

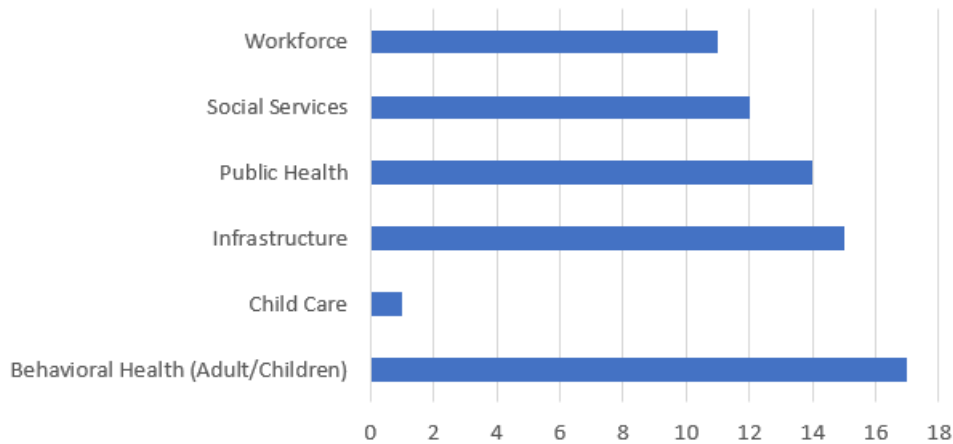


## American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Update

As of Jan. 1, 2025

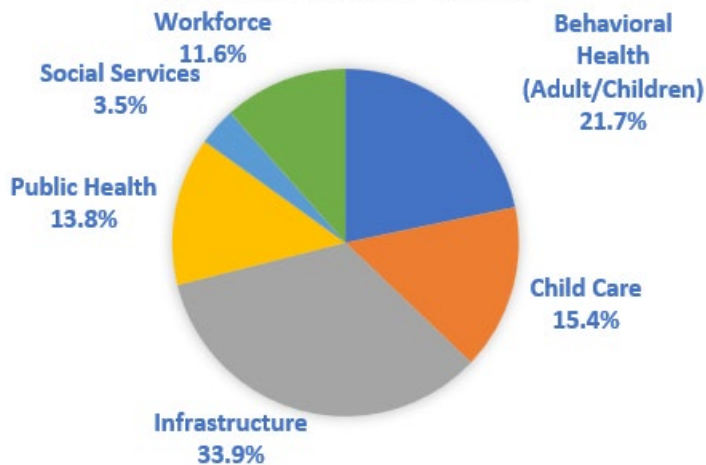
The Nevada Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) received American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding for **152 projects** and initiatives. As of Jan. 1, 2025, **70 projects are 100% complete.**

### COMPLETED PROJECTS BY TOPIC



More than **\$518 million** is budgeted to DHHS projects. Funded projects cover **6 main areas**: Infrastructure, Child Care, Children and Adult Behavioral Health, Public Health, Workforce and Social Services.

### BUDGETED BY TOPIC



## Ely Co-op Magic Carpet Preschool

The Ely Co-Op Preschool (aka Magic Carpet Preschool), located in rural Nevada, was sub-awarded \$44,280 to increase enrollment to its licensed capacity of 48 students. Magic Carpet Preschool is the only licensed preschool in the area that is not income-based and meets a critical need for local families. This funding supports Gov. Lombardo's objective of improving child care across Nevada by facilitating the provision of child care services to up to 48 students ages 2.5 to 6 years, from all ethnic backgrounds, including the Ely Shoshone Tribe. Magic Carpet's director says the ARPA funds have been an important resource for the facility and that additional students would allow her to hire another teacher.

## In-person Tribal outreach and consultation

Health issues facing many Nevadans — diabetes, substance abuse, suicide to name a few — pose unique cultural and geographic challenges for the state's Tribal communities. To get clearer pictures of these challenges, the Department's Tribal liaisons were able to use ARPA funds to visit Tribal clinics, attend health fairs, participate in fundraisers, and engage in other ways throughout 2024. Liaisons visited the Reno/Sparks, Stewart, Walker River, Fallon, Winnemucca, McDermitt, Elko, Owyhee, Ely, Duckwater, Yomba, Las Vegas Paiute, and Moapa colonies to meet with Tribal leaders and partners. As a result of this outreach, Department liaisons have been able to further build connections with existing partners, open doors with new ones, and bring access to resources for communities that needed them. One of the many highlights from this outreach was the ability to assign additional eligibility staff to help clients at some of the Tribal health clinics apply for services, whereas applicants previously had to complete and submit applications completely on their own. In some cases, applicants were approved on the same day.