



United Way of Metropolitan Chicago: Sample Letter to the Editor

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To the Editor:

I understand that the State of Illinois is struggling with a serious budget crisis and that some responsible sacrifices must be made. But cutting critical services for families and communities when they are needed most is not the answer.

Our communities are already scrambling to deal with last year's funding cuts that eliminated millions for essential services that help families and create jobs. Further reductions would be disastrous and undermine efforts to strengthen the economy and put people back to work.

Governor Quinn and the General Assembly need to hear loud and clear that there must be **NO MORE CUTS** to human services in the Fiscal Year 2011 budget. If additional revenue is needed to protect these programs, they must show the leadership we expect from them to secure the necessary funding and protect vulnerable families in Illinois.

Sincerely,