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**ACTION ALERT
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**ADVOCACY WORKS! ADVOCACY WORKS!
NO CUT TO TITLE XX FUNDING IN GOVERNOR ANDREW CUOMO'S
FY2012-13 BUDGET!
16,642 LETTERS – REMEMBER THAT NUMBER – YOU DID IT!**

GOOD NEWS! Governor Cuomo released his FY2012-13 budget at 2:00 PM today. CSCS was thrilled to learn that the Governor did **NOT** cut Title XX funding to senior centers. This marks the first time in three years that this cut isn't being proposed and the funding is preserved. Your letters and support from state and city elected officials made the difference. **Thank you!**

THANK GOVERNOR CUOMO! CSCS recommends your agency send Governor Cuomo a letter thanking him for not cutting Title XX. See suggested model letter on the next page. Feel free to write it in your own words.

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**THANK GOVERNOR CUOMO
MODEL LETTER**

Date

Agency letterhead

The Honorable Andrew M. Cuomo
Governor of New York State
NYS State Capitol Building
Albany, NY 12224

Dear Governor Cuomo,

On behalf of the _____ Senior Center, in _____, New York, we want to thank you for not cutting Title XX funding for 105 senior centers in New York City.

- (IF THIS IS TRUE) Our senior center is one of the centers on the list that would close and seniors are breathing a huge sigh of relief to know their center will remain open. **OR**
- (IF YOUR CENTER IS NOT ON THE CLOSING LIST) Although our senior center was not on the closing list, we believe it's important that all senior centers remain open so that older New Yorkers have a neighborhood senior center they can get to easily.

The _____ Senior Center serves (number of senior center members) in (name of neighborhood). Our doors have been open for (number) years. We look forward to serving the seniors of our community as the number of older New Yorkers grows.

Sincerely,

Name
Title