

**\$23.3B**

In discretionary funding to support rural communities, farmers, and ranchers; maintain a healthy food and drug supply; and provide nutrition for those in need

## SUPPORTING INFRASTRUCTURE AND GROWTH IN RURAL AMERICA

- Invests more than **\$4B** (**\$1B** above FY17) in programs that help **boost economic growth in rural communities across the country**
- **Helps rural areas access basic utilities** by providing funding to build out critical infrastructure
  - **\$3B** for rural water and waste program loans (**\$1.8B** above FY17)
  - **\$1B** in grants for clean and reliable drinking water systems and sanitary waste disposal systems
  - **\$6.9B** for rural electric and telephone infrastructure loans
  - **\$685M** for **expansion of broadband, distance learning, and telemedicine services** that will close the digital divide and assist rural communities to connect to educational and health care services that help address the opioid epidemic in rural America (**\$625M** above FY17)
- **Helps balance the playing field by providing critical funding for rural housing loans and rental assistance**, including allowing for **\$24B** in loan authority for the Single Family Housing guaranteed loan program, **\$1.1B** in direct loans for low-income rural families, and **\$1.35B** for rental assistance for low-income families and the elderly in rural communities
- Includes a loan level of **\$919M** for rural business and industries to **help small businesses in these areas cope with unique local economic and geographical challenges**

## MAINTAINING VIBRANT AMERICAN AGRICULTURE

- **Supports American farmers and ranchers** – the backbone of our economy – by providing **\$1.7B** for farm programs and providing **\$1.03B** for conservation programs
- Provides **\$3.03B** for agricultural research programs that help **mitigate and stop devastating crop diseases, improve food safety and water quality, increase production, and combat antimicrobial resistance**
- **Helps control or eradicate plant and animal pests and diseases that can be crippling to U.S. producers**, including citrus greening, the spotted lantern fly, the oriental fruit fly, and low pathogenic avian influenza, by providing **\$984.1M** for the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Services
- Provides **\$249M** for the Commodity Futures Trading Commission to **ensure robust swaps, futures, and options markets while prioritizing resources for enforcement and market oversight**

## PROTECTING AMERICA'S FOOD AND DRUG SUPPLY

- Provides **\$2.9B** in discretionary funding for the Food and Drug Administration, **prioritizing funding for food and animal drug safety** (**\$20.2M** above FY17) and **medical product safety** (**\$113.2M** above FY17)
  - Provides **\$94M** to expand FDA's efforts at **International Mail Facilities to address the opioid crisis** and **\$60M** to **accelerate medical product development as authorized in the 21st Century Cures Act**
- **Keeps safe, healthy food on American tables**, and ensures the safety and productivity of the country's \$211B meat and poultry industry by providing **\$1.06B** for food safety and inspection programs – **\$25M** above FY17
- Provides discretionary and mandatory funding to support critical food and nutrition programs, including SNAP, WIC, and child nutrition programs – **ensuring that all eligible participants receive the assistance they need to feed their families**