

December 11 CR Campaign

Protect 2027 Continuum of Care Renewals

EMAIL SCRIPT

Subject: Protect Housing Programs in the December 11 CR

Dear [Representative/Senator Name],

I'm writing as a constituent from [CITY/STATE] to ask you to protect Continuum of Care funding in the December 11 Continuing Resolution.

Communities are facing serious uncertainty about whether The Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) will complete the FY2026 Continuum of Care funding process in time. Existing grants begin expiring in January 2027, and communities should not face disruptions to housing and services because of delays in the federal funding process.

I am asking Congress to require HUD to **noncompetitively renew, for one 12-month period, all eligible Continuum of Care projects that provide housing and supportive services to people experiencing homelessness and that expire during calendar year 2027, including Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program and Shelter Plus Care projects, within 45 days of enactment.**

Personalize your message: In [COMMUNITY], this funding supports [LOCAL PROGRAM/IMPACT]. A disruption in funding could mean [LOCAL CONSEQUENCE].

Please support this protection in the December 11 CR so communities can continue helping people remain housed and receive the services they need.

Thank you,

[NAME]

[CITY/ORGANIZATION]

[CONTACT INFORMATION]

PHONE SCRIPT

Hi, my name is [NAME], and I'm a constituent from [CITY/STATE].

I'm calling to ask [MEMBER NAME] to protect Continuum of Care programs in the December 11 Continuing Resolution.

Existing CoC grants begin expiring in January 2027, and communities need certainty that housing and services will not be interrupted because of delays in HUD's funding process.

We are asking Congress to require HUD to **renew all eligible CoC projects expiring in 2027 for one additional 12-month period, including Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program and Shelter Plus Care projects, within 45 days of enactment.**

In our community, this funding supports [LOCAL IMPACT]. If the funding goes away [LOCAL IMPACT].

Can I count on [MEMBER NAME] to support this protection in the December 11 CR?

Before you hang up, ask:

- Where does the Member stand on this request?
- Is there someone on the legislative staff I should follow up with?
- What additional information would be helpful?

CONGRESSIONAL MEETING TALKING POINTS

1. Open with the Stakes

Communities across the country depend on Continuum of Care funding to help people move out of homelessness, remain housed, and access critical services.

Existing renewal grants begin expiring in **January 2027**. If HUD's FY2026 funding process is not completed in time, communities could face unnecessary uncertainty and disruption.

2. Make It Local

Share one or two concrete examples:

- [PROGRAM] serves [NUMBER] people or households in our community.
- CoC funding supports [HOUSING UNITS / SERVICES / STAFF / PROGRAM].
- If funding is interrupted, [SPECIFIC LOCAL CONSEQUENCE].

3. Make the Ask

We are asking Congress to include language in the December 11 Continuing Resolution requiring HUD to noncompetitively renew, for one 12-month period, all eligible Continuum of Care projects expiring during calendar year 2027, including

Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program and Shelter Plus Care projects, within 45 days of enactment.

4. Explain Why This Matters

This protection would provide communities with stability and continuity while the federal funding process moves forward.

The goal is simple: **people should not lose housing or services because of delays or uncertainty in the federal funding process.**

5. Ask for a Commitment

- Will the Member support this protection in the December 11 CR?
- Will the Member communicate their support to Appropriations and THUD leadership?
- If the Member is not on Appropriations, will they raise this request with colleagues who are?
- What questions or concerns does the office have?
- What information can we provide to help move the office toward support?

6. Leave With a Next Step

Before ending the meeting, confirm:

- Where the office stands
- Who will follow up
- What additional information the office needs
- Whether the Member will communicate support to congressional leadership or appropriators