Poverty Ad Hoc Task Force Annual Report for 2018

2018 TOP ACTIVITIES

In 2018 the Poverty Ad Hoc Task Force focused on protecting and preserving the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP). All CCD letters and comments are available on the CCD website.

Advance Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, “Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program: Requirements and Services for Able-Bodied Adults Without Dependents”

The Task Force submitted sign-on comments to the U.S. Department of Agriculture on an advance notice of proposed rulemaking on “Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program: Requirements and Services for Able-Bodied Adults Without Dependents.” The Task Force opposed any changes to expand SNAP time limits and work requirements or to limit state flexibility to waive new or existing requirements.

Reauthorization of SNAP in the Farm Bill

The Task Force urged Congress to protect and preserve SNAP in the Farm Bill in sign-on letters and communications to the House, Senate, and Farm Bill conferees. The Task Force also developed a fact sheet and issued multiple sample action alerts for CCD members to encourage their affiliates and activists to urge Congress to protect and preserve SNAP in the Farm Bill. In December, Congress passed a final Farm Bill that rejected cuts to SNAP.

TASK FORCE MEETING TIME AND DAY OF MONTH:
The Task Force met on an as-needed basis.

TASK FORCE WEB PAGE:

TASK FORCE CO-CHAIRS IN 2018:
Lisa Ekman, National Organization of Social Security Claimants’ Representatives
Chris Rodriguez, National Disability Institute
T.J. Sutcliffe, The Arc of the United State