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## Featured News

### COSSA Releases Analysis of FY 2023 House Appropriations Bills

Over the last few weeks, the House Appropriations Committee began considering its annual spending bills for fiscal year (FY) 2023, including the bills that fund federal science, research, and data activities. In some cases, the House proposals mirror priorities laid out in the [President's FY 2023 budget request](#). However, in most cases, funding allocations did not allow House appropriators to include the sizeable increases sought by the Biden Administration. Still, achieving increases in a funding environment that continues to be impacted by a global pandemic is an important feat.

	FY 2022 Enacted	FY 2023 House	House vs. FY 2022
National Institutes of Health	44959.0	47459.0	5.6%
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention	8457.2	10499.4	24.1%
National Science Foundation	8838.0	9631.2	9.0%
DOD Basic Research (6.1)	2763.5	2598.8	-6.0%
National Institute of Food and Agriculture	1636.8	1768.0	8.0%
Bureau of the Census	1354.0	1505.5	11.2%
Bureau of Labor Statistics	688.0	658.3	-4.3%
Institute of Education Sciences	737.0	844.1	14.5%
Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality	350.4	385.0	9.9%
National Agricultural Statistics Service	190.2	211.0	11.0%
Bureau of Economic Analysis	116.0	127.8	10.2%
Economic Research Service	87.8	90.6	3.2%
International Education and Foreign Language Studies	81.7	88.7	8.5%
Bureau of Justice Statistics	40.0	45.0	12.5%
National Institute of Justice	30.0	35.0	16.7%

Lawmakers have just three more weeks of work in July before leaving for the month-long August recess. House leaders are likely to try to schedule votes on as many of the bills as possible before then.

Of course, this is just half the story. The Senate Appropriations Committee has yet to consider any of its annual spending bills. In addition, many of the proposals in the House Democrat’s bills are considered dead on arrival in the highly divided Senate, especially with respect to defense spending levels. The path to completion is anything but straightforward.

However, one thing that could help lawmakers get to a deal on FY 2023 funding before the end of the year is the upcoming retirements of notable Appropriators, who will be looking to secure their legacies through enactment of the FY 2023 spending bills, presumably by the end of calendar year 2022. These dynamics coupled with the upcoming midterm elections will make for an interesting fall and ending to the FY 2023 appropriations process. COSSA will continue to report on these and other developments as the process unfolds.

**Read on** for COSSA's analysis of the House FY 2023 funding bills for federal agencies and programs important to the social and behavioral science research community.

## New from COSSA

### COSSA Running “Why Social Science” Series Spotlighting Research on Gun Violence

Friends,

The statistics surrounding gun violence in America are staggering and the policy solutions varied. Recent tragedies in Uvalde, TX and at a grocery store in my hometown of Buffalo, NY—not to mention the countless other shootings that have occurred since then—underscore just how pervasive this crisis is, regardless of where you live. The institutions long-considered “safe spaces”—schools, hospitals, houses of worship—are no longer safe from the scourge of



gun violence.

Mass shooting events are just one piece of this social and public health crisis. Everyday across the country families and communities are being rocked by gun violence, from suicide by gun to violence between domestic partners to tragedies stemming from improper storage of firearms in the home. While not all fatal, these experiences leave lasting effects on the communities in which they occur, changing countless lives forever.

What can we do to address a challenge as big and complex as gun violence in America?

The social and behavioral sciences provide an evidence base that allows us to better understand the many factors contributing to gun violence and inform policy or other solutions. Over the next few months, *Why Social Science?* will spotlight what social science research can tell us about gun violence—conditions that can lead to it, its effects on those involved, and possible solutions informed by science.

I invite you to read—and share—these posts within your own communities, starting with this [first contribution](#) by Dr. Rebecca Cunningham, Vice President for Research at the University of Michigan and leading expert on firearm injury prevention and public health.

By shining a light on the contributions of social and behavioral science, we hope to present a fuller picture of this complex issue and share insights and expertise that can help move the conversation forward... hopefully to a safer future.

Thank you, social scientists, for all you do.

Wendy Naus  
Proud Buffalonian  
COSSA Executive Director  
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## University of Michigan's Rebecca Cunningham Answers "Why Social Science?"



This week's [Why Social Science?](#) post comes from Rebecca Cunningham, M.D., who writes about the role social scientists may play in reducing firearm injury through advising on policy changes and building an evidence base. The post is the first in a series spotlighting research on gun violence and firearm injury in the *Why Social Science* catalog. Read the post [here](#).

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## Executive Branch News

### Joan Sereno Named to Lead NSF's Behavioral & Cognitive Sciences Division

Last month, the National Science Foundation (NSF) [announced](#) the appointment of Joan Sereno as the next [Division Director for the Behavioral and Cognitive Sciences](#) (BCS) within the Directorate for Social, Behavioral and Economic Sciences (SBE). Sereno, a psycholinguist who will be coming to NSF as a rotator, is co-director of the Phonetics and Psycholinguistics Laboratory at the University of Kansas and chair of KU's linguistics department. As BCS lead, Sereno will oversee the [division's research programs](#) in cognitive science, anthropology, geography, psychology, and linguistics, among others. She will start in her NSF post on August 29, succeeding Marc Sebrechts who led BCS since 2018.

### NSF To Hold Webinar Exploring the Science and Engineering Indicators

On July 14, the National Science Foundation (NSF) will be hosting an [interactive webinar](#) discussing the 2022 iteration of the [Science and Engineering Indicators](#), the

congressionally mandated report released every two years with data on the health and strength of the U.S. science and engineering enterprise. The webinar will feature Principal Deputy Director for Policy at the White House Office of Science and Technology Policy (OSTP) Kei Koizumi, Vice Chair of the National Science Board Victor McCrary, and Director of the National Center for Science and Engineering Statistics (NCSES) Emilda B. Rivers as panelists and Director of Science, Technology, and Innovation Analysis at NCSES Amy Burke as moderator. The panel will discuss the data and resources that are publicly available in the report and how they can be best used to inform policy and decision making. Registration for the webinar is available [here](#).

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## Science Community News

### National Academies Seeks Nominations for Committee on Misinformation

The Board on Science Education (BOSE) of the National Academies of Sciences, Engineering and Medicine (NAEM) is launching a [consensus study](#) that will examine misinformation about science, and is seeking nominations for committee members, reviewers, and participants. The ad-hoc committee will be comprised of approximately 12-14 members and will examine evidence to define and map the landscape of misinformation, examine the mechanisms and impacts of misinformation experienced by diverse communities, examine the effectiveness of existing interventions, and provide a roadmap to guide future research. BOSE is looking for volunteers who are experts in the fields of science communication, psychology, political science, health communication, history of science, ethics, network science, and science communication practitioners. The deadline for nominations is July 15, 2022, and nominations can be submitted [here](#).

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## COSSA Member Spotlight

### COSSA Welcomes San Diego State University as a New Member

COSSA is excited to welcome [San Diego State University](#) as its newest member! A research university in San Diego, SDSU receives over [\\$14 million](#) annually in federal social and behavioral science funding. COSSA's full membership list can be found [here](#). Information on how to join is on the [COSSA website](#).

## Resources & Opportunities

### COSSA Letters & Statements

- 7/1/2022: [Analysis of House FY 2023 Appropriations Bills for Federal Science Agencies](#)
- 6/21/2022: [Sign-on Letter to the Senate Supporting Action on Gun Violence Prevention and to Refrain from the Stigmatization of Mental Illness](#)

### Nomination Opportunities

- AHRQ: [Nominations for Members: National Advisory Council for Healthcare Research and Quality](#) (Closes: August 1, 2022)
- **NEW:** NASEM: [Committee on Understanding and Addressing Misinformation about Science](#) (Closes: July 15, 2022)

### Funding Opportunities

- NIH: Research on Biopsychosocial Factors of Social Connectedness and Isolation on Health, Wellbeing, Illness, and Recovery ([R01 BESH Required](#)) ([R01 Clinical](#))

- [Trials Not Allowed](#) (R01 Clinical Trial Required) (Closes: June 22, 2024)
- NIH: [Notice of Special Interest \(NOSI\): Validation of Digital Health and Artificial Intelligence Tools for Improved Assessment in Epidemiological, Clinical, and Intervention Research](#) (Closes: March 9, 2024)
- NIH: [Maximizing Opportunities for Scientific and Academic Independent Careers \(MOSAIC\) Institutionally-Focused Research Education Award to Promote Diversity](#) (Closes: November 16, 2023)
- **NEW:** NSF: [Disrupting Operations of Illicit Supply Networks \(D-ISN\)](#) (Closes: July 29, 2022)
- NSF/TIP: [Convergence Accelerator Phases 1 and 2](#) (Closes: July 20, 2022)
- NIH: [IMPROVE Initiative: Implementation Science to Advance Maternal Health and Maternal Health Equity](#) (Closes: July 17, 2022)
- NIH: [Notice of Special Interest: Administrative Supplement for Research Efforts that Illuminate Fundamental Processes Underlying Behavioral Change, Maintenance, and Adherence](#) (Clinical Trial Optional) (Closes: July 16, 2022)
- NIH: [Notice of Special Interest: Administrative Supplements to NIH-funded T32 and TL1 Training Grants to Better Integrate Behavioral and Social Sciences \(BSS\) with other Health-Related Sciences](#) (Closes: July 12, 2022)
- SSRC: [The Mercury Project: Call for Proposals](#) (rolling deadline)

## Requests for Comment & Calls for Papers

- NSF: [Comment Request: National Science Foundation Request for Proposals](#) (Closes: August 16, 2022)
- **NEW:** NIH: [Request for Information on Interdisciplinary Research Opportunities that Bridge Neuroscience and Environmental Health Science](#) (Closes: July 11, 2022)

## Notices, Resources, & Reports

- **NEW:** NSF: [Dear Colleague Letter: NSF-NIST Interaction in Basic and Applied Scientific Research](#)

## Open Positions, Fellowships, & Professional Development Opportunities

- NASEM: [Director of the Board on Human-Systems Integration](#) (rolling deadline)

## Upcoming Events

- [Law and Society Association Annual Meeting](#), July 13-16, 2022, Lisbon, Portugal
- [NSF Webinar: Get to Know the Science and Engineering Indicators](#), July 14, 2022
- [American Psychological Association Annual Convention](#), August 4-7, 2022, Minneapolis, MN
- [Rural Sociological Society Annual Meeting](#), August 4-7, 2022, Denver, CO
- [American Sociological Association Annual Meeting](#), August 5-9, 2022, Los Angeles, CA
- [Joint Statistical Meetings](#), August 6-11, 2022, Washington, DC
- **[COSSA Headlines | August, August 11, 2022](#)**
- [American Political Science Association Annual Meeting & Exhibition](#), September 14-18, 2022, Montreal, Canada

A list of COSSA members' annual meetings and other events can be found on the [COSSA events page](#). COSSA members who have an upcoming event they would like to see listed in the Events Calendar and on our website should send an email to [bgoodrich@cossa.org](mailto:bgoodrich@cossa.org).

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## COSSA Members

### Governing Associations

American Anthropological Association

### Colleges and Universities

Boston University

American Association for Public Opinion Research  
American Economic Association  
American Educational Research Association  
American Political Science Association  
American Psychological Association  
American Society of Criminology  
American Sociological Association  
American Statistical Association  
Law and Society Association  
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Population Association of America  
Society for Personality and Social Psychology  
Society for Research in Child Development

### **Membership Organizations**

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Association of Academic Survey Research Organizations  
Association of American Law Schools  
Association of Research Libraries  
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Economic History Association  
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National Association of Social Workers  
National Communication Association  
National Council on Family Relations  
Rural Sociological Society  
Social Science History Association  
Society for Personality Assessment  
Society for Prevention Research  
Society for Research on Adolescence  
Society for Social Work and Research  
Society for the Psychological Study of Social Issues  
Southern Political Science Association  
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Cornell Center for Social Sciences  
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Institute for Social Science Research, University of Massachusetts, Amherst  
NORC at the University of Chicago  
RTI International  
Social Science Research Council

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### **About COSSA**

*The Consortium of Social Science Associations (COSSA) is a nonprofit advocacy organization working to promote sustainable federal funding for and*

### **Our Team**

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widespread use of social and behavioral science research and federal policies that positively impact the conduct of research. COSSA serves as a united voice for a broad, diverse network of organizations, institutions, communities, and stakeholders who care about a successful and vibrant social science research enterprise. The COSSA membership includes professional and disciplinary associations, scientific societies, research centers and institutes, and U.S. colleges and universities.

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