

Executive Director's Note

Hello and Good Day to All,

I wanted to send the following information out right away. This will be the only update for this week as it is a short week. I received an email from the California Workforce Association (CWA) regarding President Trump's FY 18 Budget. CWA suggested we notify our Board, especially our business community. CWA will forward additional information and action items in the near future.

Again thank you for your continued support.

Sincerely,



Dianne Russell-Carter
FWDB Interim Executive Director

I received the following email this morning:

California Workforce Association & President Trump's FY 18 Budget

Good morning CWA Members,

Attached to this email you will find two documents.

Both discuss the Trump budget for FY18, and the significant cuts that WIOA and the workforce development system faces as a whole. While a President's budget is non-binding, this is the time to buckle down and continue to educate congressional members and staff of the impact of federal job training dollars to businesses in your local area.

Historically CWA and it's federal partners have had the most success in reaching leadership in Washington with concrete data and support from business, and how much the partnerships and services we provide mean to employers in your region.

Now is the time to let Congress know how imperative the engagement of our private sector board members are to the continuing health of the system. Along with USWA and its partners, CWA is leading a national charge to work through Congress with the goal of full funding for the system. Please stay tuned for additional information on how we will need ALL of our members and partners to participate in this initiative.

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Document Number One – Fiscal Year 2018 Trump Budget Overview

Earlier this week, Donald Trump submitted his detailed budget proposal to Congress. Trump's 'Skinny Budget' from March highlighted the President's goal of adding nearly \$55 billion to the Department of Defense budget at the expense of equal cuts to federal domestic programs.

It is important to note that politically, the President's Budget is non-binding and 'dead on arrival' in Congress. This is not only true for this budget but others historically; President Obama had budgets defeated in 2013 and 2015, with a House vote of 414-0 and Senate vote of 98-1, respectively.

Trump’s budget signals the official beginning of appropriations season in Washington and with a wide-ranging impact of federal spending cuts, it is critical to continue to educate congressional members and staff of the impact of federal job training dollars to businesses in your local area.

The cuts to workforce training accounts are significant (detailed spreadsheet included) –

40% cut to WIOA Adult, Youth, and Dislocated Worker Accounts (~\$1.5 billion cut)

15% cut to Perkins-CTE funding (~\$168 million cut)

35% cut to Wagner-Peyser (~\$255 million cut)

12% cut to TANF Block Grants (~\$2.2 billion cut)

The justification given for cuts to the WIOA programs specifically is that state, local, and employer partners can make up the difference.

Stabilizing and growing the economy were a central part to the Trump presidential campaign and since taking office, there have been mixed messages coming from his administration on job training programs and vocational education. These dramatic cuts to the federal workforce investment send a strong signal that they do not believe in these programs.

Ultimately, Congress makes the decision on the funding levels for these programs. We need to engage our private sector employer partners to deliver our message that the federal workforce system is playing a critical role in their talent development, retention, and growth.

Document Number Two—Spreadsheet Outlining Program Cuts

Program	FY2017 Omnibus	FY18 Trump Budget	Difference
Department of Labor			
Adult	\$815,359,000.00	\$490,370,000.00	(\$324,989,000.00)
Youth	\$871,756,000.00	\$523,667,000.00	(\$348,089,000.00)
Dislocated Worker (formula)	\$1,020,554,000	\$615,485,000	(\$405,069,000.00)
National Dislocated Worker	\$220,819,000	\$117,000,000	(\$103,819,000.00)
Wagner-Peyser	\$671,413,000	\$416,000,000	(\$255,413,000.00)
Migrant Seasonal Farmworker	\$81,740,000	\$0	(\$81,740,000.00)
Apprenticeship Grants	\$95,000,000	\$89,829,000	(\$5,171,000.00)
Reintegration of Ex-Offenders	\$87,911,000	\$77,911,000	(\$10,000,000.00)
YouthBuild	\$84,534,000	\$84,373,000	(\$161,000.00)
Native American Programs	\$50,000,000	\$49,905,000	(\$95,000.00)
Department of Education			
CTE State Grants	\$1,117,598,000	\$949,499,000	(\$168,099,000.00)
Adult Education	\$581,955,000	\$485,849,000	(\$96,106,000.00)
Vocational Rehabilitation	\$3,398,600,000	\$3,452,900,000	\$54,300,000.00
HHS			
TANF	\$ 17,344,691,000	15,132,521,000	(\$2,212,170,000.00)
TANF Contingency Fund	\$ 608,000,000		(\$608,000,000.00)
Community Services Block Grant	\$ 769,000,000		(\$769,000,000.00)
Social Services Block Grant	1,582,700,000	\$0	(\$1,582,700,000.00)
Health profession Opportunity Grants	79,135,000	\$85,000,000	\$5,865,000.00
USDA			
SNAP	\$67,755,315,000	\$62,639,315,000	(\$5,116,000,000.00)
SNAP Employment and Training	\$456,018,000	\$476,706,000	\$20,688,000.00

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