



Joint statement of Feeding America, Council on Foundations, Independent Sector, National Council of Nonprofits and The Land Trust Alliance

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Washington, DC – December 10, 2014 – The following is a joint statement from Feeding America, Council on Foundations, Independent Sector, National Council of Nonprofits, and the Land Trust Alliance:

“The nonprofit charitable sector is deeply disappointed that the Democratic leadership is opposing and actively working against the Supporting America's Charities Act. This action is especially troubling as we enter the holiday season, when our country comes together around the ideals that unite us all.

The entire nonprofit sector supports this legislation, organizations representing tens of thousands of charitable nonprofits and foundations operating in every state in the country and touching the lives of millions of Americans every day. The legislation's impact on low-income Americans, underserved populations, communities of color and the nation's community food banks cannot be overstated.

The three provisions in the legislation have widespread bipartisan support and would have an immediate beneficial impact in every community in America. By making these bipartisan charitable tax incentives permanent, Congress has the opportunity to multiply the millions of individual acts of generosity happening across the country and make those contributions permanent. A one-year extension, which would put these tax incentives in place for merely the next three weeks, is not enough.

In this season of giving, when we are challenged to act selflessly and do more to help others, we are calling upon rank and file Democratic Members of Congress to vote for this critical legislation today to promote charitable contributions and enable the nonprofit sector to better serve those most in need.”

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