Dear Service Leader.

Today President Obama signed H.R. 2055, the Fiscal Year 2012 Final Consolidated Appropriations Act, which funds the federal government for the rest of fiscal year 2012.

In total, the legislation provides \$1,048,883,856 for the Corporation for National and Community Service and its programs, including an across-the-board rescission of .189 percent. This level is about 98 percent of our FY 2011 enacted level.

In a time of fiscal constraint, this budget will allow CNCS to continue its critical work in communities across the country. CNCS and our network of grantees and sponsors engage millions of Americans in sustained service to solve problems, improve the lives of vulnerable citizens, strengthen America's nonprofit sector, and create economic and educational opportunity for those who serve.

We are reviewing the <u>legislative language</u>, <u>committee report</u>, and other guidance from Congress as we develop our implementation plans for this legislation. As we complete that analysis, we will be sharing additional information with you in the near future.

Thank you for your hard work and commitment. Your contributions touch people's lives in so many significant ways, and I greatly appreciate your dedication to national service.

Sincerely,

Robert Velasco, II Acting CEO Corporation for National and Community Service