

Dear Leader of a Los Angeles County CSBG Funded Agency,

I am the board chair of the Los Angeles County Community Action Board, advisors to the County Board of Supervisors on spending CSBG funds.

As you probably know, Congress is currently debating the level of CSBG funding for the 2012-2013 federal fiscal year. Funds for this program have never been as threatened as they are in the current budget cycle.

We need your urgent help to create the best chance for continuation of this funding.

The representative on Capital Hill for Community Action is David Bradley. He has told us that it is essential that members of the House Labor Health and Human Services Appropriations Committee and on the House Appropriations Committee receive mail from those supporting CSBG. In our region Congresswoman Lucile Roybal-Allard is on the Labor HHS subcommittee and Adam Schiff is on the Appropriations Committee.

Important votes affecting CSBG funding are expected in early August. We need your help in writing letters to the two Representatives right away. The more letters the better.

These letters should convey:

- That you believe that CSBG funding should be maintained at 2008 levels
- How your clients will be affected by the loss of these funds.

Representative Roybal-Allard's contact information can be found at <http://roybal-allard.house.gov/>.

Representative Schiff's contact information can be found at <http://schiff.house.gov/index.html>.

If you are personally acquainted with one of these members of Congress, please let me know.

As you know 63 agencies are funded by Los Angeles County CSBG funds. Your letters and those of people you are acquainted with who live or work in these Representatives' districts can make a great difference.

Thank you in advance,

Fred Samulon