

UPDATE ON THE LATEST WHITE HOUSE AND CONGRESSIONAL ACTIONS

March 31, 2025

Stand by, we will begin momentarily.





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 Child Trends
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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

Affiliates

SAGE Publishing



<i>(in millions)</i>	Enacted FY 2024 Level	Enacted FY 2025 CR	President's FY 2026 request	COSSA's FY 2026 Request
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE				
Bureau of the Census	1,382.0	1,382.0	n/a	2,000.0
Bureau of Economic Analysis	125.0	125.0	n/a	
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION				
Institute of Education Sciences	793.1	793.1	n/a	900.0
International Education and Foreign Language Studies	85.6	n/a	n/a	
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES				
National Institutes of Health	4,8581.0	4,8301.0	n/a	51,303.0
Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality	369.0	369.0	n/a	500
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention	9,222.1	9,222.1	n/a	
National Center for Health Statistics	187.4	n/a	n/a	
DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE				
Bureau of Justice Statistics	35.0	n/a	n/a	75.0
National Institute of Justice	30.0	n/a	n/a	60.0
DEPARTMENT OF LABOR				
Bureau of Labor Statistics	698.0	698.0	n/a	770.0
OTHER AGENCIES				
National Science Foundation	9,060.0	9,060.0	n/a	9,900.0
Institute of Museum and Library Services	294.8	294.8	0	
National Endowment for The Humanities	204.0	204.0	n/a	
National Archives	427.3	427.3	n/a	

CURRENT FUNDING (FY 2025)

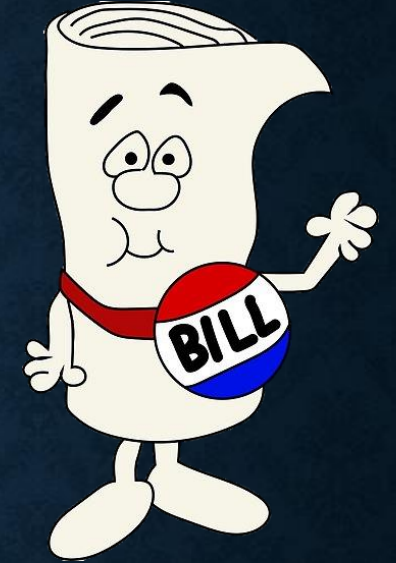
- October 1, 2024 – September 30, 2025
- Enacted March 15 – six months late
- CR only specifies top-line funding amounts.
- Full impact of CR won't be known for several weeks.
- Democrats unsuccessful in inserting language protecting agency budgets from Trump EOs.

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NEXT YEAR FUNDING (FY 2026)

- FY 2026 process underway, despite no President's budget request.
- Congress not likely to wait – Budget reconciliation process top priority.
- FY 2026 appropriations bills could be written May/June or sooner.
- BUT – Few think Congress will be able to agree on FY 2026 funding.

WHAT'S NEXT



Regular Order:

- FEB – President’s Budget Request released
- APR – Congress adopts budget resolution
- MAY – Appropriations Committees set allocations for 12 subcommittees
- MAY-JUN – Subcommittees write and “mark up” bills
- JUN – Full Appropriations Committee considers/amends bills
- JUL – House Floor debate/vote on each bill individually
- SEP – Differences negotiated (conference committee), each chamber votes on compromise
- BY SEP 30 – To the President to sign/veto
- OCT 1 – New fiscal year begins

BUDGET RECONCILIATION



1. BUDGET RESOLUTION

- House and Senate must adopt identical budget resolutions setting overall spending and revenue levels for a specific period (usually 10 years)
- Includes reconciliation instructions to committees with specific targets



2. COMMITTEE WORK

- Identified committees draft legislation based on reconciliation instructions
- House and Senate Budget Committees package their chambers' respective bills into an omnibus



3. FLOOR CONSIDERATION

- Each chamber considers its respective omnibus package
- A simple majority is needed to pass through the chamber



4. RESOLVE DIFFERENCES

- A conference committee works to reconcile differences between the two bills
- If agreement is reached, each chamber votes on the final package



5. SIGNED INTO LAW OR VETOED

- Once the House and Senate each pass an identical bill, it goes to the President for signature or veto.

WHAT YOU CAN DO

- Grassroots Action!
- Write/call your Congressional offices.
- Share your stories.
- Measure impact of research/education efforts.

Featured Alert

HOME

Urge Congress to Prioritize Science Funding!

Congressional appropriators are preparing legislation that will determine funding for federal science and statistical agencies for the next year. With all the uncertainty in Washington these days, the stakes have never been higher. It is essential that our community fights for federal science funding and the scientific workforce. Now is the time to write to your Members of Congress to urge their support for research funding in FY 2026 and to end the political interference into the federal scientific enterprise!

Write to your Members of Congress TODAY and tell them why it is critical that they prioritize funding in FY 2026 for the National Science Foundation, National Institutes of Health, Institute of Education Sciences, National Institute of Justice, Bureau of Justice Statistics, International Education and Foreign Language Programs, and the federal statistical system.

Feel free to tailor the text below to offer additional examples or concerns. Thank you for taking action on this critical issue!

TAKE ACTION



Advocate

and a scientist

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Participants

16

States

68

Meetings

16

Republicans

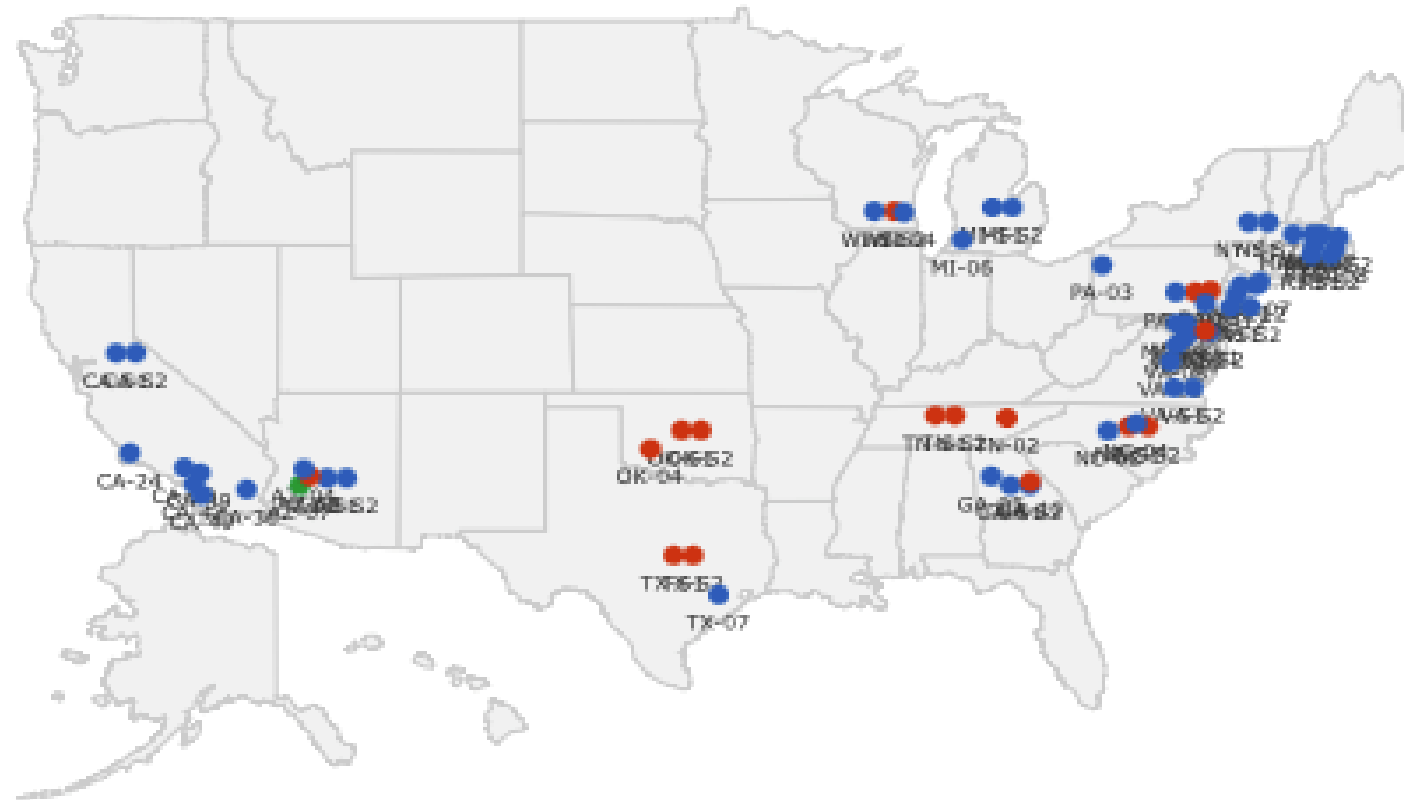
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Democrats

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Independents

Strategic Map: Political Parties
 Consortium of Social Science Associations (COSSA)



Criminal Justice
Mental Health
National Security
Artificial Intelligence
Federal Statistics
Education
Gun Violence Prevention Veterans
Border Security
Housing Energy Crisis
Non-Profit Funding Energy
Economy
DEI
Health
Government Waste
Neighborhood Safety
Research Funding
Environment/Climate
Workforce Development

RIF / Budget Cuts

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COMING UP ON COSSA HEADLINES


- SAVE THE DATE!
- April 29 at 1:00 pm ET:
 - FY 2026 Budget
 - Latest Trump and Congressional actions
 - Other news

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