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# Agenda

- ❖ Authorizations vs. Appropriations
- ❖ Status of the Federal Budget
- ❖ Appropriations for FY 2013 and FY 2014
- ❖ Reauthorizations and Other Legislation
- ❖ HSI Week Proclamation and Resolution



# Authorizations vs. Appropriations

An authorization creates the programs and authorizes the maximum amounts of money it can receive.

Programs then need to be funded through the appropriations process.



# The Status of the Federal Budget

- ❖ On October 17, 2013 the President signed legislation that ended the 16 day long government shutdown.
- ❖ The measure funds the government through Jan. 15 at the fiscal 2013 post-sequestration spending level and suspends the debt limit until Feb. 7. As part of the broader fiscal deal, both chambers agreed to reconcile their budget resolutions adopted earlier this year (H Con Res 25, S Con Res 8) and report by Dec. 13.



# The Sequestration Process

- ❖ In line with the Budget Control Act and effective October 1, 2013, the sequestration order implemented cuts to nonexempt mandatory spending which includes cuts to the CCRAA STEM articulation grants and Title V Part B.



# Appropriations

- ❖ **U.S. Department of Education**
- ❖ **U.S. Department of Agriculture**
- ❖ **National Science Foundation**



## U.S. Department of Education



*Labor-HHS-Education*  
*Strengthening Hispanic-Serving Institutions:*  
*Title V Part A*

- ❖ FY 2013 Final - \$95M
  - ❖ Drop from:
    - \$117M in FY 2010 to
    - \$100.4M in FY 2012 to
    - \$95.4M
  - ❖ FY 2014 Senate Title V Part A: \$100.2 m
  
- ❖ President's Budget \$100.4M in FY 2014
  
- ❖ HACU Request - \$175M in FY 2014





## *Promoting Post-baccalaureate Opportunities for Hispanic Americans - Part B*

- ❖ Mandatory funding – down to \$10.6M for FY 2014 with sequester
- ❖ 11.5M in FY 2012
  
- ❖ Discretionary – \$8.5M in FY 2013
  - ❖ Drop from \$10.5M in FY 2010
  - ❖ FY 2014 Senate Title V part B: \$8.992 m (discretionary + \$10.672 mandatory)
- ❖ President's Budget: \$9M & \$11.5M mandatory in FY 2014
- ❖ HACU Request: \$100M in FY 2014



# Pell Grants

Pell Grants Senate \$5785 (\$140 increase)



# U.S. Department of Agriculture



# Agriculture Appropriations

## Hispanic Education Partnership Grants Program

- ❖ **FY 2013 Final- \$9.2 million**
- ❖ **President's FY 2014 Budget, House and Senate recommendation- \$9.2 million**
- ❖ **HACU FY 2014 Request - \$40 million**



# HSACU Endowment Fund

- ❖ **FY 2013 Final - \$0**
- ❖ **President's Budget FY 2014 and Senate recommendation - \$10 million**
- ❖ **House recommendation - \$0 million (same as last year)**
- ❖ **HACU FY 2014 Request- \$80 million**



# Agriculture Appropriation Requests FY 2013

- ❖ \$20 million for the HSACU Equity Grants Program
- ❖ \$40 million in U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) for HSIs under Title VII-HSI
- ❖ \$80 million for the Endowment Fund for Hispanic-Serving Agricultural Colleges and Universities (HSACUs)
- ❖ \$40 million for the HSACU Institutional Capacity-Building Grant Program
- ❖ \$40 million HSACU Fundamental and Applied Research Grants
- ❖ \$40 million for the HSACU Extension Grants Program
- ❖ \$40 million for the HSI Agricultural Land National Resources Leadership Program



# National Science Foundation



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- ❖ HSIs are currently the **only** group of MSIs not receiving targeted NSF infrastructure development funding.
- ❖ HACU Request FY 2014 - \$30 million for a competitive grants program within NSF to support HSIs research, curriculum and infrastructure development, and other purposes





# Authorizations



❖ **Higher Education Act**

❖ **Elementary and Secondary Education Act**

❖ **Workforce Investment Act**

❖ **NASA**

❖ **Farm Bill**



# Higher Education Act

- ❖ Reauthorization is due this year although it is unlikely that Congress will have enough time to move forward.
- ❖ Congress has requested input from organizations. HACU submitted policy recommendations on June 7, 2013.
- ❖ Strong focus on improving Title V Part B.



## Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA)

- ❖ Senate HELP Committee considered and approved their version, titled the Strengthening America's Schools Act (SASA) on June 13, 2013.
- ❖ House Education and Workforce Committee approved their version of ESEA, the Student Success Act on June 19, 2013.



# Workforce Investment Act (WIA)

- ❖ Senate HELP Committee considered S.1356, The Workforce Investment Act of 2013 on July 13, 2013.

While it does not include targeted funding for HSIs, the version approved by the Senate has some good sections regarding Adult Literacy programs, a coordinated approach among key partners such as adult education and community colleges; and (3) results measured by whether workers are gaining industry-recognized postsecondary credentials. Moreover, the bill strengthens the new Title III Adult Education and Literacy section by (1) including technological literacy in the definition of workforce preparation, and (2) integrating English literacy and civics education through the alignment of adult education and WIA workforce training programs and services.

- ❖ House Education and the Workforce Committee considered their version, the SKILLS Act, on March 6, 2013.

This version eliminates over 30 programs and was passed only with Republican voting in favor. Because both bills are radically different, we don't expect WIA to be approved this year. There is also not much time for Congress to actually negotiate to pass something before December.



# NASA

- ❖ HACU Government Relations staff worked closely with the House and Senate Committee staff on the NASA reauthorization bill to include significant language on Minority-Serving Institutions (MSIs). Thanks to HACU's efforts, the Senate Commerce, Science and Transportation Committee passed the version of the bill with this language.

“continue to collaborate with minority institutions to increase student participation in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics; ...”

- ❖ The House version of the bill passed the House Science and Technology Committee on July 18. HACU staff worked with Congresswoman Federica Wilson on a similar amendment, but the amendment was withdrawn during the markup. The MSI language is expected to be added to a manager's amendment before it reaches the floor: having the language in the Senate bill puts us in a good position to get it approved.



# Farm Bill

- 2008 Farm Bill
- 2012-13 Farm Bill
- Current state of affairs for 2013 Farm Bill- savings could help solve budget crisis
- HACU Provisions- HSACU funding- workers and youth



## Other Legislation

- ❖ The Veteran Excellence Through Education (VET) Act of 2013 (HR 1251)
- ❖ The Promoting Partnerships to Transform Opportunities Act (HR 546)
- ❖ The Preservation Research at Institutions Serving Minorities Act (PRISM) of 2013 (HR 3178)
- ❖ Immigration Reform





# Veteran Excellence Through (VET) Education Act of 2013 (HR 1251)

- ❖ Support the establishment of Centers for Veteran Student Success on campuses to provide a single point of contact to coordinate support services for veteran students
- ❖ Provide personal, academic, and career counseling services
- ❖ Provide assistance with special admissions and transfer of credit from previous postsecondary education or work experience
- ❖ Assist in obtaining student financial aid
- ❖ Provide housing support for veteran students living on campus or commuting veteran students
- ❖ Coordinate academic advising and admissions counseling with military bases and national guard units in the area



## The Promoting Partnerships to Transform Opportunities Act (HR 546)

- ❖ To amend the Workforce Investment Act of 1998 to prepare individuals with multiple barriers to employment to enter the workforce by providing such individuals with support services, job training, and education, and for other purposes.



## PRISM Act of 2013

- ❖ A bill to amend the National Historic Preservation Act to direct the secretary of the Interior to provide technical or financial assistance to Hispanic-serving institutions for the establishment of historic preservation training and degree programs.



# Immigration

- Last Election- Hispanics and Women
- Senate passed S. 744 on June 27, 2013 vote of 68-32- path to citizenship and no age cap on the DREAM Act.
- August – National Hispanic Leadership Agenda coalition work – no public outcries as with healthcare
- House- piecemeal approach, gang of government shutdown



# Immigration

- House- Gang of 8-7-5. Mario Diaz-Balart (FL) only remaining republican.
- Congressman Grijalva and Pelosi, Mario Diaz Balart-  
WSJ- 10/22
- Messaging- Economy
- In closing, Senator McCain (AZ)- “If haven’t broken the law raise your hand.” Congressman Gutierrez “Don’t beg, don’t threaten.”



# National HSIs Week

## September 14- 20, 2014.

The following are ways HSIs can celebrate the week on campus:

- 1. **Raise awareness** - Partner with your local newspaper or radio station to advertise National HSIs Week and the events being sponsored by your institution. This increased visibility can highlight the contributions made by HSIs on a local, national, and international scale. Be sure to mention your membership with HACU.
- 2. **Host a campus forum** - Organize a town hall meeting with students, faculty, staff and community leaders to explore issues of particular interest to the HSI community.
- 3. **Organize a community-wide activity** - Build and promote campus-community partnerships to address various issues impacting the local community.
- 4. **Use the Web** - Post acknowledgements of HSIs on your institution's website and download copies of the anticipated Congressional Resolutions and the Presidential Proclamation commemorating this event upon availability.
- 5. **Showcase your students** - Arrange for your institution's choir, band, cheerleading squad, fraternities or sororities to perform during events held to commemorate National HSIs Week. You may also highlight the week during a sporting event any day that week.
- 6. **Celebrate National HSIs Week** in your own unique way.



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