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# MINNESOTA'S



## COVID-19 RECOVERY BUDGET

Minnesotans have met the challenges of COVID-19 pandemic as they always do when faced with hardship—with grit and resiliency. Now, as we look toward the future, Minnesotans are depending on their leaders to confront the challenges we face today while investing in the future to ensure we emerge from this crisis stronger than before.

Not every Minnesotan was impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic equally. The pandemic hit our working families, students, and small businesses particularly hard. **That's why Minnesota's COVID-19 Recovery Budget supports working families, ensures our students catch up on learning, and helps small businesses stay afloat while driving economic recovery.**

### SUPPORTING SMALL BUSINESSES AND DRIVING ECONOMY RECOVERY



Minnesota's small businesses and workers are bearing a large burden of the COVID-19 pandemic in order to protect their entire community amid restrictions that are saving lives. By supporting small businesses and driving economic recovery, Governor Walz's budget ensures that communities across Minnesota aren't just surviving, they are thriving.

### ENSURING STUDENTS CATCH UP ON LEARNING



Every child deserves a high-quality education, no matter their race or zip code. The COVID-19 pandemic has exacerbated existing disparities in education. As schools reopen to in-person learning, we must help students recover and catch up on learning. Governor Walz's budget tackles the challenges of the past and present to ensure that each and every student has an educational experience that values who they are and supports them to reach their highest potential both in and out of school.

### SUPPORTING WORKING FAMILIES



Many working families lost everything due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Minnesotans know that we all do better when we all do better—and a lot of our neighbors need help. Governor Walz's budget ensures that those who have been hit hardest by the COVID-19 pandemic have the resources they need to survive by expanding access to critical assistance, investing in Minnesota's working parents, and helping workers stay on the job.