Calling all grassroots!

If you’ve been following along with our appropriations actions this year, you’ve heard RESULTS talk about “Member Day Hearings” on the webinars and policy forums. This is a key opportunity for you to ask your member of Congress to step up to be a leader on our appropriations requests by speaking directly to the leaders of the House SFOPS committee about their priorities in the fight against poverty. **While they would be testifying on March 8, Members of Congress /their staff must let the SFOPS committee know that they are interested in testifying by WEDNESDAY, March 1!** So this requires quick action!

This is definitely a Champion level ask! It’s also incredibly important for both sides of the aisle to be represented. It’s worth you asking your members of Congress to speak on **one or two of our priorities**, be it Tuberculosis, Maternal and Child Health, Gavi, Nutrition, the Global Fund or global Education and the Global Partnership for Education. Reminder – ANYONE can testify – and it’s especially important for those member of Congress who are NOT on appropriations to weigh in with that leadership.

You can find lots of great resources – including our policy briefs (on the set the agenda page) and our appropriations memos that can be used for staffers to pull from for testimony:

**Appropriations Requests for Fiscal Year 2024**

- [FY24 Global Fund Appropriations Memo](#)
- [FY24 Tuberculosis Appropriations Memo](#)
- [FY24 Maternal and Child Health and Nutrition Appropriations Memo](#)
- [FY24 Global Education Appropriations Memo](#)

IF YOU HAVE a member that is interested in testifying and are interested in getting support from RESULTS for their testimony – please let Crickett Nicovich and Katie Fleischer know!

Below is a draft email (include the member day dear colleague below) you can send to your foreign policy staffers today/ with follow up needed on Monday!

**DRAFT EMAIL:**

Hi there,

We heard from DC that State and Foreign Operations Member Day is coming up very soon! The Dear Colleague with details is below – **but the committee is asking for members to let them know if they are wanting to testify by Wednesday, March 1**. The Representative has been incredibly supportive of our global health/development priorities and has been a leader annually to support anti-poverty efforts. This would be an incredible opportunity to publicly champion these programs and personally weigh in with the committee.

With this new Congress – and with new leadership at SFOPS – it’s a critical time for letting your colleagues know how important funding for improving equity and impact of the programs is to reaching
vulnerable populations with quality services and saving lives. Your boss’s voice here can make such a difference! Would your boss join Member Day and talk to leadership of SFOPS about our global health and/ or education priorities this year?? We can help provide talking points and stats/stories to help you make the case to your colleagues!

Thank you!

**Member Day Hearing for FY2024 Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs (SFOPS) Appropriations**

February 22, 2023

Dear Colleague:

In an effort to ensure that all Members have an opportunity to provide input into the Appropriations process, we invite you to testify on the agencies and programs under the jurisdiction of the State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Subcommittee.

Members may testify orally or through the submission of written testimony for the record.

The Members’ Day Hearing will be Wednesday, March 8, 2023, beginning at 11:30am in H-140, The Capitol.

Please submit requests to testify by e-mail with the subject line “Request to Testify and Name of Member” to Clelia Alvarado (Clelia.Alvarado@mail.house.gov) by 6:00pm on Wednesday, March 1, 2023. Each Member will be provided five minutes to testify. Each Member’s complete testimony will be included in the hearing record.

If you wish to provide input but are unable to participate orally, written testimony can be submitted to the Subcommittee for placement in the public hearing record. Specific details for submitting written testimony can be found [here](#) on the Appropriations Committee website.

Thank you for your interest in the State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Subcommittee. If you have any questions or require further information, please contact the Subcommittee at 202-225-2041.

Sincerely,

Mario Diaz-Balart  
Chairman  
Subcommittee on State, Foreign Operations, And Related Programs

Barbara Lee  
Ranking Member  
Subcommittee on State, Foreign Operations, And Related Programs