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What does the new Federal Budget mean for you?

Dear {FIRST_NAME|Friend},

This past Tuesday, Congress released the full budget that was agreed upon late Friday night to avoid a government shutdown. While the cuts are not as deep as the House had proposed earlier this year, there is still greater need for housing, economic recovery and health care than the Federal government will provide through its programs.

There is still time to [TAKE ACTION](#) so that these and deeper cuts are not written into next year's budget!

Curious to know what the new numbers could mean for safety net services? Here are some of the numbers:

(Provided by our partners at the National Healthcare for the Homeless Council)

- **Community Health Centers: \$600M**
- Bureau of Health Professions: \$164M
- Rural Health Programs: \$35M
- Title X Family Planning: \$17M
- **HIV AIDS, Hepatitis, STD and TB Prevention: \$1 B**
- SAMHSA: \$45M
- LIHEAP: \$390M
- Community Block Grant programs: \$43M
- Rental Assistance Program: \$24M
- **WIC: \$504M**
- VA Supportive Housing Vouchers: \$25M
- Public Housing Operating Fund: \$149M
- **Public Housing Capital Fund: \$456M**
- HOPE IV: \$100M
- Native American Housing Block Grants: \$50M
- **Community Development Fund: \$942M**
- Housing Counseling Assistance: \$88M

More Resources:

- House Democrats have published the [full text of the budget](#) online.
- Summaries are also available from the [Democrats of the House Appropriations Committee](#), the [Republicans in the House Appropriations Committee](#), and the [Senate Appropriations Committee](#).
- Republicans in the House Appropriations Committee have

NCH Local Reports

The NCH Board met late last month in Washington, DC. We had lots to discuss with the pending Federal budget and continually growing needs across the country. Check out these [Local Reports](#) submitted at the meeting by our Board of Directors.

NCH in the News

Reuters (March 19) - [San Francisco tries get tough approach with homeless](#)

Ft. Worth Star-Telegram (March 26) - [Unsafe rides are just part of the job for flier distributors](#)

PR Newswire (Apr. 7) - [Amidst Growing Veteran Needs, Budget Cuts and Bulging Lines](#)

Washington Post (Apr. 14) - [Lawsuit: Fla. video firm paid homeless men \\$50 cash to be beaten by scantily clad women](#)

Happy National Volunteer Week!

Volunteers provide the dedication and selflessness needed to accomplish the great work of thousands of nonprofit organizations nationwide. To all those who volunteer, **THANK YOU** for your amazing service!

We here at NCH are incredibly

also released a report [highlighting programs cuts](#).

Below is a summary of some key funding levels in the new budget versus the level enacted by the previous congress, and the levels proposed, but not approved, earlier this year in the budget bill HR 1.

Agriculture

- The Women, Infants and Children's (WIC) nutrition program is funded at \$6.7 billion; \$243 million above HR1.
- The Commodity Supplemental Food Program is funded at \$176 million; \$5 million above the FY2010 enacted level and \$25 million above HR1.
- Food Safety and Inspection Service is funded at \$1.0 billion; \$10 million below the enacted level and \$78 million above HR1.
- P.L.480 Food for Peace is funded at \$1.5 billion; \$190 million below the enacted level.

Labor, HHS, Education

- The Maximum Pell Grant award is maintained at \$5,550.
- Head Start is funded at \$7.6 billion; \$340 million above the enacted level and \$1.4 billion above HR1.
- Title X Family Planning is funded at \$300 million; \$17 million below the enacted level. No funds were provided in HR1 for Title X.
- Community Health Centers are funded at \$1.6 billion; \$600 million below the enacted level and \$414 million above HR1.
- National Institutes of Health is funded at \$30.7 billion; \$260 million, or 0.8 percent, below the enacted level. HR1 cut NIH by \$1.6 billion.
- Corporation for Public Broadcasting is funded at \$445 million; the same as the enacted level. No funds were provided in HR1 for CPB.
- Corporation for National and Community Service (AmeriCorps and other programs) is funded at 1.1 billion; \$72 million below the enacted level and \$952 million above HR1.
- Community Services Block grants are funded at \$680 million; \$20 million below the enacted level and \$285 million above HR1.
- Workforce Investment Act job training grants are funded at \$2.8 billion; \$182 million below the enacted level. No funds were provided in HR1.
- HR1 included legislative riders to defund the Affordable

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Care Act; prohibit funding to Planned Parenthood; stop the Education Department from implementing "gainful employment" regulations of proprietary colleges; and prohibit the use of federal funds for needle exchange programs. These have not been included in this bill

Transportation, HUD

- Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing (VASH) is funded at \$50 million; \$25 million below the enacted level. HR1 did not include funding for VASH.
- Community Development Block grants are funded at \$3.5 billion; \$950 million below the enacted level and \$1.5 billion above HR1.
- Tenant Based Section 8 Housing is funded at \$16.7 billion; \$987 million above the enacted level and the same as HR1.
- High speed rail is not funded in this bill.

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