



Email Council Chairman Phil Mendelson, May 20, 2015 (Wednesday) at 4PM.

3,788 individuals including 1,336 children living in shelter or transitional housing in DC! Our support for sensible, sustainable solutions to homelessness must be heard.

As a recipient of this newsletter you will receive a **preformatted email message** to "click and send" to **Council Chairman Mendelson within 12 hours beginning at 4 PM, May 20, 2015.** The message will **support Good Faith priorities** described below.

Decisions are being made - this is the last time we can bring our message to the Chairman as he makes his decisions on the FY 2016 budget. Our neighbors are counting on our support!

May 13, 2015

Good Faith Actions to Date:

Good Faith on your behalf has testified at 5 Council hearings and visited 7 Council members asking for support of the Interagency Council on Homelessness *Strategic Plan* and extension of benefits for one year for families aging out of Temporary Assistance to Need Families (TANF). Good Faith has also written letters this past week to each Council member reiterating our position and asking for their support.

In April **250 emails went to Council Member Alexander**, Chair of the Health and Human Services Committee, in a 12 hour period to ask her and her Committee for leadership and support of the ICH Plan and the TANF extension.

The Council is in the final weeks of consideration of the FY2016 budget. **The final vote will be May 27th.**

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Good Faith Supports:

Interagency Council on Homelessness Strategic Plan:

This newly adopted DC plan is a roadmap that addresses the major challenges our neighbors who are poor and often homeless encounter as they seek sustainable housing. Comprehensive, strategic, data driven, well received by the advocacy and professional communities as a significant step forward.

Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF):

One year extension of family benefits for 6,300 families aging out of the program so they can receive promised, but never delivered. job

training.