U.S. MILITARIZED SPENDING

TOTAL: $921 BILLION (52%)

Military
Nuclear/Weapons
Homeland Security
Federal Law Enforcement

Human Needs Spending:

- Health
- Energy & Environment
- Education
- Transportation
- Intl. Affairs
- Government
- Food & Ag.
- Science

Human Needs Spending: $685 Billion (38%)

- Unemployment & Labor
- Housing & Community
- Veterans' Benefits

HUMAN NEEDS SPENDING: $685 BILLION (38%)

U.S. CUSTOMS AND BORDER PROTECTION
- United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement
- Transportation Security Administration

VETERANS' BENEFITS
- Veterans Health Administration
- Veterans' Benefits

FEDERAL LAW ENFORCEMENT
- Federal Bureau of Investigation
- Drug Enforcement Administration
- U.S. Marshals

HUMAN NEEDS SPENDING: $685 BILLION (38%)

U.S. MILITARY SPENDING
- Department of Defense
- Nuclear weapons
- Foreign military aid
- Intelligence, etc.
In 2023, the U.S. approved spending $1,138,796,000,000 on the military, immigration enforcement agencies, policing, and incarceration. This “militarized spending” is 62% of the amount that Congress passed in their spending bills. Only 38% of the budget was left for human needs, like housing, education, and job training.

If we reinvested $100 billion of military spending, we could have:

• 11.9 million public housing units, or
• 1.1 million elementary school teachers, or
• 580,000 clean energy jobs created

TAKE ACTION
Tell your legislators to “move the money” out of war and weapons, and into human wellbeing.

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About the numbers
These numbers refer to the budget authority of the U.S. government in 2023, reported in the FY2024 President’s Budget Request released in March 2023. Updated numbers are released by the White House each spring on past year’s spending. To find the most recently updated numbers, visit afsc.org/movethemoney.