

**AGRICULTURE, RURAL DEVELOPMENT,
FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION,
AND RELATED AGENCIES**

Department of Agriculture

(\$ in thousands)	FY 2004 Actual	FY 2005 Estimate	FY 2006 Request
P.L. 480 Title II	1,184,967	1,173,041	885,000
McGovern-Dole International Food for Education & Child Nutrition Program Grants	50,000	86,800	100,000
Total, Department of Agriculture	1,234,967	1,259,841	985,000

P.L. 480 Title II

Title II Food Aid of the Agricultural Trade Development and Assistance Act of 1954 (Public Law 480) is requested by the Department of Agriculture and administered by USAID.

The FY 2006 request for Title II is \$885 million. For FY 2006, \$300 million that was previously requested for P.L. 480 Title II is being requested under International Disaster and Famine Assistance for emergency food aid needs.

Title II provides U.S. food assistance in response to emergencies and disasters around the world via the World Food Program and private voluntary organizations. Title II resources have been critical to saving lives by preventing and mitigating famines and providing urgent relief to victims of natural disasters and complex emergencies where natural disasters are compounded by ongoing civil strife.

Through this program, the United States also provides development-oriented resources to private voluntary organizations and the World Food Program to help improve the food security of needy people through the direct distribution of agricultural commodities or the use of local currencies generated by the sale of these commodities in the recipient country.

McGovern-Dole International Food for Education & Child Nutrition Program Grants

The FY 2006 request for the McGovern-Dole International Food for Education and Child Nutrition Program Grants is \$100 million. In coordination with USAID, the Department of Agriculture (USDA) administers this program. The program provides for the donation of U.S. agricultural commodities and associated technical and financial assistance to carry out preschool and school feeding programs in foreign countries in order to improve food security, reduce the incidence of hunger and malnutrition, and improve literacy and primary education. The program also supports maternal, infant, and child nutrition programs for pregnant women, nursing mothers, infants, and children.

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