



U.S. Coast Guard Fact Sheet

Fiscal Year 2016 President's Budget

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BACKGROUND: The FY 2016 President's Budget requests **\$9.96 billion** for the Coast Guard, including **\$8.14 billion** in discretionary funding. This Budget preserves Coast Guard operations and continues recapitalization efforts for the cutters, boats, aircraft, systems and infrastructure. The Budget also efficiently allocates resources to optimize Coast Guard mission performance. The Coast Guard must continue meeting today's operational requirements while investing in future capability to best serve the Nation.

KEY POINTS:

- Provides **\$1.01 billion** to *Invest in the 21st Century Coast Guard*. Recapitalization and continued investment in our future is a top budget priority in FY 2016.
- *Sustains Mission Excellence* through administrative, support, and sound operational reductions and focuses Coast Guard resources and capabilities on the Nation's highest priorities.
- Funds current services requirements to *Maximize Service to the Nation*, including resources to operate and maintain new assets, and funding for personnel, pay and benefit increases.
- The Coast Guard will prioritize resources to ensure continued focus on operations to demonstrate the enduring, multi-mission character and intrinsic value of the Coast Guard to the United States.

INVEST IN THE 21st CENTURY COAST GUARD: The budget requests **\$1.01 billion** for *Acquisition, Construction and Improvements (AC&I)*. Notably:

- **\$533.9 million** for vessels, including Offshore Patrol Cutter (OPC) Preliminary and Contract Design evaluation; six Fast Response Cutters (FRC); In-Service Vessel Sustainment that continues sustainment of the 140-foot domestic icebreaker fleet and the 225-foot sea-going buoy tender fleet.
- **\$200 million** for aircraft, including H-65 helicopter enhancements/upgrades; continued support of the HC-27J Asset Project Office (APO), sparing for the HC-144A fixed wing aircraft, and initial spares for the second operational C-130J Air Station.
- **\$101.4 million** for shore projects, including pier and infrastructure improvements to support the 210-foot WMEC homeport at Little Creek VA; upgrade of the electrical system at Air Station Barbers Point, HI; permanent facility construction at Station Vallejo, CA; shore erosion control work at Station Siuslaw River, OR; and Phase I of the replacement project of the Oakridge floating drydock at Coast Guard Yard in Baltimore, MD.

SUSTAIN MISSION EXCELLENCE: In FY 2016, the Coast Guard will make sound, risk-based reductions while investing in critical recapitalization initiatives. Notably:

- Decommissions two Island Class Patrol Boats. These assets are being replaced by new, more capable FRCs.
- Retires three HC-130Hs; transfers them to DoD for reconditioning for transfer to the Forest Service per the 2014 National Defense Authorization Act. Under the same Act, the Coast Guard received 14 new C-27J aircraft.
- Implements **\$60.86 million** in operational adjustments.

MAXIMIZE SERVICE TO THE NATION: The budget requests **\$6.82 billion** to operate and maintain Coast Guard assets and sustain essential front-line operations.

- **\$96.0 million** to operate new assets and infrastructure to include follow-on costs for shore facilities, RB-M, and Surface and Air assets (e.g. FRC #18-21, C-27J #1-4 & NSC Crew for NSC #6).
- **\$78.8 million** to reflect the annualizations of critical investments and programs initiated in FY 2015.
- **\$80.84 million** to fund increases for civilian pay, and maintain parity with DoD Services for military pay, allowances and health care.