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# JACOB K. JAVITS GIFTED AND TALENTED STUDENTS EDUCATION (JAVITS) PROGRAM

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# INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES ONLY

This presentation is for informational purposes only. The representatives from this program office do not advocate for funding for programs. The role of this discretionary grant program office at ED is to manage grant competitions, administer, and monitor grants based on statutory requirements, Department/Federal regulations, and funds appropriated by Congress.

Program offices also provide relevant technical assistance to grantees and in some cases the wider education field.

# AGENDA



- Discretionary Grants Programs
- How ED Supports Gifted Education
- What Javits is All About
- Absolute Priority for Javits Grants
- History of Javits Program
- Javits Funding Trends
- Javits Discretionary Grant Competition
- Javits Program Grants by Cohorts
- Highlights of Javits Projects
- Locations of Active Javits Grants

# OFFICE OF DISCRETIONARY GRANTS AND SUPPORT SERVICES (DGSS) IN OESE, GRANT PROGRAMS



- Charter School Programs
- Effective Educator Development Programs
- Innovation and Early Learning Programs
- School Choice and Improvement Programs
- Well-Rounded Education Programs
- Education Innovation and Research

# THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN AND DEPARTMENT PRIORITIES

The American Rescue Plan is aligned with the U.S. Department of Education (Department) commitment to on “Raising the Bar” in education – in three key areas: academic excellence; improving learning conditions; and preparing our students for a world of global competitiveness.

Within those themes, there are 6 strategies: accelerating learning, developing a well-rounded education, eliminating the educator shortage, investing in mental health, ensuring every student has a postsecondary pathway, and a pathway to multilingualism.

Secretary Cardona’s priorities:

- Support students through pandemic response and recovery
- Boldly address opportunity and achievement gaps
- Make higher education more inclusive and affordable
- Ensure pathways through higher education lead to successful careers

# HOW THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION SUPPORTS GIFTED EDUCATION PROGRAMS



- The Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (ESEA), as amended by Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA), emphasized the importance of providing a well-rounded education to all students. States and local districts have the discretion to define specifically what a well-rounded education means for students and how to best use Federal, State and local funds to meet the needs of their students to provide a well-rounded education. Title I provided more than \$18 billion in FY23 to States, school districts, and schools.
- We provide support for gifted and talented programs through discretionary grants: Javits Gifted and Talented Students Education Program



# WHAT IS THE JAVITS PROGRAM?

- **Focus Areas**
  - Serving underrepresented students in gifted and talented programs
  - Students in need of Educational Opportunities
- **Eligible applicants must be one or more of the following:**
  - State educational agency;
  - Local educational agency;
  - Bureau of Indian Education;
  - Institution of Higher Education;
  - Other public agency; or
  - Other private agency or organization.



## ABSOLUTE PRIORITY FOR JAVITS GRANTS

Projects designed to develop new information that assists schools in the identification of, and provision of services to, gifted and talented students (including economically disadvantaged individuals, individuals who are English learners, and children with disabilities) who may not be identified and served through traditional assessment methods.





# HISTORY OF THE JAVITS PROGRAM



## **Jacob Koppel Javits, Politician & Attorney**

Legislation in support of  
Gifted and Talented students  
Evolved into the Jacob K.  
Javits Gifted and Talented  
Program

**1940s**

## **Jacob Javits Gifted and Talented Students Education Act**

Part of the ESEA of 1965  
Funded \$9.6 Million

**1988**



# HISTORY OF THE JAVITS PROGRAM

## **No Child Left Behind (NCLB) – Reauthorized**

Reauthorized Section 4644 of  
the ESEA (program authority)

Funds increased to \$12  
Million

**2002**

## **Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA)**

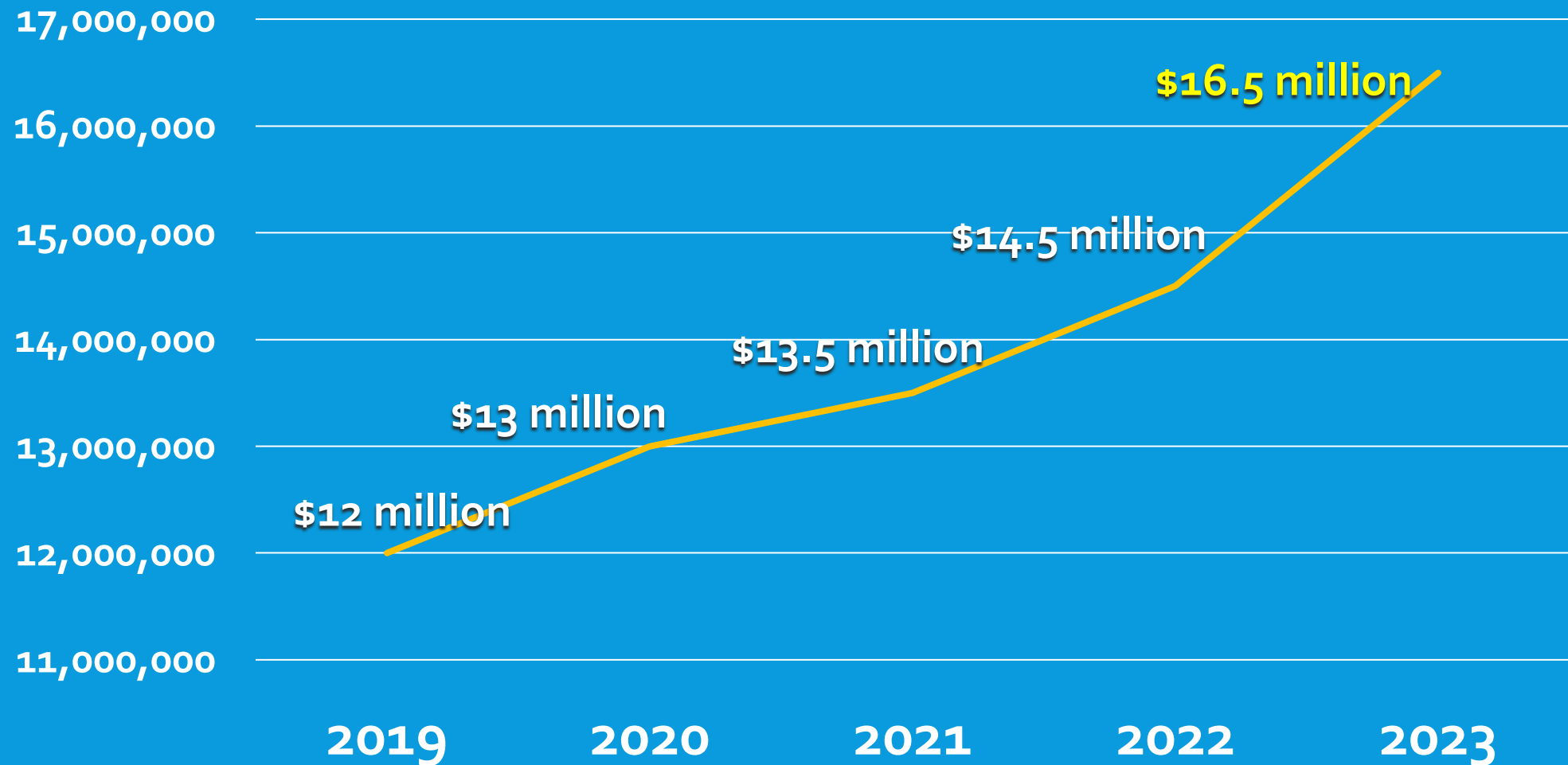
Federal funding continues to  
increase each year

Currently at \$14.5 million

**2015**



# JAVITS FUNDING TRENDS



# JAVITS DISCRETIONARY GRANT COMPETITIONS



- Notice Inviting Applicants
- Applicants Submissions
- Peer Review Process
- Selection Process
- Awards

\* Decisions regarding when competitions will be held is based on multiple factors, e.g. appropriations from Congress, continuation award amounts, etc.

# JAVITS PROGRAM GRANTS BY COHORTS



- Javits Grants (Discretionary): 5 Years
- Currently, **40 Active Grants** with some in its' final year of funding
- Javits Cohorts
  - FY 2017: 13
  - FY 2018: 1
  - FY 2019: 9
  - FY 2020: 4
  - FY 2022: 13

# HIGHLIGHTS OF A FEW JAVITS PROJECTS



## University of Hawaii

- FY 2017 – Project BEAM (BE A Mathematician) –
- FY 2022 - Project Culturally and Linguistically Diverse and Twice-Exceptional students Achieving and Matriculating in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) (CLD TEAMS)

## Purdue University

- FY 2019 – Project Closing Excellence and Opportunity Gaps for Students from Traditionally Underserved Populations in Gifted Education: A Multi-Tier Systems of Support Approach Program

## School Board of Pinellas County, FL

- FY 2019 – Project Expanding Equity & Engagement (E3)

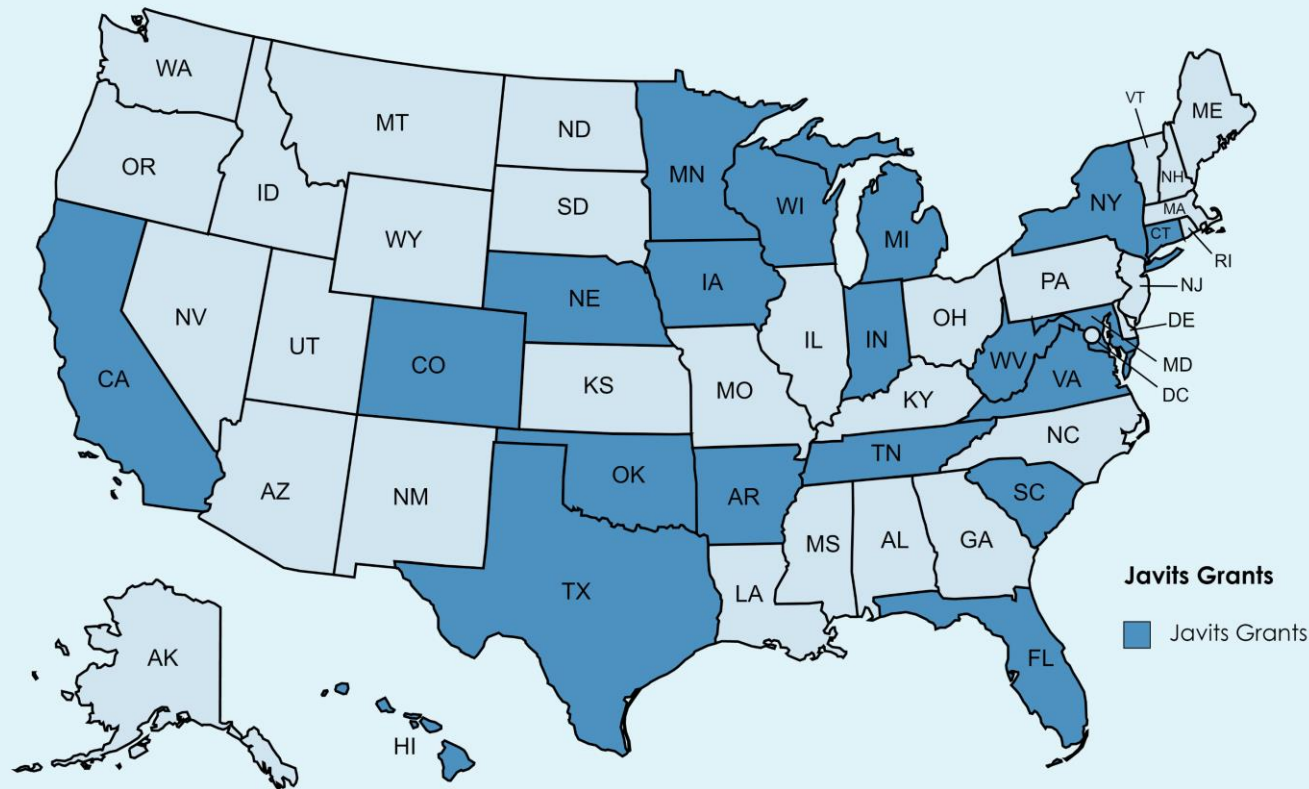
## University of Connecticut:

- FY 2019 – Project Twice Exceptional with Autism Spectrum Disorder (2E-ASD) program
- FY 2019 - Project Building Up Mathematics Proficiency Utilizing Push-in (BUMP UP) program



# LOCATIONS OF ACTIVE JAVITS GRANTS

California (2)  
Colorado (1)  
Nebraska (1)  
Texas (2)  
Oklahoma (1)  
Nebraska (1)  
Arkansas (1)  
Minnesota (2)  
Iowa (1)  
Wisconsin (3)  
Michigan (1)



Indiana (4)  
Tennessee (1)  
New York (4)  
Connecticut (5)  
Maryland (2)  
West Virginia (1)  
South Carolina (1)  
Florida (4)  
Hawaii (2)

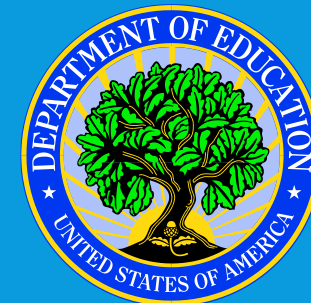


# QUESTIONS?

To learn more about the Javits Program at the U.S. Department of Education visit the Javits Program webpage at:

<https://oese.ed.gov/offices/office-of-discretionary-grants-support-services/well-rounded-education-programs/jacob-k-javits-gifted-and-talented-students-education-program/>





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