March 24, 2022

Dear Senator/Rep:

The undersigned organizations representing millions of people strongly urge you to enact emergency supplemental funding to ensure our nation’s capacity to protect our people from COVID-19. The Biden Administration’s $22.5 billion request is needed immediately to purchase more vaccine doses, treatments, and testing. We are counting on you to carry out your responsibility to secure our preparedness for any new wave of coronavirus disease and to do all we can to prevent more deaths now.

We are still suffering from more than 1,200 daily deaths from COVID-19. Cases are declining, but the U.S. is still averaging over 31,000 per day. Eight months ago, our case declines were even greater, but were followed by the grievous Omicron surge. There are signs of rising caseloads elsewhere in the world, with a new variant in Germany causing the new case average to rise 56% from two weeks before, and cases surging in China. Please do not fail to heed the warning signs and the painful lessons of the past: Congress must provide the funds to maintain and advance prevention and treatment.

The Biden Administration has informed Congress that vaccinations, testing, and treatment for the uninsured will run out of money in early April and it will stop taking new treatment and testing claims on March 22, leaving vulnerable communities, including many people of color and front line workers unable to access needed health care to prevent and treat COVID. We are learning that second booster shots may be needed for older people, but funds will not be available to purchase the additional doses. Monoclonal antibody treatments are in short supply, with state allocations expected to be cut by more than 30 percent in the next week.

There are 7 million moderately or severely immunocompromised people in the U.S. The Administration has planned to purchase preventative treatments for them on March 31, to get the months-long manufacture process underway. Without the supplemental funds, the availability of treatment will be delayed.

The billions of dollars for global vaccine distribution must not be delayed, for humanitarian and self-serving reasons. New variants will continue to emerge with worldwide consequences if we do not act. We must continue and expand our early warning research and surveillance in order to protect against disease.

We have treatments and prevention strategies we did not have months ago. Your swift funding approval is needed to prevent needless deaths and illness. Coronavirus spread continues to be an emergency, and funding offsets should not be required. In the public
interest, please do not delay any longer, and approve the Biden Administration’s emergency supplemental funding request for COVID-19.

Sincerely,

2Life Communities
A World Fit for Kids!
Action Wellness
ADAP Advocacy Association
ADAPT Montana
Addiction Connections Resource
AFL-CIO
African American Health Alliance
AIDS Action Baltimore
Alabama Arise
Alpha House
American Association of Colleges of Nursing
American Friends Service Committee
American Geriatrics Society
American Muslim Health Professionals (AMHP)
API Equality-LA
Association of Asian Pacific Community Health Organizations (AAPCHO)
Autism Society of America
Autistic Self Advocacy Network
Avodah
Baker County Council on Aging
Baltimore NOW (National Organization for Women)
Barrier Free Living Inc.
Be a Hero
Bellingham Food Bank
Benedictine Sisters of Chicago
Bernardine Franciscan Sisters
Bethlehem Baptist Church Wiley Kennedy Family Life Center
Black Women's Blueprint
Bothwell Regional Health Center
BPW Colorado
Bread for the World
Brooklyn Community Services
Cal Life ILC
California Alliance for Retired Americans
California Foundation for Independent Living Centers
Candler County
CAPSLO
Casa Esperanza, Inc.
Causa Just::Just Cause
Center for Law and Social Policy (CLASP)
Chicago Women's AIDS Project
Child Abuse Prevention Council of Contra Costa County
Christ Church UCC - Bronx Multi-Faith Advisory Group
Church of St Francis Xavier
Church World Service
Coalition for Asian American Children and Families
Coalition for Non Profit Housing and Economic Development
Coalition on Human Needs
Coalition to Shelter and Support the Homeless
Community Access National Network (CANN)
Community Food Advocates
Community Stabilization Project
Congregation of Our Lady of Charity of the Good Shepherd, U.S. Provinces
Congregation of Sisters of St. Agnes
COVID Survivors for Change
Criminalization of Poverty Project at the Institute for Policy Studies
CWA Local 1081
Cypress Hills Child Care Corporation
D. C. Hunger Solutions
Dearborn YMCA
Delta Housing Development Corporation
Dia de la Mujer Latina
Disabled in Action of Greater Syracuse Inc.
Disabled In Action of Metropolitan NY
Division for Early Childhood of the Council for Exceptional Children (DEC)
Doctors for America
Dominican Sisters of Hope
Dominican Sisters of Houston
Dominican Sisters of Peace
Dominican Sisters of Sinsinawa Peace and Justice Office
Early Childhood Quality Council
East Bay Housing Organizations
Economic Policy Institute
Empower Next Generations
Endocrine Society
Enlace Chicago
Erie Family Health
Face to Face Enrichment Center
Families USA
Family Equality
Family Voices NJ
Feast of Justice
Feeding America
Forward Latino
Franciscan Sisters of the Sacred Heart
Friends Committee on National Legislation
Futures Without Violence
Georgia Alliance to End Homelessness
Grace Lutheran Church
Granite State Organizing Project
Greater Kansas City Coalition to End Homelessness
Greater Phoenix Urban League
Greener Cleaners of Idaho
Greenpeace USA
Guardian Angel Community Services
Health Care Voices
Healthy Teen Network
Hispanic Federation
HIV Medicine Association
Holy Spirit Missionary Sisters, USA-JPIC
Hope House of St. Croix Valley
Housing Coalition Educators
Human Solutions Inc.
Hunger Free Vermont
IHM Sisters Justice, Peace and Sustainability Office
Independence Empowerment Center
Indivisible
Integrated Community Solutions, Inc
Islamic Relief USA
Jewish Family and Children's Service of Minneapolis
Joseph's House & Shelter, Inc.
Justice in Aging
Kalamazoo Loaves & Fishes
Kentucky Equal Justice Center
Khalsa Gurmat Center
L&C Ministries
LA Community Legal Center and Educational
Leadership Conference of Women Religious
Leadership Team of the Felician Sisters of North America
LeadingAge
Long Beach Gray Panthers
Long Island Alliance for Peaceful Alternatives
Lynn Housing Authority and Neighborhood Development
Mahoning Youngstown Community Action Partnership
Mainers for Accountable Leadership Action
MaryCatherine Jones Consulting, LLC
Maryknoll Office for Global Concerns
Matahari Women Workers' Center
Meals That Connect
Medical Mission Sisters
Mercer County Senior Citizen Center
Metro New York Health Care for All
MI/Welfare Rights Organization
MICAH- Metropolitan Interfaith Council on Affordable Housing
Michigan Unitarian Universalist Social Justice Network (MUUSJN)
Missouri PTA
MomsRising
Monroe County Meals on Wheels
Monsoon Asians & Pacific Islanders in Solidarity
MOSAIC Inter-Faith Ministries
Muncie Delaware County Senior Center
Musikanten Montana
NASW Virginia
Natchez Housing Authority
National Adult Protective Services Association
National Advocacy Center of the Sisters of the Good Shepherd
National Association for Children's Behavioral Health
National Association of Pediatric Nurse Practitioners
National Association of Social Workers
National Association of State Head Injury Administrators
National Community Action Partnership
National Consumer Voice for Quality Long-Term Care
National Consumers League
National Council of Jewish Women
National Council of Jewish Women, Michigan
National Education Association
National Employment Law Project
National Health Care for the Homeless Council
National League for Nursing
National Low Income Housing Coalition
National NeighborWorks Association
National Welfare Rights Organization
National Women's Law Center
Natural Resources Defense Council
NC Counts Coalition
NC Justice Center
Neighborhood House
NETWORK Lobby for Catholic Social Justice
Network of Jewish Human Service Agencies
New Hampshire Hunger Solutions, Inc.
New Jersey Association on Correction
New Mexico Interfaith Power and Light
Ninth Baptist Church Food Bank
NJ Peace Action
North Alabama Conference United Methodist Women
North Carolina Peace Action
Northwest Health Law Advocates
Nurses for America
NWRU
Office of Peace, Justice, and Ecological Integrity, Sisters of Charity of Saint Elizabeth
Our Lady of Victory Missionary Sisters
Our Spring Lake Store LLC
Partners In Health
Pax Christi USA
Peace Action
Peace Action of Michigan
Peace Action WI
Peace, Justice, Sustainability NOW!
Pennsylvania Budget and Policy Center
Pennsylvania Council of Churches
Peter Relich Consulting LLC
Poligon Education Fund
Presentation Sisters San Francisco, CA
Presentation Sisters USA Unit
Protect Our Care
Protect Our Healthcare Coalition RI
Provincial Council Clerics of St. Viator
Public Advocacy for Kids (PAK)
Public Citizen
R2H Action [Right to Health]
RESULTS
RESULTS Columbus
Rock Steady Farm
RootsAction.org
Ryan White Medical Providers Coalition
San Martin de Porres Soup Kitchen
Sarah Webster Fabio Center for Social Justice
Service Employees International Union (SEIU)
Sister of the Holy Cross
Sisters of St. Francis of Philadelphia
Sisters of Charity Federation
Sisters of Charity of Nazareth Congregational Leadership
Sisters of Charity of Nazareth Western Province Leadership
Sisters of Charity, BVM
Sisters of Mercy of the Holy Cross
Sisters of Saint Joseph of Philadelphia, PA
Sisters of St. Dominic of Blauvelt, New York
Sisters of St. Francis of Assisi
Sisters of St. Francis, Clinton, Iowa
Sisters of St. Joseph
Sisters of St. Joseph of Cluny
Sisters of the Presentation, Dubuque
SMART
Social Security Works
Society of Helpers
SOME, Inc.
SPAN Parent Advocacy Network
Special Day Camp Programs
St. Alexius Outreach Ministries
St. Charles Borromeo Church Social Justice and Peace Commission
St. Francis Center
St. Peter's Kitchen
Tacoma-Pierce County Affordable Housing Consortium
TASH
TEAM for West Virginia Children, Inc.
The Affordable Homes Group, Inc.
The AIDS Institute
The Collaborative
The Ecotopian Society
The Leadership Conference on Civil and Human Rights
The Lighthouse | Black Girl Projects
The Open Pantry of Greater Lowell
Thrive DC
Tolentine Zeiser Community Life Center Inc
Transcenter for Youth, Inc
Treatment Communities of America
U.S. Vets Homeless Feeding & Housing Services
U.S. Federation of the Sisters of St. Joseph
UnidosUS
Universal Income Project
Urban Strategies Council
Vermont Network Against Domestic and Sexual Violence
Virginia Organizing
Voices for Vermont's Children
VSSTF
WA State Alliance for Retired Americans
Washington Community Alliance
Washington Food Coalition
Welfare Rights Organization
West Elmwood Housing Development Corporation
Youth Development Inc., YDI