Call-in Script in response to Delays in State Contracting and Executive Order 202.48:

Call Your State Legislator and Governor Cuomo on Thursday, 30th!

As representatives of our State's human services, arts & culture, and philanthropic nonprofits, we urge you to please place calls on Thursday, July 30th to your State Senator, State Assembly member, and the Governor using the script below. Join us to make sure the State is aware of the sector's economic situation. For years we have provided services to New Yorkers under drastically underfunded contracts, leaving no room to accommodate late payments. With COVID-19, and now during re-opening, we continue to provide services to our communities. But we cannot survive if the State does not pay the contracts on time and in full!

Call-In Day Script:

Hi, my name is [name], from [name of organization], which provides [x services] in your district. I am calling to ask for your help to ensure that nonprofits that hold State contracts in your district and across New York are paid on time and are not hit with damaging retroactive cuts in the wake of COVID-19. The recent suspension of prompt payment laws by Executive Order 202.48 has made the situation for the nonprofit sector increasingly untenable. The constant delays in procurement result in a growing cash flow burden – especially considering the profound impact the pandemic is having on New Yorkers and the expanded need for additional services for our communities.

Join hundreds of providers from across the State in fighting for contracts to be paid fully and on time. Together we can fund the human services programs that support and enrich New Yorkers and keep our communities safe.

Thanks so much for your time.

Sample Tweets

- Delays in State contracting are a major threat to the stability of our org & the communities we serve. We are proud to join 700+ NYS nonprofit organizations calling on @NYGovCuomo to stop damaging late payments & make prompt contracting a priority.

- @NYGovCuomo’s EO to suspend prompt payment laws is catastrophic to the NYS nonprofits communities are relying on during #COVID-19. State contracts must be paid out on time with no retroactive cuts.

- New York nonprofits deserve to be paid for the work they have already done on behalf of the State during #COVID19. @NYGovCuomo – the payment delays must stop!

- @NYGovCuomo – nonprofits urge the State to pay contracts quickly and in full so we can continue providing lifesaving services to communities through #COVID19.
• .@NYGovCuomo - we are asking you to ensure State agencies pay #nonprofit contracts fully and on time, so that we can remain operational and support communities through #COVID19 and reopening.

• #Nonprofits are critical to the State's economy as the largest private employer in NY – yet @NYGovCuomo is pushing state-contracted organizations to the brink of failure by refusing to pay out contracts quickly & in full.

• State agencies have slowed or stopped payments to #nonprofits, for contracted services. Nonprofits should not be asked to front the State money. Like all New Yorkers, we must pay our bills –and the State needs to pay theirs.

• .@NYGovCuomo – We need the State to pay on time and to register contracts NOW, so that #nonprofits can continue to operate and serve our communities throughout the #COVID19 response and recovery.

• .@NYGovCuomo – We need the State to reduce red tape so that #nonprofit providers can make challenging decisions about how to transfer programs, merge, or dissolve.

• .@NYGovCuomo We urge the State to work with #nonprofits to develop an actual plan to weather #COVID19 and ensure a fair and equitable recovery for all New Yorkers.
Sample Graphics

You can click the link embedded in each title to download the graphics! Remember to include along with some of your tweets.

1. **Graphic 1 – workforce**
   
   community based nonprofit workers make up
   
   **18% of New York's workforce**
   
   and they need **on time State contract payments**
   
   to keep serving communities through COVID-19.

2. **Graphic 2 – 700+ voices strong for nonprofits**

   **700+ voices strong for New York State nonprofits!**
3. **Graphic 3 – no time to slow down contract payments**

![Graphic 3](image)

**COMUNITIES ARE RELYING ON NONPROFITS TO SUPPORT THEM THROUGH COVID-19**

**NOW IS NOT THE TIME TO SLOW DOWN NONPROFIT PAYMENTS.**

Join us in telling Governor Cuomo to end late State contracting payments to keep our sector mobilized.

4. **Graphic 4 – communities need nonprofits**

![Graphic 4](image)

**COMMUNITIES NEED NONPROFITS AND NONPROFITS NEED TIMELY PAYMENTS.**

The State needs to ensure timely and full payments to nonprofit contractees during COVID-19.