

OLDER AMERICANS ACT 60TH ANNIVERSARY DAY OF ACTION: URGE YOUR MEMBERS OF CONGRESS TO PROTECT AND INCREASE FUNDING FOR MEALS ON WHEELS

Use the call script below on **Monday**, **July 14** to urge your members of Congress to protect and increase Older Americans Act funding, which is critical for Meals on Wheels and other essential programs serving older adults.

INSTRUCTIONS

- Contact your senators' and representative's Washington, D.C. offices directly or dial the Capitol Switchboard at 202-224-3121 to be connected.
- When calling, you'll need to provide your zip code and indicate whether you'd like to speak with your House representative or senators.
- We encourage you to make at least **three phone calls** one to each of your state's two senators and one to your representative.

PHONE SCRIPT

Hello, my name is [YOUR NAME], and I'm calling from [CITY, STATE].

I'm joining **Meals on Wheels** in celebrating the 60th anniversary of the **Older Americans Act** and am reaching out to urge [SENATOR/REPRESENTATIVE] to protect and increase funding for the OAA Nutrition Program.

Meals on Wheels programs are already at capacity, and without sufficient federal funding, more seniors are experiencing hunger and isolation.

These programs are a **lifeline for over 2 million older adults**, providing them with nutritious meals and social connection. Currently 1 in 3 Meals on Wheels programs hold a waitlist, and **this is unacceptable**.

Our seniors are counting on you to stand up for them and **protect and increase funding** for the OAA Nutrition Program.

Thank you for your time.