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# Building Back Bulletin

## It's Getting Better with Biden

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**CNN:** [More than 2 million Americans sign up for Affordable Care Act coverage under Biden's special enrollment period](#)



**The Center Square Iowa:** [Iowa families to receive \\$159.6M under Child Tax Credit expansion](#)



**WDEF Chattanooga:** [American Rescue Plan distributes \\$830 million for educational funding in Tennessee](#)



**Fox 10 Phoenix:** [Expert believes Child Tax Credit will help lift many families out of poverty](#)

### The American Rescue Plan in Action: Keeping Families in Their Homes

The coronavirus pandemic has placed unprecedented strain on the financial security of American families. While state and national limits on eviction helped avoid a massive spike in homelessness during the pandemic, Senate Democrats know that rent and mortgage relief are essential to keeping Americans in their homes as the economy recovers. Through the American Rescue Plan, help is here!

- **\$21.6 billion in Emergency Rental Assistance (ERA)** to help households with rent and utility payments.
- **\$9.42 billion for the Homeowner Assistance Fund (HAF)** to help Americans with mortgage, utility, or other housing payments.
- **\$450 million in Indian Housing Block Grants** to help Tribes address health and safety needs in Tribal communities.
- **\$5 million to local governments** to help communities serve those experiencing or at risk of homelessness through new housing and services.