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March 14, 2019

Ms. Barbara Stewart
Chief Executive Officer
Corporation for National and Community Service
250 E Street, NW
Washington, DC 20525

Dear Ms. Stewart:

As the President proposes the elimination of Corporation for National and Community Service (CNCS) in the Fiscal Year 2020 budget and you are simultaneously advancing a "Transformation and Sustainability Plan" for CNCS, the obvious contradiction of these two administration policies raises questions regarding the use of congressionally appropriated funds. My concern is specifically about the closing of all state and territorial CNCS offices, forcing CNCS staff work from their homes, while federal taxpayers may be forced to continue to pay for unoccupied leased space.

Therefore, I am requesting written responses to the following questions by April 1, 2019:

1. What is the actual or proposed closing date for each state and territorial CNCS office?
2. What is/was the actual monthly rent paid for each state and territorial CNCS office as of January 1, 2019?
3. What is/was the actual lease termination date for each state and territorial CNCS office?
4. What is the actual or proposed amount of appropriated funds to be used to fulfill contractual obligations on leased space that is or will become unoccupied following the closing of CNCS state or territorial offices? Please provide this information for each individual state and territorial office.
5. Are there any additional penalties, fees, or other expenditures associate with the early termination of existing leases on CNCS state or territorial offices?

As you know, congressional oversight of appropriated funds is critical to ensuring high performance among federal agencies, as well as avoiding the wasteful use of taxpayer funds. I appreciate your assistance in compiling and providing this important information to Congress.

Sincerely,



Betty McCollum
Member of Congress

cc: Hon. Rosa DeLauro, Chairwoman, *Appropriations Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Labor, and Related Agencies*
Hon. Bobby Scott, Chairman, *Committee on Education and Labor*
Ms. Deborah J. Jeffrey, Inspector General of the Corporation for National and Community Service