

Brad Pfaff supported Joe Biden’s nearly \$2 trillion spending package, which sent stimulus checks to prisoners, including the Boston Marathon Bomber terrorist.

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- **The White House Briefing Room referred to the American Rescue Plan as “President Biden’s”.** “President Biden’s \$1.9 trillion American Rescue Plan is ambitious, but achievable, and will rescue the American economy and start beating the virus. Congress should act expeditiously to help working families, communities, and small businesses persevere through the pandemic.” (Briefing Room, “President Biden Announces American Rescue Plan,” [The White House](#), 1/20/2021)

**Brad Pfaff signaled support for the American Rescue Plan:**

- Brad Pfaff retweeted a tweet from Ron Kind highlighting the American Rescue Plan.



(Ron Kind, [Twitter](#), 11/3/2021)

- In a Facebook post from the Democratic Party of Wisconsin, Pfaff is on video praising many tenets of the American Rescue Plan legislation. PFAFF: “Getting things done, cash in the pocket. \$1400 dollars checks that were sent out to hard-working people in order to assist them during this very difficult past year. Child tax credit, what that means to residents here in Western Wisconsin, what it means to residents around this state and around this country. It is so very important, providing necessary food assistance. All of that has made a real difference in people’s lives.” (Democratic Party of Wisconsin, [Facebook](#), 4/29/2021) ([NRCC YouTube](#))
  - In that same Facebook post, the Democratic Party of Wisconsin highlighted part of what Pfaff was raving about as having to do with ARP. “As State Senator Brad

Pfaff (Pfaff for State Senate) says, ‘getting things done, cash in the pocket’ is making a real difference in people’s lives! The American Rescue Plan is sending \$1,400 economic stimulus checks, per person, to 89% of all adults in Wisconsin to make sure we can pay the bills & put food on the table during this pandemic.” (Democratic Party of Wisconsin, [Facebook](#), 4/29/2021)

- **The White House’s Fact Sheet on ARP includes bullet points on increasing SNAP and child tax credit.** “The American Rescue Plan will change the course of the pandemic and deliver immediate relief for American workers. The plan will build a bridge to an equitable economic recovery and immediately reduce child poverty. In fact, a Columbia University study found that passing the plan will lift more than 5 million children out of poverty this year, cutting the poverty rate by 50%. The bill is one of the most progressive pieces of legislation in history, with more than two thirds of its tax cuts and direct payments going to families making less than \$90,000 per year. It will... **Increase the value of Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits.** The American Rescue Plan will increase SNAP benefits by 15 percent through September 2021. The bill also funds partnerships with restaurants to feed American families and keep workers in the restaurant industry on the job. And, it provides U.S. territories like Puerto Rico additional nutrition assistance funding, in addition to funding to make sure women, infants and children get the food they need to help address food insecurity. **Increase the Child Tax Credit** from \$2,000 per child to \$3,000 per child (\$3,600 for a child under age 6) and make 17-year-olds qualifying children for the year. This means a typical family of four with two young children will receive an additional \$3,200 in assistance to help cover costs associated with raising children. The families of more than 66 million kids will benefit.” (“American Rescue Plan Fact Sheet,” [The White House](#), Accessed 8/30/2022)

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(@SenBradPfaff, [Twitter](#), 5/18/2021)

**The American Rescue Plan is a \$1.9 trillion coronavirus relief package:**

- **The American Rescue Plan is a \$1.9 trillion coronavirus relief package.** “President Biden signed the \$1.9 trillion coronavirus relief package on Thursday. The colossal bill, known as the American Rescue Plan, allocates money for vaccines, schools, small businesses and anti-poverty programs such as an expanded child tax credit that will mean new monthly payments to many parents.” (Barbara Sprunt, “Here’s What’s In The American Rescue Plan,” [NPR](#), 3/11/21)
- **The American Rescue Plan was a Democrat plan that no Republicans voted for.** “This week has been a significant week for the American people, as the House passed the final version of the American Rescue Plan and President Joe Biden signed it into law. House Democrats secured major assistance to the middle class with this legislation, including: \$1,400 in direct payments to most families, \$300 enhanced unemployment benefits through Labor Day, boosting SNAP benefits by 15%, and increasing the child tax credit to up to \$3,600 per child, which will lift half of American children out of poverty. In addition, the American Rescue Plan will establish a national vaccination strategy, ensure schools have the resources to resume in-person learning safely, strengthen the Affordable Care Act, and support small businesses. It is a shame that zero Republicans voted to send this critical relief to families, despite poll after poll reflecting broad, bipartisan support for this bill. Nevertheless, under President Biden’s leadership, Democrats have delivered For The People and now that the American Rescue Plan has been signed into law, direct assistance will be given to Americans immediately around our country.” (Steny Hoyer Majority Leader, “Democrats Deliver Needed Relief to Americans with the American Rescue Plan,” [Press Release](#), 3/12/21)

**The American Rescue Plan sent nearly \$1 billion in stimulus payments to prisoners in 2021, including Boston Marathon Bomber Dzhokhar Tsarnaev, whose actions have been described as a terrorist attack:**

- **The American Rescue Plan sent nearly \$1 billion in stimulus payments to prison inmates in 2021.** “The federal government doled out nearly a billion dollars in stimulus payments to prison inmates in 2021 under President Joe Biden’s American Rescue Plan, according to IRS records obtained by the Washington Examiner. The third-round stimulus payments to prisoners totaled \$924.3 million, which was much greater than previously reported. The checks went out despite efforts by Republican Sens. Tom Cotton of Arkansas and Bill Cassidy of Louisiana to bar stimulus funds from going to prisoners. Senate Democrats voted unanimously against the amendment in a 50-49 party-line vote in March 2021.” (Jerry Dunleavy and Andrew Kerr, “Nearly \$1 billion in stimulus funds sent to prisoners in 2021, ‘terrorists and perverts’ got \$1,400 checks,” [Washington Examiner](#), 2/11/22)
  - **The American Rescue Plan sent stimulus checks to approximately 645,000 people who were incarcerated at the start of 2021.** “The IRS reported that the money went to approximately 645,000 people who were incarcerated at the start of the year, according to FOIA records provided to the Washington Examiner by the NRSC.” (Jerry Dunleavy and Andrew Kerr, “Nearly \$1 billion in stimulus funds sent to prisoners in 2021, ‘terrorists and perverts’ got \$1,400 checks,” [Washington Examiner](#), 2/11/22)

- **The Boston Marathon bomber, Dzhokhar Tsarnaev, received a \$1,400 stimulus check.** “A U.S. District Court judge agreed to let federal prosecutors use convicted Boston Marathon bomber Dzhokhar Tsarnaev’s \$1,400 COVID-19 stimulus payment, as well as other money held in his inmate trust account, to help pay the millions of dollars he was ordered to pay his victims, The Wall Street Journal reported Thursday. In a filing Wednesday, the U.S. attorney’s office in Boston asked a judge to order the federal Bureau of Prisons to turn the money over to the Clerk of the Court ‘as payment towards his outstanding criminal monetary penalties, including unpaid special assessment and restitution.’ In addition to the stimulus payment, Tsarnaev, who’s being held at a maximum security prison in Florence, Colorado, has received money from dozens of sources during his incarceration, including the federal public defender’s office and regular payments from individuals living in Indiana, New Jersey and Maryland, according to the filing by acting U.S. Attorney for Massachusetts, Nathaniel Mendell.” (Associated Press, “Judge will allow Boston Marathon bomber’s \$1,400 stimulus check, other funds to go to victims,” [KTLA75](#), 1/6/22)
  - **Tsarnaev’s actions have been described as a terrorist attack.** “On April 15, 2013, Tamerlan and his younger brother, Dzhokhar Tsarnaev, attacked the Boston Marathon. It was one of the worst terrorist attacks on U.S. soil since 9/11.” (“Unanswered Questions About Tamerlan Tsarnaev,” [WBUR](#), 7/10/17)