

September 4, 2018

Honorable Edmund G. Brown Jr.  
Governor, State of California  
State Capitol, First Floor  
Sacramento, CA 95814

**RE: AB 2252 (Limon) - Request for Signature**

Dear Governor Brown,

California Association of Nonprofits (CalNonprofits), a statewide policy alliance of more than 10,000 organizations, is the voice for California's nonprofit community. Through our advocacy work, we protect and enhance the ability of California's nonprofits to serve our state, the nation and the world. I am writing to express our support for AB 2252 which would create a centralized online portal within the California State Library where grant seekers can find state grant opportunities and enable nonprofits to submit state grant applications electronically.

As noted in CalNonprofits' seminal report, *Causes Count: The Economic Power of California's Nonprofit Sector*, government grants make up almost half of contributed income to nonprofits, and there are notable disparities in the geographic distribution of the revenue and assets that nonprofits receive. California currently does not have a centralized database that nonprofits can access to identify state grants they might be eligible for, making it difficult for many nonprofits to find the information they need about state funding opportunities. This disproportionately impacts underserved communities, making it harder for them to compete for and procure state funds.

CalNonprofits is pleased to sponsor AB 2252 because maximizing state grant opportunities will strengthen the partnership between nonprofits and the State in providing essential services to Californians. We urge you to sign this needed legislation.

Sincerely,



Jan Masaoka,  
CEO, California Association of Nonprofits

cc: Jennifer Fearing, Sacramento Advocate, California Association of Nonprofits  
Assemblymember Monique Limon