## **VICTORIES FOR THE PEOPLE**

**Chair Rosa DeLauro** 

Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2023



The 2023 government funding package includes \$800 billion in non-defense funding, a \$68 billion—9.3 percent—over last year. This is the **highest level for non-defense funding ever** and a **larger increase in both dollar and percentage** than 2022.

### **Community Project Funding**

Fulfills **98 percent of Democratic Member requests** in the House, with **\$5.4 billion for 3,213 Democratic projects**. These projects meet urgent needs in our districts and give relief to people facing so many challenges.

### Labor-HHS-Education

- Includes the first funding increase for the National Labor Relations Board (NLRB) since 2010 with \$299 million, \$25 million over 2022.
- Increases the maximum Pell Grant award by \$500.
- Supports the **9-8-8 Lifeline** with \$502 million, \$390 million over 2022.
- Provides \$18.4 billion for **Title I, Education for the Disadvantaged**, \$850 million over 2022.
- Includes \$47 billion for the **National Institutes of Health (NIH)**, \$2.5 billion over 2022.

## Commerce, Justice, Science

- Provides \$4.4 billion in grants for **state and local law enforcement**, \$506.4 million over 2022.
- Violence Against Women Act prevention and prosecution programs receive \$700 million, \$125 million or 21.7% above 2022.
- Includes \$560 million for the Legal Services
  Corporation, \$71 million or 14.5% above 2022 to help expand the availability of free legal aid for low-income persons.
- Includes \$45 million in grants to prevent and respond to hate crimes—nearly double the 2022 level.

### **Interior-Environment**

- Includes \$207 million, \$27 million over 2022, each for the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA) and the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH).
- Includes Advance Appropriations for Indian Health
  Service.

### **Homeland Security**

- Provides \$800 million for the Shelter and Services
  Program for migrants, formerly known as the
  Emergency Food and Shelter Program- Humanitarian,
  \$650 million above the 2022 level.
- Includes \$133 million for USCIS refugee processing, ending an era of paying for refugee processing by increasing fee amounts paid by immigrants applying for visas, naturalization, and other unrelated immigration benefits.
- Provides \$398 million to transition the TSA workforce to pay parity with civil service employees performing similar work.

## **Legislative Branch**

- Includes \$810 million for the Members Representational Allowance (MRA), \$35.6 million above 2022, 4.6% increase.
- Expands authorities to create a House child care subsidy program.
- Expands student loan program to allow for repayment of professional development while working.
- Continues allowance for the District Office and Member residential security programs.

## State, Foreign Operations

- Supports the United States rejoining UNESCO by providing the Administration the waiver authority required to resume U.S. funding for the organization.
- Includes \$2 billion for the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis, and Malaria to meet the first year of our new replenishment pledge, \$440 million over 2022.

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### Agriculture-Rural Development-FDA

- Invests \$1.8 billion for **Title II grants of the Food for Peace program**.
- Provides \$3.5 billion in discretionary funding for FDA, an increase of \$226 million above 2022, to address the opioid crisis and medical supply chain issues and to better avoid or more quickly respond to food outbreaks, improve the animal food inspection system, and address heavy metals in baby food.

### **Defense**

- Provides \$161.5 billion for procurement efforts, increasing funding for modernization to counter China and other near-peer adversaries which includes nearly \$32 billion to procure 11 Navy ships.
- Increases the **housing and food allowance** by 11%.
- More than doubles funding for public school construction on military bases.
- Includes over \$2 billion to tackle the climate crisis.

### Transportation, Housing & Urban Development

- Promotes safety among our transportation networks with \$1.7 billion for competitive grants for multimodal, transit, bicycle and pedestrian, and passenger rail to support local projects that promote green infrastructure, invest in resilient communities, and help address climate change.
- Provides \$388 million to create 21,500+ affordable housing units for low-income families, survivors of domestic violence, veterans, and the elderly and disabled; (2) invests an additional \$225 million for a new program to preserve and revitalize manufactured housing communities; and (3) establishes a new \$75 million construction and rehabilitation program for permanent supportive housing to expand housing options for people experiencing homelessness.

### **Energy & Water Development**

- Provides \$10.6 billion, \$347 million over 2022, for water infrastructure throughout the country through the Corps of Engineers and Bureau of Reclamation.
- Includes \$15.3 billion, \$1.2 billion over 2022, to respond to the climate crisis by investing in research, development, demonstration, and deployment of clean energy and secure, domestic energy supply chains.

### Financial Services & General Government

- Includes \$430 million for the Federal Trade
  Commission (FTC), \$53.5 million above 2022, to bolster antitrust, privacy, and consumer protection work.
- Provides \$75 million for Election Security Grants to augment State efforts to improve the security and integrity of elections for Federal office.
- Includes \$28 million for Election Assistance
  Commission (EAC) operating expenses, \$8 million above 2022, including \$1 million for the Help America Vote College Program.

## Military Construction, VA

- Includes a record \$118.7 billion to provide medical care to our nation's veterans, \$21.7 billion over 2022.
- Provides \$653.3 million for the DOD's Energy
  Resilience and Conservation Investment Program,
  \$100 million above the 2023 budget request, and
  supports investments in energy efficiency, resilience,
  renewable energy systems, and energy security.
- Provides \$95 million above the budget request for DOD's climate change and resiliency projects.

#### Notable Disaster Relief

\$1 billion for **Puerto Rico's electric grid** – \$600 million to address the **water crisis in Jackson**, **Mississippi** – \$1.5 billion for the **National Park Service** for expenses related to the consequences of natural disasters – \$1.1 billion for **EPA State** and **Tribal Assistance Grants** – \$3.7 billion for **USDA Emergency Relief Program** – \$1 billion for **LIHEAP** – \$214 million **FTA Public Transportation Emergency Relief Program**