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Budget Summary (Dollars in Thousands)

	FY 2017 ²	FY 2018 ³	FY 2019
Notification¹	\$430,000	TBD	TBD

Authorizing Legislation:

Authorization.....Section 223 of Division G of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2008
 Allocation Method.....Direct Federal, Competitive Contract

Program Description and Accomplishments

The Nonrecurring Expenses Fund (NEF) permits HHS to transfer unobligated balances of expired discretionary funds from FY 2008 and subsequent years into the NEF account. Congress authorized use of the funds for capital acquisitions necessary for the operation of the Department, specifically information technology (IT) and facilities infrastructure acquisitions.

In FY 2017, HHS allocated funds to support the decommissioning and new construction of the NIH E-Wing in Rockville, Maryland. The E-Wing project will provide new research laboratory space, replace existing laboratories in adjoining wings, and replace a vital clinical program now functioning in a deficient space. HHS also allocated NEF funds to invest in facilities and equipment for the Indian Health Service (IHS). IHS used these funds to enhance their capacity to provide effective and seamless health care by starting construction at two health centers and continuing construction at numerous other medical facilities.

Additionally in FY 2017, HHS invested in Department-wide IT systems updates related to cybersecurity enhancements, Digital Accountability and Transparency Act compliance, and financial system upgrades. HHS also allocated funds to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services to develop systems needed to effectively implement several provisions in the Medicare Access and CHIP Reauthorization Act, including system changes needed to remove Social Security numbers from Medicare cards.

Budget Allocation

In FY 2018, HHS will continue to use the Fund to obligate funds for previously notified information technology and facility infrastructure projects across the Department over time, as expired funds become available to the Fund. Specifically, HHS will use available funds to support a CDC facility consolidation project for National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH), IHS facilities, and to continue IT and Cybersecurity investments across the Department.

In FY 2019, the amount allocated will depend on total resources available and the infrastructure needs of HHS. HHS will notify Congress before obligating funds towards projects, consistent with prior year notifications.

¹ Pursuant to Section 223 of Division G of the Consolidated Appropriation Act, 2008, notification is required of planned use.
² Notification submitted to the Committees on Appropriations in the House of Representatives and the Senate on January 4, 2017.
³ HHS has not yet notified for FY 2018.