

## International Poverty-Reducing Development and Humanitarian Accounts



Appropriations Accounts (\$ in thousands) (OCO included) *	FY 18 Omnibus	Administration's FY 19 Request	FY 19 House Bill	FY 19 Senate Bill	USCCB/CRS FY 19 Request
State, Foreign Operations (SFOPs)	21,788,823	15,128,395	21,991,464	22,312,524	23,001,549
Maternal and Child Health (including GAVI)	829,500	619,600	845,000	829,500	845,000
Nutrition	125,000	78,500	145,000	135,000	145,000
Vulnerable Children (orphans and displaced children)	23,000		23,000	25,000	25,000
HIV/AIDS (USAID)	330,000	0	330,000	330,000	330,000
Malaria	755,000	674,000	755,000	755,000	755,000
Tuberculosis	261,000	178,400	302,000	275,000	302,000
Neglected Tropical Diseases	100,000	75,000		105,950	105,950
Global Health Security <sup>i</sup>	72,550	72,500	172,550	100,000	172,550
HIV/AIDS (DOS/PEPFAR)	5,670,000	4,775,100	5,670,000	5,720,000	5,720,000
Development Assistance (including Water, Basic Ed) <sup>ii</sup>	3,000,000		3,000,000	3,000,000	3,000,000
International Disaster Assistance	4,285,312	3,557,412	4,285,312	4,385,312	4,385,312
Migration and Refugee Assistance	3,359,000	2,800,375	3,360,000	3,432,000	3,432,000
Emergency Refugee and Migration Assistance	1,000	0	0	1,000	50,000
Complex Crises Fund	30,000	0	0	30,000	30,000
Millennium Challenge Account	905,000	800,000	905,000	905,000	905,000
Atrocities Prevention Board (ESF & INCLE)	5,750	0		5,750	5,750
Contributions to International Peacekeeping Activities	1,382,080	1,196,108	1,589,496	1,683,881	1,683,881
Peacekeeping Operations	537,925	291,400	490,400	477,425	490,400
Green Climate Fund (Treasury)	0	0	0	0	500,000
U.S. Institute of Peace	37,884	20,000	37,884	37,884	37,884
Anti-Trafficking in Persons (DA, ESF, AEECA, INCLE)	78,822		80,822	78,822	80,822
Agricultural (Ag)	1,923,626	0	1,707,626	1,926,255	1,926,255
Food for Peace (Title II) <sup>iii</sup>	1,716,000	0	1,500,000	1,716,000	1,716,000
McGovern-Dole	207,626	0	207,626	210,255	210,255
Labor, Health and Human Services (LHHS)	86,125	18,500	18,500	86,125	86,125
Bureau of International Labor Affairs (DOL/ILAB)	86,125	18,500	18,500	86,125	86,125
COMBINED TOTAL	23,798,574	15,156,895	23,717,590	24,324,904	25,013,929

\* ----- indicates that the bill does not provide adequate information about the account level.

## Summary of Message to Congress and Account Descriptions

The Church views international assistance as an essential tool to promote human life and dignity, advance solidarity with developing nations, and enhance human security. The USCCB and CRS prioritize the accounts below because they are most focused on saving lives and reducing poverty. This assistance is just over one-half percent of the federal budget, not the 20-25% many Americans believe it constitutes. We urge Congress to **fund international poverty-reducing development and humanitarian programs to meet urgent needs and invest in peace**.

*Maternal and Child Health* programs provide low-cost life-saving interventions, such as micronutrient supplementation, nutritional support, newborn care, immunization, and treatment of pneumonia and diarrheal disease – addressing the biggest killers of mothers and children in the developing world. This account also provides funding for the U.S. contribution to GAVI, the Vaccine Alliance, which purchases vaccines for children in poor countries.

*Nutrition* programs provide interventions such as micronutrient supplementation and growth monitoring, which combined with an adequate diet and clean water and sanitation, improves outcomes during the first critical years of a child's life.

Vulnerable Children programs address the special needs of displaced children and orphans.

*HIV and AIDS PEPFAR (USAID & State Funding)* funding focuses on prevention, care and treatment, and the support of children affected and infected by HIV and AIDS. Although we have principled concerns about those PEPFAR prevention activities we find inconsistent with Catholic teaching and do not implement or advocate for these activities, we support PEPFAR's overall lifesaving mission and urge robust funding for the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, TB and Malaria.

Malaria programs treat, prevent, and control this deadly disease which is one of the biggest killers of children under five worldwide.

*Tuberculosis* programs screen, diagnose, and treat millions of people each year. TB is the leading infectious killer globally.

Neglected Tropical Diseases programs focus on scaling up integrated treatment to prevent parasitic and bacterial diseases that cause morbidity and mortality.

<sup>1</sup> *Global Health Security* programs prevent, prepare for, and respond to unanticipated and emerging global health threats. The Administration's FY19 Request reprograms \$72.5 million from FY15 Ebola emergency appropriations. The Senate and House's FY19 request reprograms \$27.4 and \$72.5 million from FY15 Ebola emergency appropriations, respectively.

<sup>iii</sup> **Development Assistance** programs support an array of critical development activities, including primary education; Global Food Security Act implementation; clean water and sanitation; microfinance, democracy promotion and good governance, and conflict management and mitigation. The Administration's FY19 Request combines the DA and ESF accounts into a new Economic Support and Development Fund account. The Senate and House FY19 bills do not support consolidation of accounts.

**International Disaster Assistance** funds emergency health, water, shelter and nutrition efforts, as well as disaster risk reduction and rehabilitation through the Office of Foreign Disaster Assistance (OFDA). It also supports cash and voucher-based emergency food security programming via the Emergency Food Security Program (EFSP). **Migration and Refugee Assistance** protects refugees and internally displaced persons, helps them to repatriate when conflict ends or natural disaster responses permit, and to resettle to safe countries like the U.S. This level would fund resettlement of 75,000 refugees in the U.S.

Emergency Refugee and Migration Assistance is a drawdown account used, with Presidential authority, to respond to humanitarian crises.

Complex Crisis Fund enables rapid investments to catalyze peace and mitigate conflict in the face of unforeseen crises or violence.

Millennium Challenge Account provides U.S. funding to countries with a commitment to good governance, focusing on infrastructure projects.

Atrocities Prevention Board (APB) improves collaboration, analysis and information sharing to mobilize U.S. efforts to prevent future atrocities and crises.

Contributions to International Peacekeeping Activities deploy peacekeeping troops to protect civilians in places like Sudan and Somalia.

**Peacekeeping Operations** finances the training and equipping of peacekeeping troops before they deploy to conflict countries and the professionalization of militia groups into formal military forces committed to protecting their people.

Green Climate Fund provides assistance to developing countries to adapt to, and mitigate, impacts of climate change.

**U.S. Institute of Peace** works to prevent, reduce, and resolve armed conflict around the world by providing analysis, education, and resources to those working for peace. **Combatting Trafficking in Persons** US assistance helps other nations to prevent trafficking, prosecute perpetrators, and provide assistance to victims.

<sup>iii</sup> Food for Peace (Title II) provides U.S. food aid for emergencies and funds \$350 million in long-term development programs that support nutrition and build resilience. The Administration's FY19 Request eliminates all funding for Food for Peace and shifts programming to IDA and Economic Support and Development Fund. McGovern-Dole provides school lunches and take-home food rations to encourage students, especially girls, to attend school, and other school support efforts. At least \$15 million should provide for local and regionally procured commodities for sustainability. The Administrations FY19 Request eliminates all funding for the program. Bureau of International Labor Affairs funds programs to combat the worst forms of child labor, forced labor, and trafficking in persons.