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Good morning. I'm sure you already know this, but the Senate amendment to the Capital Bill includes restoration of the Safety Net Works Program (SNW) at $3.6 million and $23.5 in additional funding for NRI (over and above the $10 million already approved) which would bring NRI to the Gov's recommended level of $33.5 million.

Advocates are asking their house members to communicate to House Speaker Madigan that they want the Senate recommendations for SNW ($3.6 mil) and NRI (additional $23.5 mil) to prevail and be included in the final Capital bill (HB 2189).

If the Senate recommendations aren't accepted by the House, it will be a sad and difficult time ahead for NRI and SNW communities and for IVPA as we figure out how to pull back drastically from what we've been working so hard to put in place in these high-risk communities.

I'm still hoping that that there will be a more positive outcome.

Thanks,
Barbara