



# COALITION ON HUMAN NEEDS

## No budget - a lot better than cutting vital services.

This week the U.S. House of Representatives is figuring out if they have the votes to pass a budget...

...or if they throw in the towel.

This week your call can lead to some conclusive towel-throwing.

Please tell your Rep. to oppose the budget resolution - *call now!*\*



Call your Representative toll-free at **800-459-1887**, and say

**"Please oppose a budget deal that forces cuts in health care, education, nutrition, child care, and many other services. Cutting services to pay for tax giveaways to millionaires hurts our nation."**

The House leadership has proposed a budget that will require cuts in domestic services (education, health, housing, etc.); the Senate already passed a budget that does not require such cuts. According to press accounts, some moderate House members are holding firm for more funds for health and education programs. **Please help them stay firm!**

***If there is no House budget resolution:***

- Congress will still work on all the annual spending bills, and we will continue working for adequate funding or preventing cuts in human needs services.
- Congress cannot pass more fast-track tax cuts or entitlement cuts (like Medicaid or Food Stamps) that need only simple majorities in the Senate.
- It demonstrates the lack of support in Congress for harmful cuts in human needs programs.

**\*Tuesday, May 9 through Thursday, May 11 would be especially helpful - the earlier you call, the more helpful. Please encourage everyone you know to call to stop a bad budget!**

Use the toll-free number above to reach the U.S. Capitol Switchboard and ask to be connected to your Representative's office. (The person at the switchboard can figure out who your Representative is if you're not sure). When you're connected, please give the message above.

The toll-free number is provided courtesy of the **American Friends Service Committee** which has launched a budget campaign, <http://www.afsc.org/economic-justice/sos/> AFSC welcomes groups to circulate and use the

toll-free number in support of non-partisan budget goals and without linking the alert to a website soliciting donations or actions which may be used to support partisan lobbying or work.

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