



# DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES



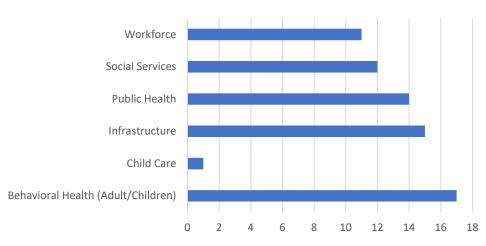
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## American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Update

### As of Feb. 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 Feb. 1, 2025, **70 projects are 100% complete**.

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. The completed projects broken down by these areas are shown in the graph below:



#### **COMPLETED PROJECTS BY TOPIC**

### Special Olympics Strong Minds

ARPA funding was awarded to <u>Special Olympics Nevada</u> to implement the "Strong Mind" program, an interactive learning activity focused on developing adaptive coping skills to prevent self-harm. The COVID-19 pandemic has been shown to have had negative impacts on the mental health of students in Nevada. Special Olympics of Nevada intends to support the state in addressing the critical mental health issues by integrating the interactive learning activity focused on developing adaptive coping skills to students throughout the state. To date, Special Olympics has implemented the Strong Minds curriculum in 15 schools and one community organization. A total of 8,849 students have received the Strong Minds curriculum. Upon completion in June 2025, the project is expected to serve almost 25,000 Nevadans.