



CREATING GOOD JOBS, A CLEAN ENVIRONMENT, AND A FAIR AND THRIVING ECONOMY

The Honorable Charles Schumer
Minority Leader
U.S. Senate
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Hakeem Jeffries
Minority Leader
U.S. House of Representatives
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The Honorable Patty Murray
Vice Chair
Committee on Appropriations
U.S. Senate
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
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March 11, 2025

Dear Leader Schumer, Leader Jeffries, Vice Chair Murray, and Ranking Member DeLauro;


BGA unifies labor unions and environmental organizations into a powerful force to fight climate change, protect the health of people and the environment, stand against economic and racial inequality, and create and maintain good-paying, union jobs in communities across the country.

As you continue funding bill negotiations to avoid a government shutdown by March 14th, we write in support of your efforts to include language mandating that the Trump administration spend funding as appropriated by Congress.

Thanks to the lawless actions of President Trump and Elon Musk, a partial federal government shutdown is effectively already under way. Despite multiple court orders, the Trump administration continues to refuse to release funding, including grants and loans authorized through the Inflation Reduction Act. These investments are essential for domestic manufacturing, clean energy, infrastructure, and public health. This disruption continues to cause widespread confusion, risking jobs, delaying infrastructure projects, and threatening vital federal programs that support American workers and communities. To make matters worse, Musk and his staff are unilaterally shutting down federal programs and entire agencies.

We strongly urge you to hold firm in seeking assurances that the Trump administration will cease its illegal activities and honor Congress' constitutional authority over the power of the purse.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J Walsh', with a stylized, cursive script.

Jason Walsh
Executive Director
BlueGreen Alliance