

Save the Organizations that Support (SOS) America Act (H.R. 6408)

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The **Save the Organizations that Support (SOS) America Act** provides nonprofit organizations on the frontlines of the coronavirus response with critical economic support. With millions of jobs and invaluable services at risk, the SOS America Act would ensure that nonprofits are not left behind in disaster relief legislation by providing \$60 billion in emergency assistance and creating a universal charitable deduction. The representatives will also advocate for all nonprofits to qualify for the SBA loans created in the recently-passed CARES Act by removing the 500-employee caps.

Charitable nonprofits are significant employers ready to serve. The 12 million people working for America's charities are on the frontlines of the coronavirus response: they are the backbone of the food banks, shelters, domestic violence services, houses of worship, early care and education centers, after-school facilities, and more that are being called on to feed, house and care for people whose lives have been disrupted by closures, job loss and sickness.

Charitable nonprofits need business continuity relief. Millions of jobs in America's charitable sector are at risk unless a reliable source of cash can be provided to assure continued operations. And in many cases, the scope of operations will need to expand to accommodate increased demand for vital services. The survival of many charities is jeopardized by unprecedented revenue losses from closed programming and services offered, as well as anticipated shortfalls in fundraising. To support a healthy economy, charitable nonprofits need a reliable source of cash to continue to serve our communities.

The SOS America Act would expand upon initial relief for nonprofits provided in the CARES Act:

	CARES Act (H.R. 748)	SOS America Act (H.R. 6408)
Universal Charitable Deduction	Created a new above-the-line deduction for total charitable contributions of up to \$300. The incentive can only be applied to cash contributions made in 2020.	Expands the above-the-line deduction by eliminating the cap and allows all taxpayers to claim the deduction on 2019, 2020, and future taxes.
Direct Financial Assistance	N/A	Expressly provides charitable nonprofits with \$60 billion in emergency funding.
Support for Nonprofits with Over 500 Employees	N/A	Works to eliminate 500-employee cap for 501(c)(3) nonprofits seeking SBA loans.

The SOS America Act is supported by American Heart Association, American Lung Association, Americans for the Arts, Big Brothers Big Sisters of America, Boys & Girls Clubs of America, Catholic Charities USA, City Year, Inc., Covenant House International, Girl Scouts of the USA, Girls Inc., Goodwill, Industries International, Inc., Habitat for Humanity International, Independent Sector, Jewish Federations of North America, League of American Orchestras, Lutheran Services in America, March of Dimes, Mental Health America, National Council of Nonprofits, United Way Worldwide, YMCA of the USA, and YWCA USA.

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