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# SAVE for ALL

Strengthening America's Values and Economy for All

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## **SAVE's Principles**

Since organizations like yours signed on to the SAVE for All Principles, the SAVE for All campaign has been working hard to make sure that Members of Congress, both new and returning, are made aware of the broad support for our priorities:

- Protect low-income and vulnerable people.
- Promote job creation and strengthen the economy.
- Increase revenues from fair sources.
- Seek responsible savings ٠ from wasteful spending in the Pentagon and elsewhere.

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## What We've Done

The SAVE for All Lobby Working Group has met with staff for scores of members of Congress to show that support for these principles is strong with national and state organizations all across the country. The combined voice of our signers is a powerful tool for advocacy on behalf of low-income people.

Throughout the federal appropriations process this year, the Working Group fought to protect funding for programs critical for low-income and vulnerable people. We've voiced the concerns of SAVE signers by connecting state organizations with their members of Congress through phone meetings. And we've produced education materials such as our FY19 budget chart (http://bit.ly/CHNAppropsTable), which shows how some human needs programs have still not recovered to funding levels last seen before FY10.

As such, we are very pleased the House of Representatives has passed 10 of 12 appropriations bills with increases for the basic human needs programs lowincome and vulnerable people depend on.

# The Challenge We Face

Recently, the President signed a continuing resolution that will keep the federal government funded through November 21st. We expect the government will remain funded through the end of the calendar year. But we've got a big challenge coming up: The Senate majority is working to take money from the gains we have seen for human needs programs passed by the House, and put those funds toward wall funding - exactly the kind of wasteful spending we oppose as part of our fourth principle.

# What Comes Next

The SAVE for All Lobby Working Group will continue meeting with staff on Capitol Hill, advocating funding for critical programs and for expansions of the Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) and the Child Tax Credit (CTC) for lowincome families. We will fight to ensure any end-of-year tax-related legislation does not once again cut taxes for the rich and corporations without expanding the EITC and CTC- a violation of our third principle.