

Call-In Day Instructions: Call Your Legislator

Follow the steps and talking points below to reach out to your legislators by phone!

1. Call the Capitol Hill Switchboard: 1-844-977-2201
2. After a brief message from United to Beat Malaria, you will be connected to an operator who will ask how they can help you. You should ask to be connected to the office of your Senator. Be prepared with the names of your three Members of Congress and your zip code. The operator will connect you to that office to speak with a staff member or leave a message. You will call through the system three separate times to reach all three of your Members of Congress: two Senators and your Representative.
3. If you reach a staffer at the office, follow the script below to frame your conversation. If you get an answering machine, follow the brief voicemail script at the end of this document.

4. Deliver your talking points:

- Hi! My name is <YOUR NAME>, I represent the United to Beat Malaria campaign in your [district/state].
- I would like to share some thoughts about global health and foreign aid with the office. May I please leave my comments with you?
- United to Beat Malaria is a global grassroots campaign made up of hundreds of thousands of supporters dedicated to fighting malaria.
- Today, I'm calling to say THANK YOU for your continued bipartisan support in the fight to end malaria.
- Bipartisan support of programs like the President's Malaria Initiative (PMI) and The Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria – helps to alleviate the burden of malaria around the world.
- Malaria investments ensure all people have access to quality healthcare by building resilient local health systems, increasing health workers' capacities, and foster stable economies that improve our national and global security.

5. State the "ask" - **HOUSE & SENATE:**

- I respectfully ask for continued strong overall funding for U.S. foreign assistance, and the research and development programs in the U.S. that help make our innovations in malaria detection, treatment, and prevention possible.
 - As Congress continues negotiations for Fiscal Year 2024 in the coming months, please consider:
 - A funding increase to \$824.3 million for President's Malaria Initiative (PMI)
 - NOTE: IF ASKED:
 - This is a \$29.3 million increase
 - The President's Budget request was \$780 million
 - The FY23 enacted level was \$795 million
 - Level funding of \$2.0 billion for the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis, and Malaria
 - Robust funding for the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Division of Parasitic Diseases and Malaria, the National Institutes of Health, and the Department of Defense Walter Reed Army Institute of Research
6. Ask if the staffer requires any follow-up information. Most Congressional offices track phone calls by area code. Some may ask for your name, some may not.
7. Thank the staffer for his or her time and record your advocacy action on the form [here](#).

VOICEMAIL:

- Hi! My name is <YOUR NAME>, I am from [city/state] and I represent the United to Beat Malaria campaign in your [district/state]. Today, I'm calling to say THANK YOU for your continued bipartisan support in the fight to end malaria. As Congress continues negotiations for Fiscal Year 2024 in the coming months, please consider: A funding increase to \$824.3 million for President's Malaria

Initiative (PMI); level funding of \$2.0 billion for the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis, and Malaria; and robust funding for the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Division of Parasitic Diseases and Malaria, the National Institutes of Health, and the Department of Defense Walter Reed Army Institute of Research. Thank you for your time!