

A statement from CSEA President Mary E. Sullivan on the impact to New Yorkers from the latest federal stimulus plan:



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Congress must take a stand for New York

Congress' failure to include **unrestricted aid for the state and local governments** in the latest round of federal stimulus funding amounts to an **attack on the quality of life for all New York.**

With the state as the epicenter of where the Covid-19 virus has hit hardest, the resulting economic crisis will lead to **massive cuts to essential public services** that CSEA members deliver if Congress does not provide needed relief.

“New Yorkers rely on our state and local governments to provide the services that improve our quality of life, from our roads and our parks, to our emergency services, to making sure we have clean water and healthy restaurants. Our public service workers are the essential workers who have kept our state running and safe during this crisis,” Sullivan said. “Congress’ failure to make up for the losses we’ve suffered as the epicenter of this pandemic means that all these services and more are at risk. New Yorkers deserve better and so do our essential workers.”

“Supporting our small businesses is important, but there’s no way they can operate effectively without the public services that make New York a great place to work and live. It’s time for all of us to take a stand and demand better from our federal government,” she added.

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