

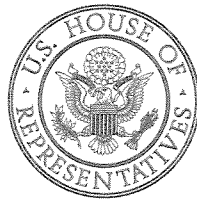
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The Honorable Henry M. Paulson, Jr.  
Secretary of the Treasury  
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1500 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW  
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Dear Secretary Paulson:

I would like to express my support for the inclusion of Service-Disabled Veterans (SDV) as "low income communities" for the New Markets Tax Credit Program. Expanding the program to allow our disabled veterans to return from war and provide them the opportunity to participate in the economic life of our country is a small gesture to reward and thank these brave and courageous men and women.

Should the CDFI Fund allocate New Market Tax Credits to Service-Disabled Veterans, it would mean a significant and needed economic boost for community development in Chattanooga. Currently, Chattanooga has an SDV attempting to access new markets tax credits for job creation through an SDV-owned call center and a telemedicine business in the Martin Luther King Jr. neighborhood.

Thank you for your consideration of this important matter. The New Markets Tax Credits Program would be a great way to help Service-Disabled Veterans access the necessary capital to start a business.

Sincerely,

  
Zach Wamp  
Member of Congress

