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## **U.S. MAYORS IN THE NATION'S CAPITOL TO STRATEGIZE AGAINST HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES PROPOSED BUDGET CUTS AND MOBILIZE AGAINST GUTTING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM**

**USCM Leadership Meeting | Wednesday, Feb. 23 - Friday, Feb. 25**

Washington, D.C. – U.S. Conference of Mayors President Burnsville, MN Mayor Elizabeth Kautz will bring a bipartisan delegation of thirty U.S. mayors to Washington, D.C. on Thursday, February 24 for a strategy on the House of Representatives proposed FY 2011 budget cuts during The U.S. Conference of Mayors Winter Leadership Meeting from Wednesday, February 23 to Friday, February 25.

Mayors who serve in a leadership role of the organization will come together to craft a strategy to appeal to the U.S. Senate to restore funding in addition to mobilizing against the effort to effectively gut the Community Development Block Grant program, the most important federal investment to job creation and neighborhood revitalization in local communities.

Mayors will also discuss the drastic cuts proposed in the House including USCM priorities such as homeland security grants, workforce training grants, community health centers, education, high speed rail, public housing and much more.

The Thursday and Friday sessions are closed to the press, but the mayors will hold a **PRESS CONFERENCE ON THURSDAY, FEB. 24 at 11:30 a.m.** to voice their concerns, share their strategy to combat the House proposed cuts in the Senate, and answer questions about how the proposed cuts would devastate local communities.

**WHO:** Burnsville, MN Mayor Elizabeth Kautz, USCM President  
Philadelphia, PA Mayor Michael Nutter, USCM Second Vice-President  
Newton, MA Mayor Setti Warren, USCM Comm. Devpt., Housing Chair  
Tom Cochran, USCM CEO & Executive Director  
30 U.S. Mayors from cities across the country (see full list below)

**WHAT:** **PRESS CONFERENCE: Mayors Speak Out Against House of Representatives FY 2011 Budget Cut Proposals; Share Senate Strategy to Combat Cuts**

**WHEN:** Thursday, February 24, 2011 at 11:30 am

**WHERE:** St. Regis Hotel – Chandelier Room | 923 16<sup>th</sup> and K Sts., NW 20006

**PARTICIPATING MAYORS:**  
Burnsville (MN) Mayor Elizabeth B. Kautz, USCM President

Philadelphia (PA) Mayor Michael A. Nutter, USCM Second Vice-President  
 Salt Lake City (UT) Mayor Ralph Becker  
 Davenport (IA) Mayor Bill Gluba  
 Elizabeth (NJ) Mayor Christian Bollwage  
 Carmel (IN) Mayor James Brainard  
 West Sacramento (CA) Mayor Christopher Cabaldon  
 Columbus (OH) Mayor Michael Coleman  
 Hallandale Beach (FL) Mayor Joy Cooper  
 Oklahoma City (OK) Mayor Mick Cornett  
 Alexandria (VA) Mayor William Euille  
 Charlotte (NC) Mayor Anthony Foxx  
 San Marcos (TX) Mayor Daniel Guerrero  
 North Little Rock (AR) Mayor Patrick Henry Hays  
 Jackson (MS) Mayor Harvey Johnson, Jr.  
 Southfield (MI) Mayor Brenda Lawrence  
 Chattanooga (TN) Mayor Ron Littlefield  
 Cincinnati (OH) Mayor Mark Mallory  
 Tallahassee (FL) Mayor John Marks  
 Sumter (SC) Mayor Joseph McElveen  
 Syracuse (NY) Mayor Stephanie Miner  
 North Miami (FL) Mayor Andre Pierre  
 Santa Ana (CA) Mayor Miguel Pulido  
 Atlanta (GA) Mayor Kasim Reed  
 Macon (GA) Mayor Robert Reichert  
 Hartford (CT) Mayor Pedro Segarra  
 Mesa (AZ) Mayor Scott Smith  
 Little Rock (AR) Mayor Mark Stodola  
 Schenectady (NY) Mayor Brian Stratton  
 Gastonia (NC) Mayor Jennie Stultz  
 Fresno (CA) Mayor Ashley Swearengin  
 Piscataway (NJ) Mayor Brian Wahler

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