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2/19/2013

To whom it may Concern RE: PCSW

I think it is very important that this organization remain an independent organization. It's Purpose & mission is very important

Cora Murphy
Bd. member SECtWn.
Cora's awesome Trail

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To whom it may concern

I am voicing my strong support to keep the PCSW's funding in tact and that PCSW remain an independent organization to protect the rights of women in Connecticut.

The track record of causes promoted and supported and implemented over the past several decades by PCSW has had a significant impact in improving protecting & empowering the lives of women through out CT. Examples include making funding for mammograms available to those without health insurance, promoting the nations first family & medical leave act an so much more. Please keep the funding for this vital organization!

Sincerely

Francine Schwartz M.A., LPC, NCC
Founder & President
Path + under Counseling LLC
SECT Board Member

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February 15, 2013

Dear Senators and Representatives
on the Appropriations Committee,

My name is Carol Burgess, and I have lived and worked in Southeastern Connecticut since 1978. I am writing today because I am concerned about the proposal to consolidate the Permanent Commission on the Status of Women with other organizations as a cost saving measure.

As a long-term resident and worker the work of the PCSW has positively impacted me and my co-workers. Support for the protections of FMLA, non-discrimination for pregnancy, funding for mamograms are a few examples.

Women have still not achieved equality in the workplace or in the community to date, and there remains a need for the vital work of the PCSW.

Thank you!

Sincerely,

Carol Jean Burgess
28 New Hampshire Lane
Oakdale CT 06370

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To whom it may concern,

I strongly urge you to continue full funding for the Permanant Commission on the Status of Women to protect the equal rights of Women in CT.

I also request that the PCSW remain an independant organization because gender specific rights are vastly different than other groups.

The PCSW makes a difference in the lives of so many women, and is part of the reason the CT is so special.

Sincerely,
Shannon Mack

Shannon Mack
SECTWN BOD
Mansfield CT 8604601059

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To Whom It May Concern:

I would like to go on record in support of maintaining the PCSW's funding (304K) and independent status (vs. clumping it with other agencies).

It has been remarkable in its positive impact in its 40-year history. Connecticut should be proud of PCSW's cutting-edge protections of a wide array of potential/actual negative impacts on women.

Sincerely,
Kathleen P. O'Beirne
Past President

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To whom it may concern -

I feel very strongly that the funding for PCSW should remain in tact. PCSW does much to protect women's rights especially for those women who can't speak for themselves. PCSW should remain as an independent organization.

Gail Weber
Board Member

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To whom It may Concern:

Please do not eliminate PCSW funding.

We need this to remain an independent organization to protect the rights of women in CT.

Theresa Younger and her staff has done a tremendous job with women's rights. We truly need this commission to stand in CT.

I am a small business woman owned operation in CT. I am also a board member of the NETWORK

Respectfully,
Kathy Pooler
Publications Plus

Directory Chairson
SECT Women's Network

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To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing to ask you to please leave the funding for the Permanent Commission on the Status of Women in tact. I am also asking that this commission remain as a "stand alone" organization.

I am concerned that if it is rolled into DCF, etc that the important work it does will be undermined, in particular the work they do in preventing human trafficking.

Sincerely,

Phyllis Nelson
Independent Consultant
Arbonne International
Membership Chairman
SE CT Women's network

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To Whom It May Concern,

I strongly urge you to continue full funding for the Permanent Commission on the Status of Women to protect the equal rights for the Women of Connecticut.

Until such a day as all men and women are treated equally in work, health care, jobs, education and community, the PCSW must continue.

Warm Regards,

Susan M. Dombrowski

Susan M. Dombrowski
Vice President

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RE: PCSW Funding

I believe that this organization remain an independent body. Please maintain funding for this organization, which is important to protect the Rights of women in this state.

Yours Truly,

Patricia M. Rodriguez-Longo
Treasurer, SECT Women's Network

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To Whom It May Concern,

It is very important that the PCSW funding stay in tact and the the organization remain on its own to protect the women of Connecticut.

The programs it represents are extremely important and will help the women of this state the boost they will need for good health and a respectful future.

Sincerely,
Pamela Athens. Board Member
and
owner of
Bayberry Insurance,
Groton, Ct.

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To whom this may concern –

I think it is important that the PCSW remains an independant organization to protect the rights of women in Connecticut. This is important to me because my family member has benefited from this organization.

Board Member
Deb McGrath

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To whom it May Concern -

I feel it is essential that the PCSW's funding remain intact to provide the rights of women in CT.

It is rare that there is a stand-alone organization that powerfully affects equality, protection and prevention of abuse both in the workplace and that offers a route for a woman to receive the help she needs to recover her control over her life and work.

The PCSW has proven itself and now is the time to support its effectiveness.