

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

The President's 2016 Budget is designed to bring middle class economics into the 21st Century. This Budget shows what we can do if we invest in America's future and commit to an economy that rewards hard work, generates rising incomes, and allows everyone to share in the prosperity of a growing America. It lays out a strategy to strengthen our middle class and help America's hard-working families get ahead in a time of relentless economic and technological change. And it makes the critical investments needed to accelerate and sustain economic growth in the long run, including in research, education, training, and infrastructure.

These proposals will help working families feel more secure with paychecks that go further, help American workers upgrade their skills so they can compete for higher-paying jobs, and help create the conditions for our businesses to keep generating good new jobs for our workers to fill, while also fulfilling our most basic responsibility to keep Americans safe. We will make these investments, and end the harmful spending cuts known as sequestration, by cutting inefficient spending and reforming our broken tax code to make sure everyone pays their fair share. We can do all this while also putting our Nation on a more sustainable fiscal path. The Budget achieves about \$1.8 trillion in deficit reduction, primarily from reforms to health programs, our tax code, and immigration.

The Department of Justice (DOJ) is charged with enforcing laws and defending the interests of the United States; protecting the public against foreign and domestic threats; providing Federal leadership in preventing and controlling crime; punishing those guilty of unlawful behavior; and ensuring the fair and impartial administration of justice for all Americans. To support this mission, the Budget provides \$28.7 billion for DOJ in 2016, \$1.3 billion above the 2015 enacted level.

Funding Highlights:

- The President's FY 2016 Budget provides \$28.7 billion in discretionary funding for the Department of Justice to fund core law enforcement needs, safe and secure prisons, and other Federal, State, Tribal and local programs. This includes:
 - Combating violent extremism by supporting community-led efforts to improve prevention and intervention efforts through research, adoption of evidence-based programs, training development, technical assistance, and demonstration projects;
 - Strengthening our cyber security posture by investing over \$200 million in IT upgrades and tools that will enhance law enforcement efforts to detect and deter cyber-attacks;
 - Expanding and enhancing reentry and recidivism-reducing programs to address the cycle of incarceration; and
 - Increasing the efficiency of immigration courts by funding additional judges, providing legal representation for additional unaccompanied children, and expanding the Legal Orientation Program.

Reforms:

- Advances the Smart on Crime initiative by expanding pre-trial diversion programs, providing dedicated funding for a Prevention and Reentry Coordinator in each U.S. Attorneys' office, and investing in research to evaluate the efficacy of the initiative's efforts.

Combats Violent Extremism. The budget supports the Administration's efforts to counter foreign terrorist fighters. Resources are provided to support community led-efforts, such as \$4 million to conduct research targeted toward developing a better understanding of violent extremism and advancing evidence-based strategies for effective prevention and intervention; \$6 million to support flexible, locally-developed CVE models; \$2 million to develop training and provide technical assistance; and \$3 million for demonstration projects that enhance the ability of law enforcement agencies nationwide to partner with local residents, community groups, and other stakeholders to counter violent extremism.

Supports Cybersecurity Initiatives. Cyber threats are constantly evolving and require a coordinated and comprehensive plan for protection and response. The Budget identifies and promotes cross-agency cybersecurity initiatives and priorities, including improving cybersecurity information sharing while protecting individual privacy and civil liberties and enhancing State and local capacity to respond to cyber incidents. The Budget also supports the design of a

Federal Cyber Campus to co-locate key civilian cybersecurity agencies to promote a whole-of-Government approach to cybersecurity incident response.

Enhances Reentry and Recidivism Programs. The Budget addresses the cycle of incarceration by investing \$146 million to expand reentry and recidivism reducing programs in the Bureau of Prisons. This includes \$110 million to increase mental health staff, provide cognitive behavioral treatment, and to expand Residential Reentry Centers. Additionally, \$5 million will support new reentry programs that reach out to offenders' children and families to strengthen familial bonds, while \$20 million will reward the development of innovative reentry programs. In addition, through State and local assistance programs, the Budget nearly doubles the investment in the Second Chance Act Grant program to reduce recidivism and help those exiting the justice system to rejoin their communities and lead productive lives.

Addresses the Immigration Case Backlog. The Budget provides the Executive Office of Immigration Review with \$482 million to hire 55 additional Immigration Judge Teams, provide legal representation to more than 30,000 unaccompanied minors, and expand the Legal Orientation Program. Expanding court capacity and providing legal guidance to children navigating the court system alone increases the speed with which the backlog can be reduced.

Promotes Community Policing. The President's new Community Policing Initiative aims to build and sustain trust between law enforcement and the people they serve. The Budget provides \$97 million to expand training and oversight for local law enforcement, increase the use of body-worn cameras, provide additional opportunities for police department reform, and facilitate community and law enforcement engagement in 10 pilot sites, with additional technical assistance and training for dozens of communities and police departments across the nation.

Advances the Smart on Crime Initiative. The Smart on Crime strategy leverages prevention and reentry programs to reduce recidivism; focuses prosecutorial resources on the most important law enforcement priorities; ensures just punishments for low-level, non-violent offenders; and strengthens protections for vulnerable populations. The Budget supports this strategy by providing additional funding for a dedicated Prevention and Reentry Coordinator in each U.S. Attorneys' office, while also expanding pre-trial diversion programs, such as reentry and drug courts, that ensure better and more just outcomes for low-level offenders who deserve a pre-incarceration second chance. The Budget also includes funding for research to evaluate the efficacy of these programs using metrics that measure the effects of the Smart on Crime initiative.