

FY 2022 Consolidated Appropriations Act Summary

Resource – Bill Summary

The Feeding America Government Relations Team is providing a legislative summary of the Fiscal Year 2022 Consolidated Appropriations Act.

Consolidated Appropriations Act (H.R. 2471) Bill Summary of Nutrition and Other Provisions

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The Consolidated Appropriations Act was released in the House on March 9, 2022. The text of the bill as introduced in the House [here](#). A section-by-section summary of the bill as introduced is [here](#) and detailed explanatory statements can be found [here](#).

Nutrition Provisions

SNAP:

- The bill provides \$140.4 billion in required mandatory spending for SNAP, including \$3 billion for the SNAP reserve fund, which will serve more than 42 million people. This fully funds participation, as well as the SNAP enhanced allotments authorized by the Families First Coronavirus Response Act and increased benefits from the Thrifty Food Plan review. This funding also supports:
 - \$998 million for nutrition education
 - \$3 million to carry out pilots authorized in the 2018 Farm Bill to allow Indian Tribal Organizations, instead of USDA, to directly purchase commodities

TEFAP & Commodities:

- \$399.75 million to fully fund the Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP) food purchases as outlined in the 2018 Farm Bill; this reflects a \$57 million increase associated with the adjustment of the Thrifty Food Plan. It remains an option for up to 20 percent of TEFAP funds may be used for costs associated with the distribution of commodities.
- \$81 million in administrative funding for TEFAP storage & distribution



- \$126 million for the Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR)
- \$332 million for the Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP)
- \$26 million for the Farmers' Market Nutrition Program

Child Nutrition and WIC:

- Notably, this bill does NOT include an extension of USDA's authority to provide nationwide child nutrition waivers, which will expire on June 30, 2022.
- The bill provides \$26.9 billion in funding for child nutrition programs. This is an increase of \$1.77 billion above the FY 2021 enacted level. As kids return to the classroom, this funding will support more than 5.2 billion school lunches and snacks. This funding also supports:
 - \$45 million for the Summer EBT program
 - \$30 million for school kitchen equipment grants to support school breakfast
 - \$6 million for school breakfast expansion grants, including \$2 million to be used for the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, the United States Virgin Islands, Guam, and American Samoa
 - \$12 million for farm to school grants
- The bill provides \$6 billion in discretionary funding for WIC, including \$834 million to support an extension of the benefit increase for fruits and vegetables in the WIC Food Package. In FY 2022, WIC will serve an estimated 6.2 million women, infants, and children. This funding also supports:
 - \$90 million for breastfeeding peer counselors
 - \$14 million for infrastructure

Other Provisions

- \$966.9 million for Older Americans Act senior nutrition programs
- \$24.8 million for Older Americans Act health promotion and disease prevention services
- \$2.5 million to convene a White House conference in 2022 to address food, nutrition, hunger and health
- \$2 million for the Congressional Hunger Center
- \$7.37 billion for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)
- \$1.7 billion for the Social Services Block Grant (SSBG)

