

## **Summary – President’s Fiscal Year (FY) 2019 Budget**

President Trump's FY 2019 Budget focuses on four main priorities: 1) The safety and security of the American people; 2) Continuing to build an even stronger and more robust American economy; 3) An enhanced quality of life for hardworking Americans; and 4) A commitment to a better future.

### **Accounting for *Bipartisan Budget Act* Spending Cap Increases**

- Fully consistent with the increased defense cap and proposes additional funding for Administration priorities on the non-defense discretionary (NDD) side while fixing long-time budget gimmicks.

### **Growing the Economy and Reducing the Deficit**

- The Budget incorporates the historic reforms of the *Tax Cuts and Jobs Act*, which has already resulted in raises or bonuses for over 3.8 million Americans and will continue to generate growth.
- In FY 2018, the Federal government committed to achieving \$9.8 billion in net savings through deregulation, cutting red tape and spurring economic growth.
- The Budget contains \$3 trillion in deficit reduction, including \$1.7 trillion in reductions to mandatory spending and receipts and a “two-penny plan” to reduce NDD spending by two percent per year after 2019.

### **Rebuilding Our Military**

- Fully funds the National Defense Strategy by providing \$716 billion for national defense.
- The Budget includes major investments in force structure, modernization, and global posture, and requests a 2.6% pay raise for troops, the largest since 2010.

### **Investing in Border Security**

- Reflects the President’s commitment to border security by providing \$18 billion for border wall construction.
- Includes \$782 million for additional Border Patrol and ICE Personnel, \$1.8 billion to fund 52,000 detention beds, and funds an additional 75 immigration judge teams.

### **Funding the Infrastructure Initiative**

- The Budget funds the Administration’s \$1.5 trillion infrastructure proposal by providing \$200 billion in federal support, primarily focused on incentive grants, formula funds for rural infrastructure, and transformative projects.

### **Combatting the Opioid Epidemic**

- The Budget requests nearly \$17 billion in opioid-related spending in 2019, including \$10 billion in new funding for the Department of Health and Human Services.

### **Strengthening Medicare**

- Proposes reasonable reforms to program operations without reducing coverage or benefits for beneficiaries.
- Saves \$237 billion over ten years and extends Medicare’s solvency by roughly eight years.

### **Modernizing Government**

- Includes \$80 billion in IT and cyber funding as well as \$210 million for the Technology Modernization Fund established by the recently enacted *Modernizing Government Technology (MGT) Act*.
- Proposes numerous civil service reforms to ensure the Federal government can “hire the best and fire the worst.”