

# United States Senate

WASHINGTON, DC 20510

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Administrator Mark Green  
United States Agency for International Development  
1300 Pennsylvania Ave NW  
Washington, DC 20004

Dear Administrator Green,

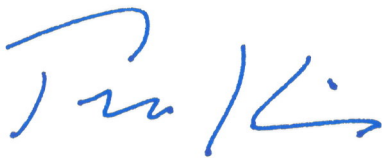
As USAID moves forward with efforts to redesign the agency, we request that you consider working more closely with non-profit organizations (both faith-based and secular) to help implement critical assistance programs in countries of need.

Small and medium sized non-profit organizations can add value to USAID missions, reduce bureaucracy, and apply innovative solutions to development challenges across the world. Smaller non-profit organizations have a unique ability to build relationships, trust, and legitimacy, through their grassroots knowledge of needs in developing countries. They play a vital role amplifying voices, promoting our shared values, and securing accountability for people that are excluded, discriminated and disadvantaged in order to build more open societies and economies.

By supporting faith-based and secular non-profit organizations, USAID can develop and promote greater accountability, demonstrate partnerships with advocates for change, strengthen the ability of new advocacy actors in responding to local-level crisis, and improve resilience in fragile and conflict-affected states.

Thank you for considering this request and we look forward to remaining engaged with you as USAID works to streamline the institution and increase the effectiveness of U.S. foreign assistance programs.

Sincerely,



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Tim Kaine  
United States Senator



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Lindsey O. Graham  
United States Senator