Roundtable Discussion: The Importance of the Community Development Block Grant and HOME Investment Partnerships Programs

Dear Colleague:

We invite Members and staff to join us on Wednesday, May 24 at 3:30pm for a roundtable discussion on the importance of the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) programs. The Administration's budget blueprint for FY 2018 would eliminate both of these programs. Community leaders from both urban and rural areas will discuss how they have effectively utilized CDBG and HOME funding for various projects and programs in their communities, including critical infrastructure developments, housing for the homeless, affordable housing redevelopment, essential public services, and more. This discussion seeks to elevate the importance of two key housing and community development programs that have a proven track record of success.

Date: Wednesday, May 24, 2017

Time: 3:30-4:30pm

Location: HVC-215

<u>NOTE</u>: Members will have reserved seating at the front of the room and will be invited to participate in the discussion.

Panelists:

- The Honorable Karen Freeman-Wilson, Mayor of the City of Gary, Indiana
- The Honorable David P. Helms, Mayor of the Town of Marion, Virginia
- Robin Hughes, President & CEO, Abode Communities (Los Angeles, CA)
- Bonnie Moore, Director of Community Development, City of Shreveport, Louisiana *and* President, National Community Development Association
- The Honorable Ed Pawlowski, Mayor of the City of Allentown, Pennsylvania
- Renee Price, Commissioner of Orange County, North Carolina
- Bill Shelton, Director, Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development and Council of State Community Development Agencies

• Schroeder Stribling, Executive Director, N Street Village (Washington, D.C.)

Please RSVP your attendance to Denise Scott at denise.scott@mail.house.gov.

Sincerely,

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