

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, VETERANS AFFAIRS, AND RELATED AGENCIES

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Fiscal Year 2023 Appropriations Bill At-A-Glance



Provides **\$322.7 billion, a 13 percent increase**, to support our veterans, servicemembers, and their families; rebuild our infrastructure; protect our national security; and confront the climate crisis

Supports our Veterans

- Provides a critical \$118.7 billion for Veterans Medical Care to meet veterans' comprehensive health care needs, including:
 - \$13.9 billion for Mental Healthcare to provide treatment and support for the 2 million veterans receiving mental health services, including \$498 million for suicide prevention outreach
 - \$183.3 million for substance use disorder programs and \$663 million for opioid abuse prevention
 - \$2.7 billion for Homeless Assistance Programs to better reach homeless veterans
- Invests \$16 billion in additional VA programs, including support for the Veterans Benefits Administration, medical and prosthetic research, construction programs, and the VA electronic health record system
- Ensures veterans receive the compensation and benefits that they have earned without unreasonable delays

Rebuilds our Infrastructure for Servicemembers, Military Families, and Veterans

- Funds military family housing with \$2 billion, including funding to increase oversight of privatized housing
- Supports increased capacity and better facilities for the 1.2 million children of active duty servicemembers worldwide with \$293.3 million for Child Development Centers
- Ensures veterans can access care in modern facilities that are safe and accessible with \$2.1 billion for VA Construction programs to build, repair, and retrofit facilities

Protects our National Security

- Responds to the challenges posed by continued Russian and Chinese aggression with over \$220 million for the NATO Security Investment Program for infrastructure necessary for wartime, crisis, peace support and deterrence operations, and training requirements

Confronts the Climate Crisis

- Strengthens military installations' resiliency to climate change with \$95 million for Climate Change and Resiliency Projects to adapt to rising sea levels and worsening natural disasters
- Provides \$574.7 million for remediation of former facilities, including \$200 million for PFAS cleanup
- Includes \$653.3 million for the Energy Resilience and Conservation Investment Program to fund projects that improve energy resilience, contribute to mission assurance, save energy, and reduce the Department of Defense's energy costs
- Responds to natural disasters with \$360 million for Natural Disaster Recovery Construction to recover and rebuild damaged installations