The United States Jobs Program

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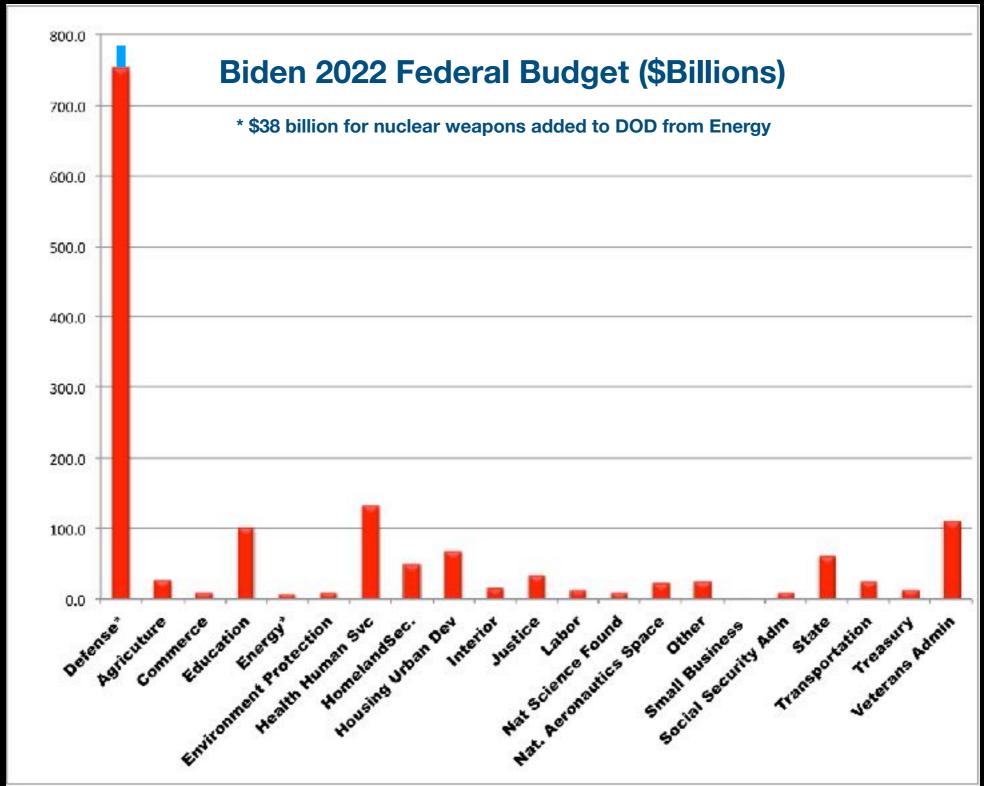
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Future:

Healing, Education, Green Infrastructure

Henry Lowendorf, Chair Greater New Haven Peace Council



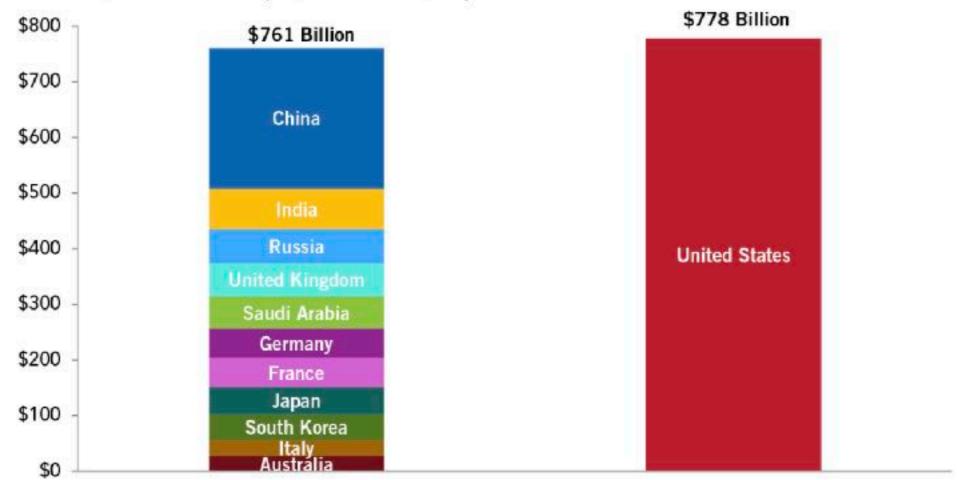






The United States spends more on defense than the next 11 countries combined

DEFENSE SPENDING (BILLIONS OF DOLLARS)



SOURCE: Stockholm International Peace Research Institute, SIPRI Military Expenditure Database, April 2021.

NOTES: Figures are in U.S. dollars converted from local currencies using market exchange rates. Data for the United States are for fiscal year 2020, which ran from October 1, 2019 through September 30, 2020. Data for the other countries are for calendar year 2020. The source for this chart uses a definition of defense spending that is more broad than budget function 050 and defense discretionary spending.

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Over the 20 years since 9/11, the U.S. spent \$21 trillion on foreign and domestic militarization.

\$16 trillion went to the military (\$7.2 trillion in military contracts).

\$3 trillion went to veterans' programs.

\$949 billion went to Homeland Security.

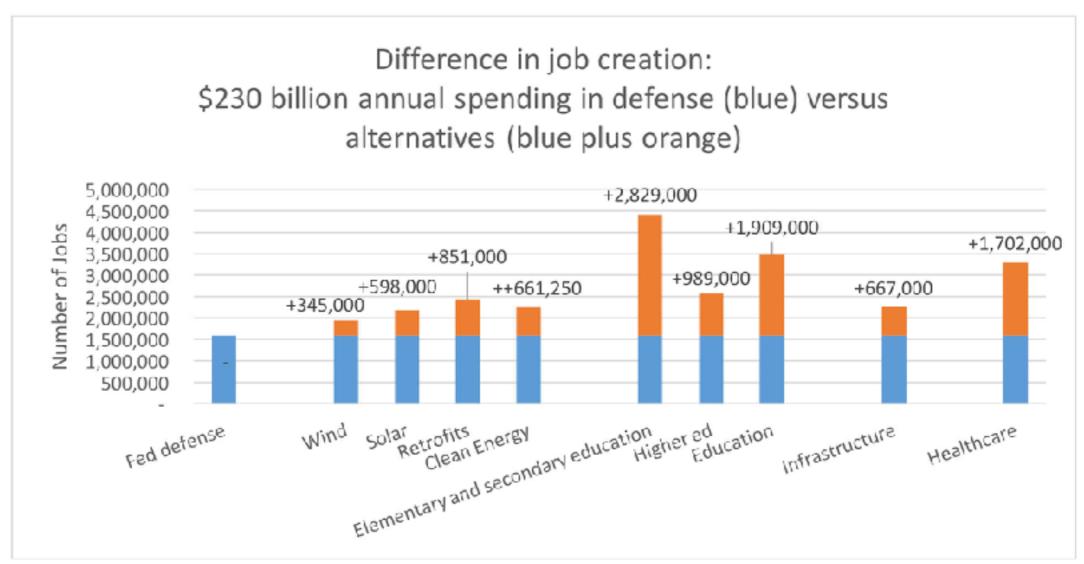
\$732 billion went to federal law enforcement.

- ➤ Compare Biden's Build Back Better: \$3.5 trillion to be spent over 10 years; \$350 billion per year
- ➤ Compare proposed 2022 military budget: \$778 billion

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Figure 2: Total Annual Employment from \$230 Billion per Year



(Note: Value labels shows the additional jobs created above the level of defense-related job creation)

Heidi Garrett-Peltier, PhD, Costs of War Project, Brown University



For far less than the \$21 trillion the U.S. spent on militarization since 9/11, the U.S. could reinvest to meet critical challenges that have been neglected for the last 20 years:

\$4.5 trillion could fully decarbonize the U.S. electric grid.

\$2.3 trillion could create 5 million jobs at \$15 per hour with benefits and cost-of-living adjustments for 10 years.

\$1.7 trillion could erase student debt.

\$449 billion could continue the extended Child Tax Credit for another 10 years.

\$200 billion could guarantee free preschool for every 3-and-4-year old for 10 years, and raise teacher pay.

\$25 billion could provide COVID vaccines for the populations of low-income countries.

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Connecticut's cities and town's are gasping for breath. Families don't have food, are losing housing, lack health care. Covid-19 has made things worse.

Water and sewage systems, streets and sidewalks, parks cannot be maintained. Are the only solutions to tax more, borrow, lay off, suspend pension payments? Fund Human Needs, Not Killing Machines.

Not building 1 F-35 nuclear bomber would provide FOOD for over 21,000 3-person families for 1 year.

Not building 1 modern nuclear-missile sub would provide HOUSING for over 29,000 families for 1 year.

Not funding the new Space Force for 2021 would provide 2.2 million families with MEDICAL CARE for 1 year.

Cutting Connecticut's annual IRS War Tax by half would provide 35 thousand INFRASTRUCTURE JOBS for 4 years.



\$15.7

Billion

Poor People's Campaign Military Cuts

\$ billion	Where	
90	Shutter 60% U.S. foreign military bases	
66	End funding ongoing U.S. wars	
57.9	Eliminate "obsolete, excessive, dangerous" weapons	
42.8	Dismantle Nuclear weapons	
33.3	Convert Military Health System into universal health care	
27	Cut overhead by 10%	
14	End Foreign Military Financing Program	
10.4	Reduce research and development by 10%	
3	Replace military personnel in support positions with civilians	
2	Close unneeded domestic bases	
3.1	Cancel the Space Force; cut military construction, convert 1° & 2° schools	
350	Total	

Enough to pay for Build Back Better Act!



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Where to spend our tax dollars for our future security?

	Military	Human Needs
Most jobs per \$\$	X	✓
Pandemic	X	✓
Climate crisis	X	✓
Affordable housing	X	✓
Health care 4 All	X	✓
Foregive student debt	X	✓
Equal rights	X	✓
Clean water	Х	✓
Free pre-K	X	✓
Safe streets	X	✓
High speed transit	X	✓
Green grid, buildings	X	✓
War	~	X
Nuclear annihilation	✓	X



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