

State of the 59th Assembly District

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COVID-19 RELIEF

by the numbers

Supplies:

25,000
face masks

5,000
face shields

Funding

- Small Businesses
 - Immigrant Community
- Medical Facilities & Personnel
- Community Development

Resources

- **80+ tons** of fresh food distributed
- Hosted Several Vaccination & Testing Sites

FUNDING ALLOCATIONS

\$30 Million
Kedren
Community
Health Center

\$16 Million
Community
Health Workers

\$100 Million
Small Business
Tax Credits

\$100 Million
Community
Clinics

\$25 Million
Educational
Support for
Immigrants

\$125 Million
Small Business
Supportive
Services

\$5 Billion
Flex Funding
for Schools

■ Deficit/Surplus (billions)



Source: California Department of Finance and Senate Democrats
Note: 2023 is estimate; figures from initial budget proposals each January and reflect funds available after earmarks

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COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT by the numbers

* **\$15 Million** to
CA African American Museum

* **\$16 Million** Exposition Park
Facility Upgrades

* **\$15 Million** for the
UCLA Labor Center

* **\$8 Million** to support the
Debbie Allen Dance Academy in
South LA

* **\$37.3 Million** to fund the
Youth Reinvestment Fund



SOUTH LA STIMULUS

(part 1)

Small Business Support

- \$100 million in tax credits through 2026 for businesses that hire employees back
- Specifies that PPP loans are not considered income for state taxes

Community Clinics

- Retains more than \$1 billion in funding threatened to be lost during the pandemic
- Restores over \$100 million in flexible spending

Support Tele-health

- Maintains tele-health for those receiving in-home supportive services

SOUTH LA STIMULUS

(part 2)

Additional stimulus funds for undocumented individuals

- \$10 million for micro-grants for entrepreneurial training to undocumented individuals
- \$15 million in financial aid for undocumented students at UC, CSU, and community colleges
- Full Medi-Cal coverage for undocumented individuals over 65
- Retains funding for programs to provide training and mentorship for future deportation defense attorneys
- Retains funding for the Dolores Huerta sponsored Civic Engagement Initiative that takes students from low-income rural and urban communities and teaches civic participation, governance and community leadership
- Provides ongoing funding for Immigrant Legal Services

SOUTH LA STIMULUS

(part 3)

EITC for undocumented individuals

- Extends EITC to undocumented individuals with children under the age of 6
- Benefits up to 46,000 tax filers

Community banking support for small businesses

- \$100 million for IBank support of small business administered by community development associations.
- \$25 million for IBank first loss program.
- Authorizes IBank to develop program to help small business access to capital.

Fund LA school operations

- No cuts to local control funding for schools
- \$5.5 billion in discretionary funds for COVID closure impacts to schools

SOUTH LA STIMULUS

(part 4)

Support for special education

- \$1.5 billion for special education
- \$15 million to support grants for educators seeking to become special education teachers
- Funding to ensure that any disputes over special education services are addressed expediently

Increase career technical education funding

LEGISLATION

Education

- **AB 2944** – Schools Not Prisons Voluntary Tax Contribution Fund. Allows individuals to make direct contributions to support youth programs via their tax filings
- **AB 295** – Free College. Creates a panel of experts to develop a pathway to offer all CA residents cost free access to higher education

Public Safety

- **AB 331** – **Organized Retail Crime (ORC)** bill funds CHP ORC Taskforce
- **AB 2294** – Allows law enforcement to make arrests on site if it is determined an individual participated in an ORC
- **AB 1775** – **KAREN ACT**, fines and jail time for 9-1-1 offenders who falsely report crimes based on a person's color, creed, sexual orientation, nationality, or place of origin

LEGISLATION

POLICE REFORM

- **AB 89** – the Peace Officers Education and Age Conditions for Employment (**PEACE Act**), increases the minimum age for new recruits from 18 to 21 and requires a college degree including specialized courses for those seeking to serve in law enforcement
- **AB 2321**– ensures that incarcerated youth aren't kept in solitary confinement for excessive amounts of time and have access to necessary services
- **AB 750** – an accountability and transparency bill that punishes officers who provide false statements to another officer who writes a police report

COMMUNITY

California Reparations Taskforce

oag.ca.gov/ab3121

- Provides for the study and reporting of potential pathways for reparative justice to Black Californians who are descendants of U.S. Slavery

AB 1655

Juneteenth Paid State Holiday

- Recognizes June 19th as an official paid holiday and commemorates the day that African slaves were finally told the Civil War had ended two years prior and they were free