

WisDems: Republican Congressman Mike Gallagher rejects millions for Covid relief and recovery for Appleton and Green Bay

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(MADISON) — Republican Congressman Mike Gallagher voted this week to reject more than \$5.7 billion for Wisconsin's state and local governments, including millions for the counties and cities he represents in Wisconsin's 8th Congressional District.

Gallagher joined all of his fellow Republicans in opposing the American Rescue Plan signed into law by President Biden yesterday. In doing so, he opposed more than \$14.7 million for the city of **Appleton** and more than \$25.2 million for his own hometown of **Green Bay**.

Gallagher also voted against more than **\$174 million for Eighth District counties**.

"Help is on the way for Wisconsin families and businesses, but only because Mike Gallagher didn't get his way," **said Chair of the Wisconsin Democratic Party, Ben Wikler**. "The American Rescue plan includes \$1,400 survival checks for American families, extended unemployment benefits, funding for vaccine distribution, and aid to help cities and states pay essential workers and provide vital services. None of those measures should be partisan or controversial one year into a global pandemic, but Mike Gallagher continues to put politics over people."

The pandemic and recession have simultaneously increased spending needs and devastated revenues for state and local governments. The State and Local Fiscal Aid funding in the American Rescue plan will allow Wisconsin counties and municipalities to retain or rehire first responders, public health officials, and other essential public servants and to preserve critical services for residents.

Below are the funding allocations for Eighth District counties, which Congressman Gallagher worked to derail.

- \$14,759,070 for the city of Appleton
- \$25,234,117 for the city of Green Bay
- \$51,306,292 for Brown County
- \$9,714,453 for Calumet County
- \$5,366,038 for Door County
- \$3,963,048 for Kewaunee County
- \$7,825,634 for Marinette County
- \$883,608 for Menominee County
- \$7,356,290 for Oconto County
- \$36,439,139 for Outagamie County
- \$7,932,109 for Shawano County
- \$9,889,197 for Waupaca County
- \$33,340,304 for Winnebago County