

# AGRICULTURE-RURAL DEVELOPMENT-FDA

Fiscal Year 2021 Appropriations Bill At-a-Glance



**Provides \$23.98 billion for rural community infrastructure, domestic and international food programs, agriculture research, oversight of the commodity futures market, and programs that serve farmers and ranchers.**

**Chairman Sanford Bishop, Jr. on the FY2021 Agriculture-Rural Development-FDA government funding bill:**

“This is a strong bill that continues important investments in rural and farm production programs, agriculture and medical research initiatives, international aid, and nutrition.”

## Strengthening Food Security

- \$68.277 billion in mandatory funding for the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)
- \$25.131 billion in mandatory funding for child nutrition programs, \$1.516 billion above FY20, to provide free or reduced-price school lunches and snacks for children who qualify for the program
- \$5.75 billion in discretionary funding for the Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) program, \$298 million above President Trump’s request

## Investing in Infrastructure and Rural Development

- More than \$4.214 billion for rural development programs to foster economic growth by providing business and housing opportunities and building sustainable rural infrastructure for the modern economy
  - \$990 million for the ReConnect Program, an increase of \$435 million above FY20, to expand broadband service and provide economic development opportunities as well as improved education and healthcare services
- \$1.45 billion for rural water and waste program loans, and more than \$610 million in water and waste grants for clean and reliable drinking water systems and sanitary waste disposal systems
- \$24 billion in loan authority for the Single Family Housing Guaranteed Loan Program, supporting rural housing development

## Ensuring Consumer Safety

- \$3.212 billion in discretionary funding for the Food and Drug Administration, an increase of \$40.8 million above FY20, and \$5.99 billion in total funding, with targeted increases for medical product and food safety activities
- \$1.088 billion for food safety and inspection programs to help ensure the safety and productivity of the country’s meat and poultry industry, and keep safe, healthy food on American tables

## Promoting Agricultural Research

- \$3.3 billion for agriculture research programs, an increase of \$92 million above FY20, including the Agricultural Research Service (ARS) and the National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA), to help mitigate and stop devastating crop diseases, improve food safety and water quality, increase production, and combat antimicrobial resistance

## Helping Vulnerable People Around the World

- \$2 billion for international food aid and to promote U.S. agricultural exports overseas, including \$1.775 billion for Food for Peace grants and \$235 million for the McGovern-Dole International Food for Education and Child Nutrition program