### Federal Policy Update

Coalition of State Museum Associations

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#### Agenda

- Federal update on charitable sector priorities
- Grab an Oar! (grassroots actions)
- A Seat at the Table

#### <u>Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act</u> – signed 11/15

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- "Civic Infrastructure"
- Broadband \$65 billion
- Clean Water \$55 billion
- Public Transit \$39 billion
- Energy Efficiency and Assistance
- Build.gov

#### **Current Legislative Efforts**

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- Employee Retention Tax Credit
- Universal Charitable Deduction restoration and expansion
- Build Back Better
- Protecting ARPA funds
- Volunteer Shortage

#### of Americans support support raising the cap for the universal charitable deduction to \$4,000.





### Universal Charitable Deduction



88% of Americans support making the universal charitable deduction permanent for all taxpayers.





#### **Grab an Oar!**

## **Grassroots** actions

- Employee Retention Tax Credit (via AAM)
- Relief Funding for Museums (via AAM)
- Civic Infrastructure in Build Back Better
- Restore voting rights legislation



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#### Structures to put the charitable sector at the table

- White House Office on Nonprofit Sector Partnership
- Interagency Council
- Federal Advisory Board

#### Policies to put the charitable sector at the table

- Streamlined fundraising across states
- Dramatically improved data
- Increase access to national service
- Protect nonprofit voice



#### **Streamlined Fundraising Across States**

- WH office directs a federal agency to initiate grant process within 180 days
- Eligible Grantee: Nonprofit with state charities regulators on governing board

#### **Dramatically Improved Data**

- BLS quarterly workforce data
- Enhanced access to 990 information
- BEA satellite account on nonprofits and volunteer work
- OMB to gather disaggregated data

#### Increase Access to National Service, Expand Volunteerism

- Direct CNCS to make recommendations to Congress
- Redesign CNCS online application system
- BLS biennial report on volunteerism trends
- CNCS assessment of volunteer-focused programs

#### **Protect Nonprofit Voice and Oversight**

- Treasury Report
  - Recommendations for clarifying prohibition on political campaign intervention for 501(c)(3) organizations
  - Role of the "facts and circumstances" test for nonc3 nonprofits
- Treasury recommendations: funding needs and actions to improve appropriate sector oversight

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