

## Governor Phil Murphy

# Statement from Governor Murphy on Trump Administration's Cancellation of Unemployment Insurance Modernization Grant Programs

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"The Trump Administration recently announced the termination of three grant programs that support continuing efforts to modernize New Jersey's unemployment insurance application.

"In 2021, New Jersey was proud to be selected to lead a national effort to modernize the federal unemployment system. The Integrity, Equity, and Modernization grants, which are funded by the American Rescue Plan, supported years-long projects to improve the efficiency of our state's unemployment insurance application and ensure that all eligible workers can access the benefits to which they are entitled. New Jersey has leveraged these funds to streamline the application process, make the application itself more user-friendly, and combat fraud and abuse.

"At a time of increased uncertainty about the U.S. economy, the last thing the federal government should be doing is taking away resources from states' unemployment insurance systems. These cuts undermine American workers."

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