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MEMO

To: Representative Bill Witt

From: Jerralynn Ness, Executive Director

Subject: Thank you.....

Thank you Bill for all that you have been doing to support low-income people's energy needs. I know it has been rough going and that you have been steadfast in your support. Please let me know if I can be helpful in any way. I have a copy of a channel 49 news story that aired on February 22nd regarding our energy assistance program and the need. If you would like to view it, I can send a copy down to you, just let me know.

Community Action's Community Spirit dinner will take place next Wednesday, April 25th. Attached is information on the program and our sponsor list. I hope that you and your wife are able to join us and am wondering if Wittco is considering renewing its sponsorship this year. If you are able to attend the dinner and/or renew your sponsorship, please contact Melissa at 503-693-3230 so we get you on our guest list and give appropriate recognition to your sponsorship.

On Monday, May 7th the Community Action Agencies in Oregon have organized a day at the Capitol to educate policy makers on issues of poverty and our work. At 9:00 the Governor will join us to present an award from our group to Jerry Bieberle. As you probably know, Jerry has worked as a lobbyist for Community Action Agencies in Oregon for years and continues to do so in spite of having terminal cancer. I hope that you got an invitation to this event and that if your schedule permits, that you will be able to join us. I will try and get an appointment with you that day. I would like to brief you on our work and present you with a copy of our recently revised Information and Referral Directory for Washington County.

Again, thank you for all that you're doing. I look forward to seeing you soon and wish you the best. I can be reached at 503-693-3251 or jness@caowash.org.