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This Month’s DEEP DIVE: President’s FY 2020 Budget Request

This Month’s HOMEWORK: What you can do this month
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- Social Science Research Council
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CONGRESS

• FY 2019 Completed
  • More: www.cossa.org/advocacy/funding-updates
• Census IDEA Act Reintroduced
  • More: www.cossa.org/2019/02/19/cossa-endorse-census-idea-act
• FY 2020 Letters and Statements
  • More: www.cossa.org/coalitions/coalition-sign-on-letters

EXECUTIVE BRANCH

• William Beach Confirmed as BLS Commissioner
  • More: https://bit.ly/2Hi7Inj
• NIH OBSSR Early Stage Investigator Paper Competition (Closes: March 31)
• Funding Opportunities
  • More: www.cossa.org/resources/funding-opportunities

COMMUNITY

• NASEM: *A Decadal Survey of the Social and Behavioral Sciences: A Research Agenda for Advancing Intelligence Analysis*
  • More: https://sites.nationalacademies.org/DBASSE/BBCSS/SBS_for_National_Security-Decadal_Survey/index.htm

COSSA

• 2019 Social Science Advocacy Day, 4/30 to 5/1
  • Seeking advocates from AL, KS, MI, MS, NH, VT
  • More: www.cossa.org/event/2019-advocacy-day
• Anthropologist Lee Hoffer Answers “Why Social Science?”
  • More: www.whysocialscience.com

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President’s FY 2020 Budget Request

What does it mean for social and behavioral science research, agencies, and programs?
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FY 2020 Budget Request – Plain & Simple

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2. But it’s BAD... unless you’re defense.
3. It does NOT reflect Congressional priorities.
4. Congress holds the power of the purse.
1. We don’t have all the details yet.

- Trump Administration released an overview of the budget on March 11.
  - Full details next week

- What we DO know:
  - Nondefense spending would be cut an additional 5% BELOW current caps–and given to defense
  - All science agencies would see steep cuts

- What we DON’T know:
  - How steep the cuts will be (we have some idea)
  - Where exactly the cuts will be within agencies (e.g. will all of NSF’s research directorates be cut equally or SBE more?)
Trump’s Fiscal 2020 Budget Would Trade Butter for Guns

The administration proposed a $1.31 trillion discretionary spending budget for fiscal year 2020, with sizable increases in Defense and Homeland Security accounts, including another $0.6 billion to expand the southern border wall. Many nondefense programs would be cut with subsidized loans and various grants to states and communities eliminated.

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Article I, Section 9
U.S. Constitution

“No money shall be drawn from the Treasury, but in consequence of appropriations made by law.”

The President proposes, Congress disposes
COSSA’s Advice:

Know what’s in the President’s budget, but focus your efforts on the pro-science Congress.
Bigger Issue: SPENDING CAPS

- **Budget Control Act of 2011** ("the BCA") placed caps on discretionary spending, both for nondefense AND defense.
- Congress provided relief to the caps ("raised the caps") every year since 2013, which has allowed R&D agencies to see modest increases.
- The relief measures expire in FY 2020.
- Unless Congress acts this year to raise the caps:
  - $54 billion (9%) will be cut automatically from nondefense discretionary
  - $71 billion (11%) will be cut automatically from defense discretionary.
- **BUT**, President’s FY 2020 budget would cut NDD an EXTRA 5% below the 9% in the BCA... and give it to defense.

*Current caps last through 2021. Based on past and current budget resolutions, the Budget Control Act and subsequent legislation, and the FY 2020 OMB summary tables. © AAAS 2019*
Active Alerts

Tell Congress to Raise the Caps on Non-Defense Discretionary Programs

Non-defense discretionary (NDD) programs encompass a wide range of critical federal functions from education and job training to housing, science, natural resources, services for veterans, public health, safety, and scientific research. These programs have been affected disproportionately by sequestration and Congress must work to replace sequestration with a balanced approach to deficit reduction that takes into account the deep cuts non-defense discretionary programs have sustained in recent years. Use the tool below to tell your Congressional representatives and to prioritize negotiating a budget deal that gives fair treatment to vital NDD programs—including science and research agencies.

TIP. Add personal details about your research and how it is affected by decreased federal investment!

TAKE ACTION
What’s Next?

• Full FY 2020 budget details next week – Watch for COSSA’s analysis.
• Congress will attempt to strike a larger budget deal to raise the caps.
• In the meantime, House and Senate Appropriations and Authorizing Committees have begun oversight hearings.

• Appropriators will begin writing their FY 2020 bills (12 bills total) – expect to write bills above caps in anticipation of a deal.
• Expect a protracted debate on budget/appropriations into the fall, perhaps a CR into next year?
Let’s hear from you!

If using computer microphone: raise your hand!
Step 1: select “participants”
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   (may be in sidebar)
Step 3: after you’re unmuted, ask your question!

If using telephone audio/microphone: put your question in the chat box!
❑ **ACTION ALERT – Raise the Caps!**
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❑ **Watch for COSSA’s full FY 2020 analysis next week**
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❑ **Sign up for Social Science Advocacy Day, April 30-May 1!**
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  • AL, KS, MI, MS, NH, VT
Next Month:

- April’s HEADLINES
- DEEP DIVE: TBD

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