



# U.S. House of Representatives COMMITTEE ON ETHICS

## Employee Post-Travel Disclosure Form

Original  Amendment

This form is for disclosing the receipt of travel expenses from private sources for travel taken in connection with official duties. This form does not eliminate the need to report privately-funded travel on the annual *Financial Disclosure Statements* of those employees required to file them. In accordance with House Rule 25, clause 5, **you must complete this form and file it with the Clerk of the House, B-81 Cannon House Office Building, within 15 days after travel is completed.** Please **do not** file this form with the Committee on Ethics.

**NOTE: Willful or knowing misrepresentations on this form may be subject to criminal prosecution pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1001.**

1. Name of Traveler: Elizabeth Diohep
2. a. Name of Accompanying Relative: \_\_\_\_\_ OR None   
 b. Relationship to Traveler:  Spouse  Child  Other (specify): \_\_\_\_\_
3. a. Dates: Departure: 2/18/2020 Return: 2/19/2020  
 b. Dates at Personal Expense, if any: \_\_\_\_\_ OR None
4. Departure City: Washington D.C. Destination: New Orleans Return City: Washington D.C.
5. Sponsor(s), Who Paid for the Trip: Casey Family Programs
6. Describe Meetings and Events Attended: The meetings and events attended discussed the various issues surrounding foster care, adoption, child welfare, and various policies implemented by New Orleans.
7. Attached to this form are **each** of the following, *signify that each item is attached by checking the corresponding box*:
  - a.  a completed *Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form*;
  - b.  the *Primary Trip Sponsor Form* completed by the trip sponsor **prior** to the trip, **including all** attachments **and** the *Grantmaking or Non-Grantmaking Sponsor Forms*;
  - c.  page 2 of the completed *Traveler Form* submitted by the employee; **and**
  - d.  the letter from the Committee on Ethics approving my participation on this trip.
8. a. I represent that I participated in each of the activities reflected in the attached sponsor's agenda.  
**Signify statement is true by checking the box:**   
 b. If not, explain: \_\_\_\_\_

**I certify that the information contained on this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.**

Signature of Traveler: *Elizabeth Diohep* Date: 2/28/2020

I authorized this travel in advance. I have determined that all of the expenses listed on the attached *Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form* were necessary and that the travel was in connection with the employee's official duties and would not create the appearance that the employee is using public office for private gain.

Name of Supervising Member: Rep. Ron Estes Date: 2/28/2020

Signature of Supervising Member: *Ron Estes*



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## Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form

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This form must be completed by an officer of any organization that served as the primary trip sponsor in providing travel expenses or reimbursement for travel expenses to House Members, officers, or employees under House Rule 25, clause 5. **A completed copy of the form must be provided to each House Member, officer, or employee who participated on the trip within ten days of their return.** You must answer all questions, and check all boxes, on this form for your submission to comply with House rules and the Committee's travel regulations. Failure to comply with this requirement may result in the denial of future requests to sponsor trips and/or subject the current traveler to disciplinary action or a requirement to repay the trip expenses.

**NOTE: Willful or knowing misrepresentations on this form may be subject to criminal prosecution pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1001.**

1. Sponsor(s) who paid for the trip: Casey Family Programs

2. Travel Destination(s): New Orleans

3. Date of Departure: February 18, 2020 Date of Return: February 19, 2020

4. Name(s) of Traveler(s): Please see attached list

*Note:* You may list more than one traveler on a form only if *all* information is *identical* for each person listed.

5. Actual amount of expenses paid on behalf of, or reimbursed to, each individual named in Question 4:

	Total Transportation Expenses	Total Lodging Expenses	Total Meal Expenses	Total Other Expenses (dollar amount per item and description)
Traveler	See attached chart	\$157.00 per person	\$74.84 /person total for 2 days	
Accompanying Family Member				

6. All expenses connected to the trip were for actual costs incurred and not a *per diem* or lump sum payment. *Signify statement is true by checking box:*

I certify that the information contained in this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature:  Date: February 26, 2020

Name: David Sanders Title: Executive Vice President, Systems

Improvement

Organization: Casey Family Programs

*I am an officer of the above-named organization. Signify statement is true by checking box:*

Address: 2001 8th Avenue, Suite 2700 Seattle, WA 98121

Telephone: 202-728-2001 Contact: Christine Calpin Email: ccalpin@casey.org

*Committee staff may contact the above-named individual if additional information is required.*

If you have questions regarding your completion of this form, please contact the Committee on Ethics at 202-225-7103.



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## TRAVELER FORM

1. Name of Traveler: Elizabeth Diohep
2. Sponsor(s) who will be paying for the trip: Casey Family Programs
3. City and State OR Foreign Country of Travel: New Orleans
4. a. Date of Departure: 2/18/2020 Date of Return: 2/19/2020  
 b. Will you be extending the trip at your personal expense?  Yes  No  
 If yes, list dates at personal expense: \_\_\_\_\_
5. a. Will you be accompanied by a family member at the sponsor's expense?  Yes  No If yes:  
 (1) Name of Accompanying Family Member: \_\_\_\_\_  
 (2) Relationship to Traveler:  Spouse  Child  Other (specify): \_\_\_\_\_  
 (3) Accompanying Family Member is at least 18 years of age:  Yes  No
6. a. Did the trip sponsor answer "Yes" to Question 8(c) on the *Primary Trip Sponsor Form* (i.e., travel is sponsored by an entity that employs a registered federal lobbyist or a foreign agent)?  Yes  No  
 b. If yes, and you are requesting lodging for two nights, explain why the second night is warranted:  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

7. *Primary Trip Sponsor Form* is attached, including agenda, invitee list, and any other attachments and contributing sponsor forms:  Yes  No

NOTE: The agenda should show the traveler's individual schedule, including departure and arrival times and identify the specific events in which the traveler will be participating.

8. Explain why participation in the trip is connected to the traveler's individual official or representational duties. **Staff should include their job title and how the activities on the itinerary relate to their duties.**  
As Senior Legislative Assistant to Rep. Estes I cover his Subcommittee portfolio for Worker and Family Support for the Ways and Means Committee. This trip has direct connection to child welfare issues that are covered by the committee and my boss and will aid in my fundamental understanding of the issue.
9. Is the traveler aware of any registered federal lobbyists or foreign agents involved planning, organizing, requesting, or arranging the trip?  Yes  No
10. For staff travelers, to be completed by your employing Member:

### ADVANCED AUTHORIZATION OF EMPLOYEE TRAVEL

I hereby authorize the individual named above, an employee of the U.S. House of Representatives who works under my direct supervision, to accept expenses for the trip described in this request. I have determined that the above-described travel is in connection with my employee's official duties and that acceptance of these expenses will not create the appearance that the employee is using public office for private gain.

Signature of Employing Member Ron Estes

Date 1/16/2020



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## TRAVELER FORM

This form should be completed by House Members, officers, or employees seeking Committee approval of privately-sponsored travel or reimbursement for travel under House Rule 25, clause 5. The completed form should be submitted directly to the Committee by each invited House Member, officer, or employee, together with the completed and signed trip sponsor form(s) and any attachments. A copy of this form, minus this initial page, will be made available for public inspection. This form, and any attachments, may be faxed to the Committee at 202-225-7392, sent or delivered to the Committee at 1015 Longworth, or e-mailed to [travel.requests@mail.house.gov](mailto:travel.requests@mail.house.gov).

Your completed request must be submitted to the Committee no less than 30 days before your proposed departure date. Absent exceptional circumstances, permission will not be granted for requests received less than 30 days before the trip commences. You must receive explicit approval from the Committee before you depart on this trip.

Name of Traveler: Elizabeth Diohep

NOTE: Willful or knowing misrepresentations on this form may be subject to criminal prosecution pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1001.

I certify that the information contained on both pages of this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Signatory (if other than traveler): \_\_\_\_\_

For Staff (name of employing Member or Committee): Rep. Ron Estes

Office Address: 1524 Longworth House Office Building Washington D.C. 20515

Telephone Number: 202-225-6216

Email Address of Contact Person: Elizabeth.Diohep@mail.house.gov

Check this box if the sponsoring entity is a media outlet, the purpose of the trip is to make a media appearance sponsored by that entity, and these forms are being submitted to the Committee less than 30 days before the trip departure date.

NOTE: You must complete all of the contact information fields above, as Committee staff may need to contact you if additional information is required.

KEEP A COPY OF THIS FORM. Page 2 (but not this page) must be submitted to the Clerk as part of the post-travel disclosure required by House Rule 25. Travel Regulation § 404(d) also requires you to keep a copy of all request forms and supporting paperwork for three subsequent Congresses from the date of travel.

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If there are any questions regarding this form, please contact the Committee on Ethics at 202-225-7103 or via e-mail: [travel.requests@mail.house.gov](mailto:travel.requests@mail.house.gov).



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## Primary Trip Sponsor Form

This form should be completed by private entities offering to provide travel or reimbursement for travel to House Members, officers, or employees under House Rule 25, clause 5. A completed copy of the form (and any attachments) should be provided to each invited House Member, officer, or employee, who will then forward it to the Committee together with a *Traveler Form* at least 30 days before the start date of the trip. The trip sponsor should *NOT* submit the form directly to the Committee. The Committee website ([ethics.house.gov](http://ethics.house.gov)) provides detailed instructions for filling out the form.

**NOTE:** Willful or knowing misrepresentations on this form may be subject to criminal prosecution pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1001. Failure to comply with the Committee's Travel Regulations may also lead to the denial of permission to sponsor future trips.

1. Sponsor who will be paying for the trip: Casey Family Programs
2. I represent that the trip will not be financed, in whole or in part, by a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent.  
Signify that the statement is true by checking box:
3. **Check only one.** I represent that:
  - a. The primary trip sponsor has not accepted from any other source, funds intended directly or indirectly to finance any aspect of the trip:  OR
  - b. The trip is arranged without regard to congressional participation and the primary trip sponsor has accepted funds only from entities that will receive a tangible benefit in exchange for those funds:  OR
  - c. The primary trip sponsor has accepted funds from other source(s) intended directly or indirectly to finance all or part of this trip and has enclosed disclosure forms from each of those entities.   
If "c" is checked, list the names of the additional sponsors: \_\_\_\_\_
4. Provide names and titles of ALL House Members *and* employees you are inviting. For each House invitee, provide an explanation of why the individual was invited (include additional pages if necessary): \_\_\_\_\_  
Please see attached
5. Is travel being offered to an accompanying family member of the House invitee(s)?  Yes  No
6. Date of Departure: 2/18/2020 Date of Return: 2/19/2020
7. a. City of departure: Washington, DC  
b. Destination(s): New Orleans, LA  
c. City of return: Washington, DC
8. **Check only one.** I represent that:
  - a. The sponsor of the trip is an institution of higher education within the meaning of section 101 of the Higher Education Act of 1965:  OR
  - b. The sponsor of the trip does not retain or employ a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent:  OR
  - c. The sponsor employs or retains a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent, but the trip is for attendance at a one-day event *and* lobbyist / foreign agent involvement in planning, organizing, requesting, or arranging the trip was *de minimis* under the Committee's travel regulations.
9. **Check only one of the following:**
  - a. I checked 8(a) or (b) above:
  - b. I checked 8(c) above but am not offering any lodging:
  - c. I checked 8(c) above and am offering lodging and meals for one night:  OR
  - d. I checked 8(c) above and am offering lodging and meals for two nights:  If you checked this box, explain why the second night of lodging is warranted: \_\_\_\_\_



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10. Attached is a detailed agenda of the activities House invitees will be participating in during the travel (i.e., an hourly description of planned activities for trip invitees). *Indicate agenda is attached by checking box:*
11. *Check only one of the following:*
- a. I represent that a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent will not accompany House Members or employees on any segment of the trip. *Signify that the statement is true by checking box:*  OR
  - b. *Not Applicable.* Trip sponsor is a U.S. institution of higher education:
12. For *each* sponsor required to submit a sponsor form, describe the sponsor's interest in the subject matter of the trip *and* its role in organizing and/or conducting the trip:  
Casey Family Programs, the sole sponsor of the trip, is the nation's largest private operating foundation focused exclusively on safely reducing the need for foster care and improving outcomes for children. This visit is intended to highlight approaches to prevent unnecessary placement in foster care and to strengthen families.
13. *Answer parts a and b. Answer part c if necessary:*
- a. Mode of travel: Air  Rail  Bus  Car  Other  (specify: \_\_\_\_\_)
  - b. Class of travel: Coach  Business  First  Charter  Other  (specify: \_\_\_\_\_)
  - c. If travel will be first class, or by chartered or private aircraft, explain why such travel is warranted:  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_
14. I represent that the expenditures related to local area travel during the trip will be unrelated to personal or recreational activities of the invitee(s). *Signify that the statement is true by checking box:*
15. *Check only one.* I represent that either:
- a. The trip involves an event that is arranged or organized *without regard* to congressional participation and that meals provided to congressional participants are similar to those provided to or purchased by other event attendees:  OR
  - b. The trip involves events that are arranged specifically *with regard* to congressional participation:   
 If "b" is checked:
    - 1) Detail the cost *per day* of meals (approximate cost may be provided): \_\_\_\_\_  
\$71 per day
    - 2) Provide the reason for selecting the location of the event or trip: New Orleans has seen a significant decrease in the number of children in foster care.
16. Name, nightly cost, and reasons for selecting each hotel or other lodging facility:
- |  |                          |                              |
|--|--------------------------|------------------------------|
| Hotel Name: <u>Courtyard by Marriott</u> | City: <u>New Orleans</u> | Cost Per Night: <u>\$157</u> |
| Reason(s) for Selecting: _____           |                          |                              |
| Hotel Name: _____                        | City: _____              | Cost Per Night: _____        |
| Reason(s) for Selecting: _____           |                          |                              |
| Hotel Name: _____                        | City: _____              | Cost Per Night: _____        |
| Reason(s) for Selecting: _____           |                          |                              |
17. I represent that all expenses connected to the trip will be for actual costs incurred and not a per diem or lump sum payment. *Signify that the statement is true by checking box:*



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### 18. Total Expenses for each Participant:

<input type="checkbox"/> Actual Amounts <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Good Faith Estimates	Total Transportation Expenses per Participant	Total Lodging Expenses per Participant	Total Meal Expenses per Participant
For each Member, Officer, or Employee	\$530 air flight	\$157 per night	\$71 per day
For each Accompanying Family Member			

	Other Expenses (dollar amount per item)	Identify Specific Nature of "Other" Expenses (e.g., taxi, parking, registration fee, etc.)
For each Member, Officer, or Employee	\$100	Ground transportation
For each Accompanying Family Member		

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### 19. Check only one:

- a. I certify that I am an officer of the organization listed below:  OR
- b. *Not Applicable.* Trip sponsor is an individual or a U.S. institution of higher education.

20. I certify that I am not a registered federal lobbyist or foreign agent for any sponsor of this trip.

21. I certify by my signature that the information contained in this form is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature:  Date: 1/14/2020

Name: David Sanders

Title: Executive Vice President, Systems Improvement

Organization: Casey Family Programs

Address: 2001 8th Avenue, Suite 2700 Seattle, WA 98121

Telephone: 202-728-2001 Contact: Christine Calpin

Email: ccalpin@casey.org

If there are any questions regarding this form, please contact the Committee at the following address:

**Committee on Ethics**  
 U.S. House of Representatives  
 1015 Longworth House Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20515

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1015 Longworth House Office Building  
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February 10, 2020

Ms. Elizabeth Diohep  
Office of the Honorable Ron Estes  
1524 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Ms. Diohep:

Pursuant to House Rule 25, clause 5(d)(2), the Committee on Ethics hereby approves your proposed trip to New Orleans, Louisiana, scheduled for February 18 to 19, 2020, sponsored by Casey Family Programs.

You must complete an Employee Post-Travel Disclosure Form (which your employing Member must also sign) and file it, together with a Sponsor Post-Travel Disclosure Form completed by the trip sponsor, with the Clerk of the House within 15 days after your return from travel. As part of that filing, you are also required to attach a copy of this letter and both the Traveler and Primary Trip Sponsor Forms (including attachments) you previously submitted to the Committee in seeking pre-approval for this trip. If you are required to file an annual Financial Disclosure Statement, you must also report all travel expenses totaling more than \$390 from a single source on the "Travel" schedule of your annual Financial Disclosure Statement covering this calendar year. Finally, Travel Regulation § 404(d) also requires you to keep a copy of all request forms and supporting information provided to the Committee for three subsequent Congresses from the date of travel.

If you have any further questions, please contact the Committee's Office of Advice and Education at extension 5-7103.

Sincerely,

Theodore E. Deutch  
Chairman

Kenny Marchant  
Ranking Member

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**Transportation Expenses of House participants to New Orleans Site Visit**

**February 18-19, 2020**

NAME/OFFICE	COST OF FLIGHTS	GROUND TRANSPORTATION	TOTAL TRANSPORTATION EXPENSES
Patrick Byrne (Rep. Fudge)	\$353.30	\$125.00	\$478.30
Madeline Daly (Rep. Hayes)	\$379.29	\$125.00	\$504.29
Paula Daneri (House Education & Labor)	\$353.30	\$125.00	\$478.30
DeCant (Mathur) (Rep. Chu)	\$337.51	\$125.00	\$462.51
Elizabeth Diohep (Rep. Estes)	\$379.29	\$125.00	\$504.29
Andrew Gradison (House Ways and Means)	\$337.51	\$125.00	\$462.51
Kim Meinert (House Ways and Means)	\$353.30	\$125.00	\$478.30
Alexander Payne (Rep. Schrier)	\$353.30	\$125.00	\$478.30
Cortney Segman (Rep. Trone)	\$379.29	\$125.00	\$504.29
Ruth Ward (Rep. Johnson)	\$353.30	\$125.00	\$478.30

**Agenda for Congressional New Orleans site visit, February 18-19, 2020**

**February 18, 2020**

*American Airlines Flight: Depart 8:30 a.m. Washington, DC. Reagan National Airport (DCA) and arrive at 10:42 a.m. New Orleans (MSY)*

11:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

**Orleans Parish Juvenile Court**

Location: 1100 Milton Street, New Orleans, LA 70112

A discussion with Chief Judge Ernestine Gray and judicial colleagues on child neglect, the foster care system, and the court's role in child welfare and supporting families.

2:30 – 4:00 p.m.

**Pelican Center for Children and Families**

Location: 1615 Poydras Street, #1000, New Orleans, LA 70112

The Pelican Center is a nonprofit organization which is focused on intensive coordination and interdisciplinary training and education of child welfare practitioners. Presentation will include an overview of the work with local judges and the Department of Children and Family Services to ensure children and parents have quality legal representation, including training through the Court Improvement Program. Presenters will be Mark Harris, Court Improvement Program Coordinator; Michelle Gros, Special Projects Coordinator; Caitlin Glass, a children's attorney.

4:30 – 6:30 p.m.

**Child Welfare in Louisiana**

Pelican Center for Children and Families

Location: 1615 Poydras Street, #1000, New Orleans, LA 70112

Discussion with leadership from Louisiana Department of Children and Family Services on its efforts to keep children safe and strengthen families.

7:00 - 8:30 p.m.

**Quality Parenting Initiative**

Location: Courtyard by Marriott

910 Iberville Street, New Orleans, LA 70122

Dinner presentation and panel discussion of the Quality Parenting Initiative (QPI), which demonstrates how foster parents and birth parents can work together to keep children safe and strengthen families. Panel will feature parents who are involved with QPI.

**February 19, 2020**

*American flight: Depart 7:26 AM New Orleans (MSY) and arrive at Washington, DC. Reagan National Airport (DCA) at 10:59 AM*

## House Invitees to New Orleans Visit - February 18, 2020

**Morna Miller**, Staff Director (Majority) - Subcommittee on Worker and Family Support, House Committee on Ways and Means. (House Ways and Means Subcommittee on Worker and Family Support has jurisdiction over child welfare programs and other programs intended to help families).

**Kim Meinert**, Professional Staff Member - Subcommittee on Worker and Family Support, House Committee on Ways and Means. (House Ways and Means Subcommittee on Worker and Family Support has jurisdiction over child welfare programs and other programs intended to help families).

**Cheryl Vincent**, Staff Director (Minority) - Subcommittee on Worker and Family Support, House Committee on Ways and Means. (House Ways and Means Subcommittee on Worker and Family Support has jurisdiction over child welfare programs and other programs intended to help families).

**Andrew Gradison**, Legislative Fellow (Minority) - Subcommittee on Worker and Family Support, House Committee on Ways and Means. (House Ways and Means Subcommittee on Worker and Family Support has jurisdiction over child welfare programs and other programs intended to help families).

**Wendell Primus**, Senior Policy Advisor to the Speaker of the House of Representatives. (House Speaker Nancy Pelosi has shown an interest in policy regarding child welfare issues).

**Katie Meyer**, Senior Policy Advisor to the House Minority Leader of the House of Representatives. (House Minority Leader Kevin McCarthy has shown an interest in policy regarding child welfare issues).

**Jill Hunter-Williams**, Deputy Chief of Staff to Congressman Danny Davis (D-IL). (Jill handles child welfare issues for the Congressman who serves as the Chairman of the House Subcommittee on Worker and Family Support which has jurisdiction over child welfare programs and other programs intended to help families).

**Richa deCant**, Legislative Counsel to Congresswoman Judy Chu (D-CA). (Richa handles child welfare issues for the Congresswoman who serves on the House Subcommittee on Worker and Family Support which has jurisdiction over child welfare programs and other programs intended to help families).

**Evan Giesemann**, Legislative Aide to Congresswoman Terri Sewell (D-AL). (Evan handles child welfare issues for the Congresswoman who serves on the House Subcommittee on Worker and Family Support which has jurisdiction over child welfare programs and other programs intended to help families).

**Izmira Aitch**, Legislative Assistant to Congresswoman Gwen Moore (D-WI). (Izmira handles child welfare issues for the Congresswoman who serves on the House Subcommittee on Worker and Family Support which has jurisdiction over child welfare programs and other programs intended to help families).

**Jayme Holliday**, Legislative Assistant to Congressman Dwight Evans (D-PA). (Jayme handles child welfare issues for the Congressman who serves on the House Subcommittee on Worker and Family Support which has jurisdiction over child welfare programs and other programs intended to help families).

**Jeffrey Rapp**, Senior Legislative Assistant to Congresswoman Stephanie Murphy (D-FL). (John handles child welfare issues for the Congresswoman who serves on the House Subcommittee on Worker and Family Support which has jurisdiction over child welfare programs and other programs intended to help families).

**Charlie Arnowitz**, Legislative Aide to Congressman Jimmy Gomez (D-CA). (Charlie handles child welfare issues for the Congressman who serves on the House Subcommittee on Worker and Family Support which has jurisdiction over child welfare programs and other programs intended to help families).

**Martin Schultz**, Legislative Director to Congresswoman Jackie Walorski (R-IN). (Martin handles child welfare issues for the Congresswoman who serves as the Ranking Member of the House Subcommittee on Worker and Family Support which has jurisdiction over child welfare programs and other programs intended to help families).

**Elizabeth Diohep**, Legislative Assistant to Congressman Ron Estes (R-KS). (Elizabeth handles child welfare issues for the Congressman who serves on the House Subcommittee on Worker and Family Support which has jurisdiction over child welfare programs and other programs intended to help families).

**Samantha Dybas**, Legislative Assistant to Congressman Darin LaHood (R-IL). (Samantha handles child welfare issues for the Congressman who serves on the House Subcommittee on Worker and Family Support which has jurisdiction over child welfare programs and other programs intended to help families).

**Paula Daneri**, Staff Member (Majority), Subcommittee on Civil Rights and Human Services, House Committee on Education and Labor. (House Education and Labor Subcommittee on Civil Rights and Human Services has jurisdiction over child abuse prevention issues, which is linked to how children come into care of child welfare).

**Jake Middlebrooks**, Legislative Assistant (Minority), Subcommittee on Civil Rights and Human Services, House Committee on Education and Labor. (House Education and Labor Subcommittee on Civil Rights and Human Services has jurisdiction over child abuse prevention issues).

**Jessica Bowen**, Legislative Assistant to Congresswoman Suzanne Bonamici (D-OR). (Jessica handles child abuse prevention issues for the Congresswoman who serves as the Chairman of the House Subcommittee on Civil Rights and Human Services which has jurisdiction over child abuse prevention issues).

**Norma Salazar**, Legislative Director to Congressman Raul Grijalva (D-AZ). (Norma handles child abuse prevention issues for the Congressman who serves on the House Subcommittee on Civil Rights and Human Services which has jurisdiction over child abuse prevention issues).

**Eyang Garrison**, Deputy Chief of Staff/Legislative Director to Congresswoman Martha Fudge (D-OH). (Eyang handles child abuse prevention issues for the Congresswoman who serves on the House Subcommittee on Civil Rights and Human Services which has jurisdiction over child abuse prevention issues).

**Alex Payne**, Legislative Director for Congresswoman Kim Schrier (D-WA). (Alex handles child abuse prevention issues for the Congresswoman who serves on the House Subcommittee on Civil Rights and Human Services which has jurisdiction over child abuse prevention issues).

**Maddy Daly**, Senior Policy Advisor to Congresswoman Jahana Hayes (D-CT). (Maddy currently handles child abuse prevention issues for the Congresswoman who serves on the House Subcommittee on Civil Rights and Human Services which has jurisdiction over child abuse prevention issues).

**Cortney Segmen**, Legislative Assistant to Congressman David Trone (D-MD). (Cortney handles child abuse prevention issues for the Congressman who serves on the House Subcommittee on Civil Rights and Human Services which has jurisdiction over child abuse prevention issues).

**Lauren Toy**, Legislative Aide to Congresswoman Susie Lee (D-NV). (Lauren handles child abuse prevention issues for the Congresswoman who serves on the House Subcommittee on Civil Rights and Human Services which has jurisdiction over child abuse prevention issues).

**Sarah Coffman**, Legislative Assistant to Congressman James Comer (R-KY). (Sarah handles child abuse prevention issues for the Congressman who serves as the Ranking Member of the House Subcommittee on Civil Rights and Human Services which has jurisdiction over child abuse prevention issues).

**Nick Rockwell**, Senior Legislative Assistant to Congressman Glenn Thompson (R-PA). (Nick handles child abuse prevention issues for the Congressman who serves on the House Subcommittee on Civil Rights and Human Services which has jurisdiction over child abuse prevention issues).

**Ben Nyce**, Legislative Assistant to Congresswoman Elise Stefanik (R-NY). (Ben handles child abuse prevention issues for the Congresswoman who serves on the House Subcommittee on Civil Rights and Human Services which has jurisdiction over child abuse prevention issues).

**Darren Hudlund**, Legislative Director to Congressman Dusty Johnson (R-SD). (Darren handles child abuse prevention issues for the Congressman who serves on the House Subcommittee on Civil Rights and Human Services which has jurisdiction over child abuse prevention issues).

**Heinz Kaiser**, Legislative Assistant to Congressman Ralph Abraham, Jr. (R-LA). (Heinz handles children and family issues for the Congressman. The Congressman represents the 5<sup>th</sup> Congressional District of Louisiana.

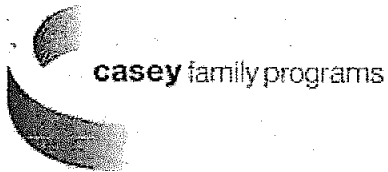
**Logan de La Barre-Hays**, Legislative Assistant to Congressman Garret Graves (R-LA). (Logan handles children and family issues for the Congressman. The Congressman represents the 6<sup>th</sup> Congressional District of Louisiana.

**Robert Shewmaker**, Legislative Assistant to Congressman Clay Higgins (R-LA). (Robert handles children and family issues for the Congressman. The Congressman represents the 3<sup>rd</sup> Congressional District of Louisiana.

**Ruth Ward**, Scheduler/Office Manager to Congressman Mike Johnson (R-LA). (Ruth handles children and family issues for the Congressman. The Congressman represents the 4<sup>th</sup> Congressional District of Louisiana.

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January 15, 2020

Elizabeth Diohep  
Legislative Assistant  
Congressman Ron Estes  
1524 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Elizabeth,

I would like to invite you to a one day educational site visit on Tuesday, February 18, 2020 to New Orleans, Louisiana to meet with judicial, state and local officials in New Orleans to learn about efforts to prevent unnecessary placement in foster care and strengthen families. The visit will include a look at the different roles of the state, courts, and community in supporting families, and how each works together in this effort. Casey Family Programs is the nation's largest private operating foundation focused exclusively on safely reducing the needs for foster care in this country and building communities of hope. We believe there is nothing more urgent than working together to ensure every child in this country has a safe, permanent family in which they can thrive.

I am attaching to this letter the draft itinerary for the trip, including the presentations and issues that will be addressed during this visit. Also enclosed is a completed Congressional Travel Certification Form.

New Orleans has seen a significant decrease in the number of children in foster care. This visit will highlight efforts of the court and state to reduce unnecessary entry into foster care and the trauma it can impose and increase permanency for children, and offer opportunities to discuss different approaches to keeping children safe and families together.

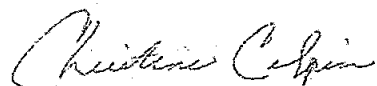
The trip will begin with a morning flight from Washington National Airport (DCA) on February 18 (boarding at 8:00 am) and will end with a flight back to DCA on February 19, 2020 (arriving to DCA at 11:00 am). Casey Family Programs will, in accordance with respective U.S. House and Senate Ethics Committees<sup>1</sup>, arrange for and directly pay for the costs for the flight to and from New Orleans and other travel-related costs, including transportation, lodging and meals while in New Orleans. Incidental expenses cannot be reimbursed.

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<sup>1</sup> As a private foundation, Casey Family Programs is also required to only pay federal per diem rates for Congressional Members or staff in accordance with Treas. Reg. 26. CFR § 53.4941(d)(3).

If you have any questions about this trip, please be in touch with me at 202-728-2001 or [ccalpin@casey.org](mailto:ccalpin@casey.org). Space is limited, so I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Christine Calpin".

Christine Calpin  
Managing Director-Public Policy  
Casey Family Programs