



Community Opportunity News

► INFORMING THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FIELD

February 27, 2025

We're committed to making it efficient for you to raise your voice in Washington, DC. So, we've distilled a list of action alerts that are critical to the community development field. Each of them can be completed in just a few minutes. Please share these action alerts with your networks. You can find them on our [Action Alerts webpage](#), which will be updated regularly.

Protect Federal Funding

TODAY – National Day of Action for HUD and USDA Funding

Join advocates from across the country in urging Congress to increase HUD and USDA funding for affordable housing, community development, and homelessness programs in the Fiscal Year 2025 budget.

TAKE ACTION

- **TODAY: [Contact your Senators and Representatives](#) about HUD and USDA funding.** With just one click, you can tell them about the importance of this funding to your community and your work.
- **[Add your organization](#)** to a national letter urging Congress to increase funding for housing, homelessness, and community development programs in FY25.

Protect HUD Staff

DOGE Plans to Cut HUD Staff in Half

We expect that the administration will work to close many field offices. HUD has already issued Reduction in Force notices for some field staff and DC staff in the Office of Field Policy and Management. We need advocates to push back hard now!

TAKE ACTION

- **[Add your organization](#) to a national letter to Congress.** Join local, state and regional organizations from across the nation in telling Congress not to gut HUD staffing. *Deadline: Tuesday, March 4.*
- **[Contact your Senators and Representatives.](#)** With just one click, you can send a letter explaining how HUD programs and staff are critical to their constituents.
- **Mark your calendar for a National Day of Action on March 10.** We will provide materials in advance for contacting Congress, holding local events, and posting on social media.

Protect Key Programs

Section 4 Capacity Building Funding is Targeted for Elimination

TAKE ACTION

- **Sign this letter** to support Section 4 capacity building funding. HUD’s [Section 4 Capacity Building for Community Development and Affordable Housing Program](#) strengthens the capacity of community development corporations (CDCs) and community housing development organizations (CHDOs). *Deadline: Monday, March 3.*

Protect Rural Housing Programs

TAKE ACTION

- **Sign this letter** to protect rural housing programs. Tell Congress how important SHOP and the Rural Capacity Building (RCB) program are to your communities. *Deadline: Wednesday, March 5.*

Funding Opportunities

- [Community development](#)
- [Affordable housing](#)
- [Creative places](#)
- [Healthy places](#)

Job Opportunities

View current [job postings](#).

To post a job opportunity on our website, contact Cierra Jones at Cjones@CommunityOpportunityAlliance.org. We request a \$25 donation from non-members.



[Click here to view the Community Opportunity News archive](#)

Support the Community Opportunity Alliance! [Become a member](#) and [donate now](#).