



HENNEPIN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
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March 25, 2021

Dear President Biden and Vice President Kamala Harris,

The American Rescue Plan is the right plan at the right time for Hennepin County and other local governments around the country. This historic legislation will allow us to strengthen our communities, not only through end of the COVID-19 pandemic, but in building back better.

Hennepin County has been active in addressing the challenges brought on by COVID-19, and the \$240 million in additional Federal funding Hennepin County will receive through the American Rescue Plan will extend and expand current efforts to support county residents, including through:

- COVID-19 testing and public health
- Small business grants
- Emergency rental assistance and homeowner support
- Investments in shelter safety and capacity for people experiencing homelessness
- Educational supports for students

In addition to funding these near-term supports for our residents, this Federal investment will empower Hennepin County to make capital improvements to meet demands brought on by the pandemic that will transform how the County serves residents in these vital human service domains for decades to come.

As Chair of the County Board for Minnesota's largest local government, I appreciate the support of your Administration in standing with local governments across our nation in service to the American people.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Marion Greene". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Marion" and the last name "Greene" clearly distinguishable.

Marion Greene  
Chair, Hennepin County Board