



Protect Community Services #ForAllOfUs

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Dear Representative / Senator _____:

Office # _____

Statewide, community nonprofits provide services to more than 500,000 children, families, seniors and individuals with complex needs. Nonprofits offer life-enriching and community-enhancing programs that improve the quality of life, generate important economic activity and preserve our cultural heritage and history.

If there are more budget cuts affecting nonprofits, thousands of people will be left without vital, life-sustaining care and quality programs in our community. Policymakers have two choices: either continue with business as usual and cut vital community services or shift services into the community to save the state \$1.24 billion over the next five years. That will ensure that more people in need can be served and more resources can be reinvested into the entire human services delivery system.

Nonprofits provide cost-effective, high-quality services so that state government doesn't have to – and we do it less expensively. Please remember that nonprofits can be part of the solution to the State budget problem.

Thank you,

Name: _____ Organization: _____

Town: _____ Contact Info: _____