 organizations and school districts	\$220 million
Nutrition programs for 241 school districts and counties	\$12.8 million
Education program improvements for the DPH	\$17.6 million
Head Start Expansion	\$31.1 million
Tobacco cessation, wellness and disease prevention programs for DPH and Los Angeles County	\$72 million
Community health center expansion and capital improvements among more than 100 localities and at school-based health centers	\$31.2 million

Additional areas to receive funds include infection control; drinking water improvements; research for vaccines, AIDS and HIV; and technology for WIC programs.



## Funding for Your Locality

There are two primary Internet sources for ARRA funding information: *ProPublica.org*, maintained by an independent non-profit organization, and *Recovery.gov*, produced by state and federal governments.

NOTE: [blue text](#) below indicates a web-link that you can click to follow directly from this brief!

### ProPublica.

ProPublica provides a comprehensive database on ARRA spending that reconciles information from all organizations that distribute and receive ARRA funds. To review ongoing updated and comprehensive information about how ARRA funds are being spent in California or your County, search ProPublica's database by state, county, LEA or other organization.

#### Search for ARRA Awards by...

[County](#): To search for all recipients of ARRA funds in a County, type the name of your County in "Jump to a State or County" field, select your County from the list that appears, and press enter.

[LEA](#): To search for funds received by an LEA, scroll down your County page to "Projects" and click your district name under "Recipients". Or, you can enter the full name of your LEA in the main search field (i.e. Paradigm Unified School District), and click search.

State Agency: Click the following links to see funds received by

[California Department of Education](#) • [California Department of Public Health](#)

### Recovery.gov.

Recovery.gov is the U.S. government's official website that provides easy access to data related to Recovery Act spending. Recovery.gov is operated by the Recovery Accountability and Transparency Board, which was also created by the Recovery Act.

- ❖ Search for ARRA [contracts, grants, and/or loans by recipient name](#) (for example, your locality), or search the federal database geographically via [interactive map and/or zip code](#).
- ❖ For California-specific ARRA funding award information, view the [Funding page](#) of California's Recovery website ([recovery.ca.gov](http://recovery.ca.gov)).

## Additional Information

Paradigm has published a detailed background brief on health-related funding sources available through ARRA for LEAs, including a separate policy brief on ARRA funding for Special Education. Copies of Paradigm Publications are available on our main website, [www.paradigm-healthcare.com](http://www.paradigm-healthcare.com), or can be requested from our Client Care department, [support@paradigm-healthcare.com](mailto:support@paradigm-healthcare.com).

