

**To a Senator:**

TheHonorable(FullName)

District OfficeAddress

Dear Senator (Last Name):

**To a Representative:**

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Dear Representative (Last Name):

I am writing to highlight the significant impact of the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program and the HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) Program in your district as we celebrate National Community Development Week in 2026.

These programs have supported thousands of residents in Washington County. During the 2020–2024 Consolidated Plan period, Washington County received a total of \$31,867,067.40 in CDBG, HOME, and ESG funding, including supplemental allocations through the CARES Act and the American Rescue Plan. These resources have strengthened our community by supporting homeless services, public services, housing initiatives, neighborhood and community development, and economic development projects.

Communities across the country—including ours—depend on annual CDBG funds to sustain critical improvements in housing, infrastructure, economic development, and disaster recovery. Without continued or increased investment, unmet needs in vulnerable communities will grow, and the substantial progress made over the past 52 years may be at risk. As we recognize the many achievements of the CDBG program, it is important to reaffirm our shared commitment to strong and accessible community development.

Your ongoing leadership and dedication to Washington County play an essential role in securing the resources needed to continue this important work.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. I look forward to hearing from you and to the positive impact your support will continue to bring to our community.

Sincerely,

(Your Name)