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FEDERAL FY 2022 FUNDING UPDATE

Currently, the federal government is being funded under a Continuing Resolution (CR) which will last only until February 18, 2022. This means federal funding levels from FY 2021 will continue through February 18 with no increases and no cuts from that level.

However, it is currently unclear as to what will happen after February 18; options include:

- Passing a full omnibus funding package which would update funding levels
- Passing a short-term CR that would buy Congress more time to negotiate a final omnibus package and then later passing an omnibus package
- Passing a CR that would last for the remainder of FY 2022

Currently, the likely outcome for now is a short-term CR followed by a full omnibus later since Congress is running out of time to agree on spending levels and other provisions before the February 18 deadline.

The federal funding levels for Older Americans Act programs from FY 2021 that programs are still operating under include:

Title III-B Home and Community-Based Services	\$392.5 million
Title III-C Nutrition Total	\$951.7 million
<i>III-C-1 Congregate Meals</i>	<i>\$515 million</i>
<i>III-C-2 Home-Delivered Meals</i>	<i>\$276 million</i>
<i>III-C Nutrition Services Incentive Program (NSIP)</i>	<i>\$160 million</i>
Title III-D Preventive Health	\$24.8 million
Title III-E Family Caregiver Support Program	\$188.9 million
Title V Senior Community Service Employment Program (SCSEP)	\$405 million
Title VI Native Americans Nutrition/Supportive Services	\$35.2 million
Title VI Native Americans Caregiver Program	\$10.8 million
Title VII Long-Term Care Ombudsman	\$18.8 million
Title VII Elder Rights Support Activities Total	\$17.9 million
<i>Elder Justice Initiative</i>	<i>\$14 million</i>
<i>Other Elder Rights Activities</i>	<i>\$3.9 million</i>

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PROGRESS ON BUILD BACK BETTER ACT STALLED FOR NOW

On November 19, 2021, the House passed its version of the Build Back Better Act, the Democrats' budget reconciliation bill. The House version included:

- Over \$1.2 billion in new spending for critical programs and services under the Older Americans Act (OAA)
- A retroactive waiver of the American Rescue Plan Act's Older Americans Act funding match requirement, which has delayed the release of covid emergency funds since March 2021 in many states
- \$4.2 billion in funding to reauthorize and modernize the Elder Justice Act to address the critical need to combat elder abuse, neglect and exploitation

However, this legislation is now stalled in the Senate. In December, a tentative Senate Build Back Better partial proposal was released, but not all Senate Democrats approved of this proposal (particularly Sen. Joe Manchin, D-WV) and negotiations have stopped for now, leaving this legislation in limbo. It is also uncertain how much of the House-passed bill will survive if negotiations are revived, meaning that aging advocates' priorities could be sidelined.

ELDER JUSTICE INNOVATIONS: HELPING INDIVIDUALS TRANSITION FROM APS TO OTHER COMMUNITY-BASED SUPPORTS

Did you miss our latest webinar on elder justice innovations? Presented in partnership with the [Elder Justice Coalition](#), this webinar highlighted grantees from the Administration from Community Living 2021 Elder Justice Innovations grants.

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