

Congress of the United States  
Washington, DC 20515

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The Honorable Gavin Newsom  
Governor of California  
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Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Governor Newsom,

We write to encourage your Administration to provide swift and adequate relief funds for California's small rural communities.

As you know, the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act provided \$150 billion for state and local relief through the Coronavirus Relief Fund. While some local governments were eligible to receive direct funding from the Treasury, most of the counties we represent did not qualify for this direct assistance. Many local governments are depending on the state to direct CARES Act funds to cover expenses related to COVID-19.

Local governments have responded diligently to offer public health and many other resources needed to combat the virus and comply with state and federal orders. They should not be left to wonder when and how much the state will direct the money intended for *all* governments, both large and small.

We ask that the state act quickly to ensure these localities receive this much-needed funding.

Thank you for your attention to this important matter.

Sincerely,

  
Tom McClintock

  
Doug LaMalfa

  
Paul Cook

  
Kevin McCarthy

  
Ken Calvert

  
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