



# Fiscal Year 2027 Congressional Budget Justification

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## Agency Overview

The Morris K. Udall and Stewart L. Udall Foundation (Udall Foundation) was established by the U.S. Congress in 1992 as an independent executive branch agency to provide educational programs, funding, and collaboration and conflict resolution services related to the environment, Native American and Alaska Native health care issues, and Tribal public policy issues. The legislation that created the Udall Foundation is codified at 20 U.S.C. §5601 *et seq.* The Udall Foundation was reauthorized through fiscal year (FY) 2029 as part of the Further Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2024.

Since its establishment, the Udall Foundation has:

- Awarded nearly 2,400 [Scholarships](#), [Internships](#), and [Fellowships](#), and delivered more than 12,500 [Parks in Focus](#)<sup>®</sup> programming hours.
- Provided more than 900 environmental collaboration and conflict resolution [services](#) while assisting more than 50 Federal agencies, bureaus, and departments.
- [Convened](#) more than 80 science-policy dialogues and generated more than 500 environmental policy publications.
- Provided [Native Nation-building services](#) to individuals and groups affiliated with 76% of Federally Recognized Tribes in 35 of the Lower 48 States and 9% of Tribes in Alaska.

## FY 2027 President's Budget

The FY 2027 President's Budget proposes eliminating Federal funding for the Udall Foundation as part of the Administration's efforts to streamline functions across the Federal Government.

If the elimination of funding is approved by Congress, the Udall Foundation would initiate an orderly and responsible closure of operations in FY 2027. The agency would use unobligated balances from its Morris K. Udall and Stewart L. Udall Trust Fund and Environmental Dispute Resolution Fund to cover costs associated with closure of the agency, honor existing obligations, and comply with applicable regulations for the disposition of Federal property and records.