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## The HEROES Act: Assistance for Low-Income Individuals

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Last week House Democrats passed the Health and Economic Recovery Omnibus Emergency Solutions (HEROES) Act, which includes substantial assistance targeted at low-income individuals. AAF's Director of Human Welfare Policy Tara O'Neill Hayes provides a summary of those provisions focused on housing, nutrition, internet access, educational assistance, and health care.

She concludes:

The HEROES Act, before the legislation was even introduced, was dismissed by many as a completely partial bill, guaranteed to go nowhere. Several of its program expansions are excessive, given the unprecedented federal assistance already provided in response to the pandemic. Nonetheless, Congress will likely do more in response to the coronavirus pandemic, and this bill provides a marker for what House Democrats will seek in any compromise package.

Read the analysis.