

Wednesday, May 24: Rally to Increase Funding for Nonprofits!

Before Rally Day

Mobilize your Network

Please invite your staff, Board members, family advocates, people you serve and other supporters of your organization to the Rally to Increase Funding for Nonprofits! The event is Wednesday, May 24, from 10:00am-2:00pm, at the State Capitol, 210 Capitol Avenue, Hartford.

** Register for the Rally: https://www.mobilize.us/ctcommunitynonprofitalliance/event/562142/ **

Below is an agenda of the day:

- 10:00am Pick-up t-shirts, stickers, signs and Leave Behind Forms, South Lawn tables
- 11:00am Rally Speaking Program, South Lawn
- 11:45am Group Picture, South Lawn
- 12:00pm Find/Meet with Legislators, inside Capitol, 2nd Floor (House) and 3rd Floor (Senate)
- 2:00pm Event Ends

Request a Meeting with your local legislators

Request a meeting with your legislators just by clicking here!

With 1,000 people expected at the Rally, it will be difficult to find your legislators inside the Capitol if they are not expecting you.

We encourage you to request a meeting with your legislators, either by <u>emailing them directly</u>, or **calling their legislative aide** ahead of time:

House Democrats: (860) 240-8500 House Republicans: (860) 240-8700 Senate Democrats: (860) 240-8600 Senate Republicans: (860) 240-8800

You should request the legislative aide's phone number (even better if it is the legislators phone number), so you can contact them once you are inside the building. Of course, if the legislator sets a time for your meeting, go meet them whenever that is!

Please let us know if you have any questions. Thanks again for your advocacy for nonprofits!

Coordinate Carpools/Transportation

We expect the free parking at the Legislative Office Building Garage and State Capitol to be full early. Please carpool to reduce the number of people who have to find alternative parking. Capitol Police is expecting a large number of buses, vans and other vehicles dropping off attendees at the Capitol, but none of these vehicles can park at the Capitol. (See <u>Parking options guide</u> for more information about where to park.)

Print and Complete Leave Behind Forms for your local legislators

We encourage you to print out and complete <u>Leave Behind Forms</u> prior to coming to the Capitol. We will have a limited number of clipboards and limited seating.

Quick tip:

- Print out one Leave Behind form;
- Write your note in the blank lines;
- Photocopy the form make 4 copies and then, add the names of your 2 legislators in the *town you work* (complete your contact information with your *work address*); 2 legislators in the *town you live* (complete your contact information with your *home address*), and address the last one to the Governor.
- Bring your completed forms to the Capitol!