

As you aware, we are in the midst of a partial government shutdown in effect since December 21st, 2018. The Town of Union has been notified that the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) can provide sufficient funding to Housing Authorities through February 2019. However, HUD does not currently have enough money to make payments for March 2019 and after if the shutdown persists. If funding is not received: 1) Housing Assistance Payment (HAP) checks to landlords may be delayed or may not be issued for March 1st, 2019 and after; 2) staff may not be available at the town to receive calls or process paperwork. As they become available, updates will be posted on the town webpage under Public Notices at: www.townofunion.com.

The town strongly encourages you to contact your Congressional Representatives (listed below) about hardships arising as a result of the shutdown and demand that a fiscal year 2019 appropriations bill for HUD be passed.

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United States Senate
(202) 224-6542
https://www.schumer.senate.gov/

Kirsten E. Gillibrand (D) United States Senate (202) 224-4451 https://www.gillibrand.senate.gov/ Anthony J. Brindisi (D) U.S. House of Representatives NY-22 (202) 225-3665 https://brindisi.house.gov/

The White House https://www.whitehouse.gov/get-involved/write-or-call/