

# FUNDING FOR THE PEOPLE



## Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies

The 2022 Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies funding bill provides \$75.8 billion. The legislation:

- Creates good-paying American jobs with investments in economic development in distressed communities with support for small businesses, including small and medium sized American manufacturers
- Strengthens communities by supporting local law enforcement while bolstering police and criminal justice reform and expanding gun violence prevention efforts
- Addresses gender-based violence with strong increases for Violence Against Women Act prevention and prosecution programs, as well as efforts to reduce the backlog of unprocessed rape kits
- Confronts the climate crisis with strong funding for climate resilience and research at NASA, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, and the National Science Foundation

### Bill Summary:

**U.S. Department of Commerce** – \$9.9 billion in net discretionary funding for the Department of Commerce, an increase of \$989 million above the FY 2021 enacted level.

- **International Trade Administration (ITA)** – \$570 million, \$29 million above the FY 2021 enacted level. The total includes no less than the fiscal year 2021 level for ITA Global Markets to help create jobs here at home by increasing U.S. exports and no less than \$105.5 million for ITA Enforcement and Compliance to protect U.S. industries against unfair foreign trade practices.
- **Bureau of Industry and Security (BIS)** – \$141 million, an increase of \$8 million above FY 2021 to advance U.S. national security through effective export control.
- **Economic Development Administration (EDA)** – \$373.5 million, an increase of \$27.5 million above FY2021. This includes \$120.5 million for EDA’s Public Works program, which supports brick-and-mortar projects in distressed communities across the nation, \$41.5 million for Assistance to Coal Communities, an increase of \$8 million and \$45 million for the Regional Innovation Program, an increase of \$7 million, to help create jobs by establishing and expanding region-focused innovative technology business endeavors. Additionally, \$2 million is provided

for STEM Apprenticeships to help align the skills of workers and the needs of employers.

- **Minority Business Development Agency (MBDA)** – \$55 million, an increase of \$7 million above FY 2021, is provided for MBDA to support minority businesses around the country.
- **U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (PTO)** – \$4.1 billion, an increase of \$363.1 million above FY 2021, to help protect new ideas and investments in American innovation and creativity, and to promote technological progress and achievement.
- **Manufacturing Extension Partnership (MEP) Program** – \$158 million, \$8 million above FY 2021 to help small and medium sized American manufacturers create and preserve jobs.
- **National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA)** – \$5.88 billion, an increase of \$447 million above FY 2021, including:
  - **Climate Research** – \$200 million, an increase of \$18 million above FY 2021, including an increase of \$10 million to provide actionable climate information to inform Americans’ decisions about how to adapt to the changing climate.
  - **NOAA’s National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS)** – \$1.02 billion for NMFS operations, an increase of \$51 million above FY 2021, including a \$6 million increase to support the President’s initiative to build more offshore wind farms and an increase of \$16 million to support efforts to protect the critically endangered North Atlantic right whale.
  - **National Weather Service** – \$1.17 billion for operating expenses, an increase of \$74 million above FY 2021. In addition, this Act provides an increase of \$70 million over FY 2021 to procure future weather satellites, which are essential for accurate weather forecasting.

**U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ)** – \$35.2 billion overall for the Department of Justice, which is \$1.4 billion above the FY2021 enacted level.

- **Emmett Till Unsolved Civil Rights Crimes Reauthorization Act of 2016** – \$14.5 million is provided, as authorized, including: \$5 million within the Civil Rights Division; \$5 million within the Federal Bureau of Investigation; \$1.5 million within

the Community Relations Service; and \$3 million within State and Local Law Enforcement Assistance.

- **Executive Office for Immigration Review** -- \$760 million, an increase of \$26 million above FY 2021, including \$24 million for the Legal Orientation Program.
- **Federal Bureau of Investigation** – \$10.77 billion, an increase of \$454 million above the FY 2021 enacted level and \$492.5 million above the President’s budget request.
- **Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF)** – \$1.53 billion, an increase of \$47.2 million above the FY 2021 enacted level.
- **Federal Bureau of Prisons (BOP)** – \$8.1 billion, an increase of \$265 million above the FY 2021 enacted level and \$251 million above the President’s budget request.
- **First Step Act** – The agreement fully funds the requested \$409.5 million for programs and activities authorized by the First Step Act of 2018, including medication-assisted treatment.
- **Task Force on Law Enforcement Oversight**– The agreement reminds the Attorney General to comply with congressional direction and use the \$5 million provided in fiscal year 2021 to establish a Task Force on Law Enforcement Oversight, comprised of representatives from multiple Justice Department components, in consultation with law enforcement, labor, and community-based organizations to coordinate the detection and referral of complaints regarding incidents of alleged law enforcement misconduct.
- **Database on Use of Force and Officer Misconduct** – The agreement reminds the Attorney General to comply with congressional direction and use the \$5 million appropriated in fiscal year 2021 for the development and deployment of databases to track excessive use of force and officer misconduct, to be developed in consultation with State and local law enforcement agencies, community organizations, and advocacy groups, including those that advocate for the preservation of civil liberties and civil rights.
- **Grants to State and Local Law Enforcement** – \$3.9 billion is provided, an increase of \$506.4 million above FY 2021. This includes: \$674.5 million for Byrne JAG; \$512 million for Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) programs; \$201 million to address sexual assault kit and other DNA evidence backlogs; \$115 million for

Second Chance Act programs; \$572.5 million for grant programs to address substance use disorders; \$135 million for the STOP School Violence Act; \$575 million for Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) prevention and prosecution programs; \$95 million for grants to improve the NICS firearms background check system; \$50 million for a new Community Violence Intervention and Prevention initiative; and nearly \$300 million in community projects to fight crime and improve public safety in communities across the country.

**National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA)** – \$24 billion is provided, an increase of \$770 million above the FY 2021 enacted level, including:

- \$7.6 billion for NASA’s **Science Mission Directorate**, an increase of \$313.4 million above the FY2021 enacted level, to enable better scientific information about the Earth and its changing climate, as well as to further our understanding of our solar system and beyond. These funds include support for the James Webb Space Telescope, which launched in December and will soon begin taking pictures of parts of the universe never previously observed.
- \$880.7 million for **Aeronautics research**, an increase of \$52 million above FY 2021, to continue efforts to improve environmental sustainability of air travel through increased fuel efficiency and electric flight, as well to improve passenger safety.
- \$137 million for **NASA’s STEM Engagement education initiatives**, an increase of \$10 million above FY 2021, to enable NASA to inspire young people to pursue future careers in science and engineering. This amount includes funding significant increases for the Space Grant consortium, which benefits all 50 states, and the Minority University Research and Education Project.
- Funding to jumpstart development of commercial low-Earth orbit **space station design and development**. Funding will help NASA promote new, private space stations to replace the International Space Station, which is scheduled for retirement in 2031.

**National Science Foundation (NSF)** – \$8.84 billion, an increase of \$351 million above the FY 2021 enacted level to support cutting edge research including:

- **NSF Research and Related Activities** – \$7.2 billion is provided, an increase of \$250 million above FY 2021.

- **Education and Human Resources** -- \$1.01 billion is provided, an increase of \$38 million above FY 2021.

**Legal Services Corporation** – \$489 million, \$24 million above the FY 2021 enacted level to provide legal assistance to underserved communities.

**Equal Employment Opportunity Commission** – \$420 million, \$15.5 million above the FY 2021 enacted level.

**International Trade Commission (ITC)** – \$110 million, \$7 million above the FY 2021 enacted level.