

*Administration of Joseph R. Biden, Jr., 2025*

**Statement on Protecting Pension Benefits for UNITE HERE Workers and Retirees**  
*January 15, 2025*

Today we are announcing that an additional over 91,500 UNITE HERE workers and retirees will have their pension benefits protected from expected future cuts thanks to my American Rescue Plan.

These workers, the unsung heroes of our economy, take care of many of us while we are away from home at airports and in hotels, and these newly approved benefits will allow our Nation to take care of them.

When Vice President Harris and I came into office, we promised to fight on behalf of workers to create an economy that grows from the middle out and the bottom up and to ensure a secure retirement for every American. That's why we worked with congressional Democrats to include the Butch Lewis Act in my American Rescue Plan.

With today's actions, our administration has provided security to over 1.3 million workers and retirees and will ultimately restore or protect the earned retirement benefits of roughly 2 million Americans so that they receive the full retirement benefits that they have earned over the next several decades.

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