

# AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT OF 2021

## BENEFITS EXPIRED SEPT. 4, 2021

On **Sept. 4, 2021**, in accordance with federal and District law, several federal unemployment benefits (PUA, PEUC, FPUC, and MEUC) offered through the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) expired. Traditional unemployment insurance benefits are continuing to be paid to claimants who are eligible. More information on the end of federal benefits is available at [does.dc.gov](https://does.dc.gov).

The following federal unemployment benefits have expired:

### SUNSET PERIOD

**PUA** claimants may apply for retroactive benefits during the 'sunset period' through Oct. 6, 2021 if they would have qualified for benefits when these programs were active. If a retroactive claim is approved, claimants will only receive benefits that would have been paid out through the program end date of Sept. 4, 2021.

#### Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA)

**PUA** covered individuals who are typically ineligible for traditional UI, including self-employed, independent contractors, gig workers, and those with insufficient work history.

#### Pandemic Emergency Unemployment Compensation (PEUC)

**PEUC** provided additional benefits to individuals who exhausted their traditional UI claim.

#### Federal Pandemic Unemployment Compensation (FPUC)

**FPUC** provided an additional \$300 weekly amount to eligible claimants.

#### Mixed Earners Unemployment Compensation (MEUC)

**MEUC** provided a \$100 weekly supplement to eligible individuals with an annual net self-employment income of at least \$5,000.

**PEUC**, **MEUC** and **FPUC** weekly claims for weeks prior to September 4, 2021 will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis and payments will be provided if eligible.