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**Congress of the United States**  
**House of Representatives**

May 2, 2024

Mr. Elmer Moore, Jr  
Chief Executive Officer  
Wisconsin Housing & Economic Development Authority  
908 E. Mainstreet Suite 501  
Madison, WI 53703

Dear Mr. Moore,

I am writing to express my concerns after hearing that after 60 years of service the Social Development Commission (SDC) closed its doors Friday afternoon April 26th, 2024, without clear plans of when they will reopen.

My office has been receiving calls from constituents and service providers with questions regarding, personal identifying information they dropped off for tax filing purposes and still in SDC's possession. Calls from service providers about the discontinuation of food services for childcare centers and senior centers. Questions regarding services such as energy and housing assistance and emergency services.

To better understand and respond to my constituents, I am seeking contact information for the person charged with communicating with clients about the next steps for continuation of services, program resources, and the status of their tax filings and the return of their personal identifying information. I am also seeking answers to the following:

- Who in your office can my staff reach out to with questions and information?
- What federal funding do you receive from the federal government for your various programs?
- What is the status of those federal funds now that you have closed?
- Have clients and vendors received proper notification of the agency's closing and if not, when will they be notified?

It is my understanding that the board will be meeting on Thursday May 2, 2024, to discuss plans moving forward. I would appreciate a prompt response to my questions as efforts are made to correct this situation.

SDC has a 30.5 million operating budget and provides vital services to the community. We must do everything possible to make sure the most vulnerable residents in our communities have access to the resources they need to get out of poverty. Thank you for the work you are doing to respond to this crisis. I look forward to hearing from you. Please contact my staff person, Hope DeVougas at (414) 297-1140 or by email at [Hope.DeVougas@mail.house.gov](mailto:Hope.DeVougas@mail.house.gov) with any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Gwen Moore". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "G" and "M".

Gwen Moore  
Member of Congress

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