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NASA in the News

Focusing on a space program that is built to last, NASA's FY2013 budget details plans for the agency's endeavors in Earth and planetary science, astrophysics, heliophysics, aeronautics, technology, and exploration. NASA Administrator Charles Bolden remarked that the budget "moves the agency forward strongly on a path that will maintain America's preeminence in space exploration. ... embarking upon an ambitious exploration program that will build on new technologies as

well as proven capabilities as we expand our reach out into the solar system." The proposed budget seeks \$17.7 billion for NASA to continue implementing its major elements and advance developing technologies. Read about the budgetary plan in detail at www.nasa.gov/news/budget/index.html.

Future of Human Spaceflight

NASA is embarking on a new era of space exploration in which humans will travel deeper into the solar system than ever before. The International Space Station will be the centerpiece for exploration and will serve as a test bed for research and new technologies, and as a stepping-stone to future destinations. While partnering with commercial industry to transport cargo and eventually crew to the space station, NASA will continue to focus on developing advanced exploration systems. To learn more about where NASA is going, explore the agency's latest interactive feature at www.nasa.gov/externalflash/human_space.

NASA TV in HD

Want to know what life looks like in space? Watch live video from the International Space Station in high definition on UStream at www.nasa.gov/multimedia/nasatv/iss_ustream.html. When the crew is scheduled for onboard tasks, look for internal views of the station. The rest of the time, expect to see stunning views of Earth. Since the station orbits Earth once every 90 minutes, it experiences a sunrise or a sunset about every 45 minutes. When the station is in darkness, the external camera video may appear black but can sometimes provide spectacular views of lightning or city lights below.

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