

# PRESIDENT TRUMP'S JOB SAFETY BUDGET: HARMFUL TO WORKERS

## WORKERS ARE IN DANGER

President Trump's FY 2018 budget proposes major cuts to worker safety and health. It eliminates workers' health and safety training and chemical accident investigations, and slashes funding for workplace safety research, putting workers at greater risk of dying on the job.

## THE BUDGET ELIMINATES:

### OSHA's Worker Safety & Health Training

The OSHA Susan Harwood Grant training program has funded groups to train over one million U.S. workers on health and safety hazards and their rights at work, and has created hundreds of publicly available training materials in over a dozen languages.

### Chemical Accident Investigations

The Chemical Safety Board is a unique agency in charge of investigating major chemical incidents (explosions, leaks) independent of enforcement. CSB focuses on root cause analysis and preventing future major chemical incidents.

## THE BUDGET CUTS:

### Job Safety Research & Assistance by 40%

The National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) performs key scientific and application research that help workers, employers and state programs improve safety in the workplace.

### Coal Mine Safety Enforcement by \$3 million

The Mine Safety and Health Administration enforces safety and health laws, keeping coal miners safe.

## ACT NOW

Contact your Congress members!  
Tell them to oppose cuts and poison pill riders in the job safety budget. Protect workers now:

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## WORKER RIGHTS

The Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 affords every worker in the U.S. the right to a safe workplace. Each day, 150 workers still die in the U.S. from work-related injuries and diseases. Each year, another estimated nine million workers are injured.

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## President Trump's Budget Leaves Workers Behind

### OSHA

Cuts: \$9.5 million

- Eliminates OSHA safety and health training program for workers, including vulnerable workers.
- Cuts 150 OSHA enforcement staff from 2016 budget.

### NIOSH

Cuts: \$135 million, on top of previous \$4 million

- Eliminates Education Research Centers – training and research programs that focus on industrial hygiene, occupational health nursing, occupational medicine and occupational safety.
- Eliminates funding for expert research on job safety; surveillance of lead poisoning, silicosis and other diseases; and NIOSH's National Construction Center.

### Chemical Safety Board

Allocated: \$9 million to shut down the agency instead of \$11 million to run it

- Eliminates root-cause investigations for chemical incidents like Deepwater Horizon that help prevent future accidents.
- Leaves workers, first responders and communities near chemical plants at higher risk of injury and death.

### MSHA Coal Mine Enforcement

Cuts: \$3 million, on top of previous \$8 million

- Reduces the number of safety inspections in U.S. coal mines by nearly 25%.
- Increases coal miners' risk of injury and death.

## POISON PILL RIDERS

Republicans may try to add riders to the budget to block worker protections like OSHA's silica standard and injury reporting rule. Tell members of Congress: No poison pill riders in the job safety budget.

# 159 YEARS



That's how long it would take federal inspectors at an under-resourced OSHA to inspect each workplace once.

**IS YOUR WORKPLACE SAFE?**

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