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WHAT WOULD REPUBLICANS' BUDGET CUTS MEAN FOR YOU?

Republicans in the House of Representatives are planning draconian cuts to government programs and services that families depend on. In April, [we broke down the harmful effects](#) those cuts would have on workers, children, and others. In recent weeks, House Republicans have made clear that their plans [will not cut funding](#) for defense programs, the VA, or border security. **As a result, Republicans will enact even deeper cuts to critical programs and services our communities need.**

On May 23, 2023, [the White House released](#) nationwide and state-level data outlining the harms these magnified cuts will have on various communities. This fact sheet describes just a few of those harms.

IMPACTS ON CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

Under Republicans' plan...

Schools with low-income students and students with disabilities could lose 150,000 teachers, aides, and other staff nationwide.

290,000 children from low-income families would lose their Head Start slots, making it harder for them to succeed at school long-term.

250,000 kids would lose their childcare, potentially forcing their parents out of work or school to care for them.

115,000 fewer students would receive Pell Grants, and 7 million students would see the amount of their Pell Grant slashed, making college more expensive for low- and middle-income families.

IMPACTS ON HOUSING COSTS

Under Republicans' plan...

More than 800,000 low-income households would lose their rental assistance. On average, families receiving this assistance make [just \\$15,000 a year](#).

Up to 65,000 veterans would lose their rental assistance, worsening their risk of homelessness.



IMPACTS ON OLDER ADULTS

Under Republicans' plan...

Up to 360 Social Security field offices could shut down, leaving fewer resources available to help older Americans navigate their benefits.

250,000 households headed by older Americans would lose their rental assistance.

Wait times for people applying for disability benefits would increase by at least two months.

IMPACTS ON HEALTH AND SAFETY

Under Republicans' plan...

Cuts to lead mitigation programs would result in roughly 6,600 fewer lead-safe homes, putting almost 9,300 children in harm's way.

2.7 million people would lose access to health centers and their services, like essential vaccinations.

More than 37,000 people would lose access to treatment for opioid use disorders.

The government would inspect 44,000 fewer miles of railroad track each year, risking more catastrophic train derailments like the one in East Palestine, Ohio.