



'Reagonomics:' You Can Count on Cuts into Your Pocketbook

If you think "Reagonomics" will improve your standard of living, you had better think again.

As Lane Kirkland, president of AFL-CIO told the House Budget Committee on March 4th:

"Cuts in operating subsidies for mass transit will result in higher commuting costs for workers, increased pollution and more wasted energy . . .

"Cuts in alternative energy programs will mean consumers will pay more at the pump and more for home heating . . .

"Cuts in urban aid and economic development programs mean the nation will continue to pay the high cost of deteriorating facilities, slums and unemployment.

"The cuts do not cut the cost of social programs—they defer some and

shift others to the budgets of the states, localities and the poor."

In the final analysis, federal programs that have benefited moderate-income working men and women are going to be decimated. While the Reagan administration's 10 percent tax cut will only truly benefit the top 20 percent of the taxpayers, you can see by the sampling of proposed cuts shown on this page, programs that are widely used by working Americans are being slashed.

The state of Oregon and specifically *you*, the state and local government employees, are going to be affected by Reagan's budget slashing. Reagan's wreckless chopping of billions from such programs as Child Nutrition, Aid to Families With Dependent Children, Comprehensive Employment and Training, is going to deprive needy families of assistance.

Furthermore, these cuts will eliminate jobs in public government. If you are lucky enough to

manage to escape layoff, you can be sure that your work load will increase.

In short, "Reagonomics" is a no-win budget for you—the Oregon public employe! Write or call your senator or congressman and let them know where you stand.

SOME PROPOSED REAGAN CUTS — in millions of dollars

Food Stamps	1,828	Urban Mass Transit	
Child Nutrition	1,657	Grants and Subsidies	1,053
Aid to Families with Dependent Children	520	Solar Energy, Conservation Bank	132
Medicaid	1,237	Women, Infants, Children (WIC) Nutrition	300
Natl. Inst. of Health	197	NE Corridor Rail Improvement	288
Student Assistance	1,016	Park Land Acquisition and Conservation	566
Youth Conservation Corps Young Adult	60	National Consumer Co-op Bank	136
Conservation Corps	250	Subsidized Housing: Rent Contributions	4,916
Vocational Education	236	National Endowment For The Humanities	165
Comprehensive Employment and Training	4,644	Corp. For Public Broadcasting	43
Unemployment Insurance Extended Benefits	700	Intl. Development Aid	1,854
Trade Adjustment Assistance	1,150		
Energy Conservation	677		
Amtrak Subsidies	431		

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