

HOUSE COMMITTEE on APPROPRIATIONS

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Prepared for Representative Matthew Cartwright:

The Appropriations Committee's spending package, H.R. 4205, provides historic, transformative increases in funding for critical domestic priorities. This funding will create good-paying American jobs, grow opportunity for the middle class and small businesses, and provide a lifeline to working families and the vulnerable. Research compiled by Co-Equal demonstrates a few examples of the estimated real-life impact of these investments on Pennsylvania's 8th Congressional District:

Job Training

In Pennsylvania's 8th Congressional District, **18,000 youth and 138,000 adults are eligible to receive federally funded job training.** In 2020, the district received \$4.8 million in Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Adult and Youth State Grants.

House Democrats' appropriations bill provides \$3.1 billion in WIOA funds for job training for disadvantaged youth and adults, and for assistance to dislocated workers, an **8.8 percent increase** over 2021.

This increase would provide \$390,000 in additional WIOA funds for job training in the district. The additional funds support middle class and working families by helping youth and adults obtain good-paying jobs.

Public Education

In Pennsylvania's 8th Congressional District, an estimated **33,000 children benefited from federal Title I education funding in 2021,** including 21,000 children living in poverty, receiving monthly Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF), or in foster care or delinquency. In 2021, the district received \$41.4 million in Title I funds.

House Democrats' appropriations bill provides \$36 billion in Title I funds, a 118 percent increase over 2021.

This increase would provide \$48.9 million in additional funding for schools in the district to support these children at risk of failing out of school.

Veterans' Health Care

In Pennsylvania's 8th Congressional District, there were 19,000 veterans signed up to receive healthcare from the Veterans Health Administration (VHA) in 2020. The VHA spent \$205 million in 2020 providing healthcare to 13,000 veterans in the district.

House Democrats' appropriations bill provides \$98.5 billion for veterans' healthcare, an **8 percent increase** over 2021.

This increase would provide an additional \$45.0 million in funding for veterans' healthcare in the district. These additional funds will enable the VHA to improve access to health care in key areas like women's health, mental health, and opioid treatment; provide more veterans with home and community-based services; recruit and retain nurses and physicians; and support crucial medical research that improves veterans' health and quality of life.