



FY 2025 Budget Resolution: Secure The Border, Revitalize Our Military, Unleash American Energy Production And Begin The Process Of Restoring Fiscal Sanity

This budget resolution is the first step to secure our borders, revitalize our military, jumpstart American energy independence, and begin the process of restoring fiscal sanity by fully paying for these investments up front.

America is under siege from drug cartels and terrorists. We need resources now to secure the border.

- Over the past four years there were:
 - **Over 8.3 million encounters** with illegal aliens on the southern border
 - **Over 4 million of these have been released into the United States.**
 - **1.7 million of these were encounters with “special interest aliens”** – people from countries that DHS has determined pose the greatest national security and counterintelligence threats to the U.S., including Afghanistan, China, Cuba, Iran, Iraq, Libya, North Korea, Syria, and Turkey.
 - **703 encounters with aliens on the terror watchlist, and at least 99 of those were released into the U.S.**
 - **Over 1.7 million gotaways** – aliens that are known to have entered without ever being encountered or apprehended by law enforcement.
- Currently, there are:
 - **7.6 million aliens on ICE’s “non-detained docket”** – illegal immigrants who can be deported but are not currently in ICE custody – and 40,123 aliens currently detained by ICE.
 - **This includes 1.4 million aliens already subject to final orders of removal.**
 - **This also includes 662,586 aliens with criminal convictions or pending criminal charges.**

The threats facing the United States are at a level we haven't seen in decades. Our defense budget is inadequate to meet these threats.

- Numerous terrorist organizations continue to kill innocent civilian populations while seeking to inspire attacks within the United States.
- The Chinese Communist Party has rapidly built up its military over the last several years in an attempt to dominate its neighbors and surpass the United States as a global leader.
- The Iranian regime and its terrorist proxies seek to destroy Israel and impede international shipping and trade that the United States relies on.
- The illegal Russian invasion of Ukraine continues to cause devastation and increases the risk for the United States and NATO.
- Moreover, these reckless authoritarian regimes have conspired with each other magnifying the challenge of any single threat.
- Meanwhile, the U.S. defense budget as a share of the nation's gross domestic product is **projected to be a mere 2.9 percent in 2025, the lowest level since before 9/11 and far lower than at any point during the Cold War.**

The United States should position itself to be energy independent and combat soaring costs for hardworking Americans.

- The Biden Administration's energy policy blunders were numerous, from kneecapping domestic energy production to implementing a woke climate agenda that sent prices skyrocketing.
- Rejecting these policies means lower prices and being less reliant on our adversaries for oil and gas.

It is time for the United States to live within its means.

- The process we are starting with this budget resolution is to rationalize spending based on anticipated revenues. The investments being made in our border security, national security and domestic energy independence will be paid for.

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