

# National Tribal Budget Formulation Workgroup's Recommendations for the Fiscal Year 2020 IHS Budget

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# Fiscal Year 2020 Budget Recommendations

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***Partnering to Build a Strong and Sustainable Indian Health System: Honoring Tribal Sovereignty to Fulfill the Federal Trust Responsibility***

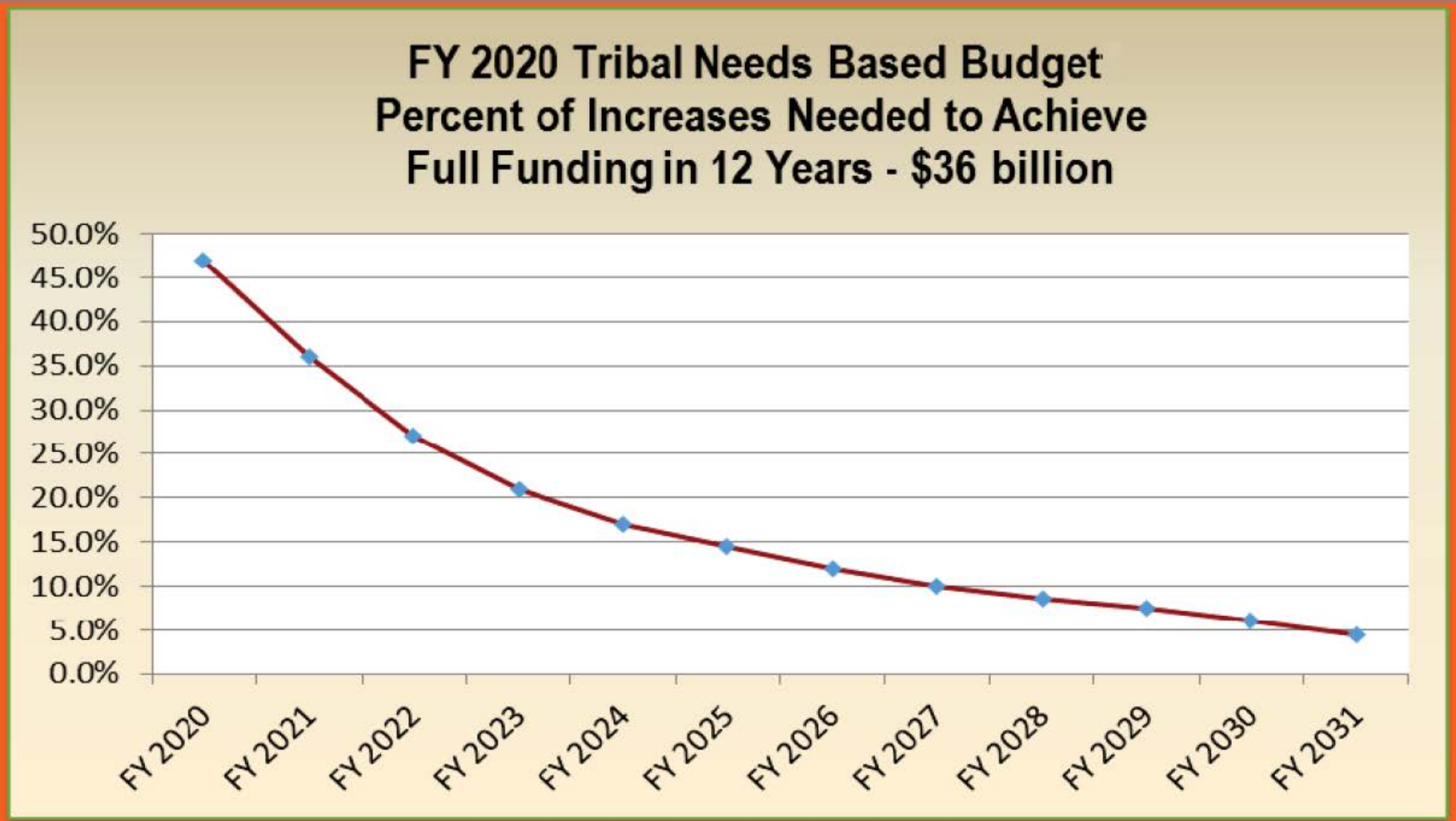
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To Change Outcomes, New Resources *ARE* Required: Recommend Phasing in FULL Funding of IHS of \$36 Billion for Medical Care and Replacing & Modernizing Health System Infrastructure over 12 Years





# **Tribal Budget Recommendations FY 2020**

**I. Commit to fully fund IHS at \$36 Billion phased in over 12 years**

**II. Increase the President's Budget Request to a total of \$7 billion for the IHS in FY 2020 by adding at a minimum:**

- **+\$189.1 million for full funding of current services**
- **+\$276.1 million for binding fiscal obligations**
- **+\$1.5 billion for program increases for the most critical health issues (~36% above FY2017 Enacted).**

**Increase 36% over FY2017 IHS Enacted Budget: +\$1.6 Billion  
(Represents a Request of \$7 Billion for IHS in FY2020)**

**Recommended:**

**Fully Fund Current Services**

**+\$189.1Million**

**Binding Agreements:**

**+\$276.1 Million**

- Health Care Facilities Construction Projects (Planned): +\$83.3M
- Staffing Costs for New Facilities (estimate): +\$68.8M
- New Tribes (estimate): +\$0

**Contract Support Costs (Estimate):**

**+\$100 Million**

**Program Increases (Total): (Services: +\$1.3M & Facilities: +\$220M)**

**\$1.52 Billion**

**TOP 15 PRIORITIES FOR PROGRAM EXPANSION:**

Hospital & Clinics	+ \$409.0 Million
Purchased/Referred Care	+ \$407.0 Million
Mental Health	+ \$157.2 Million
Alcohol and Substance Abuse	+ \$123.8 Million
Dental Services	+ \$ 98.3 Million
Health Care Facilities Construction/Other Authorities	+ \$ 81.4 Million
Sanitation Facilities Construction	+ \$ 72.5 Million
Urban Indian Health	+ \$ 32.7 Million
Maintenance & Improvement	+ \$ 32.5 Million
Equipment	+ \$ 24.1 Million
Public Health Nursing	+ \$ 21.9 Million
Health Education	+ \$ 20.0 Million
Community Health Representatives (CHRs)	+ \$ 18.9 Million
Indian Health Professions	+ \$ 16.2 Million
Direct Operations	+ \$ .6 Million

**III. Support the Preservation of Medicaid, the Indian Health Care Improvement Act and other Indian-specific provisions in the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (P.L. 111-48)**

**IV. Fund Critical Infrastructure Improvements which impact patient care including**

- Health IT
- Health Facilities and Construction Funding and Equipment

**V. Advocate that Tribes and Tribal programs be permanently exempt from sequestration**



**VI. Support Advance Appropriations for the Indian Health Service**

**VII. Allow federally-operated health facilities and IHS headquarters the same flexibility to adjust programmatic funds across accounts to maximize efficiency and effective use of federal dollars at the local level**

**VIII. Support funding of Tribes outside of a grant-based system**



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