Indian Health Service
Budget Update
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COVID-19 Funding
COVID-19 Funding Overview

The IHS has received a total of $1.9 billion in COVID-19 resources, either through direct appropriations, or through HHS. Congress has enacted four supplemental appropriations bills:

- Coronavirus Preparedness and Response Act: $70 million
- Families First Coronavirus Response Act: $64 million
- CARES Act: $1.032 billion
- PPP & Health Care Enhancement Act: $750 million
Potable Water and Sanitation Needs

The IHS allocated $10 million of CARES Act funding to support unforeseen near-term needs. Thus far, $9.4 million has been distributed.

- **1st Distribution: $4.7 million**
  - These funds were provided to all 12 IHS Areas.

- **2nd Distribution: $4.7 million**
  - These funds were provided to the Navajo Area.
CARES Act “Unallocated” Amount

The IHS allocated $30 million of CARES Act funding to support unanticipated near-term needs. Thus far, $10 million has been identified for a specific project.

- **Interagency Agreement (IAA) for PPE: $10 million**
  - The IHS is working to implement an IAA to procure hard to find PPE and medical supplies through the Strategic National Stockpile, to supplement National Service Supply Fund resources.
  - Supplies procured under this method would be provided to I/T/Us at no cost.
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Fiscal Year 2021 House Bill
The FY 2021 House Bill includes a total discretionary budget authority of $6.5 billion, which is $445 million above FY 2020 enacted. This includes four accounts:

- **Services**: $4.5 billion
- **Facilities**: $935 million
- **Contract Support Costs**: $916 million
  - Remains an indefinite discretionary appropriation for fully funding CSC
- **Section 105(l) Leases**: $101 million
  - A new indefinite discretionary appropriation for fully funding Section 105(l) Leases
FY 2021 House Bill – Additional Facilities

The FY 2020 House Bill also includes a separate $1.5 billion appropriation for IHS facilities programs. This includes:

- $1.25 billion for the Health Care Construction Facilities Priority List, and the Small Ambulatory Program,
- $200 million for maintenance and improvement needs,
- $50 million for new and replacement staff quarters, and
- $50 million for equipment.
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- Cost Projections Subgroup - National Tribal Budget Formulation Workgroup
- Policy Recommendations Workgroup

Goal 3: Management and Operations, Obj. 3.3: Improve communication within the organization with tribes, urban Indian organizations, and other stakeholders, and with the general public.