

The International Affairs Budget provides benefits for us all

The International Affairs Budget supports development and diplomacy programs around the world. This budget helps countries overseas reduce poverty, fight global diseases and viruses, provides emergency response after natural disasters, and more.

The benefits that Americans can get out of this is that the budget would create more job opportunities in the export industry. It also helps protect our national security by reducing violence in other countries. This helps reduce the amount of violence around the world.

Recently, the Trump administration has proposed to cut this budget by 24% for the Fiscal Year 2020. In the previous Fiscal Year, the International Affairs Budget received \$54.2 billion. This represented less than 1% of the entire budget.

Cutting this budget would greatly reduce the amount of aid that America is able to provide to those overseas.

However, there is hope. Across America there are several organizations are putting their support behind the International Affairs Budget. The Borgen Project is one of these organizations. A primary goal is mobilizing citizens into contacting their congressional leader to support the budget. It isn't unheard of for congressional leaders to change their mind about an issue after receiving several emails or phone calls.

To join The Borgen Project in supporting the International Affairs Budget go to their website and contact your congressional leader.