

KIDS LOSE BILLIONS WITH SEQUESTER



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In a matter of weeks on March 1, 2013, if across the board cuts known as sequestration, take effect, federal funding for kids will be cut by an additional \$4.2 billion¹ in Fiscal Year 2013.

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| Education | \$2.1B |
| Early Childhood | \$596M |
| Housing | \$588M |
| Nutrition | \$354M |
| Health | \$243M |
| Military Education | \$159M |
| Child Welfare | \$124M |
| Safety | \$37M |
| Total | \$4.2B |

Education funding is cut the most, with over \$2.1 billion lost. Early childhood funding and children's housing will both be cut by nearly \$600 million. Child nutrition, particularly the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC), and children's health will also take large cuts.

REAL HARM TO REAL CHILDREN²

Education:

Title I – 1.2 million fewer students served nationwide. In Virginia, 12,200 fewer students would be served.

IDEA Grants to States – Nearly 296,000 fewer special education students served nationwide. In Virginia, 7,390 fewer students would be served.³

Early Childhood:

Head Start – 70,000 fewer children served. In Virginia, 950 fewer children would be served.

Child Care & Development Block Grant – 55,000 fewer children served nationwide. In Virginia, 740 fewer children would be served.

Nutrition:

WIC – Nearly 600,000 participants would be cut from nutrition assistance nationwide. In Virginia, 10,900 participants would be cut from nutrition assistance.⁴

Health:

Childhood Immunization Grants – Over 144,000 fewer children would be vaccinated nationwide. In Virginia, 3,740 fewer children would be vaccinated.

Maternal & Child Health Block Grant – 3.85 million fewer children, women, and families would be served nationwide. In Virginia, 21,900 fewer children, women, and families.

¹ Using data from the Congressional Budget Office (CBO), a 5.3% cut was applied to non-defense discretionary programs, a 5.8% cut was used for non-defense mandatory programs, and a 7.9% cut was applied to all non-exempt defense programs.

² Unless otherwise noted, data is gathered using per child cost as calculated from the Senate Labor-HHS-Education Appropriations Committee report on sequestration.

³ Based off data from the National Education Association report on sequestration's impact to education.

⁴ Based off data from the White House and state by state calculations from the National WIC Association.