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## American Rescue Plan Act Project/Funding Update

## As of April 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 April 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 budgeted amounts/percentages broken down by geographic/topic area are shown in the chart/graph below:

Area Served	Budgeted Amount	%	BUDGETED BY TOPIC Workforce Behavioral	
Clark	72,463,812.39	14.0%	Social Services	en)
Rural	8,367,054.24	1.6%	3.5%	
Statewide	418,943,607.74	80.8%	Public Health 13.8%	
Washoe	14,591,605.85	2.8%	Child Care	Child Care 15.4%
Urban (Clark/Washoe)	3,888,162.00	0.8%	15.4%	
Grand Total	518,254,242.22	100.0%	Infrastructure 33.9%	

## Telemedicine Mobile Carts for Early Intervention Services

This project purchased telemedicine mobile carts for the <u>Nevada Early Intervention Services</u> (NEIS) offices in Carson City, Elko, Las Vegas, and Reno. At no cost to families, NEIS provides specialized instruction, audiology, physical therapy, occupational therapy, speech therapy, and vision services for medically fragile infants and toddlers with disabilities or developmental delays. The technology supports physicians, psychologists, therapists and specialists as they provide clinic services diagnostics to children and families. The carts, which can be moved between designated exam rooms, hold the evaluation equipment, including a monitor to view the evaluator and a high-quality 180-degree camera. The need for this specialized equipment was realized during the pandemic when alternative methods of meeting with families were needed in order to continue providing high-quality, evidence-based care to the children and families serviced by NEIS, especially autism diagnostic assessments for families in rural and frontier areas.

"During the COVID pandemic, we received telemed carts that significantly improved our ability to provide telehealth services to families in the clinic," said Fatima Taylor with the NEIS office in Las Vegas. "These carts allowed multiple providers to see a family at one time, reducing exposure risks and enhancing care coordination. Since returning to the office, the carts have continued to be invaluable, creating time efficiencies for providers and helping families avoid repeating their story multiple times. Additionally, they allow providers to collaborate in real time with families, ensuring a more comprehensive approach to addressing their needs and streamlining service delivery."