

# Indian Health Service Budget Overview

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# Indian Health Service Fiscal Year 2022 Budget

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# Fiscal Year 2022 Budget

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The enacted fiscal year (FY) 2022 budget includes a total discretionary budget authority of \$6.6 billion, which is \$395 million, or 6%, above the enacted FY 2021 funding level.

- The bill does not include advance appropriations, and does not reclassify Contract Support Costs and Tribal Lease Payments to mandatory funding.

This includes four accounts:

- ❖ Services: \$4.7 billion
- ❖ Facilities: \$940 million
- ❖ Contract Support Costs: \$880 million
  - Remains an indefinite discretionary appropriation for fully funding CSC
- ❖ Payments for Tribal Leases: \$150 million
  - Remains indefinite discretionary appropriation for fully funding the cost of section 105(I) leases

# Funding Increases (*Services & Facilities*)

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- \$120 million in Current Services for pay costs, as well as medical and non-medical and inflation
- \$99 million for staffing and operating costs of newly-constructed healthcare facilities

# Funding Increases (*Services & Facilities*)

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- The \$99 million in staffing and operating costs for new and replacement facilities includes:
  - Yukon-Kuskokwim Primary Care Center in Bethel, AK (JV)
  - Naytahwaush Health Center in Naytahwaush, MN (JV)
  - Northeast Ambulatory Care Center in Scottsdale, AZ
  - Phoenix Indian Medical Center Central in Phoenix, AZ
  - Ysleta Del Sur Health Center in El Paso, TX (JV)
  - Alternative Rural Health Center in Dilkon, AZ
  - Elbowoods Memorial Health Center in New Town, ND (JV)
  - North Star Health Clinic in Seward, AK (JV)

# Services Program Increases

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Increases to the Hospitals and Health Clinics budget line include:

- \$14 million for Tribal Epidemiology Centers
- \$3 million for a new Produce Pilot Program
- \$1 million for maternal health
- \$500k for additional Alzheimer's grants

The bill maintains funding for the HIV/Hep C initiative at the FY 2021 level of \$5 million.

# Services Program Increases (Cont.)

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Increases to other budget lines within the Services account include:

- \$111 million for modernization of the IHS Electronic Health Record system
- \$2 million for Dental Health
  - \$1 million for expanding Dental Support Centers
  - \$1 million for the Electronic Dental Record
- \$1 million for Alcohol and Substance Abuse for additional opioid grants

# Services Program Increases (Cont.)

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Increases to other budget lines within the Services account include:

- \$10 million for Urban Indian Health
- \$10 million for Direct Operations
- \$5 million for additional Loan Repayment Awards
- \$2 million for Public Health Nursing



# Facilities Program Increases

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Increases in the Facilities appropriation account include:

- \$3 million for preliminary engineering reports
- \$1 million for emergency generators

Health Care Facilities Construction funding remains flat with FY 2021 and includes:

- \$10 million for staffing quarters
- \$25 million for the Small Ambulatory Program
- \$5 million for green infrastructure

# Additional Budget Highlights

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- Earmarks \$40 million in Sanitation Facilities Construction Funding for specific projects directed by Congress in Alaska, New Mexico, and Oregon.
- Mandatory Funds: Special Diabetes Program for Indians
  - Extended through FY 2023 at the current \$150 million funding level.
  - However, FY 2023 funding is impacted by the mandatory sequester, reducing total funding available to \$147 million.

# Indian Health Service Fiscal Year 2023 Budget

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# Fiscal Year 2023 President's Budget

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The FY 2023 President's Budget proposes the first ever fully mandatory budget for the IHS. In FY 2023, the Budget proposes a total of \$9.3 billion for the IHS, which is +\$2.5 billion above FY 2022. This includes four accounts:

- ❖ Services: \$6.3 billion
- ❖ Facilities: \$1.6 billion
- ❖ Contract Support Costs: \$1.142 billion
  - Remains an indefinite appropriation for fully funding CSC
- ❖ Payments for Tribal Leases: \$150 million
  - Remains an indefinite appropriation for fully funding the cost of section 105(I) leases

# 10-Year Funding Proposal

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The mandatory budget proposal would be accomplished through new authorizing legislation, and would provide funding each year for 10 years.

- Funding culminates in a total of \$36.7 billion in FY 2032, which is an increase of nearly \$30 billion or a 296 percent over the 10-year window.
- Proposed funding would be fully exempt from sequestration, and the IHS would be protected from government shutdowns.

# Key Proposals

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The mandatory budget proposal addresses a number of longstanding Tribal priorities and critical challenges through additional funding increases over 10 years, including:

- +\$11.2 billion in the Services Account over 5 years to address the 2018 Level of Need Funded deficiency; and
- +\$6 billion over 5 years to complete the IHS transition to a fully modernized EHR solution.

## Key Proposals (*cont.*)

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The mandatory budget proposal addresses a number of longstanding Tribal priorities and critical challenges through additional funding increases over 10 years, including:

- +\$1.1 billion in the Facilities Account over 5 years to address the 1993 Health Care Facilities Construction Priority List; and
- +\$454 million in the Facilities Account over 5 years to address medical equipment needs for IHS and Tribal Health Programs.

## Key Proposals (*cont.*)

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The budget also includes targeted investments to address health challenges that disproportionately impact American Indians and Alaska Natives:

- +\$47 million for Ending HIV & Hepatitis C in Indian Country;
- +\$9 million for opioid use prevention and treatment activities; and
- +\$4 million for maternal health activities.



