



May 16, 2012

Honorable Harry Reid
United States Senate
Majority Leader
Washington, DC 20510

Honorable Mitch McConnell
United States Senate
Minority Leader
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Majority Leader Reid and Minority Leader McConnell:

The undersigned group of national, state, and local organizations, representing a diverse range of the nation's social and economic sectors, writes to express its alarm about recent House of Representatives action to eliminate the Census Bureau's American Community Survey (ACS) and reduce funding for the agency by more than \$100 million. ***The adverse consequences of these proposals are widespread and would affect the nation's ability to meet the needs of Americans through wise allocation of resources, monitor the nation's economic recovery, and meet our constitutional obligation to conduct an accurate census in 2020.***

The ACS is the *only source* of objective, consistent, and comprehensive information about the nation's social, economic, and demographic characteristics down to the neighborhood level. The importance of high-quality, objective, and universal ACS data for public and private sector decision-makers cannot be overstated. The federal government alone allocates more than \$450 billion annually in program funds to state and local governments based in whole or in part on ACS data.¹ Federal law, directly or indirectly, requires all of the information gathered in the ACS (i.e. Congress requested the data directly, or created a program that relies on data for implementation, enforcement, or monitoring, for which the census or ACS are the only sources).

In addition, state legislatures rely on ACS citizenship status data for redistricting, and the Voting Rights Act relies on ACS data on 'language spoken at home' to make determinations under section 203, which requires jurisdictions with a high percentage of people who are not yet fully proficient in the English language to provide language assistance during voting; there is no other source for these data. Equally important, businesses of all sizes rely on ACS data every day to make vital decisions about where to locate and expand, what goods and services to offer, the scope of employee training needed, and long term investment opportunities. Nonprofit organizations use the ACS to guide services to those most in need and to measure the success of their programs.

Last week, the House voted first to make response to the ACS voluntary, and then to eliminate the survey entirely. In two reports² and several more recent analyses, the

¹ Reamer, Andrew, "Surveying for Dollars: The Role of the American Community Survey in the Geographic Distribution of Federal Funds," The Brookings Institution, July 2010.

² "Meeting 21st Century Data Needs - Implementing the American Community Survey, Report 3: Testing the Use of Voluntary Methods" (Dec. 2003) (<http://www.census.gov/acs/www/Downloads/Report03.pdf>) and an update, "Report 11: Testing

bureau concluded that mail response rates to a voluntary ACS would drop “dramatically,” by more than 20 percentage points. The decline in response rates would force the bureau to use more costly modes of data collection, such as telephone and door-to-door visits, thereby *increasing the cost of the survey by thirty percent* (\$60 million at the time of the 2003 field test). Congress, in the current fiscal climate, is unlikely to increase funding for the ACS by the amount necessary to overcome low initial response rates, leaving the Census Bureau with insufficient response to produce reliable data for smaller (e.g. rural communities; towns; urban neighborhoods) areas and population groups (e.g. people with disabilities; veterans; immigrant groups). The consequence would be ACS data of greatly diminished quality. The test also showed that the percent of completed interviews (conducted if a household fails to mail back a form) fell significantly if the survey was voluntary, adding to the problem of data reliability. Perhaps not surprisingly, cooperation in traditionally low mail response areas (which tend to equate with hard-to-count communities, such as people of color, low income families, and rural households) declined even further when ACS response was voluntary.

Our concern over the vote to make ACS response voluntary turned to genuine alarm when the House subsequently voted to eliminate all funding for the ACS. We should not jeopardize the fair and wise allocation of limited taxpayer dollars by undermining the only source of reliable data to guide those allocations. In fact, in the absence of ACS data, Congress might not be able to allocate many program grants *at all* in the short term, and only by fiat in the long term. We should not leave the nation in such a precarious decision-making vacuum and hinder its economic recovery and future growth.

We also are greatly troubled by the potential consequences of significant funding cuts to the Census Bureau’s Fiscal Year 2013 (FY13) budget. The House-passed version of the FY13 Commerce, Justice, and Science Appropriations bill (H.R. 5326) allocates \$601.4 million for Periodic Censuses and Programs, which includes 2020 Census planning, the ACS, and the 2012 Economic Census, \$110 million below the President’s request. This reduced funding level will cripple the Census Bureau’s ability to research and test thoroughly emerging methodologies and alternative response options to *lower* the cost of the next census without compromising accuracy and coverage of historically hard-to-enumerate population groups.

Further, the Census Bureau has indicated that the House-passed funding level would force it to cancel some or all of the Economic Census. This quinquennial census provides core information on virtually all non-farm businesses and related data on business expenditures, commodity flows, and minority and women-owned businesses. It is a fundamental building block of Gross Domestic Product (GDP) and national income and product accounts. *Abandoning plans for this important assessment of economic activity across diverse sectors would be foolhardy at a time when data is an essential component of the roadmap to economic recovery and progress and job creation.*

The Census Bureau has already demonstrated its commitment to reducing costs by taking bold steps to streamline operations, including closing half of its twelve regional offices in 2014 and terminating popular data products. But it cannot meet Congress’ goal of significantly containing the cost of the 2020 Census without investing a reasonable level of funds now to develop new, more cost-efficient methods and counting operations. Eliminating the ACS would further hamper this goal by removing an important and cost-

efficient test-bed for the 2020 Census, including critical evaluations of electronic response options.

For all of these reasons, we urge the U.S. Senate to continue its support for a comprehensive and statistically valid American Community Survey, and to support robust and thorough planning for the 2020 Census, a cornerstone of American democracy and economic and social health.

Sincerely,

NATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

9to5, National Association of Working Women
 AAA Fair Credit Foundation
 Advocates for Youth
 Alliance for Biking & Walking
 America Bikes
 American-Arab Anti-Discrimination Committee (ADC)
 American Association for Public Opinion Research
 American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy (AACP)
 American Association of University Women (AAUW)
 American Educational Research Association
 American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees
 American Immigration Council
 American Planning Association
 American Public Health Association
 American Sociological Association
 American Statistical Association
 Arab American Institute Foundation
 Asian American Federation
 Asian American Institute, member of Asian American Center for Advancing Justice
 Asian American Justice Center, member of Asian American Center for Advancing Justice
 Asian American Legal Defense and Education Fund
 Asian Pacific American Legal Center, member of Asian American Center
 for Advancing Justice
 Asian & Pacific Islander American Health Forum
 Association for Academic Survey Research Organizations
 Association of Pedestrian and Bicycle Professionals
 Association of Population Centers
 Association of Public Data Users
 Association for University Business and Economic Research
 Autistic Self Advocacy Network
 Bazelon Center for Mental Health Law
 Center for Economic and Policy Research (CEPR)
 Center on Women and Public Policy
 Community Access National Network
 Community Action Partnership
 Consortium of Social Science Associations
 Corporation for Enterprise Development (CFED)
 Council for Advancement of Adult Literacy
 CLASP

Coalition on Human Needs
Council for Community & Economic Research
Council on Food, Agricultural and Resource Economics (C-FARE)
Council of Professional Associations on Federal Statistics
Decision Demographics
Diversitydata.org
Demos
Every Child Matters Education Fund
FairVote - The Center for Voting and Democracy
Families USA
Feeding America
First Focus Campaign for Children
Fiscal Policy Institute
Friends Committee on National Legislation
Generations United
HIV Prevention Justice Alliance
Hmong National Development, Inc.
Housing Assistance Council
Housing Preservation Project
Housing Statistics Users Group
Industry Studies Association
International Civil and Human Rights Advocacy (ICHRA)
International Council of Shopping Centers
Job Opportunities Task Force
Joint Center for Political and Economic Studies
Latino Census Network
Leadership Conference on Civil and Human Rights
League of American Bicyclists
Marketing Research Association
Mortgage Bankers Association
NAACP
NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund, Inc
National Alliance of Community Economic Development Associations
National Alliance to End Homelessness
National American Indian Housing Council (NAIHC)
National Association for the Education of Young Children
National Association of Latino Elected and Appointed Officials Education Fund
National Association of Planning Councils
National Association of Regional Councils
National Association of Towns and Townships
National Association of Workforce Boards
National Black Child Development Institute
National Center for Learning Disabilities
National Center for Transgender Equality
National Coalition for Asian Pacific American Community Development
National Community Tax Coalition
National Congress of American Indians
National Congress of Vietnamese Americans
National Consumer Law Center (on behalf of its low income clients)
National Council of Affordable Housing Market Analysts
National Council of La Raza (NCLR)
National Council of State Housing Agencies
National Council on Aging

National Education Association
 National Employment Law Project
 National Fair Housing Alliance
 National Health Law Program
 National Hispanic Medical Association
 National Housing & Rehabilitation Association
 National Housing Conference
 National Housing Law Project
 National Housing Trust
 National Human Services Assembly
 National Immigration Law Center
 National Indian Child Welfare Association
 National Indian Education Association
 National Institute for Latino Policy
 National Low Income Housing Coalition
 National Partnership for Women & Families
 National Priorities Project
 National Rural Social Work Caucus
 National Urban League
 National WIC Association
 NCB Capital Impact
 Nielsen
 OMB Watch
 Population Association of America
 Population Reference Bureau
 Population Resource Center
 Prison Policy Initiative
 Project Vote
 Racial and Ethnic Health Disparities Coalition
 Rebuilding Together
 Reconnecting America
 Research Allies for Lifelong Learning (R-Ally™)
 Research!America
 RESULTS
 Safe Routes to School National Partnership
 Sargent Shriver National Center on Poverty Law
 Social Compact
 South Asian Americans Leading Together (SAALT)
 Southeast Asia Resource Action Center
 Stand Up for Rural America
 State Data Center Program
 Technical Assistance Collaborative, Inc.
 TESOL (Teachers of English to Speakers of Other Languages) International Association
 United for a Fair Economy
 United Spinal Association
 Urban and Regional Information Systems Association (URISA)
 U.S. Conference of Mayors
 Wider Opportunities for Women
 William C. Velasquez Institute
 World Association for Public Opinion Research
 World Education, Inc.
 ZERO TO THREE

FORMER CENSUS DIRECTORS:

Charles Louis Kincannon
Former Director, U.S. Census Bureau (2002-2008)

Barbara Everitt Bryant
Former Director, U.S. Census Bureau (1989-1993)

REGIONAL/STATE/LOCAL ORGANIZATIONS & INSTITUTIONS

ABCD Network of Maryland
 ABG Consulting (Gray, ME)
 Acacia Realty Advisors (Marietta, GA)
 Access to Independence of Cortland County, Inc. (New York)
 Access Living (Chicago, IL)
 Action for Boston Community Development, Inc.
 Action for Children North Carolina
 Active Transportation Alliance (Chicago, IL)
 ADAPT Montana (Missoula, MT)
 Adhikaar for Human Rights and Social Justice (New York, NY)
 AIDS Foundation of Chicago
 ALCA Associates (Columbus, OH)
 Alameda County Community Food Bank (Oakland, CA)
 American Planning Association-IL Chapt
 APA Colorado - the Colorado Chapter of the American Planning Association
 Apna Ghar, Inc. (Our Home) (Chicago, IL)
 Arizona Housing Alliance (Phoenix, AZ)
 Asian Law Alliance (Santa Clara County, CA)
 The Association for Neighborhood and Housing Development, Inc. (New York, NY)
 Avoyelles Progress Action Committee, Inc. (Marksville, LA)
 Auburn Housing Authority (Auburn, ME)
 Azteca Economic Development and Preservation Corporation (Laredo, TX)
 Barnstable County HOME Consortium (Barnstable, MA)
 Beacon Development Group (Seattle, WA)
 Bell Policy Center (Denver, CO)
 Bikes Belong Coalition (Boulder, Colorado)
 BioLogistics LLC (Garner, IA)
 Blackland Community Development Corporation (Austin, TX)
 Boone County Housing Authority (Belvidere, IL)
 Brattleboro Area Affordable Housing (Brattleboro, VT)
 Brennan Center for Justice at New York University School of Law
 BROCC-Community Action in Southwestern Vermont
 Broom Center for Demography, University of California-Santa Barbara
 Brown County United Way (Green Bay, WI)
 Burbank Housing Development Corporation (Santa Rosa, CA)
 Business and Professional People for the Public Interest (Chicago, IL)
 California Center for Population Research, UCLA
 California Housing Partnership
 California Coalition for Rural Housing
 Cambridge Economic Opportunity Committee, Inc. (Cambridge, MA)
 Capital Area Food Bank (of Washington DC)
 Carolina Population Center (Chapel Hill, NC)

CAREERS for People with Disabilities (New York)
 CASA of Oregon
 Catholic Charities Housing Services – Diocese of Yakima
 Cedar Grove Institute for Sustainable Communities, Inc.
 Center for Business and Economic Research, Culverhouse College of Commerce, University
 of Alabama
 Center For Community Action Agency (Everett, PA)
 Center for Community Solutions of Cleveland, OH
 Center for Continuing Education in Rehabilitation, University of Washington Dept. of
 Rehabilitation Medicine
 Center for Family and Demographic Research, Bowling Green State University
 Center for Governmental Research (Rochester, NY)
 Center for Independence of the Disabled, NY
 Center for Independent Living of South Florida, Inc.
 Center for People in Need (Lincoln, NE)
 Center for Public Priorities (Texas)
 Center for Social and Demographic Analysis, University at Albany-SUNY
 Central PA Community Action Inc.
 Champlain Housing Trust (Burlington, VT)
 Charlotte Housing Investment Partnership (CHIP) (Charlotte, NC)
 Charlottesville/Albemarle Commission on Children and Families (Charlottesville, VA)
 Chicago Jobs Council
 Chicago Metro Section, American Planning Association (APA)
 Children’s Action Alliance (Arizona)
 Children’s Alliance (Washington State)
 Chicago Consumer Coalition
 Chicago Rehab Network
 Children First for Oregon
 Children's Alliance of New Hampshire (Concord, NH)
 Children’s HealthWatch (Boston, MA)
 The Children’s Trust (Miami-Dade County, FL)
 Children's Services Council of Broward County
 Citizens Utility Board of Wisconsin
 Client Advisory Council Idlewood/Randolph Tenant Council
 Coalition for Equitable Community Development (Chicago, Illinois)
 Coalition Of Florida Farmworker Organizations
 Christian Outreach with Appalachian People (COAP), Inc. (Harlan, KY)
 Coastal Enterprises, Inc (Wiscasset, ME)
 Collaborative Center for Justice, Inc. (Hartford, CT)
 Colorado Latino Leadership Advocacy and Research Organization
 Common Cause New York
 Community Action Agency (Salem, OR)
 Community Action Agency of Columbiana County (Lisbon, OH)
 Community Action Agency of St. Louis County
 Community Action Association of Pennsylvania
 Community Action Council (Lexington, KY)
 Community Action Human Resources Agency (Eloy, AZ)
 Community Action of Laramie County (Cheyenne, WY)
 Community Action of Nebraska
 Community Action Network of Austin, TX
 Community Action Organization of Scioto County (Portsmouth, OH)
 Community Action Partnership Association of Idaho
 Community Action Partnership of the Greater Dayton Area

Community Action Partnership of Greater St. Joseph
 Community Action Partnership of Lake County, IL
 Community Action Partnership of NW MT
 Community Action Partnership of Oregon
 Community Action Partnership of San Bernardino County
 Community Action Partnership of San Luis Obispo County, Inc.
 Community Action, Inc. (Haverhill, MA)
 Community Action Southwest
 Community Economic Development Assistance Corporation (Massachusetts)
 Community Economic Development Association of Michigan (Lansing, MI)
 Community Housing Network (Troy, MI)
 Community Home Trust (Carrboro, NC)
 Community Planning Council of Yonkers (NY)
 Community Research Services, LLC (St. Johns, MI)
 Community Science (Gaithersburg, MD)
 Community Services Consortium (Albany, OR)
 Community Service Council (Tulsa, OK)
 Conifer Realty, LLC (Columbia, MD)
 Connecticut Association for Human Services
 Connecticut Chapter, American Planning Association
 Connecticut Voices for Children
 Council of Peoples Organization (New York, NY)
 Cowlitz-Wahkiakum Council of Governments (Kelso, WA)
 Daya Inc. (Houston, TX)
 Daystar Life Center, Inc. (St. Petersburg, FL)
 DC Action for Children
 Decision Demographics
 Delaware Housing Coalition
 Denver Association of Business Economists
 Department of Sociology, University of Albany-SUNY
 Desert Manna (Barstow, CA)
 Development Research Partners (Littleton, Colorado)
 Disability Rights Education and Defense Fund (Berkeley, CA)
 DC Fiscal Policy Institute
 East Bay Alliance for a Sustainable Economy (Oakland, CA)
 Economic Opportunity Institute (Seattle, WA)
 Economic Progress Institute (Providence, RI)
 Economic Roundtable (Los Angeles, CA)
 Education Equals Making Community Connections (Plantersville, TX)
 Elder Law of Michigan
 Elkton Housing Authority (Elkton, MD)
 Empire Justice Center
 Fair Housing Contact Service (Akron, OH)
 Federation of Appalachian Housing Enterprises (FAHE), Inc. (Berea, KY)
 Faith Action Network (Seattle, WA)
 Family Connection of Easton (Pennsylvania)
 Family Promise, Inc. (Summit, NJ)
 Farmworker Association of Florida
 Fifth Avenue Committee (Brooklyn, NY)
 First Pittsburgh Chapter, National Organization for Women (NOW)
 Florida Center for Fiscal and Economic Policy
 Florida Chapter of the American Planning Association
 Florida Council of Churches

Florida Legal Services, Inc
 Florida Non-Profit Housing, Inc.
 Florida Regional Councils Association (FRCA)
 Food Bank of Contra Costa and Solano (CA)
 Fulton Atlanta Community Action Authority, Inc
 Funders Together to End Homelessness (Boston, MA)
 GAR Associates, Inc. (Amherst, NY)
 Gila County Community Action (Globe, AZ)
 Georgetown Center on Education and the Workforce
 Georgia Department of Community Affairs (Atlanta, GA)
 Goodling Institute for Research in Family Literacy, College of Education, Penn State
 Gray Panther Party of Berkeley (Berkeley, CA)
 Green Hills Community Action Agency (Trenton, MO)
 Greenlining Institute (Berkeley, CA)
 Growing Local Economies, Inc. (Denver, CO)
 Harlem Independent Living Center, Inc. (New York)
 Helena Indian Alliance (Helena, MT)
 Helping Other People Eat (Santa Monica, CA)
 Hernly Associates, Inc. (Lawrence, KS)
 Holy Family Home and Shelter, Inc. (Willimantic, CT)
 HOME Line (Minneapolis MN)
 Homes in Partnership, Inc. (Apopka, FL)
 Housing Action Illinois
 Housing Alliance of Pennsylvania
 Housing Authority Insurance (HAI) Inc. (Cheshire, CT)
 Housing Authority of the City of Miami Beach (Miami Beach, FL)
 Housing Authority of the City of Santa Barbara (Santa Barbara, California)
 Housing Authority of Washington County (Maryland)
 Housing & Community Development City of Cheyenne (Cheyenne, WY)
 Housing Community Development Network of NJ
 Housing and Community Development Program, King County Department of Community
 and Human Services (Seattle, WA)
 Housing Consortium of Everett and Snohomish County (Everett, WA)
 Housing Endowment and Regional Trust of San Mateo County (So. San Francisco, CA)
 Housing Leadership Council of San Mateo County (So. San Francisco, CA)
 Housing Opportunities Commission of Montgomery County, Maryland
 Housing Research & Advocacy Center (Cleveland, Ohio)
 Housing Rights Committee of San Francisco (San Francisco, CA)
 Housing Vermont
 HousingWorks RI (Providence, RI)
 Human Development Services of Westchester (New York)
 Humphrey School of Public Affairs, University of Minnesota (Minneapolis, MN)
 Hunger Free Vermont
 Illinois Maternal and Child Health Coalition
 Indiana Community Action Association
 Indiana Institute for Working Families
 Institute for Social Research, University of Michigan
 Institute of Interdisciplinary Research at the University of Puerto Rico in Cayey
 Iowa Community Action Association
 Islamic Civic Engagement (Raleigh, NC)
 Jewish Family Service of Los Angeles
 JOBS NOW Coalition (St. Paul, MN)
 Joint Center for Housing Studies of Harvard University

Kalamazoo County Poverty Reduction Initiative
Kansas City Criminal Justice Task Force
Kentucky Youth Advocates
Keystone Research Center
La Fe Policy Research and Education Center (San Antonio, TX)
LBK Appraisal Services, LLC (Knoxville, TN)
Laurin Associates (Sacramento, CA)
Legal Assistance Resource Center of Connecticut, Inc.
Lewis Mumford Center, University at Albany-SUNY
Long Island Housing Services, Inc. (Bohemia, NY)
Los Angeles Alliance for a New Economy
Louisiana Housing Alliance
Lutheran Social Services of Illinois
Mahoning Youngstown Community Action Partnership (Ohio)
Maine Affordable Housing Coalition
Maine Children's Alliance
Maine Real Estate Managers Association
Market Street Services (Atlanta, GA)
Maryland Affordable Housing Coalition's (MAHC)
Maryland Association of Housing and Redevelopment Agencies
Mason County Shelter (Shelton, WA)
Massachusetts Law Reform Institute
Massachusetts Legal Assistance Corporation
Michigan Community Action Agency Association
MCH, Inc. (Rockland, ME)
MDC (Manpower Development Corporation) (Durham, NC)
Mercy Housing, Inc.
Metropolitan Consortium of Community Developers (Minneapolis, MN)
Metro St. Louis Coalition for Inclusion & Equity
Michigan Chapter, American Planning Association
Michigan's Children
Michigan League for Human Services
Mid-Minnesota Legal Assistance
Mid-Region Council of Governments (Albuquerque, NM)
Midwest Association for Public Opinion Research
Minnesota Budget Project
Minnesota Community Land Trust Coalition
Minnesota Council of Nonprofits
Minnesota Housing Finance Agency
Minnesota Housing Partnership
Minnesota State Demographic Center
Minnesotans Standing Together to End Poverty
Mississippi Coalition for Citizens with Disabilities
Mississippi Economic Policy Center
Missouri Association for Community Action
Missouri Community Action Network
Monarch Housing Associates (Cranford, NJ)
Montana Budget and Policy Center
Montana Food Bank Network
Montgomery County Maryland, Community Action Board
Montgomery Housing Partnership (Silver Spring, MD)
Motivation Education & Training, Inc. (Austin, TX)
Moving Forward Gulf Coast, Inc.

NAHRO (Salt Lake City, UT)
 Nathalie P. Voorhees Center for Neighborhood and Community Improvement (VC) at the
 University of Illinois at Chicago
 National Association of Social Workers, West Virginia Chapter
 National Center for Family and Marriage Research at Bowling Green State University
 Nature's Equity LLC
 Nazareth Housing Services (Pittsburgh, PA)
 North Carolina Community Action Association
 Neighborhood Economic Development Corporation (Springfield, OR)
 Neighbors Helping Neighbors (Brooklyn, NY)
 NEPA Center for Independent Living (Scranton, PA)
 Nevada State Demographer's Office
 New Level Community Development Corporation (Nashville, TN)
 New England Association for Public Opinion Research
 New England Consortium Poverty Reduction Initiative
 New Hampshire Community Action Association
 New Hampshire Fiscal Policy Institute
 New Jersey Association for Public Opinion Research
 New Jersey Policy Perspective
 New Jersey Tenants Organization (Hackensack, NJ)
 New Mexico Coalition to End Homelessness
 New Mexico Voices for Children
 New York Association for Public Opinion Research
 New York City Coalition Against Hunger
 New York Immigration Coalition
 Neighbors in Support of Immigrants (Long Island, NY)
 NeighborWorks Columbus (GA)
 Northern New England Chapter, American Planning Association (NNECAPA)
 Northern Tier Community Action Corporation (Emporium, PA)
 Nonprofit Center of Milwaukee
 Non-Profit Housing Association of Northern California
 Nonprofit Knowledge Works (New Orleans, LA)
 North Carolina Housing Coalition
 North Carolina Housing Finance Agency
 Northeast Florida Community Action Agency, Inc.
 Northeast Missouri Community Action Agency
 Northern New England Chapter of the American Planning Association
 Northwest Cooperative Development Center (Olympia, WA)
 Northwest Harvest (Yakima, WA)
 NYS Rural Advocates
 Office of Rural and Farmworker Housing (Yakima, WA)
 Ohio Association of Community Action Agencies
 Ohio CDC Association
 Ohio Heartland Community Action Commission
 Ohio Partners for Affordable Energy
 Oklahoma Policy Institute
 Omega Point International, Inc. (Austin, TX)
 Ovation Development (Las Vegas, NV)
 Pacific Association for Public Opinion Research
 Partnership to End Poverty (Redmond, OR)
 Pathfinder Services, Inc. (Huntington, IN)
 PathStone Corporation (Rochester, NY)
 PathWays PA

Pennsylvania Chapter of the American Planning Association
 Pennsylvania Council of Churches
 Peoples' Self-Help Housing Corporation (CA)
 Philadelphia Workforce Investment Board
 Pierce County, Washington
 Pilipino Association of Workers and Immigrants (San Jose, CA)
 The Piton Foundation (Denver, CO)
 Pittsburgh (City of) Department of City Planning (PA)

Population Research Institute, Pennsylvania State University
 Population Studies Center, University of Michigan
 Population Studies Center, University of Pennsylvania
 Praxis Consulting Group (Reno, NV)
 Primavera Foundation (Tucson, AZ)
 Project for Pride in Living (PPL) (Minneapolis, MN)
 Public and Affordable Housing Research Corporation (PAHRC) (Cheshire, CT)
 Public Housing Association of Residents (Charlottesville, VA)
 Public Justice Center (Baltimore, MD)
 Public Policy Associates, Inc. (Lansing, MI)
 Puerto Rico Community Action Association Inc.
 Punta Gorda Housing Authority (Punta Gorda, FL)
 Raise Kentucky
 Real Property Research Group (Columbia, MD)
 Real Property Research Group (Woodstock, GA)
 Redwood Empire Food Bank (Santa Rosa, CA)
 Reinvestment Partners (NC)
 Reznick Group (Atlanta, GA)
 Ribbon Demographics, LLC (Rocklin, CA)
 Rhode Island Chapter of the American Planning Association
 Rhode Island (State of) Division of Planning
 Rhode Island KIDS COUNT
 ROSE Community Development (Portland, OR)
 Runstad Center for Real Estate Studies at the University of Washington
 Rural Community Assistance Corporation (serving 13 western states)
 Rural Ulster Preservation Company (Kingston, NY)
 Sacramento Area Council of Governments
 Sacramento Housing Alliance (Sacramento, CA)
 San Diego Housing Federation
 San Luis Obispo Council of Governments
 Santa Cruz County Community Action Board
 School of Criminal Justice, University at Albany-SUNY
 Seattle/King County Coalition on Homelessness (Seattle, WA)
 Self-Help Enterprises (Visalia, CA)
 Shimberg Center for Housing Studies, University of Florida
 Sikh American Legal Defense and Education Fund (SALDEF)
 Sisters of Charity of Nazareth Congregational Leadership (Nazareth, KY)
 Sisters of Mercy West Midwest Justice Team (Omaha, NE)
 The Sisters of Providence Leadership Team (Holyoke, MA)
 Skagit Habitat for Humanity (Mount Vernon, WA)
 Social Action Committee (Boise, ID)
 Social IMPACT Research Center at Heartland Alliance (Chicago, IL)
 Somerville Homeless Coalition (Somerville, MA)
 South Asian Network (SAN) (Artesia, CA)

South Dakota Budget & Policy Project
South Florida Regional Planning Council
South by North Strategies, Ltd (Chapel Hill, NC)
Southeast Asian Assistance Center (Sacramento, CA)
Southeast Michigan Census Council
Southeastern Association of Community Action Agencies
Southern Association for Public Opinion Research
Southern Demographic Association
Southern Echo, Inc. (Jackson, MS)
Southern New Hampshire Services
Springfield Area Chamber of Commerce (MO)
Spokane Low Income Housing Consortium (Spokane WA)
Step Up Savannah, Inc. (Savannah, GA)
St. Frances Cabrini Clinic of Most Holy Trinity Church (Detroit, MI)
Strategic Thinking for Social Change (Baltimore, MD)
Sugar Law Center for Economic and Social Justice (Detroit, MI)
Summit Combined Housing Authority (Breckenridge, CO)
Supportive Housing Network of New York
The Support Center (Raleigh, NC)
Tenderloin Neighborhood Development Corporation (San Francisco, CA)
Texas Economic and Demographic Association (TEDA)/Houston Chapter Board of Directors
Texas Legal Services Center
Tongan Community Service Center (Hawthorne, CA)
UCLA Chicano Studies Research Center
University of Connecticut Center on Aging
Urban Land Conservancy (Denver, CO)
Urban Land Use and Transportation Center, University of California, Davis
Vermont Affordable Housing Coalition
Vermont Energy Investment Corporation (Burlington, VT)
Village of Streamwood, Illinois
Violence Intervention Program (New York, NY)
Virginia Community Action Partnership
Virginia Poverty Law Center
Voices for Children in Nebraska
Voices Of Community Activists & Leaders (VOCAL-NY)
Voices for Illinois Children
Voices for Vermont's Children
Voices for Virginia's Children
Vermont Affordable Housing Coalition
Vermont Housing & Conservation Board
Washington DC Association for Public Opinion Research
Washington Low Income Housing Alliance (Seattle, WA)
Welcoming Center for New Pennsylvanians
Western Catskills Community Revitalization Council, Inc.
West Virginia Center on Budget and Policy
Williams Institute, UCLA School of Law
Winnebago County Housing Authority (Rockford, IL)
Wisconsin Alliance for Women's Health
Wisconsin Community Action Program Association (WISCAP)
Wisconsin Council on Children and Families
Women In Need, Inc. (New York, NY)
WSOS Community Action (Fremont, OH)
Xaverian Brothers (Baltimore, MD)

YWCA Knoxville (TN)
YWCA of Metropolitan Dallas (TX)