US Federal Stimulus

From February 2009 through March 2010, the City of Los Angeles has been awarded \$592 million in federal stimulus funds from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA). According to federal law, ARRA funds are dedicated to a particular use or purpose and cannot be used to reduce the City's General Fund budget deficit or supplant local funding. ARRA funds have helped to lessen the economic recession, to create jobs and to undertake and complete capital projects. ARRA funds awarded to the City of Los Angeles include the following:

to the City for shovel-ready construction projects including street resurfacing and bridge reconstruction throughout the City, and the groundbreaking on construction of Harry Bridges Boulevard at the Port of Los Angeles.

to the Housing Department to continue and expand its foreclosure prevention program and help stabilize neighborhoods impacted by the housing downturn.

to the Department of Water and Power to develop smart grid demonstration projects that will increase energy efficiency while decreasing energy costs.

to the Community Development
Department (in conjunction with
the Workforce Investment Board)
for job training programs for
summer youth and adult dislocated
workers that resulted in 869 additional summer youth jobs in 2009.

\$37 million was awarded to the City in Energy Efficiency & Conservation Block Grant funds.

\$33 million was awarded to the Housing Authority of the City of Los Angeles to renovate existing public housing units.

\$19 million was awarded to the City in Community Development Block Grant funds.

\$16 million was awarded to the Los Angeles Police Department to help fund 50 additional police officers.

to LAX, providing a majority of the funding for construction of a new Aircraft Rescue Firefighting Facility.

\$7.5 million was awarded to the City to expand broadband access at public libraries, community and senior centers and WorkSource centers.