

The Honorable Dr. Raul Ruiz
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Washington, DC 20515

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RE: Support for COVID-19 Nonprofit Aid Legislation

Dear Congressmen Ruiz,

On behalf of the Greater Coachella Valley Chamber of Commerce and our 1,300 plus members, we urge you to support including all nonprofit organizations within emergency assistance legislation considered by Congress to combat the coronavirus pandemic. Thousands of nonprofit organizations are left out of the relief law and bills and will be hard hit by the coronavirus pandemic.

Nonprofit organizations, including trade associations, are important resources for their communities. They provide workforce development, education, civic events, and community support.

Many of these organizations have begun to suffer major financial losses in order to comply with CDC guidelines regarding gatherings and events. Ultimately, many will have to close their doors, leaving their communities without their support, and their employees without jobs.

We urge Congress to include all non-profit organizations in their relief efforts, so that these organizations can continue to provide their important, civic-spirited services.

Respectfully,



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