

# Advocacy Teams

 Friends Committee  
on National Legislation



## Legislative Asks for August 2025

### Urge Congress to Call for Aid Access to Gaza

- *House Dems:* Co-sponsor [H.Res.473](#), issue public statement on GHF's failure
- *Senate Dems:* Continue public statements on GHF's failure, make 3 urgent calls
- *Republicans:* Make 3 urgent calls to the White House, State Department, and Israeli Embassy

#### *Higher Level Action (Optional)*

Write a one-page letter to your member of Congress with the asks above and gather signatures from respected community leaders—especially from faith, business, civic, education, veteran, healthcare, and cultural sectors. Send the signed letter to your nearest district office and the staffer you know best. Use it to request a meeting and invite the signers to join your lobby visit. Use this [messaging guide](#) to prepare.

Members of Congress are home in their districts and states this month for August recess. This is a big opportunity to make our voices heard. There's both troubling and encouraging news for our *Aid, Not Arms* campaign. The crisis in Gaza is desperate, and efforts to alleviate it have been woefully insufficient. Famine is imminent. Over 1,000 Palestinians have been killed trying to get aid from the Gaza Humanitarian (GHF).

But voices across the political spectrum are beginning to speak out. Rep. Marjorie Taylor Greene (GA-14) became the first Republican to call the crisis a genocide. President Trump acknowledged there is "real starvation in Gaza." 44 Democratic lawmakers sent a [letter](#) raising serious concern about the GHF and urging a surge of aid. For the first time, a majority of Senate Democrats voted to block arms to Israel.

These signs of progress are encouraging, but they are not enough. **That's why we're calling on every Advocacy Team to conduct drop by visits during August to ensure members of Congress return to Washington with our voices ringing in their ears.** We've created a special webpage with everything you need to plan and report a visit: [fcnl.org/ATRecess](https://fcnl.org/ATRecess). When you report your visit, your action will appear on a real-time map so we can track participation across the country.

We have tailored asks this month. We are asking Democrats who have co-sponsored [S.J.Res. 224](#) or [H.Res. 473](#) to speak out weekly about the failure of the GHF. For Democrats who have already spoken out, we ask them to continue doing so weekly and to make phone calls to the White House, the State Department, and the Israeli Embassy. For Republicans, we also recommend the ask of making these three calls. Here are the leave behinds for [House Democrats](#), [Senate Democrats](#), and [Republicans](#).

For the first time this year, we're seeing momentum. Let's build on it and plan a wave of drop by visits in all 50 states to take our movement to the next level.

Read more about our ask here: [fcnl.org/teamtoolkit](https://fcnl.org/teamtoolkit)