

## BILLS SPONSORED BY REP. CHISHOLM

Just this year alone, your Congresswoman, Shirley Chisholm, has co-sponsored bills which reach into every area of human welfare and concern.

Here's a look, by category of the bills:

- I. **CHILDREN**
  - Runaway Youth Act, facilitating return of youth safety to their families.
  - A bill to create a select committee on children to investigate social conditions adversely affecting development of children.
  - A bill to expand and strengthen the Head Start Program.
- II. **AGED**
  - A bill allowing the aged, blind, and disabled to receive assistance under Title XVI of the Social Security Act.
  - A bill to strengthen and improve the Older Americans Act.
  - The Elderly and Handicapped Americans' Transportation Services Act.
- III. **EMPLOYMENT**
  - A bill creating public service employment for the unemployed and underemployed
  - A bill to provide additional compensation to disabled veterans.
  - A bill to improve and increase unemployment compensation.
- V. **HEALTH**
  - A bill to create a National Health Security System.
  - A bill providing for the humane care, treatment, and protection of the mentally retarded.
  - A bill for increased funding of community mental health centers and disability services under the Public Health Act.
- VI. **EDUCATION**
  - A bill providing financial assistance for improved educational services for handicapped children.
  - A bill providing for equal opportunity in education throughout the nation.
- VII. **IMMIGRATION**
  - A bill to provide for bilingual proceedings in court for the Spanish-speaking
  - A bill prohibiting discrimination in voting procedures for the Spanish-speaking.
- VIII. **CONSUMER**
  - A bill to establish an Office of Consumer Affairs and a Consumer Protection Agency.
  - A bill requiring certain processed or packaged consumer products be labeled with certain information.
- IX. **MISCELLANEOUS**
  - Impoundment authorizing the House of Representatives to sue the President for release of illegally impounded funds
  - Tax Reform Bill, providing equity among taxpayers.
  - A bill to make the birthday of Martin Luther King a legal holiday
  - A bill extending full tax benefits to unmarried individuals.
  - A bill to reduce crime by requiring speedy trials in cases of persons charged with violations of federal criminal laws
  - A bill outlawing sex discrimination by the insurance business in offering full coverage for women.
  - A bill to allow tax deduction for medical care of those over 65.

### For Local Assistance Contact These Agencies:

Model Cities Office - 150 Hinsdale Street - Tel 385-4100  
 Charles Drew Neighborhood Health Center - 1531 St. Marks Avenue - Tel 498-1000  
 Provident Neighborhood Health Center - 584 Myrtle Avenue - Tel 789-2594  
 Social Security Office - 1243 Fulton Street - Tel 636-8202  
 Police Department - Tel 911 Fire Department - Tel 911

### Casework And Inquiries

As your Congresswoman I am proud to have two offices operating on a full-time basis to serve you and meet your needs.

Please feel free to call or write for assistance from either of my offices. They are there to serve YOU!

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## CHISHOLM FIGHTS FOR MINIMUM WAGE

Shirley Chisholm, champion of the poor and one of the most outspoken members of Congress has carried home another victory for the people. Working long hours in her Washington office, she provided much of the leadership in the recent fight for passage of an historic Minimum Wage Bill. The bill provides for a basic guaranteed minimum wage of \$2.20. This is the most that has ever been assured by law.

A most significant part of the bill was the provision that covers domestic workers — maids and housekeepers — in America. This provision is commonly known as the "Chisholm Provision" as she led the struggle and fight to have domestic workers included in the law for the first time in history.

A member of the important House Education and Labor Committee, Mrs. Chisholm forged a rare alliance of minority groups, poverty groups, women's groups and labor organizations in a massive effort to get the bill passed. This bill will serve as a milestone in the American labor movement, as well as in the struggle of the poor in this nation.

Speaking on the bill in the House Chamber, Mrs. Chisholm said, "My own mother was a domestic, so I speak from personal experience when I tell you of the heavy burden household workers carry and the unfair wage that they have received".

## CHISHOLM FIGHTS TO SAVE O.E.O.

Your Congresswoman, Shirley Chisholm, has helped to lead the fight to save the Office of Economic Opportunity. As a member of the House Subcommittee on Equal Opportunities she has participated in hearings held across the country to gather public testimony in support of the war on poverty. In debate on the floor of the House of Representatives, Mrs. Chisholm said, "We fully realize that there are grievances within this total program, but I do not believe that we should take a position of having to gradually whittle away the program that has brought some kind of hope to the lives of many, many people in this country".

Mrs. Chisholm sponsored a bill in Congress which would save O.E.O. and provide it with the necessary funding for poverty programs throughout the country. Meanwhile she continues to fight for increased funding of community programs in Brooklyn. Not only does she feel that continuance of the War on Poverty is vital, but she persists in efforts to insure adequate funding of those presently existing as well as the creation of new ones.

To a district like Mrs. Chisholm's, federal government assistance is essential. "Fighting Shirley" continues to work for maximum governmental aid in an effort to better serve her constituents.

## CHISHOLM WORKS FOR SENIOR CITIZENS

Congresswoman Shirley Chisholm has joined in an effort to secure federal government assistance for the elderly, both in her district and in the nation. Sponsoring the Older Americans Act, which last year was vetoed by the President, Mrs. Chisholm has again taken leadership in calling for adequate care for and responsiveness to the elderly.

In a speech on the House floor, Mrs. Chisholm stated, "The predicament of the elderly in our nation must be dramatically brought to the attention of all citizens. It is now apparent that the elderly must be added to the list of groups abandoned by the Nixon Administration. My judgment is based on what I have seen the President do, not on what I have heard him say. The proposed increases in Medi-Care cost-sharing, the suggested new restrictions on social services, and the threatened veto of the Older Americans Act, are all indicative of the present Administration's disregard for the needs of our senior citizens".

Mrs. Chisholm has always placed the needs of the elderly and the retired, high on her list of priorities while serving you in Congress.

## Grants to Our District

1. **\$11,500,000** for the Bedford-Stuyvesant Restoration and D & S Corporations in Bed-Stuy
2. **\$2,173,781** for the Addiction Services Agency in New York from the Office of Economic Opportunity.
3. **\$2,100,000** for the Charles Drew Neighborhood Health Center in Brooklyn from Health Services and Mental Health Administration.
4. **\$1,000,000** for the Neighborhood Facilities Grant Program in the Bushwick area. The Center will bring a variety of community services, including day care, consumer affairs, welfare advocacy, drug abuse, youth leadership and senior citizen programs.
5. **\$863,700** for the Neighborhood Health Center of Provident Clinical Society, Inc. in Brooklyn from the Health Services and Mental Health Administration.
6. **\$151,735** for the Jackie Robinson Construction Corporation for services in the Brooklyn area. Grant given by the U.S. Office of Education.
7. **\$100,000** for the operation of a Neighborhood Government office in Crown Heights from the Department of Health Education and Welfare.
8. **\$100,000** for the New York City Community College to operate special services programs in the Brooklyn area. Grant given by the Department of Health, Education and Welfare.
9. **\$80,000** for the Research Foundation of the Medgar Evers College in Brooklyn. This grant will enable the college to administer special programs for disadvantaged students.
10. **\$70,000** for Brooklyn College to administer special services and training for disadvantaged students.
11. **\$65,000** for the Jewish Orthodox Youth, Inc. to administer special programs for disadvantaged students. Grant from the Department of Health, Education and Welfare.
12. **\$27,000** for the Association of Latin American Studies Teacher, Inc., in Brooklyn, for the training of teachers in Latin American History and Latin contributions to American culture.
13. **\$20,000** for the Brooklyn Museum from the National Endowment for the Humanities for support of African art exhibits.

## SHIRLEY GOES TO THE PEOPLE



Congresswoman Chisholm holding a press conference with some of her colleagues in the Congressional Black Caucus.



Rep. Chisholm huddles with Rep. Parren Mitchell (D-Md.) I., Roy Wilkins and Rep. Spark Matsunaga (D-Hawaii) at Minorities Conference.



The Congresswoman discusses legislative strategy with her assistant, Thaddeus Garrett on Capitol Hill.



Coming home every week to her district, Congresswoman Chisholm greets constituents at a local Brooklyn affair.



In her Washington office, the Congresswoman discusses legislation with a handicapped group.



Pausing for a light moment, Mrs. Chisholm shares laughs with her Washington staff.

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