

PROVIDER ALLIANCE TO END HOMELESSNESS

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April 8, 2019

The Honorable Benjamin Allen
California State Senate
State Capitol, Room 4076
Sacramento, CA 95814-4900

Dear Senator Allen:

We are writing to request a district meeting with you to discuss homelessness funding.

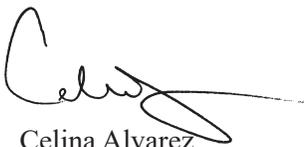
Roughly 130,000 Californians are homeless on any given night, a figure that has risen 14% over the past five years. More than two-thirds of those without housing in California are unsheltered. In fact, no state has more people living out of doors – 49% of all unsheltered Americans live in California. This crisis is being driven by unaffordable rents, inadequate care and assistance to those in need, and a statewide poverty rate that remains one of the highest in the nation.

As organizations that serve people experiencing homelessness in the 26th Senate District, we were encouraged to see the California State Legislature approve \$500 million through the Homeless Emergency Aid Program (HEAP) last year. However, the original legislation would have funded this program at \$1.5 billion, a figure that was cut dramatically in budget negotiations with the former governor. This year, Gov. Newsom's budget request would continue a similar homelessness block grant at \$500 million. We believe homelessness deserves greater priority in Sacramento and urge you to support a return to the legislature's 2018 position of at least \$1.5 billion.

We also believe HEAP can be improved in overall program design. The timeline to spend HEAP funding was too short for certain types of assistance and the 5% cap on administrative costs was too low. We appreciate your help in advocating for a block grant that provides greater flexibility and more resources to the 26th District.

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Sincerely,



Celina Alvarez
Executive Director
Housing Works



Heather Carmichael
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The Honorable Steven Bradford
California State Senate
State Capitol, Room 2059
Sacramento, CA 95814-4900

Dear Senator Bradford:

We are writing to request a district meeting with you to discuss homelessness funding.

Roughly 130,000 Californians are homeless on any given night, a figure that has risen 14% over the past five years. More than two-thirds of those without housing in California are unsheltered. In fact, no state has more people living out of doors – 49% of all unsheltered Americans live in California. This crisis is being driven by unaffordable rents, inadequate care and assistance to those in need, and a statewide poverty rate that remains one of the highest in the nation.

As organizations that serve people experiencing homelessness in the 35th Senate District, we were encouraged to see the California State Legislature approve \$500 million through the Homeless Emergency Aid Program (HEAP) last year. However, the original legislation would have funded this program at \$1.5 billion, a figure that was cut dramatically in budget negotiations with the former governor. This year, Gov. Newsom's budget request would continue a similar homelessness block grant at \$500 million. We believe homelessness deserves greater priority in Sacramento and urge you to support a return to the legislature's 2018 position of at least \$1.5 billion.

We also believe HEAP can be improved in overall program design. The timeline to spend HEAP funding was too short for certain types of assistance and the 5% cap on administrative costs was too low. We appreciate your help in advocating for a block grant that provides greater flexibility and more resources to the 35th District.

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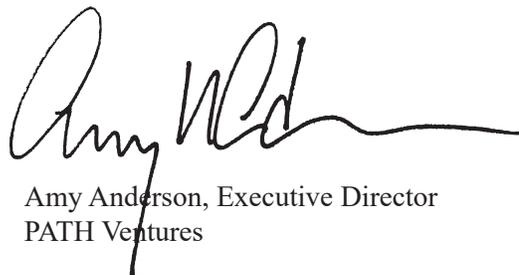
Tahia Hayslet, Executive Director
Harbor Interfaith Services



Elizabeth Eastlund, Executive Director
Rainbow Services



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April 8, 2019

The Honorable Maria Elena Durazo
California State Senate
State Capitol, Room 5066
Sacramento, CA 95814-4900

Dear Senator Durazo:

We are writing to request a district meeting with you to discuss homelessness funding.

Roughly 130,000 Californians are homeless on any given night, a figure that has risen 14% over the past five years. More than two-thirds of those without housing in California are unsheltered. In fact, no state has more people living out of doors – 49% of all unsheltered Americans live in California. This crisis is being driven by unaffordable rents, inadequate care and assistance to those in need, and a statewide poverty rate that remains one of the highest in the nation.

As organizations that serve people experiencing homelessness in the 24th Senate District, we were encouraged to see the California State Legislature approve \$500 million through the Homeless Emergency Aid Program (HEAP) last year. However, the original legislation would have funded this program at \$1.5 billion, a figure that was cut dramatically in budget negotiations with the former governor. This year, Gov. Newsom's budget request would continue a similar homelessness block grant at \$500 million. We believe homelessness deserves greater priority in Sacramento and urge you to support a return to the legislature's 2018 position of at least \$1.5 billion.

We also believe HEAP can be improved in overall program design. The timeline to spend HEAP funding was too short for certain types of assistance and the 5% cap on administrative costs was too low. We appreciate your help in advocating for a block grant that provides greater flexibility and more resources to the 24th District.

Please let us know when we can meet with you about these topics. We are copying Jerry Jones who coordinates LA's Provider Alliance to End Homelessness so that he can make scheduling arrangements with your staff.

Sincerely,



Dora Leong Gallo, President and CEO
A Community of Friends



Jessie Kornberg, President & CEO
Bet Tzedek



Bill Bedrossian, Chief Executive Officer
Covenant House California



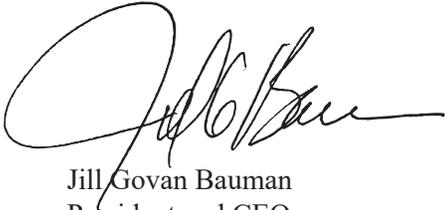
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Mark Casanova
Executive Director
Homeless Health Care Los Angeles



Jill Govan Bauman
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Executive Director
Little Tokyo Service Center



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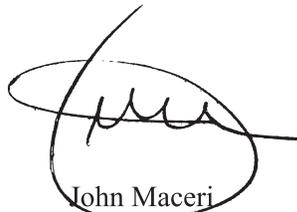
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Cynthia Sanchez
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Margaret Morrow
President and CEO
Public Counsel



John Maceri
Chief Executive Officer
The People Concern



Orlando Ward
Executive Director of Public Affairs
Volunteers of America Los Angeles



Channa Grace
Chief Executive Officer
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April 8, 2019

The Honorable Robert M. Hertzberg
California State Senate
State Capitol, Room 313
Sacramento, CA 95814-4900

Dear Senator Hertzberg:

We are writing to request a district meeting with you to discuss homelessness funding.

Roughly 130,000 Californians are homeless on any given night, a figure that has risen 14% over the past five years. More than two-thirds of those without housing in California are unsheltered. In fact, no state has more people living out of doors – 49% of all unsheltered Americans live in California. This crisis is being driven by unaffordable rents, inadequate care and assistance to those in need, and a statewide poverty rate that remains one of the highest in the nation.

As organizations that serve people experiencing homelessness in the 18th Senate District, we were encouraged to see the California State Legislature approve \$500 million through the Homeless Emergency Aid Program (HEAP) last year. However, the original legislation would have funded this program at \$1.5 billion, a figure that was cut dramatically in budget negotiations with the former governor. This year, Gov. Newsom's budget request would continue a similar homelessness block grant at \$500 million. We believe homelessness deserves greater priority in Sacramento and urge you to support a return to the legislature's 2018 position of at least \$1.5 billion.

We also believe HEAP can be improved in overall program design. The timeline to spend HEAP funding was too short for certain types of assistance and the 5% cap on administrative costs was too low. We appreciate your help in advocating for a block grant that provides greater flexibility and more resources to the 18th District.

Please let us know when we can meet with you about these topics. We are copying Jerry Jones who coordinates LA's Provider Alliance to End Homelessness so that he can make scheduling arrangements with your staff.

Sincerely,



Stephanie Klasky-Gamer
President and CEO
LA Family Housing



Hugo Villa
Chief Executive Officer
The Village Family Services



Jennifer Hark Dietz
Deputy CEO and Executive Director
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Amy Anderson
Executive Director
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Lauri Burns
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Ken Craft
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April 8, 2019

The Honorable Holly J. Mitchell
California State Senate
State Capitol, Room 5050
Sacramento, CA 95814-4900

Dear Senator Mitchell:

We are writing to request a district meeting with you to discuss homelessness funding.

Roughly 130,000 Californians are homeless on any given night, a figure that has risen 14% over the past five years. More than two-thirds of those without housing in California are unsheltered. In fact, no state has more people living out of doors – 49% of all unsheltered Americans live in California. This crisis is being driven by unaffordable rents, inadequate care and assistance to those in need, and a statewide poverty rate that remains one of the highest in the nation.

As organizations that serve people experiencing homelessness in the 30th Senate District, we were encouraged to see the California State Legislature approve \$500 million through the Homeless Emergency Aid Program (HEAP) last year. However, the original legislation would have funded this program at \$1.5 billion, a figure that was cut dramatically in budget negotiations with the former governor. This year, Gov. Newsom's budget request would continue a similar homelessness block grant at \$500 million. We believe homelessness deserves greater priority in Sacramento and urge you to support a return to the legislature's 2018 position of at least \$1.5 billion.

We also believe HEAP can be improved in overall program design. The timeline to spend HEAP funding was too short for certain types of assistance and the 5% cap on administrative costs was too low. We appreciate your help in advocating for a block grant that provides greater flexibility and more resources to the 30th District.

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Sincerely,



Moses McCutcheon, Jr.
Executive Director
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Lisa Watson
Interim Chief Executive Officer
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Keegan Hornbeck
Executive Director
Gettlove



Christine Mirasy-Glasco
Executive Director
Upward Bound House



Adam Murray
Executive Director
Inner City Law Center



Herb Smith
President and CEO
Los Angeles Mission



Wade Trimmer
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National Health Foundation



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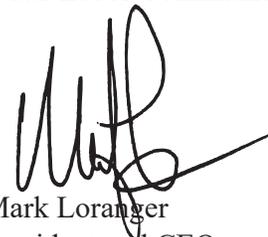
Jason Shaplen
Chief Executive Officer
Skid Row Housing Trust



Shannon Murray
Director of Homeless and Housing Services
Watts Labor Community Action Committee



Karen Earl
Chief Executive Officer
Jenesse Center



Mark Loranger
President and CEO
Chrysalis

*Thank you
Senator
Mitchell*

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April 8, 2019

The Honorable Anthony J. Portantino
California State Senate
State Capitol, Room 3086
Sacramento, CA 95814-4900

Dear Senator Portantino:

We are writing to request a district meeting with you to discuss homelessness funding.

Roughly 130,000 Californians are homeless on any given night, a figure that has risen 14% over the past five years. More than two-thirds of those without housing in California are unsheltered. In fact, no state has more people living out of doors – 49% of all unsheltered Americans live in California. This crisis is being driven by unaffordable rents, inadequate care and assistance to those in need, and a statewide poverty rate that remains one of the highest in the nation.

As organizations that serve people experiencing homelessness in the 25th Senate District, we were encouraged to see the California State Legislature approve \$500 million through the Homeless Emergency Aid Program (HEAP) last year. However, the original legislation would have funded this program at \$1.5 billion, a figure that was cut dramatically in budget negotiations with the former governor. This year, Gov. Newsom's budget request would continue a similar homelessness block grant at \$500 million. We believe homelessness deserves greater priority in Sacramento and urge you to support a return to the legislature's 2018 position of at least \$1.5 billion.

We also believe HEAP can be improved in overall program design. The timeline to spend HEAP funding was too short for certain types of assistance and the 5% cap on administrative costs was too low. We appreciate your help in advocating for a block grant that provides greater flexibility and more resources to the 25th District.

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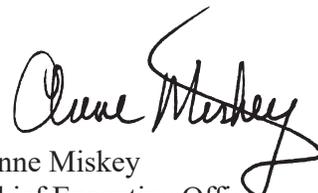
Sincerely,



Laura Duncan
Executive Director
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Megan Katerjian
Executive Director
Door of Hope



Anne Miskey
Chief Executive Officer
Union Station Homeless Services

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The Honorable Richard Bloom
California State Assembly
State Capitol, Room 2003
Sacramento, CA 94249-0050

Dear Assembly Member Bloom:

We are writing to request a district meeting with you to discuss homelessness funding.

Roughly 130,000 Californians are homeless on any given night, a figure that has risen 14% over the past five years. More than two-thirds of those without housing in California are unsheltered. In fact, no state has more people living out of doors – 49% of all unsheltered Americans live in California. This crisis is being driven by unaffordable rents, inadequate care and assistance to those in need, and a statewide poverty rate that remains one of the highest in the nation.

As organizations that serve people experiencing homelessness in the 50th Assembly District, we were encouraged to see the California State Legislature approve \$500 million through the Homeless Emergency Aid Program (HEAP) last year. However, the original legislation would have funded this program at \$1.5 billion, a figure that was cut dramatically in budget negotiations with the former governor. This year, Gov. Newsom's budget request would continue a similar homelessness block grant at \$500 million. We believe homelessness deserves greater priority in Sacramento and urge you to support a return to the legislature's 2018 position of at least \$1.5 billion.

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Sincerely,



Celina Alvarez, Executive Director
Housing Works



Heather Carmichael, Executive Director
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Amy Anderson, Executive Director
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April 8, 2019

The Honorable Autumn R. Burke
California State Assembly
State Capitol, Room 5150
Sacramento, CA 94249-0062

Dear Assembly Member Burke:

We are writing to request a district meeting with you to discuss homelessness funding.

Roughly 130,000 Californians are homeless on any given night, a figure that has risen 14% over the past five years. More than two-thirds of those without housing in California are unsheltered. In fact, no state has more people living out of doors – 49% of all unsheltered Americans live in California. This crisis is being driven by unaffordable rents, inadequate care and assistance to those in need, and a statewide poverty rate that remains one of the highest in the nation.

As organizations that serve people experiencing homelessness in the 62nd Assembly District, we were encouraged to see the California State Legislature approve \$500 million through the Homeless Emergency Aid Program (HEAP) last year. However, the original legislation would have funded this program at \$1.5 billion, a figure that was cut dramatically in budget negotiations with the former governor. This year, Gov. Newsom's budget request would continue a similar homelessness block grant at \$500 million. We believe homelessness deserves greater priority in Sacramento and urge you to support a return to the legislature's 2018 position of at least \$1.5 billion.

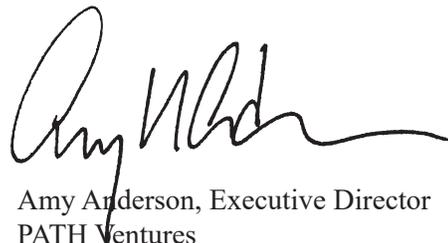
We also believe HEAP can be improved in overall program design. The timeline to spend HEAP funding was too short for certain types of assistance and the 5% cap on administrative costs was too low. We appreciate your help in advocating for a block grant that provides greater flexibility and more resources to the 62nd District.

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Sincerely,



Jennifer Hark Dietz, Deputy CEO and Executive Director
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Amy Anderson, Executive Director
PATH Ventures



Va Lecia Adams Kellum, President and CEO
St. Joseph Center



Alison Hurst, Executive Director
Safe Place for Youth

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April 8, 2019

The Honorable Wendy Carrillo
California State Assembly
State Capitol, Room 4167
Sacramento, CA 94249-0051

Dear Assembly Member Carrillo:

We are writing to request a district meeting with you to discuss homelessness funding.

Roughly 130,000 Californians are homeless on any given night, a figure that has risen 14% over the past five years. More than two-thirds of those without housing in California are unsheltered. In fact, no state has more people living out of doors – 49% of all unsheltered Americans live in California. This crisis is being driven by unaffordable rents, inadequate care and assistance to those in need, and a statewide poverty rate that remains one of the highest in the nation.

As organizations that serve people experiencing homelessness in the 51st Assembly District, we were encouraged to see the California State Legislature approve \$500 million through the Homeless Emergency Aid Program (HEAP) last year. However, the original legislation would have funded this program at \$1.5 billion, a figure that was cut dramatically in budget negotiations with the former governor. This year, Gov. Newsom's budget request would continue a similar homelessness block grant at \$500 million. We believe homelessness deserves greater priority in Sacramento and urge you to support a return to the legislature's 2018 position of at least \$1.5 billion.

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Sincerely,



Jennifer Hark Dietz, Deputy CEO and Executive Director
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Channa Grace, Chief Executive Officer
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Mark Casanova, Executive Director
Homeless Health Care Los Angeles

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April 8, 2019

The Honorable Laura Friedman
California State Assembly
State Capitol, Room 2137
Sacramento, CA 94249-0043

Dear Assembly Member Friedman:

We are writing to request a district meeting with you to discuss homelessness funding.

Roughly 130,000 Californians are homeless on any given night, a figure that has risen 14% over the past five years. More than two-thirds of those without housing in California are unsheltered. In fact, no state has more people living out of doors – 49% of all unsheltered Americans live in California. This crisis is being driven by unaffordable rents, inadequate care and assistance to those in need, and a statewide poverty rate that remains one of the highest in the nation.

As organizations that serve people experiencing homelessness in the 43rd Assembly District, we were encouraged to see the California State Legislature approve \$500 million through the Homeless Emergency Aid Program (HEAP) last year. However, the original legislation would have funded this program at \$1.5 billion, a figure that was cut dramatically in budget negotiations with the former governor. This year, Gov. Newsom's budget request would continue a similar homelessness block grant at \$500 million. We believe homelessness deserves greater priority in Sacramento and urge you to support a return to the legislature's 2018 position of at least \$1.5 billion.

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Sincerely,



Laura Duncan
Executive Director
Ascencia



Bill Bedrossian
Chief Executive Officer
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Hollywood Community Housing Corporation

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April 8, 2019

The Honorable Chris R. Holden
California State Assembly
State Capitol, Room 5132
Sacramento, CA 94249-0041

Dear Assembly Member Holden:

We are writing to request a district meeting with you to discuss homelessness funding.

Roughly 130,000 Californians are homeless on any given night, a figure that has risen 14% over the past five years. More than two-thirds of those without housing in California are unsheltered. In fact, no state has more people living out of doors – 49% of all unsheltered Americans live in California. This crisis is being driven by unaffordable rents, inadequate care and assistance to those in need, and a statewide poverty rate that remains one of the highest in the nation.

As organizations that serve people experiencing homelessness in the 41st Assembly District, we were encouraged to see the California State Legislature approve \$500 million through the Homeless Emergency Aid Program (HEAP) last year. However, the original legislation would have funded this program at \$1.5 billion, a figure that was cut dramatically in budget negotiations with the former governor. This year, Gov. Newsom's budget request would continue a similar homelessness block grant at \$500 million. We believe homelessness deserves greater priority in Sacramento and urge you to support a return to the legislature's 2018 position of at least \$1.5 billion.

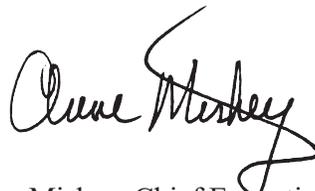
We also believe HEAP can be improved in overall program design. The timeline to spend HEAP funding was too short for certain types of assistance and the 5% cap on administrative costs was too low. We appreciate your help in advocating for a block grant that provides greater flexibility and more resources to the 41st District.

Please let us know when we can meet with you about these topics. We are copying Jerry Jones who coordinates LA's Provider Alliance to End Homelessness so that he can make scheduling arrangements with your staff.

Sincerely,



Megan Katerjian, Executive Director
Door of Hope



Anne Miskey, Chief Executive Officer
Union Station Homeless Services

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April 8, 2019

The Honorable Reginald B. Jones-Sawyer
California State Assembly
State Capitol, Room 2117
Sacramento, CA 94249-0059

Dear Assembly Member Jones-Sawyer:

We are writing to request a district meeting with you to discuss homelessness funding.

Roughly 130,000 Californians are homeless on any given night, a figure that has risen 14% over the past five years. More than two-thirds of those without housing in California are unsheltered. In fact, no state has more people living out of doors – 49% of all unsheltered Americans live in California. This crisis is being driven by unaffordable rents, inadequate care and assistance to those in need, and a statewide poverty rate that remains one of the highest in the nation.

As organizations that serve people experiencing homelessness in the 59th Assembly District, we were encouraged to see the California State Legislature approve \$500 million through the Homeless Emergency Aid Program (HEAP) last year. However, the original legislation would have funded this program at \$1.5 billion, a figure that was cut dramatically in budget negotiations with the former governor. This year, Gov. Newsom's budget request would continue a similar homelessness block grant at \$500 million. We believe homelessness deserves greater priority in Sacramento and urge you to support a return to the legislature's 2018 position of at least \$1.5 billion.

We also believe HEAP can be improved in overall program design. The timeline to spend HEAP funding was too short for certain types of assistance and the 5% cap on administrative costs was too low. We appreciate your help in advocating for a block grant that provides greater flexibility and more resources to the 59th District.

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Sincerely,



Moses McCutcheon, Jr.
Executive Director
Bethel LA Community Development Corporation



Rev. Richard Reed
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Executive Director
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Veronica Lewis
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Janet Kelly
Founder and CEO
Sanctuary of Hope

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April 8, 2019

The Honorable Sydney Kamlager-Dove
California State Assembly
State Capitol, Room 4015
Sacramento, CA 94249-0054

Dear Assembly Member Kamlager-Dove:

We are writing to request a district meeting with you to discuss homelessness funding.

Roughly 130,000 Californians are homeless on any given night, a figure that has risen 14% over the past five years. More than two-thirds of those without housing in California are unsheltered. In fact, no state has more people living out of doors – 49% of all unsheltered Americans live in California. This crisis is being driven by unaffordable rents, inadequate care and assistance to those in need, and a statewide poverty rate that remains one of the highest in the nation.

As organizations that serve people experiencing homelessness in the 54th Assembly District, we were encouraged to see the California State Legislature approve \$500 million through the Homeless Emergency Aid Program (HEAP) last year. However, the original legislation would have funded this program at \$1.5 billion, a figure that was cut dramatically in budget negotiations with the former governor. This year, Gov. Newsom's budget request would continue a similar homelessness block grant at \$500 million. We believe homelessness deserves greater priority in Sacramento and urge you to support a return to the legislature's 2018 position of at least \$1.5 billion.

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Sincerely,



Amy Anderson, Executive Director
PATH Ventures



Christine Mirasy-Glasco, Executive Director
Upward Bound House



Jennifer Hark Dietz, Deputy CEO and Executive Director
PATH



Karen Earl, Chief Executive Officer
Jenese Center

*Thank you
assembly member*

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April 8, 2019

The Honorable Patrick O'Donnell
California State Assembly
State Capitol, Room 4005
Sacramento, CA 94249-0070

Dear Assembly Member O'Donnell:

We are writing to request a district meeting with you to discuss homelessness funding.

Roughly 130,000 Californians are homeless on any given night, a figure that has risen 14% over the past five years. More than two-thirds of those without housing in California are unsheltered. In fact, no state has more people living out of doors – 49% of all unsheltered Americans live in California. This crisis is being driven by unaffordable rents, inadequate care and assistance to those in need, and a statewide poverty rate that remains one of the highest in the nation.

As organizations that serve people experiencing homelessness in the 70th Assembly District, we were encouraged to see the California State Legislature approve \$500 million through the Homeless Emergency Aid Program (HEAP) last year. However, the original legislation would have funded this program at \$1.5 billion, a figure that was cut dramatically in budget negotiations with the former governor. This year, Gov. Newsom's budget request would continue a similar homelessness block grant at \$500 million. We believe homelessness deserves greater priority in Sacramento and urge you to support a return to the legislature's 2018 position of at least \$1.5 billion.

We also believe HEAP can be improved in overall program design. The timeline to spend HEAP funding was too short for certain types of assistance and the 5% cap on administrative costs was too low. We appreciate your help in advocating for a block grant that provides greater flexibility and more resources to the 70th District.

Please let us know when we can meet with you about these topics. We are copying Jerry Jones who coordinates LA's Provider Alliance to End Homelessness so that he can make scheduling arrangements with your staff.

Sincerely,



Jennifer Hark Dietz
Deputy CEO and Executive Director
PATH



Amy Anderson
Executive Director
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Tahia Hayslet
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April 8, 2019

The Honorable Luz M. Rivas
California State Assembly
State Capitol, Room 2160
Sacramento, CA 94249-0039

Dear Assembly Member Rivas:

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As organizations that serve people experiencing homelessness in the 39th Assembly District, we were encouraged to see the California State Legislature approve \$500 million through the Homeless Emergency Aid Program (HEAP) last year. However, the original legislation would have funded this program at \$1.5 billion, a figure that was cut dramatically in budget negotiations with the former governor. This year, Gov. Newsom's budget request would continue a similar homelessness block grant at \$500 million. We believe homelessness deserves greater priority in Sacramento and urge you to support a return to the legislature's 2018 position of at least \$1.5 billion.

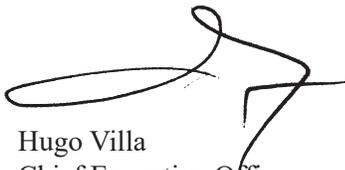
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April 8, 2019

The Honorable Miguel Santiago
California State Assembly
State Capitol, Room 6027
Sacramento, CA 94249-0053

Dear Assembly Member Santiago

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As organizations that serve people experiencing homelessness in the 53rd Assembly District, we were encouraged to see the California State Legislature approve \$500 million through the Homeless Emergency Aid Program (HEAP) last year. However, the original legislation would have funded this program at \$1.5 billion, a figure that was cut dramatically in budget negotiations with the former governor. This year, Gov. Newsom's budget request would continue a similar homelessness block grant at \$500 million. We believe homelessness deserves greater priority in Sacramento and urge you to support a return to the legislature's 2018 position of at least \$1.5 billion.

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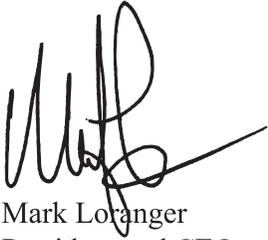
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President and CEO
A Community of Friends



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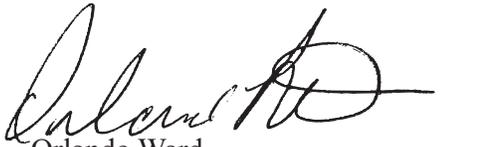
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