# FY 2015–2019 Emergency Funding

# **Total Emergency Funding-\$1.771B**



CDC works 24/7 to protect America from health and safety threats, both foreign and domestic. No other organization—here or around the world—has the comparable skills or expertise to detect and respond to outbreaks, prevent and control diseases, and address emerging threats to our health. CDC's first commitment is to protect the health of the American people from Ebola and other emerging infections. The situation in West Africa is dire and demands a rapid and intense response. Scaling up our capacity in the United States to detect and respond to cases here is also essential, as the fight in Africa continues. Ebola is a stark reminder of the need for a broader Global Health Security Agenda—as a blind spot anywhere is a threat to everyone, everywhere.

## **Action Plan**

CDC has extensive experience in training and planning for infection control and laboratory-based surveillance efforts targeting high hazard pathogens, including for Ebola. CDC's focus in West Africa is consistent with the core principles of public health:

- **Prevent** or mitigate avoidable outbreaks and lessen the spread of disease
- **Detect** epidemics and new disease threats quickly
- **Respond** effectively to public health emergencies, protecting lives abroad and in the United States.

#### **CDC's Ebola Response**

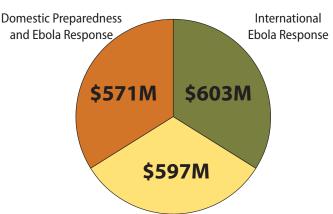
The Ebola epidemic in West Africa is the largest global response in CDC history, and includes:

- Extensive on-the-ground support in Liberia, Sierra Leone, Guinea, Mali, the United States, and other countries
- Infection control training and exercises for healthcare workers and others
- Support of state and local health departments for active monitoring of travelers

### **Response Goals**

- Extinguish the Ebola epidemic at its source
- Support immediate and decisive response to any domestic cases
- Prepare for and respond to disease threats around the world

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Global Health Security and National Public Health Institutes

The \$1.771B will support efforts to halt the Ebola virus epidemic and prevent further spread to and transmission within the United States. The funding also supports efforts to prevent, detect, and respond to other outbreaks of Ebola and emerging infectious diseases. These funds will be used in three categories:

- Ebola Domestic Response: Building capacity within the United States to prevent the importation and spread of Ebola domestically and performing research to support development of vaccines and treatment
- 2. **Ebola International Response:** Focus on halting the transmission of Ebola virus in three affected countries in West Africa and strengthen the ability of countries that are most at risk to prevent further spread of the epidemic
- 3. Global Health Security Agenda and National Public Health Institutes: Support to CDC's implementation of the Global Health Security Agenda, preventing infectious disease threats from becoming epidemics



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