

Republican Funding Freeze Will Raise Costs Across America

In a phrase: President Trump and Republicans are pushing an illegal scheme to choke off virtually all federal funding for basic services. If they get their way, hardworking American taxpayers will see their costs increase across the board.

- President Trump and Republicans are pushing an illegal scheme straight out of Project 2025 to unilaterally choke off virtually all federal funding – increasing costs across the board and cutting off critical services across the country.
- The Republican funding freeze will raise costs for working people. By cutting off funding for housing, health care, and farmers, it will cause rents to increase, make it more expensive to see a doctor, and lead to higher grocery bills.
- The Republican funding freeze will make it harder for people to get basic services they count on. It blocks funding to pay teachers, support first responders, sustain lifesaving medical research, provide mental health services, and house homeless veterans.
- The Constitution is clear that President Trump cannot freeze this funding. Congress, not the President, has the power of the purse. This action is a lawless attack on our system of checks and balances.
- Democrats are exploring every option to fight back and defend hardworking American taxpayers. If House Republicans care about the people they represent and their oath to the Constitution, they should join us right away to restore this critical funding.

Raise Awareness Today! Hold a press conference with local elected officials and invite stakeholders who provide direct services in the community to share the impact of the Republican funding freeze. You should also go live or record and share a short video clip across your platforms to explain what is happening and how it will affect the people you represent.

Share Local Stories. As the impacts of the Republican funding freeze and other early actions by President Trump become clear, it is imperative that we are ensuring the stories of real people affected by these actions are told in our communities.

We encourage you to act now to ensure that your office is taking in and carefully vetting the stories being shared by members of the public and, if they are willing, working with individuals and groups to ensure that those stories are reaching local media.

For example, if a constituent contacts your office regarding a delayed clinical trial, you could – with their permission – work with them to share their story with a local reporter and amplify it across your digital channels.