**Thank You Email Template – Spring Recess 2025 Visits**

**To**: Email address provided by staffer for follow-up

**CC**: All attendees

**Subject**: Thank You and Follow-Up—U.S. Foreign Aid Freeze

**Attach**: Please attach the CRS Leave Behind pdf

*Note: Please update the yellow highlights with correct information.*

*If you promised to provide follow-up details addressing a specific question(s) during your congressional visit, you should include that here once you have accurate information*.

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Dear [Staff Person],

Thank you for taking the time to speak with me/us about engaging with the Administration to reverse terminations of all lifesaving and life-affirming awards and to disperse Congressionally appropriated funds. It is right and necessary for the Administration to involve implementing organizations in regular and thorough program reviews, but the sudden changes of the current process are dangerous and lack the transparency and intention required to protect the lives and dignity of program participants as well as U.S. interests and diplomatic relations in countries around the world.

As your constituents and Catholic Relief Services’ [Chapter/Coalition/group members], I was/ we were grateful for the opportunity to discuss why this issue is so important to me/us.

**I/we ask [elected official] to urge the administration to 1) halt and reverse all terminations of lifesaving and life-affirming humanitarian and development assistance until a thorough and transparent review of programs is conducted and 2) disperse all Congressionally appropriated foreign assistance funds in a timely manner.**

We must work towards solutions that address the root causes of poverty so that all members of our global family can thrive and reach their human potential. Learn more about the impact of humanitarian aid programs implemented by CRS in the video: [*Faith Knows No Bounds*](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ICPPrxgcAxI).

For additional information, please feel free to contact:

* David Cronin, Government Relations manager, Catholic Relief Services at [david.cronin@crs.org](mailto:david.cronin@crs.org) for questions related to foreign aid, budget and appropriations.

Thank you for your time and consideration,

CRS Chapter/Coalition/Group Name

*Optional: List out everyone’s name and their address.*