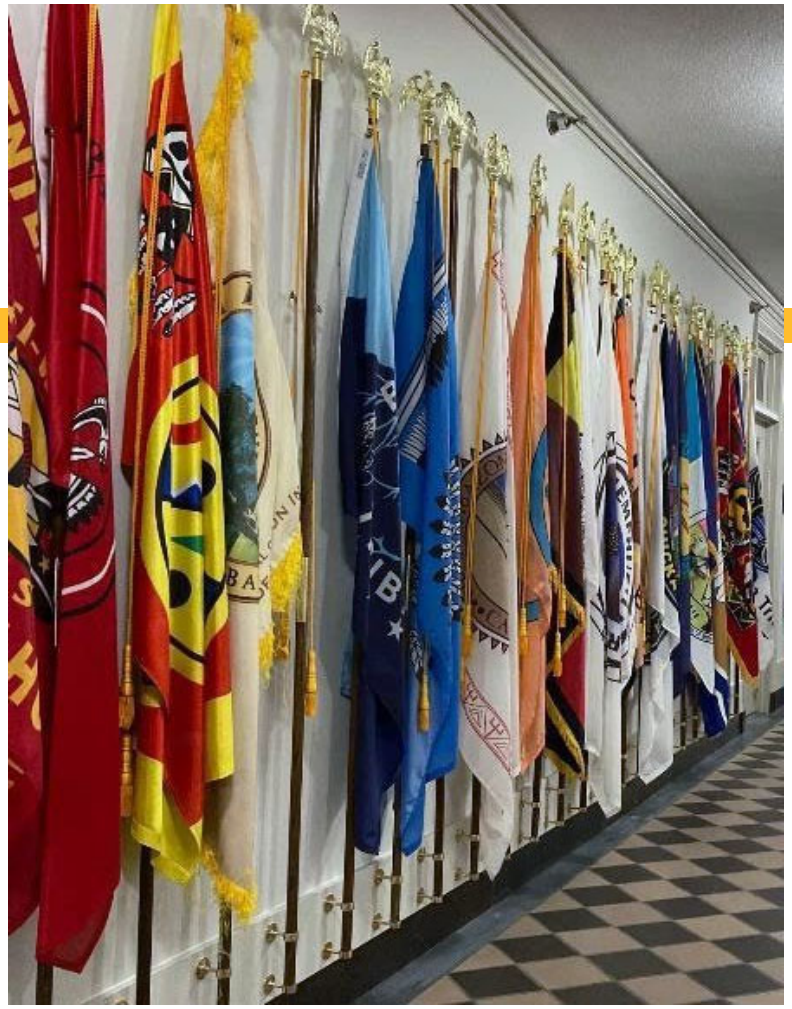


IA Budget Update

FY 2027 – FY 2029

November 19, 2026



Overview

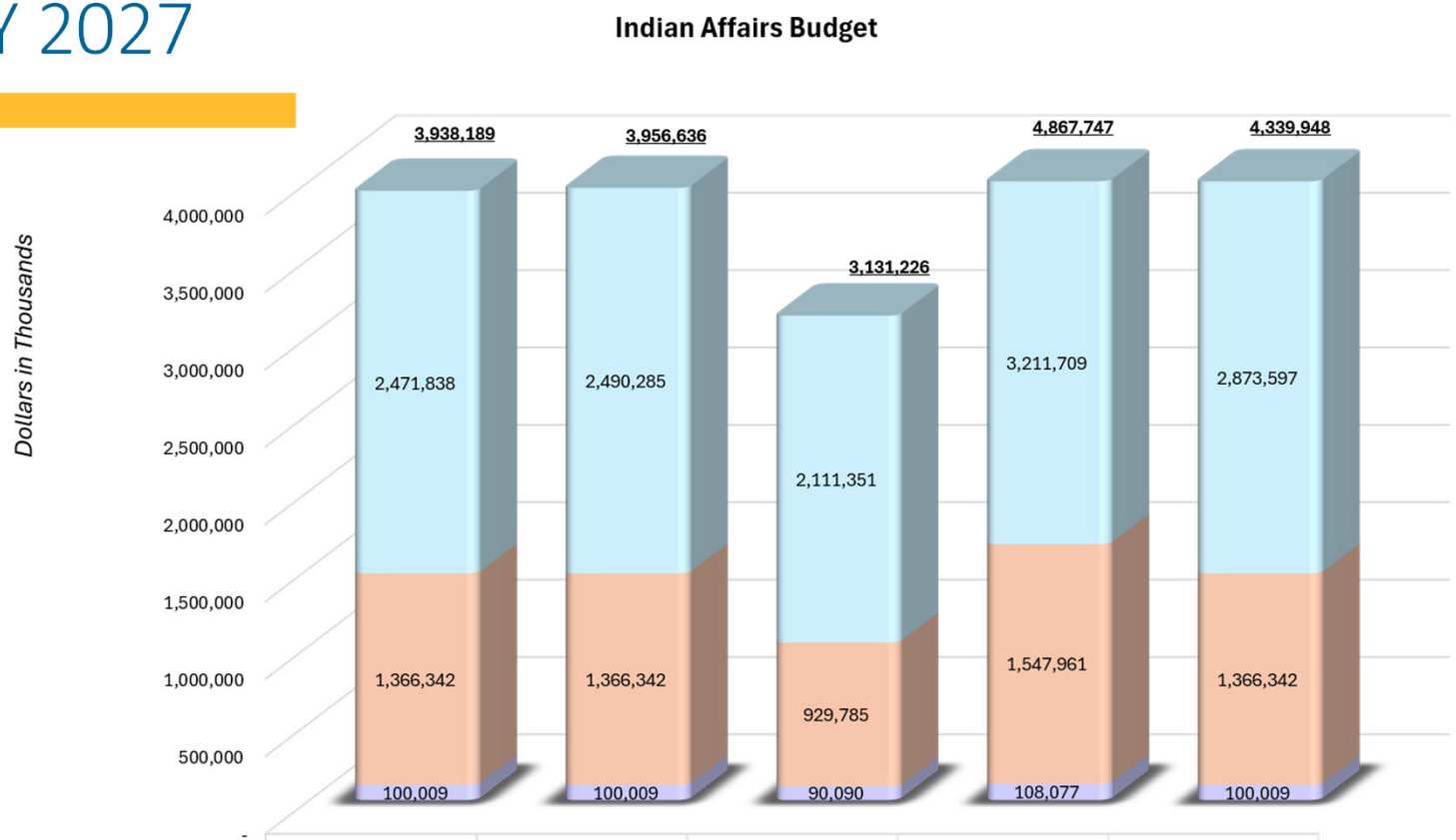
- **FY27 Continuing Resolution**
- **FY28, FY29 Budget Formulation**

FY 2027 Budget Status Update



- *House Markup released in early June.*
  - *IA Total $4.9B, +23% or $911m above 26E.*
- *Senate Markup, Conference.*
  - *IA Total $4.3B, +10% or $383m above 26E.*
- *2027 CR*
  - *Senate short term spending bill past midterm elections thru Dec 11, 2026.*
  - *IA Exception Apportionment for 100% Tribal base and law enforcement funding for fiscal year Tribes pending OMB approval and Treasury warrants.*
  - *CR funds distributed to IA Regional Offices. Awarding officials working on obligating funds to Tribes.*

FY 2025 – FY 2027

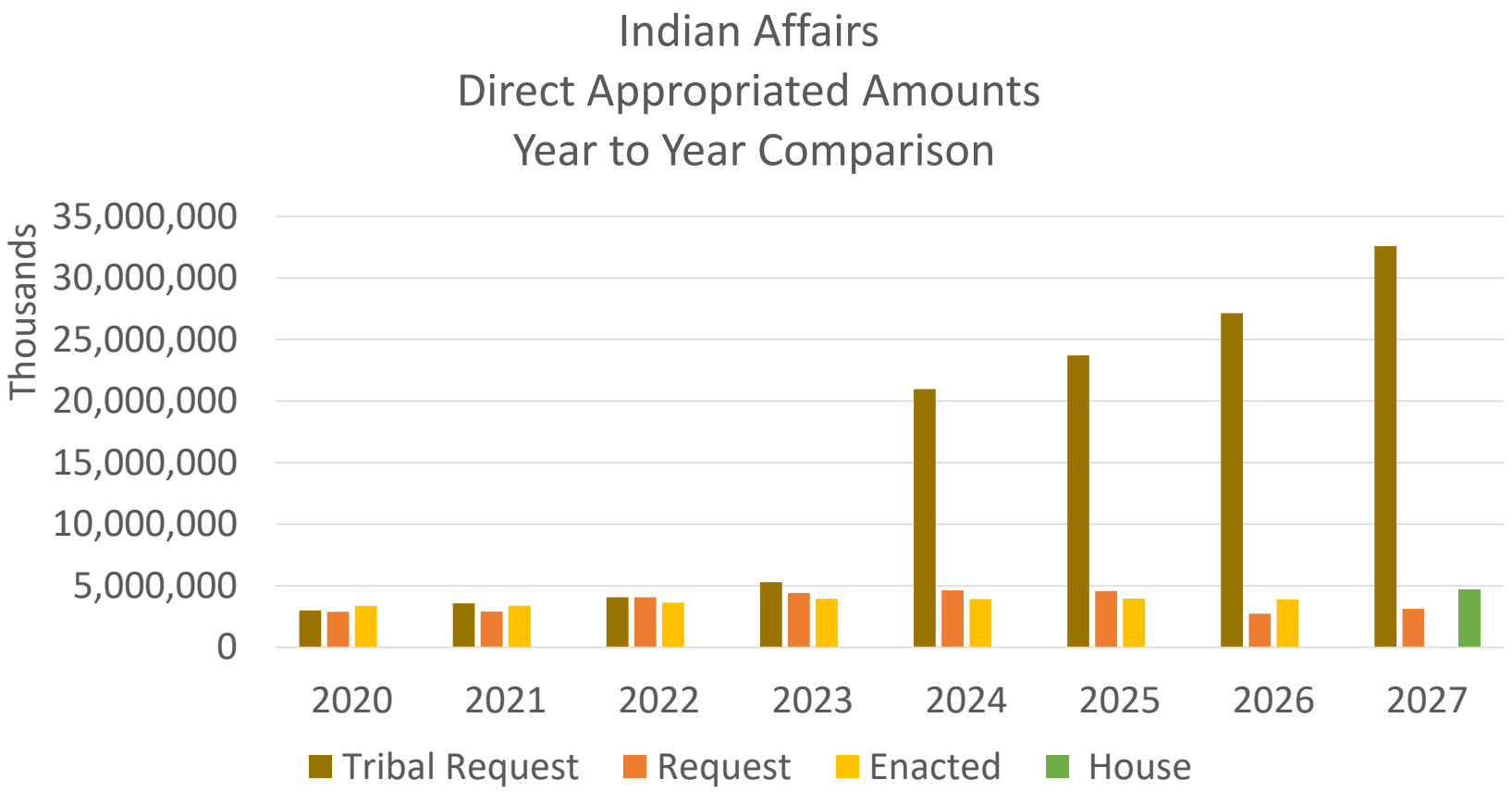


	FY 2025 Actual	FY 2026 Enacted	FY 2027 Request	FY 2027 HOUSE	FY 2027 SENATE
TOTAL, IA	3,938,189	3,956,636	3,131,226	4,867,747	4,339,948
BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS	2,471,838	2,490,285	2,111,351	3,211,709	2,873,597
BUREAU OF INDIAN EDUCATION	1,366,342	1,366,342	929,785	1,547,961	1,366,342
BUREAU OF TRUST FUNDS ADMINISTRATION	100,009	100,009	90,090	108,077	100,009

Note: The committee support tables display a higher amount than in the Greenbook for CSC and 105(l) in the FY27 Request column and is reflected in this table and other tables throughout the presentation.

Tribal Budget Request vs PB Request vs Enacted





ACCOUNT ACTIVITY	FY 2025 ACTUAL	FY 2026 ENACTED	FY 2027 REQUEST	FY 2027 TRIBAL BUDGET	FY 2027 HOUSE	FY 2027 SENATE
BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS						
OPERATION of INDIAN PROGRAMS	**1,897,709**	**1,933,200**	**1,272,857**	**17,762,085**	**2,269,716**	**1,962,188**
TRIBAL GOVERNMENT	401,296	398,987	270,982	464,411	453,071	402,086
HUMAN SERVICES	163,453	168,747	48,214	1,425,190	183,172	168,747
TRUST - NATURAL RESOURCES MANAGEMENT	320,369	327,649	96,887	11,788,753	352,037	331,649
TRUST - REAL ESTATE SERVICES	170,008	169,887	89,827	248,549	179,887	186,887
PUBLIC SAFETY & JUSTICE	560,263	570,059	560,263	3,734,660	774,836	574,059
COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	30,524	32,746	9,760	100,522	44,004	32,746
EXECUTIVE DIRECTION & ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES	251,796	256,634	196,924	-	282,709	256,634
SPECIAL INITIATIVES (Congressionally Directed Spending)	-	8,491	-	-	-	9,380
CONTRACT SUPPORT COSTS ACCOUNT	**287,958**	**350,000**	**349,000**	**-**	**349,000**	**349,000**
PAYMENTS for TRIBAL LEASES	**134,086**	**53,000**	**342,000**	**-**	**342,000**	**342,000**
CONSTRUCTION	**133,780**	**135,780**	**88,097**	**2,936,664**	**167,096**	**145,080**
PUBLIC SAFETY & JUSTICE CONSTRUCTION	45,791	47,791	45,871	871,773	69,591	55,291
RESOURCES MANAGEMENT CONSTRUCTION	65,694	65,694	34,651	1,474,310	72,046	65,694
OTHER PROGRAM CONSTRUCTION	22,295	22,295	7,575	590,581	25,459	24,095
LAND & WATER SETTLEMENTS & MISC. PAYMENTS	**976**	**976**	**58,897**	**-**	**58,897**	**58,000**
INDIAN GUARANTEED LOAN PROGRAM	**13,329**	**13,329**	**500**	**109,322**	**25,000**	**13,329**
INDIAN LAND CONSOLIDATION	**4,000**	**4,000**	**-**	**125,500**	**-**	**4,000**
TOTAL, BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS	**2,471,838**	**2,490,285**	**2,111,351**	**20,933,571**	**3,211,709**	**2,873,597**
BUREAU OF INDIAN EDUCATION						
OPERATION OF INDIAN EDUCATION PROGRAMS	**1,131,617**	**1,131,617**	**894,368**	**1,936,557**	**1,243,283**	**1,131,617**
EDUCATION CONSTRUCTION	**234,725**	**234,725**	**35,417**	**9,016,404**	**304,678**	**234,725**
TOTAL, BUREAU OF INDIAN EDUCATION	**1,366,342**	**1,366,342**	**929,785**	**10,952,961**	**1,547,961**	**1,366,342**

FY 2027 Senate Markup - BIA

- *Provides **$2.9 billion**, $1.1 billion above the FY 2027 Budget request, $442.6 million (18.2%) above the FY 2026 enacted level and $338.1 million below the House FY 2027 level.*
- *The bill only provides **$1 million of the requested $5 million in New Tribes activity for the Lumbee** Tribe of North Carolina.*
- *The bill provides the requested **$11 million for Tribal Radio stations**.*
- ***Public Safety and Justice is funded at $574.1 million which is a $4.0 million increase over the FY 2026** enacted level, $13.8 million above the FY 2027 budget, and $200.8 million below the House FY 2027 level.*
  - *Funding for the **Missing and Murdered Indigenous Persons activities is increased by $1.0** million over the 2026 enacted level to $17.5 million.*
  - *Provides **$55.3 million for Public Safety and Justice Construction**, $9.4 million above the FY 2027 Budget request, $7.5 million above the FY 2026 enacted level, and $14.3 million below the FY 2027 House level.*

FY 2027 Senate Markup - BIA

- *The bill provided an **additional $6 million for probate activities** over the FY 2026 funding levels although it is unclear if the additional funding is for traditional probate activities preformed by BIA staff and Tribes or for the probate modernization initiative that BIA requested $7 million for in the FY 2027 Budget.*
- *Funds **Construction at $145.1 million**, $57.0 million above the FY 2027 Budget request, $9.3 million above the FY 2026 enacted level, and $22.0 million below the House level.*
- *Funds the **Indian Guaranteed Loan Program at $13.3 million**, $12.8 million above the FY 2027 Budget request, level with the FY 2026 enacted amount, and $11.7 million below the House level*
- *In the FY 2027 Budget, BIA requested $1.5 million for continued assumption of functions and activities formerly performed Office of Navajo and Hopi Indian Relocation (ONHIR). Rather than providing this funding to BIA, the Senate provided the **$1.5 million to the Office of the Secretary (OS). The bill does not include the FY 2027 Budget requested general provision to support the close out of ONHIR.***

FY 2027 Senate Markup – BIE, BTFA

- *Bureau of Indian Education*
  - *Provides $1.4 billion, $436.6 million above the FY 2027 Budget request, level with the FY 2026 enacted level, and $181.6 million below the FY 2027 House level*
  - *Funds Education Construction at $234.7 million, $199.3 million above the FY 2027 Budget request, level with the FY 2026 enacted level, and $70.0 million below the FY 2027 House level*
  - *Rejects eliminations proposed in the FY 2027 Budget request.*

- *Bureau of Trust Funds Administration*
  - *Provides $100.0 million, $9.9 million above the FY 2027 Budget request, equal to the FY 2026 enacted level, and $8.1 million below the House FY 2027 level.*

FY 2027 Budget Documents

- *FY 2027 Budget in Brief*
  - *https://www.doi.gov/budget/appropriations/2027/highlights*

- *FY 2027 Budget Justifications*
  - *https://www.doi.gov/budget/appropriations/2027 (Interior Greenbooks)*
  - *https://www.bia.gov/as-ia/obpm/greenbook (Indian Affairs Greenbooks)*

- *FY 2027 House Markup*
  - *https://www.congress.gov/crs-appropriations-status-table*

FY 2028 Budget Formulation



- *Tribes*
  - *Submitted the Tribal Priority Ranking Tool in 2025 for the 2027-2028 budget formulation years.*
  - *Review Tribal Priority Ranking and discuss 2028 priorities at TIBC.*
  - *Tribal Budget Request.*

- *Regional Offices and Agencies*
  - *Facilitated two budget formulation working group sessions and submitted consolidated tribal priority rankings in 2025.*
  - *Identified regional office budget priorities.*

- *Central Office*
  - *Departmental budget proposals due June 12, 2026.*
  - *Departmental Passback late July/early Aug 2026.*
  - *OMB Budget Submit due Sept 7, 2026.*
  - ***OMB Passback late Nov/early Dec 2026.***
  - *President's Budget Request (Greenbook) February 1, 2027.*

FY 2029 Budget Formulation



- *Tribal Priority Ranking Tool*
  - *Kick off October 13, 2026.*
  - *Two Tribal Formulation Sessions facilitated by the IA Regional Office*
    - *Session 1 - Training session*
    - *Session 2 – Discussion and consensus on final Tribal regional ranking.*
  - *Tribal Priority Ranking Tool due dates established by IA Regional Offices but should be no later than February 3, 2027.*
  - *Results will be presented at Spring TIBC.*

- *https://www.bia.gov/as-ia/obpm/budget-formulation-guides*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