# Trump's Plans to Cut Human Needs Programs

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## Administration's Skinny Budget & **Emerging Fiscal Agenda**

#### **Sharon Parrott**

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#### What is in the Skinny Budget?

#### In:

- · Discretionary funding levels for each federal department in 2018
- · Brief descriptions of major cuts in each department

#### Out:

- · Tax reform proposals
- · Revenue projections
- · Entitlement policy changes
- Entitlement program projections
- · Deficit projections
- Discretionary program funding levels beyond 2018

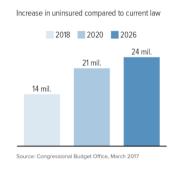


#### **Emerging Fiscal Agenda is Hardly Hidden**

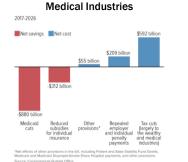
- · Cutting non-defense discretionary programs
- · Cutting health care while providing tax cuts to the wealthy
- · Providing additional large, regressive tax
- · Potentially cutting other safety net programs deeply

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#### **House GOP Plan Means Millions More Uninsured**



#### Center on Budget and Policy Prioritic House GOP Health Plan: Cuts Assistance for Low- and Moderate-Income People; Cuts Taxes for the Wealthy and



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## **More Tax Cuts Coming:**

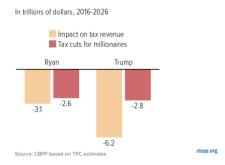
"It's gonna be a big tax cut, the biggest since Reagan, maybe bigger than Reagan."

- President Donald Trump, March 7, 2017

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House GOP and Trump Tax Plans Would Cost Trillions,

## **Concentrate Tax Cuts on Millionaires**



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## **Mnuchin Rule**

"Any reductions we have in upper-income taxes will be offset by less deductions so that there will be no absolute tax cut for the upper class."

- Treasury Secretary Steven Mnuchin, November 30, 2016

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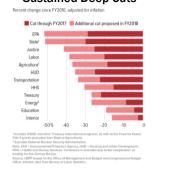
#### **Entitlements Outside of Medicare and Social Security** May be Targeted for cuts

Potential sources of deficit reduction:

- Revenue increases:
  - Administration wants tax <u>cuts</u> (could make deficit LARGER)
- Discretionary Programs
  - Administration cutting NDD to offset for defense increases
- Medicare and Social Security
  - · President says "off the table" though OMB director may be trying to get them on?
- Medicaid, CHIP, ACA subsidies
- · Cut in House Health bill...to pay for tax cuts
- Other entitlements, such as SNAP, SSI, EITC
  - · WHAT'S LEFT

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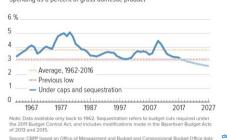
## **Federal Agencies Have Already Sustained Deep Cuts**



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#### Non-Defense Discretionary Spending Set to Fall to Historically Low Levels Under Current Law

## Spending as a percent of gross domestic product



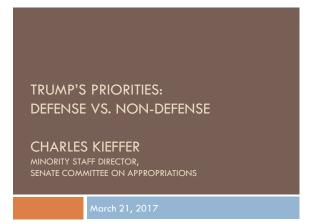
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## We Need Another Bipartisan Agreement to Reduce Sequestration

\$22

Level of relief from sequestration in billions of dollars

\$12 2017



## How Trump Budget Compares

(in \$ billions)

	ise	Non-L	Defense	Tot	al
FY17	FY18	FY17	FY18	FY17	FY18
\$647	\$664	\$629	\$645	\$1,277	\$1,310
590	603	541	553	1,131	1,156
551		519		1,070	
	549		515		1,064
576	603	504	462	1,080	1,064
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## Trump's Eliminated Programs

(Department totals, Budget Authority, in \$ millions)

Agriculture	-\$794	Justice	-\$210
Commerce	-\$634	Labor	-\$445
Education	-\$4,614	State (excl.	
Energy	-\$2,714+	OCO)	-\$576
HHS	-\$4,501+	Trans-	
Homeland		portation	-\$674
Security	-\$235	Treasury	-\$230
HUD	-\$4,112	EPA	-\$840
Interior	-\$122	NASA	-\$179
		Other Ind.	-\$2,663
		Agencies	

#### Eliminated Programs - Detail

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Health and Hum	an Services (in		
	FY17CR	FY18 TRUMP	'18 LESS '17 CR
Assets for Independence Office	\$19	TBD	TBD
Community Economic Dev. (OCS)	30	TBD	TBD
Community Svs Block Grant	714	0	-714
Health Professions & Nursing Train	491	88	-403
LIHEAP	3,384	0	-3,384
Rural Community Facilities (OCS)	6	TBD	TBD
Housing and	l Urban Develo	pment	
	FY17CR	FY18 TRUMP	'18 LESS '17CR
Capacity Bldg for Com. Dev. & Affordable Housing — Section 4	\$35	\$0	-\$35
Choice Neighborhoods	125	0	-125
Community Development Block Grants	2,994	0	-2,994
Home Investment Partnerships	948	0	-948
Self-Help Home Ownership Program	10	0	-10

#### Eliminated Programs - Detail

Agriculture (in \$ millions)				
	FY17CR	F	Y18 TRUMP	'18 LESS '17 CR
McGovern-Dole International Food for Education	\$201		0	-\$201
Rural Business & Coop Svc	95		0	-95
Rural Water & Waste Disposal	498		0	-498
Education				
	FY17CR		FY18 TRUMP	'18 LESS '17CR
21st Century Community Learning Ctrs	\$1,1	164	0	-1,164
Fed. Supplemental Ed. Oppty Grants	7	733	0	-733
Impact Aid Payments for Fed. Property		67	0	-67
International Education		72	0	-72
Striving Readers	1	190	0	-190
Supporting Effective Instruction Grants	2,3	345	0	-2,345
Teacher Quality Partnership		45	-	-43

#### Eliminated Programs - Detail

Labor (in \$ millions)				
	FY17CR	FY18 TRUMP	'18 LESS '17 CR	
OSHA Training Grants	\$11	\$0	-\$11	
Senior Community Service Employment Program	434	0	-434	
Justice				
	FY17CR	FY18 TRUMP	'18 LESS '17CR	
Grants/State Criminal Alien Assistance	\$21	0 \$0	-\$210	

#### Eliminated Programs - Detail

Energy (in \$ millions)			
	FY17CR	FY18 TRUMP	'18 LESS '17 CR
Advanced Research Projects Agency (ARPA-E)	\$290	TBD	-TBD
Adv. Technology Vehicle Mfg Program & Title 17 Adv. Tech. Loan Guarantee Program	6	0	-6
Weatherization Assistance Program	215	0	-215
State Energy Program (EERE Sub-Program)	50	0	-50

Interior				
	FY17CR	FY18 TRUMP	'18 LESS '17CR	
Abandoned Mine Land Grants	\$90	\$0	-\$90	
Heritage Partnership Program	20	1	-19	
National Wildlife Refuge Fund	13	0	-13	

#### Eliminated Programs - Detail

Environmental Pro	tection Agency (	in \$ millions)		
	FY17CR	FY18 TRUMP	'18 LESS '17 CR	
Additional EPA Program Eliminations (such as Targeted Airshed Grants; infrastructure aid to Alaska Native Villages and Mexico Border)	\$347	\$0	-\$347	
Energy Star & Voluntary Climate Programs	66	0	-66	
Geographic Programs, such as Gt. Lakes Restoration Initiative; Chesapeake Bay	427	0	-427	
State (Excludes OCO)				
	FY17CR	FY18 TRUMP	'18 LESS '17CR	
Complex Crises Fund (Base only)	\$10	\$0	-\$10	
East-West Center	17	0	-17	
Emergency Refugee & Migration Asst.	50	0	-50	
Green Climate Fund	499	0	-499	

#### Eliminated Programs - Detail

	FY17CR	FY18 TRUMP	'18 LESS '17 CR	
Economic Development Admin.	\$251	\$30	-\$221	
Manufac. Extension Partnership	130	6	-124	
Minority Business Dev. Agency	32	6	-26	
Natl Estuarine Research Reserve	23	0	-23	
NOAA Coastal Zone Mgmt Grants	75	0	-75	
NOAA Office of Education	27	0	-27	
Pacific Coast Salmon Recov. Fund	65	0	-65	
Sea Grant Program	73	0	-73	
Homeland Security				
	FY17CR	FY18 TRUMP	'18 LESS '17 CR	
Flood Hazard Mapping & Risk Analysis Program (RiskMap)	\$190	\$0	-190	
TSA Enforcement Grants	45	0	-45	

Office of Education

Eliminated Programs - D	etail		
Transport			
	FY17CR	FY18 TRUMP	'18 LESS '17 CR
Essential Air Services	\$175	\$0	-\$175
National Infrastructure Investment (TIGER Grants)	499	0	-499
Treasury			
	FY17CR	FY18 TRUMP	'18 LESS '17CR
Clean Technology Fund	<b>FY17CR</b> \$17		-\$170
Clean Technology Fund Strategic Climate Fund	\$17		
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### Independent Agencies to be Eliminated (All savings listed as TBD)

(in \$ n	nillions)	(in \$ millions)
		Natl Endowment/Arts \$148
African Development Fdn	\$30	National Endowment/Humanities
Appalachian Regional Com.	146	148
Chemical Safety Board	11	Neighborhood Reinvestment
Corp. for Nat'l & Com. Svc.	1,093	Corp. 175
Corp. for Public Broadcasting	484	Northern Border Regional Com. 8
Delta Regional Authority	25	
Denali Commission	15	Overseas Private Investment
Institute of Museum & Library		Corp., net -366
Services	230	U.S. Institute of Peace 35
Inter-American Foundation	22	U.S. Trade & Dev. Agency 60
Legal Services Corporation	384	U.S. Interagency Council on
		Homelessness 4
		Woodrow Wilson InternationalCtr For Scholars 11



## **Moments of Opportunity**

- · Now: Trump's emaciated budget
- April 28: Money for FY 17 runs out
- May: Rest of Trump FY 18 Budget
- ?: Congressional Budget Resolution
- Summer/Fall: Appropriations bills
- Fall? Tax cut legislation, maybe

#### **Needed:**

- For appropriations bills, **41 votes** in Senate defeats a bill.
- For reconciliation bills (health care, tax bill?), united Dems plus
   3 Republicans in Senate defeats a bill.

# Divided Congress means we can fight cuts.

• From CQ-Roll Call: "Appropriations Chairman Rejects Trump Budget Cuts. The House's top appropriator on Monday night panned many budget cuts proposed by President Trump to popular government programs, the latest sign that large parts of Trump's spending plans are dead on arrival even among Republicans in Congress. Rodney Frelinghuysen, R-N.J., also dismissed Trump's outspoken budget director, Mick Mulvaney, as 'not one of my favorite people."

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## **Critically Important!**

Get email/social media messages from CHN and other advocacy organizations so you know when and how to take action.

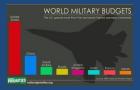
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Help move from virtuous righteousness to action when it counts.

- Spread the word
   about the value of
   services and the
   impact of cuts.
- Contact your Rep. and Senators regularly and get others to do so.
- Public messages increase pressure on elected officials.



## Sign and Circulate People's Budget Petition



Our nation's budget should reflect and respond to the needs of everyday individuals and families. How we spend money says a lot about our nation's priorities and it is vital to securing our future and our children's future. We need a budget that not just keeps us safe and secures us but also provides opportunities and gives us all the chance to succeed.

Sign petition at https://goo.gl/2uYT4c

- Opportunity to spread word to big lists:

  1. Coalition on Human Needs
- Demand Progress National Association of HUD
- National Priorities Project People Demanding Action
- Progressive Congress
  Progressive Democrats of America
  Social Security Works

## Organize calls/meetings with your Rep/Senators or staff

#### FRAC's idea:

- Find 6 orgs from your state on SAVE for All letter or anti-hunger
- Set up a district/state meeting (April recess: 4/7-23) or conference call

http://www.frac.org/wpcontent/uploads/take-actionorganize-community-call.pdf









## Born yesterday?

If you weren't, you know:

- Programs like afterschool care, LIHEAP, housing vouchers, community action agencies, workstudy, etc. ARE EFFECTIVE.
- When there is unmet need, calling a program "duplicative" and cutting its funding makes no sense.



## **Show How Your Program Works**

- Send us descriptions/data from ALREADY **VRITTEN** annual reports, fundraising reports, etc. Send to dweinstein@chn.org
- Write op-ed, blog post, letter to the editor about your program
- · Let us interview you, other staffer, or a consumer/client; contact David Elliot: delliot@chn.org
- Use Rep/Senator's twitter handle to send your piece

## Team up with others to hold a public event during April recess:

- MoveOn, Indivisible, MomsRising, labor, faith leaders, other groups in your community...
  - Invite Rep to program site
  - Demonstrate outside district office
  - Go to Rep's town hall; hold your own
  - Snorkels to Rise Above the Swamp



## Don't just get anxious - act!

Thanks!

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