

AGRICULTURE, RURAL DEVELOPMENT, FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION, AND RELATED AGENCIES

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Fiscal Year 2023 Appropriations Bill At-A-Glance



Provides **\$27.2 billion, an 8 percent increase**, to tackle hunger, lift up rural communities, rebuild health and safety infrastructure, support communities of color, and confront the climate crisis

Tackles Hunger and Nutrition Insecurity

- Maintains the current level of access to fresh fruits and vegetables to 6.2 million people through Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children (WIC)
- Ensures 43.5 million people in SNAP-eligible families receive the benefits they need
- Invests \$28.6 billion in the health of America's kids through Child Nutrition programs like school meals, including the Summer EBT program
- Includes record levels for Food for Peace Title II grants (\$1.8 billion) and the McGovern Dole program (\$265 million) to combat increasing global food insecurity

Lifts Up Rural Communities

- Expands broadband and access to digital tools that improve health, educational, and economic outcomes with \$560 million, including \$450 million for the ReConnect program
- Includes \$1.5 billion for rural water and waste program loans and nearly \$680 million in grants for clean and reliable drinking water systems and sanitary waste disposal systems
- Creates a new 1 percent interest rate loan program for water projects in distressed areas
- Strengthens rural housing loans and rental assistance to support 140,000 families, including:
 - A record investment of \$1.5 billion in direct single family home loans
 - A new 're-lending program' for Native American Tribes
 - \$30 billion in loan authority for guaranteed single family housing loans
 - \$1.5 billion for rental assistance and vouchers for low-income and elderly Americans

Rebuilds Public Health and Safety Infrastructure

- Strengthens the health and safety of American families with over \$3.6 billion in discretionary funding for the Food and Drug Administration (FDA)
- Provides funding to address the opioid crisis, increase medical supply chain surveillance and drug safety oversight, and bolster in-person inspections of foreign drug manufacturers
- Increases funding to better avoid and more quickly respond to food outbreaks, improve the animal food inspection system, and address heavy metals in baby food
- Increased funding for maternal and child nutrition, including improving the safety and security of infant formula and the 'Closer to Zero' initiative to reduce exposure to toxic elements in children's food
- Modernizes FDA's data infrastructure to better ensure the safety of our food and medicine

Supports Equality for Communities of Color

- Ensures equitable participation in USDA program with record-high funding for 1890 and 1994 land grants and Hispanic serving institutions to strengthen the pipeline for careers in agriculture

Confronts the Climate Crisis

- Provides \$298.5 million across the Department of Agriculture to address the impacts of climate change with investments in sustainable agriculture, research, and clean energy