



## New Report: Analysis of NYC Human Services Funding in Relief Packages

*Next Package Must be Comprehensive, Meet the Needs of the Moment*

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Dear NYC-area Member of Congress,

We at FPWA, representing nearly 170 nonprofit human service providers and religious institutions, are pleased to share with you a new analysis from our federal fiscal policy team on the impact of federal relief packages on New York City's human services budget.

From these relief packages, **we estimate that New York City will receive \$831 million for human services** programs, such as child care, housing, homelessness prevention, food assistance, mental health, support for older adults, and more. While our analysis excludes direct assistance, such as economic stimulus checks and unemployment insurance, federal funding for human services programs were **already underfunded**, and during a pandemic, are woefully insufficient to meet the growing needs of the communities our members serve. **Please find a link to our report here.**

As you know, the future of New York City hinges on sufficient support from the federal government. The COVID-19 pandemic and resulting deep economic downturn are wreaking havoc on the city's budget and the health and economic well-being of millions of its people.

We are deeply grateful for you and your colleagues' work in passing four relief packages back in March and April, which provided *short term* economic relief with the expectation that nationwide public health measures would be implemented to control the virus.

Tragically, in the four months since the passage of the stimulus package, the CARES (Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security) Act, the President bungled the national public health response, state and local economies prematurely reopened, and the virus swept the nation. The number of confirmed cases and deaths has grown by 5,564,031 (4,889 percent) and 167,082 (9,408 percent) respectively since the CARES Act.

We hope you find our report useful, including the recommendations compiled by the [New York Federal Tax and Budget Response Team](#). **We are urging all members of New York City's congressional delegation to stand firm for a relief package that is robust enough to meet the needs of the moment and build a foundation for a just recovery** by protecting New York City and State's fiscal solvency and ability to provide services, providing economic security, assisting nonprofits, safeguarding public health, and addressing structural shortcomings to lay the groundwork for shared prosperity.

Thank you for your commitment to New York City's public health, a stable economy, and an equitable recovery.

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