

Jennifer Santos currently serves as a professional staff member in the Senate Appropriations Defense Subcommittee, which she joined in 2012. Her primary responsibilities include oversight of OSD research, development and procurement accounts; Army and Air Force aircraft procurement; the Joint Improvised Explosive Device Defeat Organization (JIEDDO); and the Cooperative Threat Reduction program.

Prior to joining the subcommittee, Ms Santos has over 14 years of experience advising senior Air Force and Department of Defense decision makers on weapon system management (such as F-22), acquisition and financial management. Part of her tenure included 6 years of Air Force civil service, where she was directly responsible for developing multi-billion dollar budgets, monitoring current year funding allocation and program execution.

She has extensive knowledge of the federal government programming, planning, budgeting, and execution process. Ms Santos has a proven record in developing, presenting, and explaining complex ideas to senior leaders. She has a Bachelor of Science degree in Mathematics and an Aerospace Masters of Business Administration.