

# TOWNSEND PUBLIC AFFAIRS

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## Presentation Overview



About Townsend Public Affairs



2025 Year in Review



2026 Preview



## About Townsend Public Affairs

Advocate for Fresno County's federal goals and objectives

Work with Fresno County to draft annual legislative platform

Serve as liaison between Fresno County and the County's Congressional Delegation

Conduct bi-weekly federal update calls with Fresno County staff.

Share real-time updates on all federal activities of interest to Fresno County.

Provide monthly federal update reports.

Coordinate with the National Association of Counties.

Organize Federal Advocacy Visits to Washington, DC

## Services TPA Provides Fresno County





### Fiscal Year 2026 Appropriations

\$230,000 Biola Community Sidewalk and Lighting Upgrades (Rep. Gray)

\$250,000 Caruthers Complete Streets (Rep. Gray)

\$1,000,000 Central California Food Bank Volunteer Center Expansion (Rep. Costa)



### **H.R. 1 the *One Big Beautiful Bill Act***

State and Local Tax Deduction (SALT) increased to \$40,000

No tax on tips, senior tax deduction

SNAP reforms and administrative cost share changes

Medicaid reforms

Increased defense and immigration enforcement spending



**Additional Advocacy Efforts**

**Surface Transportation  
Reauthorization**

**Secure Rural Schools  
and PILT**



### Policy Preview

Fiscal Year 2027 Appropriations

Farm Bill

Surface Transportation Reauthorization

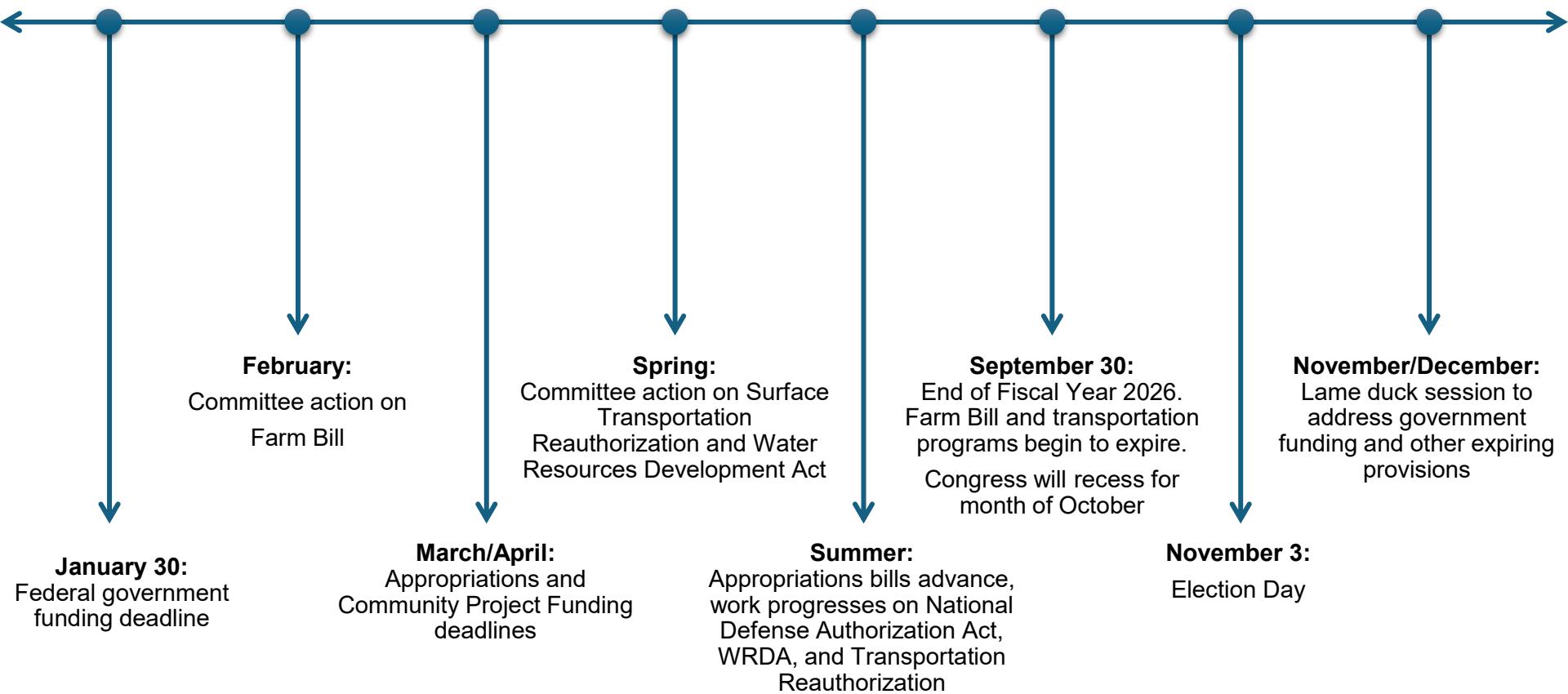
Water Resources Development Act

Health Care Legislation and Executive Actions

Housing Legislation and Executive Actions



### Legislative Timeline





### Politics Preview

June 2, 2026 – Primary Election

November 3, 2026 – General Election

Prop 50 Maps bring in new candidates and representation

Fresno County House Delegation to increase from four to six members



## Questions?



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